

Agenda and Business Paper

Ordinary Meeting of Council

To be held on **Monday 29 January 2024** at 6.00pm





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Peter Thompson General Manager

WAGGA WAGGA CITY COUNCILLORS



Councillor Dallas Tout (Mayor)

Councillor Dallas Tout was elected to Council in 2012 and was elected Mayor in 2022.



Councillor Amelia Parkins (Deputy Mayor)

Councillor Amelia Parkins was elected to Council in 2021 and was elected Deputy Mayor in 2023.



Councillor Georgie Davies

Councillor Georgie Davies was elected to Council in 2021.



Councillor Richard Foley

Councillor Richard Foley was elected to Council in 2021.



Councillor Michael Henderson

Councillor Michael Henderson was elected to Council in 2021.



Councillor Rod Kendall

Councillor Rod Kendall was elected to Council in 2004 and was elected Mayor in 2012 – 2015.



Councillor Tim Koschel

Councillor Tim Koschel was elected to Council in 2016.



Councillor Jenny McKinnon

Councillor Jenny McKinnon was elected to Council in 2021 and was elected Deputy Mayor in 2022 – 2023.

STATEMENT OF ETHICAL OBLIGATIONS

Councillors are reminded of their Oath or Affirmation of Office made under Section 233A of the Local Government Act 1993 and their obligation under Council's Code of Conduct to disclose and appropriately manage Conflicts of Interest.

QUORUM

The quorum for a meeting of the Council is a majority of the Councillors of the Council who hold office for the time being who are eligible to vote at the meeting.

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL AGENDA AND BUSINESS PAPER

MONDAY 29 JANUARY 2024

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WELCOME TO COUNTRY

Aunty Gail Manderson will perform the Welcome to Country.

REFLECTION

Councillors, let us in silence reflect upon our responsibilities to the community which we represent, and to all future generations and faithfully, and impartially, carry out the functions, powers, authorities and discretions vested in us, to the best of our skill and judgement.

APOLOGIES

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

CM-1 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING - 11 DECEMBER 2024

Recommendation

That the Minutes of the proceedings of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 11 December 2024 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

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DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

MOTIONS OF WHICH DUE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

NOM-1 NOTICE OF MOTION - ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE TRIAL FOR

PROCESSING DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS & TOWN PLANNING

Author: Councillor Richard Foley

Summary: Notice of Motion by Councillor Richard Foley calling for Council to

join the Artificial Intelligence (AI) in NSW Planning pilot project to support councils in faster decision-making, compliance checking, and to create workflow efficiencies in the development

assessment process.

Recommendation

That Council writes to the New South Wales Minister for Planning and Public Spaces The Hon. Paul Scully MP expressing Council's interest in participating in the upcoming proposed Artificial Intelligence in NSW Planning pilot project for planning matters.

Report

Artificial Intelligence is evolving fast and its use in processing development applications and town planning is self-evident today in municipal Councils planning divisions in several jurisdictions worldwide including the Australian State of Victoria where some councils have greatly improved efficiencies and decision making regarding development applications (DA's).

In the ever-evolving landscape of urban development and town planning, Artificial Intelligence (AI) emerges as a transformative force, offering a myriad of benefits that reshape the efficiency and effectiveness of development application processes. As cities expand and populations grow, the integration of AI proves instrumental in overcoming challenges and fostering sustainable urban development.

Council is not unlike most other councils across NSW all of which are besieged with huge backlogs and delays regarding DA's and planning matters in general due to many factors. It's time we looked to technology to assist our town planners in getting greater efficiencies and make their jobs easier which in turn progresses the positive growth potential of this city.

Below are just some of the benefits of using AI for processing DA's and other planning matters:

1. Efficiency in Data Processing:

All excels in processing vast amounts of data with speed and precision. When applied to development applications, this capability streamlines the traditionally labour-intensive task of reviewing documents and extracting relevant information. Councils and planning authorities can now handle larger volumes of applications with reduced manual effort, significantly expediting the decision-making process using AI.

2. Pattern Recognition and Predictive Analysis:

Al's ability to recognise patterns and analyse historical data provides invaluable insights for town planning. By identifying common trends and potential challenges, Al

empowers decision-makers to proactively address issues, optimise planning strategies, and enhance the overall resilience of urban development initiatives. Predictive analytics contribute to smarter, future-oriented planning, anticipating the needs of growing communities.

3. Transparent Decision-Making:

One of the key benefits of AI in development applications is the enhancement of transparency. AI systems, when integrated into the decision-making process, provide clear, objective criteria for approvals or rejections. This transparency not only fosters trust within the community but also allows stakeholders to understand and engage with the rationale behind planning decisions.

4. Resource Optimisation and Cost Reduction:

Automating routine tasks through AI enables local councils and planning authorities to allocate human resources more strategically. By reducing the burden of manual data entry and paperwork, staff can focus on higher-level tasks that require critical thinking and creative problem-solving. This optimised resource allocation results in cost savings and maximises the impact of human expertise.

5. Adaptability and Continuous Improvement:

Al systems are not static; they learn and adapt over time. When applied to town planning, this adaptability ensures that Al remains current with evolving regulations, community preferences, and best practices. The continuous learning process enhances the system's accuracy and relevance, providing a dynamic tool for urban development professionals.

6. Enhanced Community Engagement:

Al facilitates better communication between planning authorities and the community. Real-time updates, clear explanations of decisions, and interactive platforms powered by Al contribute to increased public engagement. This inclusivity fosters a collaborative environment, where citizens feel informed and involved in the development of their neighbourhoods.

In conclusion, the integration of AI in development applications and town planning brings about a paradigm shift in how cities manage growth and change. The benefits extend beyond efficiency gains, touching upon transparency, adaptability, and community engagement. As municipalities worldwide embrace AI technologies, they pave the way for more resilient, sustainable, and people-centric urban landscapes.

The future of town planning is, indeed, intelligent and therefore on this basis it is selfevident that Council should partake in the proposed AI pilot program as one of NSW biggest regional councils to be participant in trailing AI to find pathways to gaining faster decision making, better compliance outcomes and much faster efficiencies regarding DA's.

Financial Implications

N/A

Policy and Legislation

Code of Conduct 2022 Code of Meeting Practice 2022

Link to Strategic Plan

Community leadership and collaboration

Objective: Wagga Wagga has strong community leadership and a shared vision for the future

Our leaders represent our community

Risk Management Issues for Council

N/A

Internal / External Consultation

N/A

COUNCILLOR REPORT

CR-1 LGNSW CONFERENCE DELEGATE REPORT - 12-14 NOVEMBER

2023

Author: The Mayor, Councillor Dallas Tout

Deputy Mayor, Councillor Amelia Parkins

Councillor Richard Foley Councillor Jenny McKinnon

Recommendation

That Council receive and note the report.

Report

The 2023 LGNSW Annual Conference was held in Parramatta from Sunday, 12 November to Tuesday, 14 November 2023. The conference also gives the opportunity for delegates to meet with and discuss all things local government across the state.

The business of the conference ran from Monday morning to late Tuesday afternoon. As with prior years much of the Monday was set aside for discussion and voting on the 130 motions that had been submitted to conference to consider. The 2 day involved varying speakers and panel discussions.

Attached to this report is the document outlining in detail the 130 motions that were carried and became resolutions of conference. These resolutions will then be reviewed by the incoming board of LGNSW as they then form the policy and advocacy basis of the association for the upcoming year.

Motion 75 submitted by Wagga Wagga City Council was passed unanimously with a slight amendment. The wording of the formal resolution is "That Local Government NSW advocates to the NSW Government for the immediate establishment of a supervisory body to oversee the decisions of TransGrid, and that the supervisory body be an advisory body to the Minister".

The Minister for Local Government Ron Hoenig MP addressed the conference representing the Premier of NSW, Chris Minns MP. Pertinent points made by the Minister included:

- The Minister is of the opinion that local government in NSW is hamstrung by a variety of legal requirements that are in place.
- Confirmation that the removal of rate pegging is not on the agenda and the process of applying for special rate variations above the rate peg will continue.
- The government has been working with IPART as the independent body which sets the determinations to have more timely and realistic methodology behind the annual determination of the rate peg amounts, he indicated that this may also include the costs of ESL funding.
- A comment was made by the Minister that the use of the Code of Conduct process had been weaponised. No follow comment was forthcoming.

 Regarding the Red Fleet and recording of assets on local government books the Minister stated that local government should follow the advice of the Auditor General

During conference the President released a media statement in relation to the new methodology released by IPART. The Chair of IPART was a member of one of the discussion panels in regard to financial sustainability on Day 2 of the conference.

The wording of the release from the LGNSW President is copied below:

NSW councils have welcomed IPART's changes to the rate peg methodology as a victory for common sense, which should help ease the pressures currently pushing councils to the financial wall.

Local Government NSW (LGNSW) said IPART was to be congratulated for listening to the genuine concerns of the local government sector.

"The new rate peg methodology is simpler than the old method and will result in rate pegs that more accurately reflect the very real impact that the changing cost of service provision has on councils," President Cr Darriea Turley AM said.

"It's a really positive outcome after an enormous amount of work and advocacy, not only by LGNSW but by individual councils who helped the IPART recognise the challenges they face."

Cr Turley said the changes to the methodology announced by IPART included:

- Forward-looking rather than retrospective indicators, to help keep pace with costs
- A base rate calculation that recognised the different financial challenges faced by different kinds of councils, from large metropolitan to small rural councils
- Three further components which have a specific budgetary impact on councils, including employee costs, asset costs and other operating costs
- ESL adjustment components factored into the rate peg calculations.

"IPART has accepted the need for major change in the way the Emergency Services Levy was applied to councils," Cr Turley said.

"It's a clear recognition that the discontinuation of the State Government's ESL subsidy has smashed council budgets, and that the continued payment of this levy by councils has a major impact on their financial sustainability".

The conference structure will continue to be revised to ensure a balance between discussion of motions but also sufficient time for panels and speakers.

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N/A

Policy and Legislation

N/A

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Risk Management Issues for Council

N/A

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N/A

Attachments

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LGNSW 2023 Conference - Resolutions

LGNSW Annual Conference 2023 Resolutions

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Association business

1LGNSW Board - Standing Orders

That the Standing Orders as set out in the preceding pages be adopted.

2 LGNSW Board - Fundamental Principles

That the LGNSW Annual Conference:

- Endorses the LGNSW Board exercising its functions and determining advocacy activities and
 priorities giving consideration to all applicable legislative requirements, the LGNSW Rules, the
 Objects of LGNSW as set out in the Rules, resolutions of LGNSW Conferences, the LGNSW
 budgetary process and the LGNSW Fundamental Principles.
- 2. Endorses the LGNSW Fundamental Principles, as set out below:

Economic

- A. Local government must have control of its revenue raising and investment decisions and be fairly funded by the Commonwealth and State/NSW Governments to meet its infrastructure and service responsibilities.
- B. Local government promotes local and regional economic development and employment growth.

Infrastructure

C. Local government is best placed to plan for, deliver and manage essential local infrastructure. *Planning*

- Local government is best placed to lead and influence local and regional planning processes according to the needs and expectations of local communities
- E. Our communities' quality of life is a priority of local government planning.

Environment

- F. Local government actions reflect Ecologically Sustainable Development. ESD requires the effective integration of economic, environmental and social considerations in decision making processes and is based on the following principles:
 - Intergenerational equity today's actions maintain or enhance the environment for future generations
 - Precautionary principle prevent environmental degradation and manage and mitigate
 risk
 - Conservation of biological diversity and ecological integrity
 - Improved valuation and pricing of environmental resources recognising the value of the environment to the community
 - Commit to the principles of the circular economy and minimise the consumption of finite natural resources.

Social and Community

- G. Local government is committed to the principles of:
 - Equity fair distribution of resources
 - Rights equality for all people
 - Access to services essential to quality of life
 - Participation of all people in their community
 - Recognition of the unique place of Aboriginal people in NSW and the right of Aboriginal people to be involved in all decisions affecting Aboriginal communities
 - Health and Safety for all in the community.

Governance

H. Local government must be constitutionally recognised and respected as an equal sphere of government.

- I. Local government is democratically elected to shape, serve and support communities.
- J. Local government is committed to the principles of good governance.

Accountability

- K. Local government is responsible and accountable to the citizens and the communities it represents, through consultative processes, legislative accountabilities, efficient delivery of services and effective customer service.
- L. Local government is recognised as a responsible and place-based employer.
- M. Local government reduces and mitigates the risk of climate change for the communities we serve.

Financial sustainability

3 Strathfield Council - Impact of cost shifting by state government on local government finances

That Local Government NSW lobbies the State Government to address the negative impacts of its cost shifting activities on local government finances through the following actions:

- 1. Engaging in direct communication with Local Government officials and bodies to discuss concerns about the consequences of cost shifting on local communities.
- Engage in constructive dialogue with local councils to explore sustainable solutions that
 ensure adequate funding is available to support Local Government services and programs
 that are State mandated.
- Commit to fully funding the programs and services that State Government mandates Local Councils to administer. This involves providing sufficient financial and technical resources to cover the costs associated with these responsibilities.
- 4. Implementing a requirement for State Governments to conduct a comprehensive fiscal impact assessment before transferring any new responsibilities, implementing statutory fees and charges, or increasing statutory payment burden (such as the ESL) on Local Councils. This review should include a thorough cost analysis to ensure that Local Councils receive the necessary funding or are able to raise the appropriate revenue to cover the expenses related to these statutory responsibilities. Transparency in these cost calculations and funding allocation is crucial.
- 5. Establish transparent mechanisms for revenue sharing between State and Local Governments. This should involve allocating a certain percentage of State revenue (separate from and in addition to capital grants) to Local Councils to help cover the costs of transferred responsibilities.
- 6. Create an independent body or utilise existing bodies such as IPART for reviewing potential unfunded mandates (responsibilities without adequate funding) before they are imposed on Local Councils. This body can assess the financial impact and recommend appropriate funding levels.
- 7. Involve Local Councils in the decision-making process when considering changes in responsibilities or funding allocations. Collaboration ensures that the needs and challenges of local communities are taken into account.

This issue was also raised by Waverley Council.

4 Junee Shire Council - Removal of sect. 119 of the Rural Fires Act 1997

That Local Government NSW:

- Notes the ongoing objections regarding the previous NSW Government's determination on ownership of Rural Fire Service assets;
- Acknowledges the impact of the Government's position on council finances of this accounting treatment;

- 3. Calls on the newly elected NSW Government to take immediate action to permanently clear up inequities and inconsistencies around the accounting treatment of Rural Fire Service (RFS) assets by acknowledging that rural firefighting equipment is vested in, under the control of and the property of the RFS;
- 4. Calls on the NSW Government to amend s119 of the Rural Fires Act 1997 (and any other relevant legislation and regulation) so that the effect is to make it clear that RFS assets are not the property of councils; and
- 5. Continues advocating on behalf to affected councils to get clarification from the State Government about the accounting treatment of RFS assets.

This issue was also raised by City of Newcastle, Greater Hume Shire councils.

5 Cabonne Council - Rural fire services - repair and maintenance of fleet

That Local Government NSW lobbies the NSW Government to provide funding for the Rural Fire Service annual repairs and maintenance budget for firefighting fleet, including annual indexation based on the Consumer Price Index.

This issue was also raised by Lithgow City, Blayney Shire councils.

6 Cabonne Council - Stronger Country Communities Fund

That Local Government NSW lobbies the NSW Government to:

- Recognise the positive impact the Stronger Country Communities Fund has had on rural and regional communities across NSW by providing new and upgraded community infrastructure and programs.
- 2. Prioritise continued commitment of at least \$160 million, each year, towards the Stronger Country Communities.

7 Cabonne Council - Resources for Regions

That Local Government NSW:

- Recognises that the Resources for Regions program supports the ongoing liveability of mining communities.
- supports incorporating into the NSW Regional Development Trust Fund a dedicated amount for mining councils based on mining activity, no cost benefit ratio, and no co-contribution, to support community programs.

8 Lake Macquarie City Council - Certainty and visibility of FA Grants

That Local Government NSW advocates to the Federal Government to address the scheduling of the payment of Financial Assistance Grants and maintain that schedule.

9 Tweed Shire Council - Local government grants agency

That Local Government NSW writes to the NSW Premier and the NSW Minister for Local Government requesting the establishment of a NSW Local Government Grants Agency to coordinate all the state and federal grants programs through one central agency. This would provide a single point of contact for councils and establish consistent grant application, reporting and acquittal arrangements.

10 Upper Lachlan Shire Council - One off funding for distressed projects

That Local Government NSW advocates on behalf Local Government to the Federal Government and NSW Government to create a one off rescue grant funding round for councils who have

unfinished critical community infrastructure projects due to the collapse of building construction companies.

11 Walcha Council - Impose a rate category on unrateable land

That Local Government NSW lobbies calls on the State NSW Government to impose change legislation to allow the rating of a Rate Category on National Parks and Fforestry Corporation and other currently unrateable government land.

This issue was also raised by Bega Valley Shire Council.

12 Lane Cove Council - Build to rent developments - council rating implications

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW State Government to urgently review the applicability of current rating legislation as it relates to 'Build to Rent' developments in NSW, with a view to ensuring Council rates can be levied on those developments in the same way Council rates are levied on residential apartment developments that have a registered strata plan.

13 Blacktown City Council - Including developer contributions in local government loan servicebility That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to amend the guidelines for NSW Treasury to include developer contributions in local government loan serviceability, and amend "fit for the future" KPIs accordingly.

14 Albury City Council - Statutory fees and charges amendments completed by April each year

That Local Government NSW seeks the State Government to provide amendments to all Statutory Fees and Charges in April each year, allowing those amendments to be included in the advertised draft Operational Plans and Delivery Programs, including the Fees and Charges Schedule, of Councils.

Elections

15 Albury City Council - Requirement for candidate/councillor address on electoral material

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Electoral Commission (NSWEC) to review the requirements for candidates standing for election to include their personal address on electoral material as their only valid contact option, in an endeavour to assist with ensuring the safety of candidates and ultimately Councillors.

17 City of Canterbury-Bankstown Council - Election countback

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to eliminate the 18-month time limit on replacing a councillor casual vacancy by election countback.

18 City of Newcastle - Determination of number of councillors

That Local Government NSW:

- 1. Acknowledges the many well documented financial and legislative impediments currently facing the local government sector across NSW.
- 2. Notes that the process of a constitutional referendum for determining the number of councillors to be elected during a term of office in a local government area is outdated and unfairly places a considerable financial impost on councils. Central Coast Council incurred a cost of \$1.775 million to hold its 2021 referendum.
- 3. Notes the urgent need for genuine reform of the administration and financial modelling of local government following decades of state government cost-shifting, under resourcing, rate-

- capping, asset and services transfers, forced amalgamations, transfer of decision-making powers from elected councillors to the administration, and removal of planning powers, to name a few significant issues.
- 4. Notes that the Act is now 30 years old, and in need of review. Calls on the State Government to provide genuine reform of local government through full collaborative review of the *Local Government Act 1993*, in consultation with LGNSW, the USU and the local government sector, including progressive reforms such as the QLD local government model.
- 5. Acknowledges the instrumental role played by metropolitan, regional, and rural councils in servicing our communities, whether it be strategic or land-use planning, managing community assets, open spaces, our state's local and regional road network, implementing environmental initiatives, looking after our libraries or processing our waste. The needs of each community are different and not currently reflected in the Act, in terms of both governance and funding.
- 6. Supports changes to the Act that redress the imbalance created in 1993 by restoring functions to elected officials in metropolitan, regional, and rural contexts.

19 Forbes Shire Council - Disqualification of real estate agents from holding civic office

That Local Government NSW does not support a position disqualifying real estate agents and stock and station agents from holding civic office on rural councils.

Governance

23 Bega Valley Shire Council - Councillor misconduct review

That Local Government NSW formally requests the NSW Government to undertake comprehensive reform of the existing Code of Conduct complaint system with specific regard to:

- Code of Conduct complaints about councillors to be lodged directly with an independent tribunal to centralise the code of conduct complaint system, increasing efficiency, transparency and fairness.
- An independent tribunal be created to assume full responsibility for the entire process of triaging complaints and managing or undertaking preliminary assessment and full investigation, to resolve complaints.
- That the Commissioner be required to maintain a central register of councillor conduct complaints and their management, and that a copy of all investigation reports are published for transparency, on the Commissioner's website.

25 Camden Council - Councillor participation on audit, risk and improvement committees

That Local Government NSW lobbies the NSW Government to:

- 1. Reinstate councillors as voting members on council Audit, Risk and Improvement Committees, provided independent members remain the majority; and
- 2. Allow councillors who are not members of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee to attend Committee meetings as observers.

This issue was also raised by Lithgow City Council.

26 Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council - Review of Local Government Act 1993

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to initiate a review of the *Local Government Act 1993* with a view to ensuring that the Act remains appropriate in its provision of a governance framework for NSW local government.

27 City of Canterbury-Bankstown Council - Performance indicators for councils

That Local Government NSW lobbies the Minister for Local Government to bolster resources for the Office of Local Government (OLG) to progress work on the development of a Performance Measurement Framework, and associated performance indicators, that can be used by councils and the NSW Government in sector-wide performance reporting, as per the NSW Audit Office's recommendation.

28 Lake Macquarie City Council - Ethical and responsible use of Al in local government That Local Government NSW:

- a. Affirms the importance of artificial intelligence (AI) technologies in the local government sector to enhance service delivery, resource allocation and decision-making processes;
- Recognises the need to prioritise ethical considerations and responsible use of Al systems to
 protect the privacy and other rights of the community and ensure fairness, transparency, and
 accountability; and
- c. Calls on the NSW Government to establish guidelines and/or policies that promote the ethical and responsible use of AI in the local government sector.

29 Lake Macquarie City Council - Liability of councillors

That Local Government NSW works with the Office of Local Government and NSW Parliamentary Counsel to review current and proposed NSW Government legislation to ensure it does not imply liability on Councillors for operational matters over which they have no control.

Workforce and skills

31 Bega Valley Shire Council - Skills for visas in regional communities

That Local Government NSW advocates to the Department of Home Affairs (Federal) and Investment NSW to utilise the Regional Development Australia Skills Audits to better inform the skilled occupation list, with each region able to have a regionally specific skills list tailored to identified regional needs. This will ensure a more efficient matching of migrants and skills and will help to retain migrant skills within the regions.

32 Randwick City Council - Support for early childhood education in the local government sector That Local Government NSW commits to supporting councils to recruit and retain early childhood educators by:

- 1. Calling on the NSW State Government to:
 - increase support for public early childhood education services, including extending the paid placement funding offered to ECT students to Diploma and Certificate III students, and:
 - b. support councils to expand high quality early childhood education and care through long daycare, out of hours care, pre-school, and occasional care.
- 2. Bargaining with the United Services Union and its members in good faith to achieve an increase to wages for early childhood educators above inflation, as well as leave provisions and hazard pay that reflect the risk of infection associated with work in early childhood education.

This issue was also raised by City of Sydney, Inner West councils.

Waste

35 Blacktown City Council - Bans or tariffs to manage non-recyclable and composite plastics

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to work with the Australian Government to expedite a ban or provide a tariff on non-recyclable and composite plastics that cannot be recycled in Australia.

36 Blacktown City Council - Risks and costs of local government FOGO mandate

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to ensure the food organics garden organics (F0G0) mandate is achievable, and doesn't expose local councils to unnecessary risk and cost by:

- 1. Extending the roll-out of mandated FOGO services to multi-unit households until 2035
- 2. Ensuring minimum and maximum collection frequencies are not mandated for domestic waste collection
- 3. Ceasing to promote that current FOGO services are achieving a 2.6% contamination rate
- 4. Offsetting the full costs of implementation of the mandated FOGO services using additional funds from the section 88 Waste Llevy revenue.

This issue was also raised by Western Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils.

37 Wollongong City Council - Chemicals in food packaging

That Local Government NSW lobbies the NSW Government to address PFAS and other chemicals being used in compostable packaging and ensure that there are adequate standards enforced on compostable packaging so it can be processed in municipal FOGO collection schemes.

38 Wollongong City Council - Right to repair

That Local Government NSW:

- Lobbies the Australian Government to act on the Productivity Commission Right to Repair report recommendations, and
- Writes to the NSW Minister for Environment and Minister for Fair Trading requesting that the Right to Repair be included in forthcoming circular economy policy reform.

Housing

39 LGNSW Board - Addressing the housing crisis across NSW

- That Local Government NSW calls for urgent action to address the housing crisis by advocating to the NSW Government to:
 - a. Undertake and publish an audit of all public, social and affordable housing assets in NSW, as well as government land that could be used for this purpose,
 - Make significant investments in public, social and affordable housing right across NSW, as well as the enabling infrastructure required to support it,
 - c. Instil high levels of liveability and climate sensitive design standards into all new government delivered housing,
 - d. Ensure that any public and affordable housing reforms:
 - results only in developments that maintain this housing in perpetuity, not for only 15
 years. This can also be delivered by alternatives to SEPPs such as a state-wide
 inclusionary zoning measures or the expansion of the recently introduced Housing and
 Productivity Contribution to include affordable housing as a better way to increase
 affordable housing in NSW,

- ii. are developed in consultation with local government to ensure the reforms consider local amenity and character and align with, rather than override, local planning rules and housing strategies,
- iii. occur within a strategic, precinct-based framework which is supported by effective infrastructure planning rather than site-by-site (ad hoc) approaches,
- iv. reconsider whether growth areas and precincts that have been through detailed planning investigations, rezoning and infrastructure assessment in the last 10 years have the capacity to accommodate the proposed further 30% development uplift beyond the controls already in place,
- v. maintain or increase council involvement and delegation in approval processes.
- vi. recognise the role of council owned, not-for-profit community housing provider managed, affordable housing stock in catering to local needs.
- Establish an agency to oversee a collaborative approach between the NSW Government, councils, Community Housing Industry Association (CHIA), and community housing providers, and ensure that social and affordable housing is managed by the NSW Government or a not-for-profit community housing provider,
- Review standards for manufactured homes, caravans and crisis housing to ensure they are fit for purpose,
- g. Introduce measures to address land banking associated with residential land,
- Make grant funding available to councils to support strategic planning to identify land that could be rezoned to enable more housing, as well as the infrastructure needed to support it.
- Prioritise the foreshadowed review of the regulation of short-term rental accommodation to ensure local government has the ability to respond flexibly to balance housing and the local visitor economy.
- LGNSW reiterates that expanded State Significant Development pathways for developments
 utilising Housing SEPP provisions bypass normal planning controls and will have impacts for
 local communities.

This issue was also raised by Shoalhaven City, City of Newcastle, City of Parramatta, City of Sydney, Kempsey Shire, Greater Hume Shire, Leeton Shire, Murray River, Narrabri Shire, Bega Valley Shire, The Hills Shire councils.

40 North Sydney Council - Affordable housing and planning

That Local Government NSW lobbies the State Government to implement mandatory inclusionary zoning to provide for a minimum percentage of social and affordable housing for any new housing projects, for the life of the building/project.

41 City of Newcastle - Adoption of livable housing design to improve adaptability and access That Local Government NSW calls upon the NSW Government to:

- Adopt the Livable Housing Design Standards (silver level) introduced into the National Construction Code in 2022, joining all states and territories (except WA) who have already adopted the new minimum standards.
- Amend the 2023 NSW Land and Housing Corporation Design Requirements so that the Platinum Level Livable Housing Design Guidelines are mandatory for all new social housing. This includes all public housing, community housing and housing owned or managed by the Aboriginal Housing Office.
- 3. Amend planning instruments and laws to mandate that all new build community housing and affordable housing, where the property owner benefits from any form of financial assistance or other benefit (such as height/FSR exemptions) provided directly or indirectly by the Federal

government, NSW government or a local council, must incorporate the Platinum Level Livable Housing Guidelines.

- 4. Include in the 2023-24 Action Plan for the NSW Housing Strategy Housing 2041:
 - Targets to ensure that the implementation of the Platinum Level Livable Housing Guidelines in new public, social and community housing, as well as affordable housing, occurs at the same time as the rollout of state and Commonwealth funding;
 - Support for local government in undertaking reviews of their DCP and introducing Platinum Level Livable Housing Design Guidelines;
 - c. Promotion of government leadership in mandating the Platinum Level Livable Housing Guidelines in public, social, community and affordable housing;
 - d. Development of a communication strategy which will explain the benefits of improved housing accessibility to the community and industry.

And that Local Government NSW writes to the Minister for Housing Rose Jackson MLC and the Minister for Planning Paul Scully MP, within 28 days.

This issue was also raised by Cowra, Randwick City councils.

42 City of Sydney - Short term rental accommodation

That Local Government NSW:

- 1. Commissions a study to report on the impact that short-term rental accommodation is haing on rental affordability and availability and tourist accommodation in NSW.
- 2. Advocates for local Councils to be given stronger powers to cap the number of days per year that a property can be used for non-hosted short term rental accommodation.
- Ensure local government has the ability to respond flexibily to balance housing and the local visitor economy.

43 Waverley Council - Unaffordable rents and rent increases

That Local Government NSW steps up concerted advocacy efforts with decision-makers, government agencies, the newly established office of Rental Commissioner and the broader community to support urgently needed rental reforms, intervention and innovation across the housing system, to effectively address escalating rents and the lack of renters' rights through measures that ensure rents do not increase faster than inflation and wages, and that promote longer and more secure tenure.

This issue was also raised by Bega Valley Shire Council.

Community

44 Bega Valley Shire Council - Funding model for arts and cultural facilities

That Local Government NSW advocates to the NSW Government to investigate a model of funding for council-run art galleries, performing arts facilities and museums that is similar to the NSW Library Annual Funding and Subsidy Adjustment Calculation.

45 Blue Mountains City Council - Support for the NSW Public Libraries Association's "Birth to Five - Read and Thrive" campaign

That Councils at the LGNSW Annual Conference support the NSW Public Libraries Association's "Birth to Five - Read and Thrive" campaign, which calls on the State Government to work with

NSWPLA and councils to develop a state-wide early childhood literacy framework to be delivered in council-run public libraries across NSW.

46 City of Newcastle - NSW carer's strategy action plan

That Local Government NSW recognises the valuable social and economic contribution that carers make to the community, acknowledges the diverse needs of carers and calls upon the NSW Government to:

- 1. Review the NSW Carers (Recognition) Act upon the conclusion of the parliamentary inquiry into the Commonwealth Carers (Recognition) Act.
- 2. Work with LGNSW to improve local government commitment to carers by:
 - a. Educating councils about their obligations under the NSW Carers (Recognition) Act.
 - b. Funding inclusion, equity and diversity initiatives in councils to better support working carers in the provision of flexible work arrangements, executive champions, employee carer networks and information about leave provisions and external resources.
 - c. Assisting councils to develop data about employees who identify as carers.
 - d. Developing evidence-based actions and measurable outcomes in the next Carer Strategy Action Plan.
- 3. Work with their federal, state and territory counterparts on a new National Carers Strategy which identifies priorities and actions and mandates measurable outcomes and support the creation of a National Carer Advisory Council.

47 Cowra Council - NSW mobility parking scheme

That Local Government NSW:

- 1. Consults with scheme users around changing the language.
- Writes to the NSW Government requesting consideration of changing the language within the published material associated with the NSW Accessibility Parking Scheme to remove the word "disability".

48 City of Sydney - Local council outreach services for seasonal workers

That Local Government NSW writes to the Hon Tony Burke Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations asking the Commonwealth Government to:

- Work with approved employers to provide relevant Councils with information about the number of Seasonal Workers expected and their countries of origin so Councils can understand their cultural needs, prepare the community for their arrival and consider and plan for their needs as part of their Local Emergency Management Plans;
- Increase the frequency of check-ins by the Australian Government particularly to ensure living conditions meet the requirements outlined in the PALM Scheme Approved Employer Guidelines; and
- 3. Provide direct funding to Councils to establish dedicated local service hubs to provide Seasonal Workers with targeted programs, including by:
 - a. developing pathways and support outreach programs that connect Seasonal Workers to
 organisations that centre on the needs of migrants to assist Seasonal Workers to access
 culturally sensitive assistance to access relevant information, health and mental health;
 - culturally appropriate and non-biased Pastoral care through Australian South Sea Islander (ASSI), Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander, Pacific and Culturally and Linguistically Diverse and Culturally and Racially Marginalised (CARM) community organisations that can demonstrate a deep knowledge of culture and the Seasonal Worker Program and its people;
 - c. working with local Australian South Sea Islanders (ASSI) and First Nations leaders, communities and/or organisations to provide the specific cultural awareness training and

- culturally appropriate introduction and networking to the traditional owners and other cultural authorities of the area; and
- working closely with the law enforcement authorities in respective Councils to educate Seasonal Workers about law and order and Councils' regulations and by law on public order.

49 Gunnedah Shire Council - Funding for hoarding and squalor

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to:

- Increase funding to the health and community services sectors to decrease cases of hoarding and squalor, and
- Provide annual funding to the Office of Local Government, for councils to apply for, to fund the extraordinary and unpredictable costs of compliance and enforcement related to hoarding and squalor.

51 Broken Hill City Council - Clubgrants scheme

That Local Government NSW:

- Supports that the administration and delivery of the ClubGRANTS scheme (Category 1) remains local and not be amended so that the funds are paid into consolidated State revenue, with no local control on how the funds are donated.
- 2. Writes to the Premier of NSW, Minister for Liquor and Gaming, NSW Opposition Leader, and Shadow Minister for Liquor and Racing stating that Local Government NSW supports ClubGRANTS (Category 1) remaining under local LGA control.
- 3. Urges the State Government to implement cashless poker machines with harm reduction features.

52 Waverley Council - Early education and care

That Local Government NSW:

- Establishes a taskforce to work collaboratively with the State and Federal governments on urgently needed sector reforms following this year's early childhood education and care services inquiries by the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission, the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal and Deloitte.
- 2. Advocates to the NSW Government to set up a dedicated local government funding stream in recognition of councils' significant role and status in the early education and care sector.

53 Kempsey Shire Council - Gambling reform

That Local Government NSW-calls on the State Government to ensure that councils have the right to make submissions about increases to poker machine numbers in their LGA.

55 Gunnedah Shire Council - Amendment to more doctors for rural Australia program

That Local Government NSW calls on the Federal Government requesting:

- Amendment to MDRAP (More Doctors for Rural Australia Program) by removing Monash Modified Model 2 zone from the program, thereby incentivising more doctors to locate to rural and remote regions within Australia, and
- 2. That college training programs be modified to reflect any changes to the MDRAP.
- That state and federal governments create university medical positions for rural NSW students who would return to rural areas for two years in lieu of HECS debts.

56 Liverpool City Council - Medicare psychology services

That Local Government NSW writes to the-NSW Minister for Health, the Hon Mark Butler MP, seeking an increase in the number of psychologists employed by NSW Health, with priority given to:

- a. Community based positions.
- Improving the capacity of community based psychologists to assist patients with complex needs.
- c. Growing the Aboriginal psychology workforce.

58 City of Sydney - Support for drag story time events in local government

That Local Government NSW:

- Encourages and facilitates member councils to organise local events that are inclusive for LGBTQIA+ residents year-round;
- Supports councils to facilitate community-driven safety solutions to ensure that drag story time and similar events can take place at council facilities safely for performers and attendees; and
- Encourages member councils to ensure that drag performers receive payment in full for events that are cancelled.

This issue was also raised by Inner West Council.

59 Georges River Council - Multicultural Principles and best practice

That Local Government NSW and all councils observe the Multicultural Principles in conducting its affairs based on *Multicultural NSW Act 2000* and work with Multicultural NSW to establish the best practice in their administration.

60 Broken Hill City Council - Use of NSW benefit schemes for cross-border communities

That Local Government NSW calls on the State Government to investigate arrangements for the use of any NSW benefits in neighbouring states for cross-border communities e.g. First Lap Grant, Travel Benefits at United Service Stations and write to all Local Members with cross-border councils regarding this matter.

61 Waverley Council - Tourism impacts

That Local Government NSW increases its advocacy to ensure local councils receive fair funding from both the Federal and State governments in order to:

- 1. manage security related risks and anti-social behaviour (and remove user pays arrangements for government services such as police), and
- 2. meet the additional costs from waste and cleansing from the impacts of tourism and the influx of visitors to the local area.

This issue was also raised in a second motion from Waverley Council.

62 Gunnedah Shire Council - First response policing agreement

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Police Minister and the NSW Commissioner of Police to direct the commanders of each police region in NSW to ensure:

- 1. Each police station have an endorsed "First Response Policing Agreement" in active use, and
- 2. That each "First Response Policing Agreement" commitment is made available to the community in which it represents.

63 Kempsey Shire Council - Youth crime and drugs

That Local Government NSW lobbies the NSW Police Minister and Premier to form alliances with police, local councils, NSW Government agencies, community representatives and NGOs to holistically tackle the serious increase in youth crime and drug use in NSW communities.

This issue was also raised by Narrabri Shire Council.

64 City of Parramatta Council - Gender neutral toilets and change rooms

That Local Government NSW supports the design and construction of gender neutral toilet blocks and change rooms at all parks and playing fields in NSW.

65 Northern Beaches Council - Greater community access to sporting and cultural facilities in schools

That Local Government NSW:

- Advocates to the NSW Department of Education and Schools Infrastructure NSW to provide greater access to sporting and cultural facilities in schools to provide much needed rehearsing, performance, training and playing fields out of school hours.
- 2. Lobbies Schools Infrastructure NSW to engage with councils in the design development process for new schools to ensure that community access to sporting and cultural facilities is prioritised in the development of new spaces.
- 3. In addition lobby for greater access to private school facilities.

This issue was also raised by Bega Valley Shire Council.

Climate change and energy

68 Clarence Valley Council - Manufacturers to declare carbon emissions for building products

The Local Government NSW lobbies the NSW Government to prepare a policy and associated legislation or other regulatory mechanism/s to require manufacturers of new building products sold in NSW to declare the level of carbon emissions generated to make the product, to enable consumers to make informed decisions about the carbon footprint of new building works, including renovations.

69 Inverell Shire Council - Reduction in greenhouse emissions for agricultural sector

That Local Government NSW seek a commitment from the Federal Government that when it is determining measures to reduce greenhouse emissions for the agricultural sector, that it specifically exclude an order to cull the national livestock herd to avoid adverse impacts on local economies.

70 Shellharbour City Council - Actions to address a warming climate

That Local Government NSW advocates for NSW and Federal Government funding to support and encourage councils to facilitate roundtable discussions within each LGA to prepare for and take action to address the consequences of a warming climate.

Roundtables would involve relevant stakeholders such as businesses, industry, community and State and Federal government agencies.

72 Muswellbrook Shire Council - Economic roadmap for transition from hydrocarbons

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to formulate an economic roadmap for NSW, and in particular directly impacted councils, in relation to the transition from hydrocarbon based industries.

73 North Sydney Council - Power Sharing

That Local Government NSW lobbies the State and Federal Government to:

- Adopt a policy to encourage neighbourhood power sharing and community battery scheme for Local Government Areas.
- 2. Secure financial and logistical support for the introduction of pilot neighbourhood schemes for power sharing schemes and community batteries.
- Secure funding for a community awareness and education campaign in co-operation with LGNSW and member councils to promote community batteries and self-sufficiency in power generation.

74 Shellharbour City Council - Smart energy schools pilot program expansion

That Local Government NSW advocates for the NSW Government to expand the 'Smart Energy Schools Pilot Program' beyond the pilot period to:

- Allow additional schools to install significant solar power generating capacity, battery storage and Virtual Power Plant participation.
- 2. Upgrade and expand schools with existing solar to provide additional solar power generating capacity and battery storage.
- 3. Expand the program into community scale battery storage facilities to all eligible NSW schools with significant solar power generating capacity and to collect significant solar generation.

75 Wagga Wagga City Council - Creation of a body to supervise the decisions of Transgrid

That Local Government NSW advocates to the NSW Government for the immediate establishment of a supervisory body to oversee the decisions of TransGrid, and that the supervisory body be an advisory body to the Minister.

76 Snowy Valleys Council - Undergrounding Transgrid transmission infrastructure

That, in the interests of the conservation of biological diversity and visual amenity, Local Government NSW advocates for the undergrounding of Transgrid transmission lines currently proposed as above ground infrastructure that would stretch across many areas of state and national ecological significance.

77 Muswellbrook Shire Council - Transportation of renewable energy project infrastructure That Local Government NSW:

- 1. Calls upon the NSW Government to resolve road infrastructure constraints associated with the transportation of renewable energy project infrastructure to Renewable Energy Zones.
- 2. Advocates for all impacted local roads to be reclassified as State Roads for the duration of renewable energy construction works.
- Advocates for a live app. to be funded by renewable energy project proponents that will enable
 impacted community members to track the passage of oversize vehicles through their Shire
 and to thereby enhance the safety of communities who must negotiate the passage of these
 oversize vehicle movements.

79 Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council - Amendments to BASIX

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to update the Building Sustainability Index (BASIX) to remove installation of gas in new dwellings and renovations, to support a rapid transition away from fossil fuels and towards electrification powered by renewable energy.

This issue was also raised by Wollongong City Council.

80 Warrumbungle Shire Council - Offshore wind farms strategy

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to develop a comprehensive offshore wind farms strategy close to major demand centres in order to speed up the transition to renewables.

81 Waverley Council - Electric vehicle chargers

That Local Government NSW:

- Urgently advocates to the NSW Government against the mandatory requirement for councils
 to undergo an assessment and produce a review of environmental factors (REF) for on-street
 electric vehicle (EV) chargers under the new State Environmental Planning Policy (Transport
 and Infrastructure) Amendment (Electric Vehicles) 2023.
- Notes that while Local Government NSW fully supports the NSW Government's efforts to
 promote electric mobility and reduce greenhouse gas emissions, it believes that this particular
 regulatory requirement is unnecessary and will significantly delay the roll-out of EV chargers
 across NSW.

Planning

82 Georges River Council - NSW Government to take steps to improve Private Certification processes

That Local Government NSW urges the NSW Government to take steps to improve Private Certification processes, including, but not limited to:

- Empowering councils to enable them to act against infringements or other malpractice committed by Private Certifiers, e.g., to issue penalty notices for non-compliance with approvals;
- Undertaking discussions with the Department of Customer Service (NSW Fair Trading) regarding developing and piloting a system to deal with complaints by neighbours or other third parties (rather than having to contact the certifier);
- c. Creating an authority to arbitrate on objections to Complying Developments and provides free advice to members of the public to assist them in submission writing.
- d. Mandating the provision of notifying Complying Development Certificate applications to neighbours by letter, and also to the general public through the NSW Planning Portal and council website;
- e. Allowing members of the public 14 days' notice to lodge objections;
- f. Examining whether the allocation of Private Certifiers from an approved list would assist in stamping out malpractice;
- g. Funding councils so that they are adequately equipped to police the actions of private certifiers by way of a development compliance levy as part of the application lodgment process;
- h. Increasing penalties for non-compliance; and

 Ensuring that the Departments of Customer Service and Planning and Environment are resourced and empowered to respond promptly and effectively when dealing with breaches by certifiers.

This issue was also raised by Ku-ring-gai, Lane Cove councils.

83 Federation Council - Planning resources

That Local Government NSW lobbies the State Government for financial support for planners and building surveyors at a local government level throughout NSW.

84 Muswellbrook Shire Council - Rationalise house block sizes in rural NSW

That Local Government NSW advocates for local councils in rural and regional areas to determine the minimum lot sizes for new developments in their LGA.

85 Penrith City Council - Controls to manage clustering of boarding houses and co-living housing

That Local Government NSW writes to the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces requesting that the provisions of the State Environmental Planning Policy – Housing 2021(the Housing SEPP) be amended to include controls that:

- Prevent the clustering of boarding houses and co-living housing across all residential zones;
 and
- 2. Strengthen locational requirements of boarding houses and co-living housing to ensure occupants have good access to public transport and essential services.

86 Wollongong City Council - Regulating derelict buildings - employment zones

That Local Government NSW works with DPE to establish best practice policy parameters that support councils to enhance employment zoned areas, particularly where buildings have been left to deteriorate and are negatively impacting economic activity.

87 Woollahra Municipal Council - Pubs

That Local Government NSW:

- 1. Notes that:
 - a. pubs are significant and cherished meeting spots, recognised as a valuable 'third space' providing venues for social connection and companionship;
 - b. pubs add to the personality and social fabric of their neighbourhoods and are recognised for their cultural, heritage and architectural significance; and
 - c. communities articulate the sense of belonging and reciprocity lost when change of use applications are approved.
- 2. Resolves to:
 - raise with the State Government and in particular, the Heritage Minister, community concerns over the growing trend of conversion of heritage listed pubs;
 - b. request the State Government explore legislative reforms to better protect pubs from a change in use; and
 - request the State Government increase funding and availability of grants to study the heritage, cultural and social significance of pubs throughout NSW.

88 City of Newcastle - Accelerated development application system

That Local Government NSW:

Acknowledges the successful development, trial and roll-out of the new City of Newcastle
 Accelerated Development Application System, the implementation of which has the ability to
 reduce processing times for eligible development applications to within five to 15 days.

- Notes that the Accelerated DA pathway presents an innovative approach to facilitating timely
 development outcomes, with some of the onus on the applicant to provide a quality
 submission that reduces the double-handling of information and speeds up the process, while
 still ensuring applicants are able to expect the same standard of professional review for each
 application seen by the assessment team.
- 3. Calls on the NSW Government to fund the state-wide adoption of the system to streamline and accelerate determinations of development applications across the local government sector.

89 Penrith City Council - Review of section 10.7 certificates

That Local Government NSW advocates to the NSW Government to undertake a review into Section 10.7 Certificates, to explore opportunities to simplify and ensure only relevant information to each property is provided in a clear, concise and easy to understand format.

90 Narromine Shire Council - Rural and regional environmental autonomy

That Local Government NSW requests the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces to vary the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 to allow more autonomy for Rural and Regional Councils to operate in a manner that suits their local environment rather than that of a metro area.

91 Lake Macquarie City Council - Local leadership of community consultative committees That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to prioritise the appointment of Community Consultative Committee (CCC) chairpersons from within the geographical region that the CCC operates.

93 Murray River Council - Local planning decision making for land rezoning

To reduce considerable time delays to residential land rezonings, for rural areas, the NSW Government should review and amend the Concurrence and Referral SEPP to remove DPE as a concurrence authority for any residential land rezoning (planning proposal) that is identified within the council's approved/adopted local housing strategy.

Separate but additional approval/concurrence procedures are already in place when DPE is reviewing and approving/endorsing councils' local housing strategies; the current requirement for DPE concurrence for planning proposals is effectively doubling up on assessment of local land rezoning processes and adding considerable time delays with no perceived value-add to the process.

Motions referred to the Association's Board

In accordance with Standing Order 39, Motions 94 to 131 and L1 were referred to the Association's Board for consideration.

Planning (cont.)

94 City of Canterbury - Bankstown Council - Land and environment court leave to rely on revised plans

That Local Government NSW lobbies the Minister for Local Government to call upon the Land and Environment Court to adhere to its own Practice Note when considering applications for revised plans prior to hearing.

95 Eurobodalla Shire Council - NSW planning portal

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to:

- Repeal the requirement to prepare notice of determinations in the NSW Planning Portal immediately and instead require a standard format for development consents and conditions of consents.
- 2. Prepare a road map for the Planning Portal in consultation with NSW local government and vendors, ie, Tech 1, Civica, etc. The roadmap must include the proposed functionality of the Portal that are to be investigated and implemented over time.
- Establish a Planning Portal Governance Committee with senior representatives from local government to:
 - a. oversee and agree to an enhanced Planning Portal road map
 - b. review and endorse strategies for training and communication with key stakeholders, and
 - c. monitor ongoing costs and integration.
- 4. Retain the ePlanning Council Reference Group to focus on improvements to Planning Portal functionality with enhanced capacity for members to add agenda items.
- Cover all costs incurred by councils to implement and operate the NSW Planning Portal, including staff costs, systems and process amendments, Application programming interface (API) development, maintenance, and licensing in order to avoid the cost shift and adverse impact on council budgets.

This issue was also raised by City of Parramatta, Lake Macquarie City, Shoalhaven City councils.

96 The Hills Shire Council - Review of LG Reg (home estates, caravan parks, camping and moveable dwellings)

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to review the Local Government (Manufactured Home Estates, Caravan Parks, Camping Grounds and Moveable Dwellings) Regulation 2021, taking into account feedback from regulators and businesses.

This issue was also raised by Tweed Shire Council.

Emergency management

97 Bega Valley Shire Council - Local Emergency Management Officers

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to use funds allocated to the NSW Reconstruction Authority to fund executive level Local Emergency Management Officers (LEMOs) to ensure that our communities are better prepared for and protected during emergencies.

98 Bland Shire Council - Council co-contribution to disaster grant funding to improve assets That Local Government NSW:

- Applauds the actions of the Government in permitting the use of additional funds sourced from Councils to improve assets as part of the most recent flood emergency.
- Seeks a commitment from State and Federal Government agencies to review Disaster and Emergency funding criteria for expenditure to allow Council co-contributions to improve assets damaged during critical events.

99 Cabonne Council - National disaster insurance

That Local Government NSW lobbies the Commonwealth Government to fast-track initiatives from the Hazards Insurance Partnership and Strategic Insurance Project, and urgently investigate a federally funded national disaster insurance scheme to offer residents and businesses impacted by trending environmental conditions, protection and access to affordable insurance premiums.

100 Cabonne Council - Funding for disaster impacted communities

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to extend the Community Assets Program and Resilient Homes Package funding to LGAs affected by the flood events in September and November 2022.

101 Cabonne Council - Natural disaster funding claims

That Local Government NSW advocates that the NSW Government take steps to ensure the fast-tracking of natural disaster payments to councils so the councils cash flow is not negatively impacted and it can maintain its legislative financial statement requirements.

This issue was also raised by Forbes Shire Council.

102 Kyogle Council - NSW Reconstruction Authority - quarries

That Local Government NSW requests the NSW Reconstruction Authority to use its powers to, on the request of the relevant council, temporarily remove restrictions on truck movements and extraction rates for all quarries within their currently approved extent of extraction, for a limited time of say up to 24 months after a natural disaster when the materials are being used for restoration of essential public assets.

103 Penrith City Council - Clarity on processes about establishment of new flood planning levels

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to provide clarity regarding the risk management framework, timeframes, priority catchments and consultation process, for the establishment of new Flood Planning Levels in accordance with Recommendation 18 from the 2022 Fuller/O'Kane Inquiry.

104 Penrith City Council - Role of the NSW Reconstruction Authority in emergency planning and recovery

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to provide clarity in the role and responsibility of the NSW Reconstruction Authority in the governance of emergency planning, preparedness and recovery including:

- 1. Clarity on the Reconstructions Authority's role in placing constraints on development, including in the setting of flood planning levels
- 2. The role of the Reconstruction Authority to engage with Councils to actively manage mitigation of constraints as appropriate.

This issue was also raised by Bega Valley Shire Council.

Environment, biodiversity, biosecurity

105 Willoughby City Council - Increased protection of trees

That Local Government NSW:

- Urgently undertakes a review of the legislative regime for tree protection and seek increased
 penalties and deterrents, including significantly increased fines and community service for the
 destruction and vandalism of trees in NSW. The review is to include the destruction and
 vandalism of vegetation in environmentally sensitive areas such as riparian zones, areas of
 high biodiversity value and foreshore protection areas. The review should identify
 opportunities to better coordinate tree protection across NSW, along with improved education
 and awareness around the importance of tree protection to build stronger community support.
- 2. Advocates for effective reform to improve collaboration and coordination in education and enforcement to combat tree vandalism in NSW.

This issue was also raised by Georges River, Ku-ring-gai, Mosman councils.

106 Tweed Shire Council - Street trees as essential community infrastructure in New South Wales

That Local Government NSW advocates that the NSW Government:

- Reintroduces street trees as eligible community assets through the Section 7.11 Contributions Plan.
- 2. Investigate and implement a suitable mechanism and governance structure that would enable councils to introduce a fee for succession planting and compensatory tree planning.

107 Strathfield Council - Role of the EPA in exercising their compliance powers

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) to exercise its compliance powers. NSW EPA is a public agency and it should protect the public's interest. The agency regulates all activities which fall under the jurisdiction of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act (POEO) including contamination, noise, air, waste and water pollution. NSW EPA are slowly divesting their compliance responsibilities and have moved away from compliance to strategy.

108 Kyogle Council - Funding for private native forestry compliance and enforcement

That Local Government NSW advocates for the State Government to properly fund the EPA and Local Land Services to carry out compliance and enforcement of legislation and Codes of practice for the proper management of Private Native Forests.

109 Georges River Council - Pollution of the state's waterways through sewage overflow

That Local Government NSW requests that the NSW Government takes steps to prevent future pollution of the state's waterways through sewage overflows, including but not limited to the upgrade of the Georges River-Malabar main carrier and the treatment plants within that system,

110 Lane Cove Council - Idling of motor vehicles causing excessive air pollution

That Local Government NSW advocates to the NSW Government and NSW Department of Planning and Environment, to extend the current offence of noise from an idling vehicle (Protection of the Environment Operations (Noise Control) Regulation 2008) to make it a traffic offence for excessive idling of a motor vehicle that causes air pollution in public areas.

111 Woollahra Municipal Council - Reducing water pollution from construction sites

That Local Government NSW advocates that the NSW Government takes the following steps to reduce water pollution from construction sites:

- 1. Undertake a review of the current guidelines relating to erosion and sediment control, referenced in the Department of Planning and Environment's standard development application conditions, to ensure they are up to date and represent best practice. The referenced guidelines are "Managing Urban Stormwater Soils and Construction" 2004 published by the NSW Government (also commonly known as The Blue Book) and the "Do it Right on Site" guidelines published by the Southern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils and the Natural Heritage Trust, 2001.
- Explore further opportunities to educate builders and renovators on the importance of essential erosion and sediment controls to prevent run off from building sites entering our waterways.
- 3. Review the level of penalties that apply to water pollution incidents.

112 Albury City Council - Banning the release of gas filled balloons

That Local Government NSW seeks the State Government to amend the Protection of the Environment Operations (POEO) Act 1997 to ban the release of all balloons if the balloons are inflated with a gas that causes them to rise in the air, excluding balloons that are hot air balloons that are recovered after landing or balloons released for scientific (including meteorological) purposes.

113 Georges River Council - Abandoned trolleys

That Local Government NSW requests that the NSW Government amends the Public Spaces (Unattended Property) Act so that retailers are obliged to collect all abandoned trolleys within three hours of notice being given.

114 Camden Council - Conserving koala habitat in the planning for new urban development

That Local Government NSW lobbies the NSW and Australian Governments for increased protection of koala habitat in the planning for new urban development, including in the Wilton and Greater Macarthur Growth areas.

115 City of Newcastle - Coastal erosion mitigation and sand replenishment

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to plan strategically and support local councils under its coastal management framework by:

- Developing a state-wide approach for a sustainable sand nourishment program to support local councils as they develop Coastal Management Programs
- 2. Establishing a whole of government approach to climate change impacts, including coastal erosion, recession and sea level rise.
- 3. Providing greater support to the delivery of Coastal Management Programs which are critical to ensure the long-term sustainability of our coasts and estuaries.

- 4. Formalising a catchment approach for our estuaries, involving all significant stakeholders and adequate funding, to ensure threats to these highly valued areas are more effectively and efficiently managed now and into the future.
- 5. Appointing a Coastal Commissioner to oversee coastal management on a statewide basis and advisors to assist councils.

116 Tweed Shire Council - Safe cat, safe wildlife

That Local Government NSW writes to the Minister and Shadow Ministers for Local Government, Environment and Animal Welfare requesting the following reforms to better manage the highly negative impact of roaming domestic cats on wildlife and improve the health and welfare of companion animals:

- Amend the Companion Animals Act 1998 and associated Companion Animals Regulation 2018 to
 enable local governments to enforce the containment of pet cats in NSW. The introduction of
 these containment laws to include phase-in periods and community support and monitoring
 frameworks
- 2. Develop, and allocate funding towards a state-wide program to support local governments to enforce compliance with the *Companion Animals Act 1998*. This funding to include increasing the number of rangers available to undertake such compliance.
- 3. Streamline pet identification and registration processes into one process managed by Service NSW and accessible through self service functions within the Service NSW app.
- 4. Transition to mandatory desexing laws that align with existing state approaches in Western Australia, Tasmania, Australian Capital Territory, South Australia and Victoria.
- 5. Establish a \$10 million, three-year state-wide grant program to support councils to implement domestic cat containment policies and associated responsible cat ownership programs. The program to include: identification and registration measures, large scale desexing and microchipping programs and effective education programs to support people to keep their cats contained.
- 6. Implement a state-wide 'Safe cat, safe wildlife' campaign that includes the development of a central, state-wide online platform, in consultation with councils, relevant agencies and animal welfare bodies to make responsible pet ownership information easily accessible.

This issue was also raised by Blue Mountains City, Eurobodalla Shire, Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional, Tamworth Regional councils.

117 Byron Shire Council - Non-lethal dingo management

That Local Government NSW:

- Recognises that dingoes are native animals with an important ecological role and are worthy of protection and care.
- 2. Acknowledges the long connection between dingoes and Aboriginal Australians and endeavour to respect this connection in relevant actions of the LGNSW.
- 2A. Recognises that Australia's traditional people consider dingoes as Creator and Dreamtime Beings, they formed the lands, the waterways, and constellations. They mapped ancestral Songlines across this continent. The Dingo is essential to keep storylines, custom and culture alive. Dingoes remain deeply embedded in the daily lives of First Nations peoples as companions, hunting partners, protectors, and family members. Dingoes are considered Kin to many First Nations groups throughout all of Australia.
- Notes there have been recent genetic studies indicating that a high proportion of wild dogs in Australia are pure dingoes and dingo-hybrids.
- 4. Commits to-working towards new and updated investigations, community education, research, implementation of non-lethal dingo management;

5. Explores the recognition and protection of dingoes as a native species in the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 (NSW)*.

Roads, transport, infrastructure, land

118 Clarence Valley Council - Protecting regional water utilities from privatisation

That Local Government NSW lobbies the NSW Government to prepare a policy and associated legislation or other regulatory mechanism/s to ensure regional water facilities are retained under public ownership.

119 Muswellbrook Shire Council - Upgrade water infrastructure to unlock housing and industry That Local Government NSW calls for:

- 1. Any housing strategy established and implemented by the State and/or Federal Government, to give consideration to the capacity of Local Water Utilities to provide sustainable water and wastewater services to new housing and industrial developments.
- 2. Grant funding opportunities to be increased and made available to Local Water Utilities for the provision of upgraded and/or renewed water and wastewater infrastructure, and that these grants not be tied to onerous co-contribution arrangements.

This issue was also raised by Cabonne Council.

120 Federation Council - River and dam management

That Local Government NSW calls on the State Government-to consult with councils on potential improvements to air space management rules and procedures in NSW Dams such as Lake Hume to lessen impacts of downstream flooding.

121 North Sydney Council - Return of Public Open Space

That Local Government NSW lobbies the State Government to return land that is compulsorily acquired for major projects to the care and control of the local council, where requested and agreed by the council, when the land is no longer required for the purpose of major project construction and that the land be returned in a condition that meets the standards required for the use of the land as recreation and public open space.

122 Blacktown City Council - Separate plans of management for community land categorised as

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to amend the requirements for Plans of Management under the Local Government Act 1993, so that separate plans are not required for land categorised as Natural Area with critical habitat or affected by a recovery or threat abatement plan (s36A and 36B of the LG Act).

123 Blacktown City Council - Plans of management for community land

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to amend the requirements for Plans of Management under the *Local Government Act 199*3, so that when an additional parcel of community land is added to an existing Plan of Management, the addition be exhibited and submissions on that additional parcel of land only be received for a minimum of 14 days, and that no public hearing be required.

124 Clarence Valley Council - Native title compensation within and across LGAs

That Local Government NSW lobbies the NSW Government to

- Prepare a policy and associated legislation or other regulatory mechanism/s that provide a consistent process for assessing, valuing and resolving native title compensation within and across LGAs, and
- 2. Establish a native title network for NSW council staff to connect, share information and discuss local government issues regarding native title.

125 Bega Valley Shire Council - Forestry Corp and National Parks contribution to road maintenance That Local Government NSW:

- 1. Calls on the shareholder Ministers for Forestry Corporation (the Treasurer and Minister for Agriculture) to review its operations and contribute financially to haulage routes.
- 2. Calls on the NSW Minister for Environment and the National Parks and Wildlife Advisory Council to review the impact on local road networks of National Parks users and consider a mechanism for financial contribution to road maintenance.

126 Bega Valley Shire Council - Freight connectivity to international airports

That Local Government NSW advocates to the NSW Government and Australian Government to review in partnership with councils the freight connectivity routes into Canberra, Newcastle and Western Sydney international airports to improve access to growing international export markets for regional communities.

127 Broken Hill City Council - Next fuel outlet signage in regional and remote NSW

That Local Government NSW calls on the State Government to install signage on the outskirts of NSW regional towns/cities and cross-border towns/cities that lead to remote NSW advising of the distance to the next fuel outlet.

This will assist to ensure the safety of motorists driving vast distances through mobile black spot areas of Western NSW.

128 LGNSW Board - Equitable access to transport options

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW and Australian Governments to:

- Improve transport and bus services (including school bus services) for all residents in metropolitan, regional, rural and remote NSW,
- 2. Provide residents with environmentally sustainable and equitable public transport options that make living without a car a more viable option,
- 3. Prioritise action on the recommendations of the Bus Industry Taskforce, including delivering bus services to underserved communities, and
- 4. Re-instate the Regional Seniors Travel Card or a similar program to ensure fair and equitable access to travel.

This issue was also raised by Bayside, Narrabri Shire, Strathfield, Broken Hill City councils.

129 The Hills Shire Council - Parking enforcement in private carparks

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to review s650 of the Local Government Act 1993 to allow the enforcement of parking restrictions within privately owned 'free parking' carparks.

130 Wollongong City Council - Bikes on buses

That Local Government NSW lobbies the NSW Government to enable bikes to be carried on buses where possible if the need arises.

131 Wollongong City Council - Review of cycling on footpaths

That Local Government NSW writes to the NSW Government requesting a review of national and international best practice to improve cyclist safety and participation, including permitting cycling on footpaths, where practicable, for all age groups unless signposted otherwise.

Late Motions

L1 Woollahra Municipal Council - Proposed changes to the HOUSING SEPP and planning system That Local Government NSW:

- 1. Welcomes the NSW Government's renewed focus on the provision of affordable housing.
- 2. Is concerned that proposed social and affordable housing reforms to the Housing SEPP and associated planning system instruments:
 - a. will not facilitate the long-term supply of affordable housing,
 - b. do not provide for affordable housing in perpetuity,
 - do not provide certainty on the impact on existing infrastructure contributions and affordable housing contributions schemes,
 - d. do not address how the additional infrastructure required by the additional density and growth in population would be funded,
 - e. will undermine local planning controls, including sites that have been subject to a recently approved, refused or pending planning proposals, by allowing an additional increase of FSR and height to be sought (without a new planning proposal), and
 - f. do not account for the impact of increased density on Heritage items, Heritage Conservation Areas (HCAs) and environmentally sensitive areas, areas of high Aboriginal cultural significance or high biodiversity significance.
- 3. Advocates for the NSW Government to defer the implementation of the proposed reforms to allow adequate time for:
 - all councils to be consulted and provided with reasonable opportunity to prepare submissions.
 - b. the proper consideration of all councils' submissions,
 - c. the Department of Planning and Environment to address councils' concerns (including but not limited to the concerns outlined at paragraph 2), and
 - d. the proper consideration of providing exemptions to the proposed reforms.

Appendix A - motions covered by resolutions

Covered by resolution 3

Waverley Council - Cost-shifting

That Local Government NSW increases its advocacy to oppose any cost-shifting that impacts member councils, including returning 100% of income from the waste levy to all NSW councils and reimbursing councils for the mandatory pensioner rate rebates.

Covered by resolution 4

City of Newcastle - NSW Audit Office and ownership of rural fire service assets

That Local Government NSW:

- Notes the ongoing objections regarding the previous NSW Government's determination on ownership of Rural Fire Service assets;
- 2. Acknowledges the impact of the Government's position on council finances of this accounting treatment;
- 3. Calls on the newly elected NSW Government to take immediate action to permanently clear up inequities and inconsistencies around the accounting treatment of Rural Fire Service (RFS) assets by acknowledging that rural firefighting equipment is vested in, under the control of and the property of the RFS;
- 4. Calls on the NSW Government to amend s119 of the *Rural Fires Act 1997* so that the effect is to make it clear that RFS assets are not the property of councils; and
- Continues advocating on behalf to affected councils to get clarification from the State Government about the accounting treatment of RFS assets.

Greater Hume Shire Council - NSW Rural Fire Service asset recognition

That Local Government NSW:

- Supports the continued position that NSW Rural Fire Service plant and equipment is NOT
 included in the asset register and financial statements of any Local Government Authority, as
 these Authorities do not have care, control nor management of the plant and equipment, and
- 2. Writes to the Minister for Emergency Services requesting an urgent review of the legislation to ensure any ambiguity is resolved and removed.

Covered by resolution 5

Lithgow City Council - NSW government to fully fund RFS maintenance and repair costs

That Local Government NSW calls upon the NSW Government to fully fund RFS maintenance and repair costs. Between \$300 and \$400K is received each year to maintain both fleet and buildings with insufficient consideration of what is actually required and small increases year-on-year. For example, with RFS buildings, it is recognised that Council's asset management responsibilities cannot be sustainably met without some process of inspection, condition reporting and responsive funding allocation. In the past, the funding shortfall has led to Council subsidising the cost of operations to deliver necessary building works. However, going forward, Council does not have the capacity to absorb these unplanned costs.

A solution is required which honours the value of local volunteer firefighters, responds to the unique operational needs of this function, and assigns adequate and responsive funding without cost-shifting onto local government

Blayney Shire Council - Funding shortfalls - RFS trucks and equipment maintenance

That Local Government NSW requires the NSW Government to fully fund the Maintenance and Repair expenditure on trucks and other equipment for all Zones and Districts of the NSW Rural Fire Service through the current grant process and not see Councils have to pick up any shortfalls.

Covered by resolution 11

Bega Valley Shire Council - Rating of unrateable land

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to change legislation to allow the rating of forestry and other currently unrateable government land.

Covered by resolution 25

Lithgow City Council - Councillor members of ARIC

That Local Government NSW calls upon the NSW Government to permit Councillor voting members on Audit Risk & Improvement Committees (ARICs) in the final Guidelines for Risk Management and Internal Audit for Local Government. The proposal to disallow Councillors from being voting members of ARICs shows a lack of understanding of governance processes in the Local Government sector.

Covered by resolution 32

City of Sydney - Support for early childhood education in the local government sector

That Local Government NSW commits to supporting councils to recruit and retain early childhood educators by:

- 1. Calling on the NSW Government to:
 - increase support for public early childhood education services, including extending the paid placement funding offered to ECT students to Diploma and Certificate III students; and
 - b. support councils to expand high-quality early childhood education and care through long daycare, out-of-hours care, pre-school, and occasional care; and
- 2. Bargaining with the United Services Union and its members in good faith to achieve an increase to wages for early childhood educators above inflation, as well as leave provisions and hazard pay that reflect the risk of infection associated with work in early childhood education.

Inner West Council - Support for early childhood education in the local government sector That Local Government NSW commits to supporting councils to recruit and retain early childhood educators by:

- 1. Calling on the NSW State Government to:
 - a. increase support for public early childhood education services, including extending the paid placement funding offered to Early Childhood Teacher students to Diploma and Certificate III students; and
 - b. support councils to expand high quality early childhood education and care through long daycare, out of hours care, pre-school, and occasional care.
- 2. Bargaining with the United Services Union and its members in good faith to achieve an increase to wages for early childhood educators above inflation, as well as leave provisions and hazard pay that reflect the risk of infection associated with work in early childhood education.

Covered by resolution 36

Western Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils - Household organic waste services in apartments

That Local Government NSW advocates to the NSW Government for an extension of the deadline to 2035 for the provision of organic waste services to multi-unit households by councils.

Covered by resolution 39

Shoalhaven City Council - Social and affordable housing design and resilience

That Local Government NSW lobbies the NSW Government to develop and instil high levels of liveability and climate sensitive design standards into all new government delivered housing, with this to include working with councils to ensure local character and values are retained in the provision of social and affordable residential assets.

City of Newcastle - Affordable and social housing

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to establish an agency to oversee a collaborative approach between the State Government, Councils, CHIA, and CHPs, to provide for thousands of people across NSW without safe, secure and affordable housing, and to:

- Implement effective and equitable programs to fund and plan provision of new social (public, and affordable) housing and provide the necessary infrastructures to support increased dwellings;
- 2. Improve supply, amenity, sustainability and accessibility of social housing beyond existing local planning controls and developer community infrastructure contributions schemes;
- Improve supply, amenity, sustainability and accessibility of social housing beyond existing local developer affordable housing contributions schemes and mechanisms;
- 4. Develop clear definitions of affordable, public, social, and community housing;
- 5. Ensure no further privatisation of public housing and/or crown land;
- 6. Ensure affordable housing is held in perpetuity; by not-for-profit Community Housing Provider, or in public operation and ownership; and
- 7. Ensure all new public and affordable housing delivers on local community and planning expectations.

City of Parramatta Council - Affordable housing

That Local Government NSW:

- 1. Supports the NSW Government Affordable Housing policy reforms which are strategic in nature, as precinct consideration supported by effective development contributions planning is preferable to site by-site (ad-hoc) approaches.
- 2. Further, that where ad-hoc approaches are proposed, LGNSW supports reforms which:
 - a. maintain or increase council involvement and delegation in approval processes;
 - b. provide affordable housing in perpetuity, rather than subject to time limits;
 - c. do not compromise local development controls, good design outcomes and adequate infrastructure provision;
 - d. provide clear and sufficient pathways for funding any additional infrastructure impacts;
 - e. support Community Housing Providers as best-placed to manage affordable housing:
 - f. ensure that any proposed bonuses are well-modelled and well-considered in terms of both urban design and infrastructure impacts.

City of Sydney - Affordable housing in perpetuity

That Local Government NSW:

- 1. Calls on the NSW Government to develop affordable housing policies that prioritise delivering affordable housing in perpetuity, rather than only for a temporary period of 15 years;
- Calls on the NSW Government to develop affordable housing policies that deliver housing that
 is genuinely affordable. That is, policies which are based on delivering housing that a person
 can afford (no more than 30% of their income), not based on a discount from market rent only;
 and
- Calls on the NSW Government to work with local councils to develop strategies to protect and expand affordable and public housing cooperatively, which build on, rather than override, local planning rules and housing strategies.

Kempsey Shire Council - Perpetual retention of affordable housing

That Local Government NSW:

- Notes that the State Government is planning to introduce planning changes that will allow developers to build taller and denser buildings, and have them fast-tracked, if they increase the supply of affordable housing, and
- 2. Urges the State Government as part of those changes to ensure that affordable housing is retained into perpetuity, rather than the current 15 years.

Greater Hume Shire Council - Strategic planning to address the shortage of suitable land for development

That Local Government NSW requests the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces increase the grant funds available to local government to support the development of strategic plans to support projects that will identify land that could be rezoned, to facilitate development to address the current housing shortage.

Leeton Shire Council - Addressing the housing shortage

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to undertake and publish the results of an audit of all available public housing assets within NSW LGAs including:

- 1. Current occupied housing stock
- 2. Vacant public housing stock and state of asset
- 3. Vacant blocks of land-owned by the "public housing authority".

Murray River Council - Land banking

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to resolve the land banking issues associated with residential land by seeking a legal pathway by any means possible to unlock housing in NSW regional areas.

Narrabri Shire Council - Social and affordable housing

That Local Government NSW advocates to the NSW Government, specifically the Minister for Housing to:

- 1. Increase funding and investment in public, social and affordable housing.
- 2. Work with all levels of government to undertake a review of all government-owned property to identify suitable sites for redevelopment as affordable housing.
- 3. Continue to work with local Councils, developers and community housing organisations to facilitate the construction of affordable social housing.
- 4. Ensure that any commensurate housing programs do not result in cost shifting to local government.

Bega Valley Shire Council - Affordable housing

That Local Government NSW:

- Calls on the state government for ongoing investment in the development of affordable and social housing in regional NSW to address critical shortages in housing affordability and availability for people on low to moderate incomes and key workers.
- 2. Calls on the state government to prioritise a review of the Local Government (Manufactured Home Estates, Caravan Parks, Camping Grounds and Moveable Dwellings) Regulation 2021 to define 'portable device for human habitation' and the standards required to approve such devices that don't meet the definition of 'manufactured housing' or 'caravan'.
- 3. Advocates for new regulations/guidance regarding acceptable standards for crisis housing.
- 4. Advocates to the state government to provide financial investment in housing developments through Land and Housing Corporation to enable a greater proportion of lots to be developed for social and affordable housing.
- 5. Advocates to the state government to prioritise their response to the Byron Shire Short Term Rental Accommodation Planning Proposal Independent Planning Commission report and provide guidance to all councils in NSW.
- 6. Advocates to the state government for investment in regional infrastructure such as water, sewer and roads to support affordable housing development in regional and rural areas.

The Hills Shire Council - Finding a sensible approach to the housing affordability crisis

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to reconsider proposed changes to the planning framework that would allow private developers significant residential development uplift and a State Government approval pathway, where at least 15% affordable housing is provided.

This review should include detailed investigations to determine whether growth areas and precincts that have been through detailed planning investigations, rezoning and infrastructure assessment in the last 10 years have the ability to accommodate the intended 30% development uplift beyond the controls already in place, with a particular focus on:

- a. built form, character and amenity impacts;
- b. regional and local infrastructure capacity; and
- c. the role Landcom could play in boosting social and affordable housing supply.

Bega Valley Shire Council - Grant funding for planning and strategy development

That Local Government NSW advocates to the NSW Government to continue to develop and deliver grant funding programs that support strategic planning and strategy development.

Covered by resolution 41

Cowra Council - Livable housing standards

That Local Government NSW calls upon the NSW Government to adopt in full the Livable Housing Design standards as an integral component of the National Construction Code 2022.

Randwick City Council - Mandating new construction codes for accessibility

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW State Government to mandate new National Minimum Construction Codes to improve accessibility in new homes.

Covered by resolution 43

Bega Valley Shire Council - Changes to residential lease termination provisions

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW government to introduce measures to better protect the interests of tenants with respect to notification of termination of lease by landlords in the case of no fault on the tenant's behalf.

Covered by resolution 58

Inner West Council - Inclusive events

That Local Government NSW:

- Encourages and facilitates member councils to organise local events that are inclusive for LGBTQIA+ residents year-round.
- Supports councils to facilitate community driven safety solutions to ensure that drag story time and similar events can take place at council facilities safely for performers and attendees.
- 3. Encourages member councils to ensure that drag performers receive payment in full for events that are cancelled.

Covered by resolution 61

Waverley Council - Hostile vehicle mitigation

That Local Government NSW advocates to the State and Federal governments to support councils' risk and safety requirements as specified by the Federal Government by funding programs to protect the community at identified crowded places.

Covered by resolution 63

Narrabri Shire Council - Crime prevention and community safety

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to urgently establish a Rural Youth Justice Taskforce to proactively address escalating youth crime in rural and regional areas by utilising a whole of community and cross-organisational approach.

Covered by resolution 65

Bega Valley Shire Council - Policy framework and funding for joint-use facilities

That Local Government NSW advocates to the NSW Government to develop a policy framework and funding model to support joint-use arrangements between the State Government and Local Government to deliver community infrastructure e.g. Department of Education and Council to develop shared sporting, library and cultural facilities.

Covered by resolution 79

Wollongong City Council - Incentivising the installation of electric appliances

That Local Government NSW requests that the NSW Government consider amending the BASIX assessment tool to incentivise the installation of electric appliances (rather than natural gas) for cooking and heating for thermal comfort by removing gas from the sustainability index. The amendments to the assessment tool would relate to new homes and renovations valued at \$50,000 or over to support a faster transition to electrification of power use.

Covered by resolution 82

Ku-ring-gai Council - Reforming the private certification system

That Local Government NSW advocates for the NSW Government to make the following reforms to the NSW private certification system:

- As a timely, efficient and cheaper means of invalidating improperly issued certificates, councils are given the administrative power to declare a certificate issued by a private certifier as invalid. A right of review of such decisions to be exercised by the NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal (NCAT), with court proceedings limited to judicial review of legal error.
- 2. Change the way in which private certifiers are appointed. Instead of allowing the developer to handpick their private certifier, the developer is offered a small range of local options to choose from a randomised pool.

Lane Cove Council - Using technology to improve probity for private certifiers in NSW That Local Government NSW:

- Calls on the State Government to create one central system that randomly selects Private Certifiers for the customers to obtain quotes from, to offer communities an unbiased, efficient, flexible and transparent service; and
- 2. Requests that the system be made available through the Department of Fair Trading website and allows customers to obtain a list of certifiers generated at random for the customer to obtain quotes from.

Covered by resolution 95

City of Parramatta Council - NSW planning portal

That Local Government NSW advocates to the NSW Government for impactful and significant changes to the NSW Planning Portal to ensure councils can meet the statutory obligations under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021, with minimal impact on resources and for the purpose of enabling delivery of quality customer service.

Lake Macquarie City Council - Integration platform for NSW government planning portal

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to fund the development and implementation of integration platforms between the NSW Government Planning Portal and local government document management and application systems.

Shoalhaven City Council - NSW planning portal implications for councils

That Local Government NSW strongly and urgently lobbies the NSW Department of Planning and Environment to undertake meaningful engagement with Councils on the current and future stage roll-out of the NSW Planning Portal, noting that changes and amendments have led (and continue to lead) to ratepayer cost imposts for Councils to meet shifting requirements. Further, advocacy to the Department be undertaken to fund any and all future implementation across Councils at no additional expense to ratepayers.

Covered by resolution 96

Tweed Shire Council - Caravan parks

That Local Government NSW writes to the Honourable Minister Scully and requests:

a. Support to prohibit caravan parks in rural zones with other forms of tourist accommodation still permissible on merit;

- Implementing a state government body to help overhaul the caravan park industry similar to NSW Food Authority or NSW Health. A government body is also needed for Moveable Dwellings Outside of Caravan Parks, and Manufactured Home Estates;
- c. An overhaul of the Local Government (Manufactured Home Estates, Caravan Parks, Camping Grounds and Moveable Dwellings) Regulation 2021, with different requirements for 'permanent living' caravan parks versus 'tourist accommodation' caravan parks.

Tweed Shire Council - Moveable dwellings outside caravan parks

That Local Government NSW writes to the Honourable Minister Scully and request circulars to assist with interpretation of the Local Government (Manufactured Home Estates, Caravan Parks, Camping Grounds and Moveable Dwellings) Regulation 2021.

Tweed Shire Council - Manufactured home estates

That Local Government NSW writes to the Honourable Minister Scully and requests:

- a. A review of the Local Government (Manufactured Home Estates, Caravan Parks, Camping Grounds and Moveable Dwellings) Regulation 2021 to remove the loopholes that allow permanent manufactured homes in areas where they are otherwise prohibited;
- b. A review of the Local Government (Manufactured Home Estates, Caravan Parks, Camping Grounds and Moveable Dwellings) Regulation 2021 and work with industry and councils to develop small village controls where land tenure exists and national construction standards can be enforced while meeting contemporary manufactured home estate living;
- c. A review of the SEPP Housing 2021 provisions for caravan parks with a view to properly distinguish a caravan park from a manufactured housing estate.

Covered by resolution 101

Forbes Shire Council - Upfront payments of flood damage repair expenditure

That Local Government NSW lobbies the NSW Government to pay upfront at least 50% of flood damage claims when they are submitted to ensure that rural councils are not forced to use their limited operating capital to fund repair works.

Covered by resolution 104

Bega Valley Shire Council - Purpose and future direction of NSW Reconstruction Authority That Local Government NSW:

- Seeks clarity from the NSW Government on the purpose and future direction of NSW Reconstruction Authority (formerly Resilience NSW).
- 2. Seeks clarity on how the various plans it has identified Councils will need to develop and reviewed on an ongoing basis will be funded.

Covered by resolution 105

Georges River Council - Review of the penalties applicable to illegal tree and vegetation works

That Local Government NSW requests the NSW Government to conduct a review of the penalties applicable to illegal tree and shrub works, including pruning, removal, poisoning, vandalism and insufficient protection measures on building sites, and introduce higher penalties for the unauthorised destruction of vegetation in environmentally sensitive areas such as riparian zones, areas of high biodiversity value and foreshore protection areas.

Ku-ring-gai Council - Penalty increases for illegal tree removal

That Local Government NSW:

- Advocates to the NSW Government to greatly increase penalty infringement notice fines for illegal tree removal, vandalism or other harm.
- Advocates to the NSW Government, specifically the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces, for a change to Schedule 5 of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Regulation 2021 to increase the penalties for individuals and corporations for penalty notice offences relating to development without consent.
- 3. Advocates for a review of the requirements for prosecution of illegal tree removal.

Mosman Council - Penalties for tree vandalism

That Local Government NSW lobbies the State Government to urgently review Penalty Infringements Notices relating to tree vandalism on both public and private land as provided for under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* so that penalties are set at a level which act as a more meaningful and effective deterrent to illegal works / tree vandalism.

Covered by resolution 116

Blue Mountains City Council - Urgency requirement for Companion Animals Act amendments That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to act urgently in response to the LGNSW policy platform 13.6 by introducing to Parliament necessary amendments to the Companion Animals Act (1998) to enable councils to make local assessments and rules about roaming domestic cats to better respond to the local risk levels and impacts on native fauna.

Eurobodalla Shire Council - Review of the Companion Animals Act - cat containment That Local Government NSW lobbies the NSW Government to:

- Change the Companion Animals Act 1998 to bring NSW into line with other states and territories by allowing local government to introduce cat containment policies in consultation with the local community that meet the specific needs of their area and community, including phase-in periods, selection of areas within the LGA to which the policy applies, monitoring frameworks and resource allocation.
- 2. Establish a \$9 million three-year state-wide grant program to support councils to implement domestic cat containment policies and associated responsible cat ownership programs to increase containment, desexing, identification and registration.
- 3. Implement a state-wide 'Safe cat, safe wildlife' campaign that includes the development of a central, state-wide online platform, in consultation with councils, relevant agencies and animal welfare bodies to make responsible pet ownership information easily accessible.

Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council - Amendments to Companion Animals Act

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW State Government to introduce to Parliament amendments to the *Companion Animals Act (1998)* to enact Cat Containment regulations across New South Wales to better respond to the local risk levels, nuisance and noise issues, cat welfare and impacts on native fauna.

Tamworth Regional Council - Responsible pet ownership and addressing the impact of cats on wildlife

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW State Government to address the impact of cats on wildlife by amending the Companion Animals Act to:

- 1. Mandate the desexing of all cats by 6 months of age with the exception of those owned by registered breeders and holding a valid permit for each litter;
- 2. Tighten the laws allowing the issue of permits for breeders and the ability to use the same permit for subsequent litters;
- 3. Provide funding to Councils and not-for-profit rescue organisations for specific reduced cost desexing programs;
- 4. Mandate the containment of all domestic/pet cats either within a dwelling and/or within an external enclosure; and
- 5. Provide significantly increased funding for on-ground resources to enforce enclosures and investigate and enforce laws relating to illegal breeders.

Covered by resolution 119

Cabonne Council - Regional growth

That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to fast-track investment into critical water supply and sewerage infrastructure, to assist regional councils meet the immediate and long-term demand for housing.

Covered by resolution 128

Bayside Council - Bus Industry Taskforce report

That Local Government NSW calls on the Minister for Transport to prioritise action on the recommendations of the First Report from the Bus Industry Taskforce, especially the refocus on the essential task of delivering bus services to underserved communities most impacted by privatisation of bus services in NSW.

Narrabri Shire Council - Rural/remote public transport services

That Local Government NSW advocates to the NSW Government, specifically the Minister for Transport and Transport for NSW (TfNSW), to give greater consideration to equity and accessibility of school bus transport within remote rural and regional areas, and release information on corresponding funding allocation and assessment methodology for the provision of public passenger services within such areas.

Strathfield Council - Transport and bus services

That Local Government NSW calls on the State and Federal Government to:

- 1. improve transport and bus services for all residents. Residents should have the option to live without a car, be connected to employment, services and activities including journeys to local shops, schools and services.
- 2. provide all residents with environmentally sustainable, socially equitable transport, and bus services to support a healthy community, where living without a car is a viable, attractive option for all residents.

Broken Hill City Council - Regional Seniors Travel Card

That Local Government NSW calls on the State Government to continue the Regional Seniors Travel Card, or a similar program to be implemented, to ensure seniors still have fair and equitable access to the necessity of travel in regional NSW.

REPORTS FROM STAFF

RP-1 DA23/0516 - CHANGE OF USE TO A CENTRE BASED CHILDCARE

FACILITY (72 CHILDREN) WITH ASSOCIATED ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS AND REVISED CAR-PARK LAYOUT AT 25-27 HARDY

AVENUE, WAGGA WAGGA, NSW 2650

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Summary: The report is for a development application and is presented to

Council for determination.

Section 1.10 of the Wagga Wagga Development Control Plan 2010 requires any application that is the subject of 10 or more objections be referred to Council for determination.

A full assessment of the development application is provided as an attachment to this report. The assessment has considered and addressed all relevant matters raised in the submissions.

Recommendation

That Council approve DA23/0516 for a Change of use to a centre based childcare facility (72 children) with associated alterations and additions and revised car-park layout at 25-27 Hardy Avenue, Wagga Wagga, NSW 2650 (Lot 42 DP619677) subject to the conditions outlined in the s4.15 Assessment Report.

Development Application Details

Applicant	Ben Dransfield					
Owner	Latimers in Oz Pty Ltd Directors: Paul Latimer and Vivien Latimer					
Development Cost	\$792,000.00					
Development Description	Change of use to a centre based childcare facility (72 children) with associated alterations and additions and revised car-park layout					

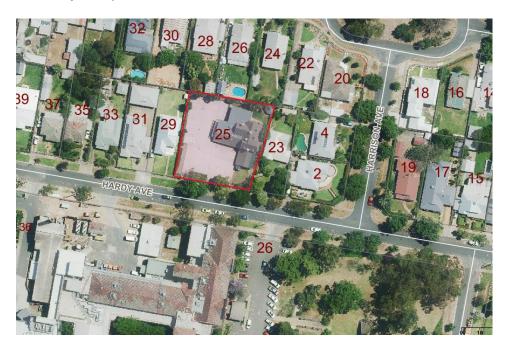
Report

Key Issues

- Car park design and vehicle movements
- Noise
- Objections to the Development
- NSW Childcare Planning Guidelines and compliance with legislation

Site Location

The subject site is on the northern side of Hardy Avenue approximately 75 metres to the west of the junction with Harrison Avenue, the lot is irregular in shape extending to 1697m2. The property consists of one two storey detached building that is currently vacant but was last in use as a medical centre, there is a driveway to the western boundary of the site with landscaping to the rear predominantly within the north-eastern part of the site. Car-parking is laid out to the front and side of the property. There are residential properties directly to the north, east and west of the site. To the south of the site is Calvary Hospital.



Assessment

- The site is zoned as R1 General Residential under the provisions of the WWLEP 2010. Centre based child-care facilities are specifically listed as permitted with consent in the R1 zone.
- The site is within a residential street in proximity to a hospital. A traffic impact report prepared in support of the development application confirms that there are no adverse impacts upon the local road network as a result of the proposal.
- The car-park has been designed in accordance with Australian Standards and the number of parking spaces complies with the DCP. Six of the carparking spaces are proposed in a tandem (stacked) format. The 3 tandem spaces with restricted access will be reserved for staff use only. To ensure that these spaces are utilised prior to other parking spaces and to ensure their use does not prevent the 3 unrestricted spaces from being accessible to customers, management procedures will be incorporated within an operational management plan to be implemented at all times.
- The application has been assessed against the Child Care Planning Guideline as required under Chapter 3 of State Environmental Planning Policy (Transport and Infrastructure) 2021. The assessment (detailed in the attached s4.15 report) has concluded that the development is compliant with the requirements of the Guideline.
- An acoustic report has been prepared examining the impacts of noise from within the centre, from the outdoor play areas, from the vehicle movements to and from the site each day and from mechanical plant such as air conditioning units. The acoustic report concludes that, subject to recommendations, the

proposal is capable of maintaining the acoustic amenity of both the occupants of the proposed centre and surrounding receivers and that internal noise levels and noise emission targets for the development will comply with the relevant acoustic requirements. The various recommendations include construction standards and management practices which have been addressed in recommended conditions of consent.

- Hours 6.30am 6:00pm Monday to Saturday. Use of external play areas will be restricted until after 7:00am.
- The impacts of the development have been considered as part of the attached s4.15 report and deemed to be acceptable.
- A number of submissions were received in objection to the application. Generally, the submissions related to traffic and parking concerns. The submissions have been addressed in detail under section (d) of the attached s4.15 report.

Appropriate conditions of consent are included to manage and mitigate the impacts of development. Subject to compliance with the conditions there are no anticipated impacts that would warrant refusal of the development application.

Reasons for Approval

- 1. The proposed development is consistent with the provisions of SEPP (Transport and Infrastructure) 2021 and the NSW Child Care Planning Guidelines 2021.
- 2. The proposed development is consistent with the provisions of the Wagga Wagga Local Environmental Plan 2010.
- 3. The proposed development is generally consistent with the objectives and controls of the Wagga Wagga Development Control Plan 2010.
- 4. The impacts of the proposed development are acceptable and can be managed via the recommended conditions of consent.
- 5. The site is considered suitable for the proposed development and is in the public interest.

Financial Implications

N/A

Policy

State Environmental Planning Policy (Transport and Infrastructure) 2021 Wagga Wagga Local Environmental Plan 2010 Wagga Wagga Development Control Plan 2010

Link to Strategic Plan

Growing Economy

Objective: Wagga Wagga is an attractive location for people to live, work and invest Encourage and support investment to develop Wagga Wagga

Risk Management Issues for Council

Approval of the application is not considered to raise risk management issues for Council as the proposed development is consistent with SEPP (Transport and Infrastructure) 2021, LEP and DCP controls.

Internal / External Consultation

Full details of the consultation that was carried out as part of the development application assessment is contained in the attached s4.15 Report.

	l	Mail		Traditional Media		Community Engagement			Digital							
	Rates notices insert	Direct mail	Letterbox drop	Council news	Media release	Media opportunity	TV/radio advertising	One-on-one meeting(s)	Community meeting(s)	Stakeholder workshop(s)	Drop-in session(s)	Survey/feedback form(s)	Have your Say	Email newsletter	Social media	Website
Inform			X													X
Consult			×													X
Involve																
Collaborate																
Other methods (please list specific details below)																

Attachments

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- 1. DA23/0516 s4.15 Assessment Report Provided under separate cover
- 2. DA23/0516 Plans set Provided under separate cover
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- 3. DA23/0516 Landscape plans Provided under separate cover
- 4. DA23/0516 Statement of Environmental Effects Provided under separate cover
- 5. DA23/0516 Traffic and Parking Impact Assessment Provided under
 separate cover
- 6. DA23/0516 Acoustic Report Provided under separate cover
- 7. DA23/0516 Plan of Management Provided under separate cover
- 8. DA23/0516 Redacted Submissions Provided under separate cover

RP-2 PLANNING PROPOSAL LEP23/0001 - PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE WAGGA WAGGA LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN 2010 FOR REZONING AND RECLASSIFICATION OF LAND LOCATED ON BOWEN PLACE AND BOYD PLACE, TOLLAND, WAGGA WAGGA

Author: Lou Hawkins **Executive:** John Sidgwick

Summary:

Council is in receipt of a Planning Proposal to amend the Wagga Wagga Local Environmental Plan 2010. The proposal seeks to rezone part Lot 12, DP1187387 from RE1 Public Recreation to R1 General Residential, and reclassify the land from community land to operational land.

Council considered the Planning Proposal LEP23/0001 at its meeting on 23 October 2023 adopting to defer consideration until a Plan of Management for cul-de-sac laneways classified as Community Land has been prepared.

The recommendation is to proceed with the Planning Proposal and request a Gateway Determination with the Department of Planning and Environment.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a note Council Resolution 23/258 adopted at the Ordinary Meeting of Council held 23 October 2023
- b support Planning Proposal LEP23/0001 to amend the Wagga Wagga Local Environmental Plan 2010
- c submit the Planning Proposal LEP23/0001 to the Department of Planning and Environment for Gateway Determination
- d subject to endorsement of the Planning Proposal, undertake public exhibition and consultation with a further report to be prepared after the public exhibition period addressing any submissions made in respect of the Planning Proposal
- e note that any decision on the use or sale of Council owned land will be subject to a separate Council report
- f note that staff will prepare a report on a Plan of Management for cul-de-sac laneways at a future date

Report

Application Details

Submitted Proposal: Amendment to the Wagga Wagga Local Environmental

Plan 2010 to reclassify land and amend zoning.

Applicant Salvestro Planning on behalf of Mr Tony Balding

Land Owners: Wagga Wagga City Council

Forward

Council at its Ordinary Meeting on 23 October 2023, considered Planning Proposal LEP23/0001 resolving as follows (23/258):

That Council defer consideration of Planning Proposal LEP23/0001 until a Plan of Management for cul-de-sac laneways classified as Community Land has been prepared.

Following this resolution, council staff consulted to understand the nature of councillor concerns and provide additional information and clarity. Staff were advised that there were no concerns with the progression of the planning proposal on the basis that a plan of management for cul de sac laneways was prepared by staff in the future (noting current council priorities). As such this report is returned to council for consideration only seeking endorsement of the planning proposal at this time.

The Proposal

Council is in receipt of a Planning Proposal to amend the Wagga Wagga Local Environmental Plan 2010. The proposal seeks to rezone part Lot 12, DP1187387 from RE1 Public Recreation to R1 General Residential and reclassify the land from community land to operational land.

In 2023, Council was approached by the landowner adjoining the laneway at Bowen Place enquiring about the proposed future use of the land and whether Council would be prepared to consider disposal of the land. Staff advised that the property was classified as community land and that under provisions of the *Local Government Act* 1993, Council was prevented from disposing of the land whilst it was classified as community land.

The landowner subsequently lodged a planning proposal to rezone the land from RE1 Public Recreation to R1 General Residential and to reclassify the land from community land to operational land. As part of Council's initial scoping advice to the applicant in relation to the planning proposal, it was recommended that the adjacent laneway on Boyd Place also be included in the proposal to enable more efficient planning and use of Council resources.



The proposed amendments are shown in the maps below:

Figure 1 and 2: Proposal outcomes for reclassification and rezoning respectively.

The application and supporting documents are provided under separate covers (see attachments).

Site and Locality

Council owns both sites, with Bowen Place approximately 265m² in area and Boyd Place 171 m² in area. They are located approximately 6.3km south of the CBD (11 minutes' drive). They are recreational in nature and are utilised as informal pedestrian laneways between the cul-de-sac and the active travel path.

The existing parcel (see Figure 3 below) is zoned RE1 Public Recreation and is an open space corridor which functions to complement the active travel path. The character of the local area is largely low density urban and comprises a mix of social housing and private housing. R1 General Residential zoning exists to the north of the site, with SP2 Infrastructure zoning to the south (see Figures 1 and 2 above). The site adjoins Red Hill Road to the south, and there is an active travel path that runs parallel. Jubilee Park is situated to the south of Red Hill Road.



Figure 3: Aerial view of the subject land. Source: Sixmaps.

Key Considerations

The Planning Proposal has been assessed against Council's strategies, policies and guidelines, the 2023 NSW Local Environmental Plan Making Guideline and the Ministerial Directions. The key considerations are identified below:

1. Precinct-level Approach

When considering changes to planning provisions, consideration is to be given to applying the changes to a larger precinct, rather than solely applying at a smaller scale, which achieves site-specific outcomes only. The precinct-level approach enables Council to better plan for infrastructure servicing and delivery and facilitates efficient planning. As such, as part of Council's initial scoping advice to the applicant it was recommended that the adjacent laneway on Boyd Place be similarly included in the proposal to enable more efficient planning and use of Council resources.

2. Council's Vision of Strategic Intent

There is general support for the Planning Proposal to rezone land from RE1 to R1 in both local and regional strategies.

Riverina Murray Regional Plan 2041

The Riverina Murray Regional Plan outlines a goal to promote the growth of regional cities. The proposal is consistent with this plan due to the opportunity to facilitate additional housing.

□ Wagga Wagga Local Strategic Planning Statement – Wagga Wagga 2040

The Wagga Wagga Local Strategic Planning Statement – Wagga Wagga 2040 (LSPS) was adopted on 8 February 2021 and provides a blueprint for how and where Wagga Wagga will grow into the future. It sets Council's 20-year vision for land use planning under key themes and principles. The proposal is consistent with this plan due to the opportunity to facilitate additional housing.

3. Infrastructure

One of the key issues to consider with Local Environmental Plan (LEP) amendments is the impact of any proposal on existing infrastructure and the ability of existing networks to cope with increased demands. The site is in an existing urban environment and there is opportunity to connect to existing services and infrastructure including roads, reticulated water, stormwater, sewer and waste collection services. Other infrastructure networks and services. including public transport. waste management/recycling, health, education, emergency, mail and other community services are established in the local area and are accessible to the subject sites. The Planning Proposal's intent is to enable at least one additional dwelling on the Bowen place subject site, and it also provides the opportunity to facilitate at least one additional dwelling on the Boyd Place subject site in the future, with both sites having minimal impact on public infrastructure.

4. LEP Provisions

Existing provisions

The site is currently zoned RE1 Public Recreation and is classified as community land.

Proposed provisions

The amendment will rezone the land to R1 General Residential and reclassify the land to operational land. The proposed changes to the LEP may facilitate additional dwellings.

5. Development Control Plan

Future development of the subject land will be undertaken in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Wagga Wagga Development Control Plan 2010 (DCP).

6. Additional Considerations

Urban Design and Access

Pedestrian movement and access corridors within residential housing estates are an integral part of good urban design. However, the two subject laneways are located at the end of cul de sacs and lack clear legibility, are not signposted, do not have paving or lighting and do not connect well with the existing pedestrian network (see Figures 4-6 below).



Figure 4: Site Photos Bowen Place



Figure 5: Site Photos Bowen Place



Figure 6: Site Photo Boyd Place

While, the laneways can be used to support movement and connectivity, the loss of these laneways does not significantly affect access to the balance of the open space corridor off Red Hill Road and Glenfield Road, with access retained from Brooks Circuit (approximately 5-minute walk west of Boyd Place) and Ramus Street to the east (approximately 3-minute walk east of Bowen Place). Access to the cul-de-sacs in the event of emergencies is also maintained via these routes.

In this instance, the thoroughfares do not appear to provide additional amenity or benefit to the community in the context of urban design principles (such as movement and connectivity, and access to greenspace) and Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) principles.

It is noted that as part of the Tolland Renewal Project, the Land and Housing Corporation (LAHC) plan to reconnect a number of cul de sacs within the Tolland Estate as part of the Masterplan. The size and irregular shape of Bowen Place and Boyd place make such a connection unfeasible.

Crime

According to NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research (BOCSAR) the area around the laneways is a city hotspot for malicious damage to property, break and enters and assault. A search of the customer enquiry database indicates that the laneways have been a resource burden on Council in terms of complaints from customers in and around the laneways relating to rubbish dumping and requests for maintenance. This is consistent with the submission from the Riverina Police District, who are supportive of the closure of the laneways (see Attachment 5). The Riverina Police District submission references research that suggests mixed use laneways in primarily residential areas facilitate crime. Local Police identify these laneways are used to evade Police and are sites that attract litter and graffiti.

This information indicates that the laneways have been a resource burden on Council and lane closures in these locations could reduce opportunities for rubbish dumping, anti-social behaviours, and assist Police with crime prevention.

Statutory Planning Considerations

Internal feedback has indicated that alternative land uses for these parts of Lot 12, DP1187387 are not suitable given the lot size, zoning and configuration of the allotments. The Boyd Place laneway has potential for a dwelling extension or dual occupancy at 4 or 5 Boyd Place. The Bowen Place laneway has potential for expansion of a multi-dwelling development at 4 Bowen Place or a dwelling extension or dual occupancy at 3 Bowen Place. On balance, based on the feasible land use options available to the sites, it is considered this proposal would enable a beneficial planning outcome for Council, by supplementing the development opportunities for the adjoining land.

The Development Application on the adjacent lot to the west of the Bowen Place laneway was for installation of two manufactured dwellings (dual occupancy) and 3 lot community title subdivision (DA22/0383). Determined 2/11/2022, multi-residential development category.

Economic Implications

A future sale of the subject sites to facilitate residential opportunities will create economic opportunities through the construction process. The sale of the subject sites to adjoining landowners will create community benefit.

Reclassification

This Planning Proposal will facilitate a reclassification and rezoning of the site to enable future residential opportunities. The LEP practice note 'Classification and reclassification of public land through a local environmental plan' has been considered in relation to reclassification of land through an LEP. This document clarifies issues arising in relation to public reserve status and any interests affecting the land.

The reclassification of the site will enable Council to consider disposing of the site, which will result in a loss of community classified land. The reclassification will require a community hearing to be undertaken to ensure community members can present their concerns on the reclassification and potential loss of community land. This will be conditioned as part of the Gateway Determination if approved by NSW Department of Planning and Environment. It is noted that the practice note specifies the proposal must be exhibited for at least 28 days. A public hearing must be held and a further 21 days public notice needs to be given before the hearing. This provides the community an opportunity to discuss issues with an independent person in a public forum. If the proposal is supported and the plan is made, the sale of the land will be facilitated by Council's property team.

Loss of Public Open Space

As the proposed land is currently being used for the purposes of a laneway, it is considered that the loss of public open space is minor, and from a social and economic perspective, the current use is not considered the best planning outcome for the land. The proposal will result in a negligible loss of open space as access to the active travel path, Red Hill Road and Jubilee Park can occur via Ramus Street. Urban design considerations have been explored as part of the planning assessment. Selling the land would remove the ongoing maintenance burden for council and has the potential to reduce CPTED concerns. The proceeds from the potential sale of the lots will be invested in the community.

Tolland Renewal Masterplan

The Tolland Renewal Masterplan was not initially able to be shared with Council by Land and Housing Corporation (LAHC) due to confidentiality reasons during the initial stages of the assessment. During this time the Planning Proposal was referred to LAHC. No comment was received, nor any objection raised. As there has been no objection to the proposal by LAHC, the proposal does not appear to be inconsistent with the draft Tolland Renewal Masterplan, as per the analysis below. There will be additional opportunity for comment at the public exhibition stage of the Planning Proposal process. The benefit of proceeding with the amendments proposed by this application is that it may have less risk than if the amendments were to be incorporated into a future Planning Proposal associated with the Tolland Renewal Masterplan.

The Tolland Renewal Masterplan is currently on public exhibition between 11 September to 24 October 2023. As can be seen in Figure 7, Boyd Place is shown as connecting through to the eastern Jordan Place. This is not inconsistent with the Planning Proposal. Bowen Place is still reflected as a cul-de-sac, which aligns with the Planning Proposal. The proposed land use in the Masterplan appears to be residential and as such the proposed reclassification and rezoning appears to be consistent with the draft Masterplan.



Figure 7 Landscape Masterplan extracted from Draft Concept Masterplan – Tolland Renewal Project



Figure 8 Neighbourhood Masterplan extracted from Draft Concept Masterplan – Tolland Renewal Project

Disposal Process

The process for disposing of Council owned land is outlined in Council's Acquisition, Disposal and Management of Land Policy <u>POL 038</u>. The policy restates the legislative position that Council cannot deal with community land other than to become or be added to a Crown reserve or National Park, and therefore a reclassification is necessary to facilitate this course of action.

The policy provides that disposal of land should occur at market value, and by open competitive processes unless exceptional circumstances warrant disposal by means of direct negotiations. One such exceptional circumstance is where the only potential purchaser is the adjoining owner(s). In this case, the size of the subject sites limits the development potential of the land by third parties. This may be an issue for consideration in this case.

A further report providing a detailed disposal brief and recommendations as to the proposed disposal strategy will be provided to Council for consideration if the Planning Proposal is supported.

Although the Planning Proposal seeks to rezone and reclassify two parts of Lot 12, DP1187387, there is currently active interest in the potential disposal of the Bowen Place subject site.

Conclusion

The submitted Planning Proposal seeks to amend the Wagga Wagga Local Environmental Plan 2010 by rezoning part of the subject land to R1 General Residential and reclassifying part of the subject land as operational land.

The two sites have the potential to be infill sites near existing services. The Planning Proposal may facilitate higher density development in the area and may provide additional residential options.

The proposal is supported for the following reasons:

- It creates an opportunity for new infill development within the existing urban area.
- It provides benefits to the broader community.
- It is consistent with the relevant strategic documents.
- It is consistent with Council's vision and strategic intent.
- It is consistent with relevant S9.1 Ministerial Directions and SEPPs.
- The investigation of the subject land provided with the application is sufficient to support the Planning Proposal and forward the proposal to the Department of Planning and Environment seeking Gateway Determination.

It is recommended that Council endorse the Planning Proposal and forward it to the NSW Department of Planning and Environment seeking Gateway Determination.

Financial Implications

The application has been submitted with the applicable *Standard LEP Amendment* fee of \$11,400. The proponent has paid this fee.

Policy and Legislation

Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979
Wagga Wagga Local Environmental Plan 2010
Chapter 15, Part 8, Division 2 of the Local Government Act 1993

Link to Strategic Plan

The Environment

Objective: Future growth and development of Wagga Wagga is planned for in a sustainable manner

Ensure sustainable urban development

Risk Management Issues for Council

An approval of the proposal may be subject to public scrutiny during the public consultation process and may put additional pressure on Council to consider the increase of density around the central business district.

Refusal of the application may result in an appeal process. The applicant can appeal Council's decision by submitting the Planning Proposal to the Department of Planning and Environment through the Rezoning Review process.

Internal / External Consultation

A Councillor workshop was held on 16 September where officers presented the Planning Proposal to Councillors.

Internal referral occurred. There is support for the proposal to proceed.

Formal public consultation with the general public and relevant referral agencies specified by the conditions of the Gateway will occur after the Gateway Determination.

As this proposal includes a reclassification of community land to operational, a public hearing will be conditioned as part of any Gateway Determination. The public hearing will be chaired by an independent person and will enable the opportunity for affected community members to raise concerns in a public forum. The independent chair will prepare a report with recommendations based on the public hearing. In accordance with the Practice note PN 16-001 - Classification and reclassification of public land through and environmental plan - the exhibition period is a minimum of 28 days with a further 21 days public notice required for the public hearing.

Proposed consultation methods are indicated in the table below.

		Mail		Traditional Media		Community Engagement			Digital							
	Rates notices insert	Direct mail	Letterbox drop	Council news	Media release	Media opportunity	TV/radio advertising	One-on-one meeting(s)	Community meeting(s)	Stakeholder workshop(s)	Drop-in session(s)	Survey/feedback form(s)	Have your Say	Email newsletter	Social media	Website
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- 1. LEP23/0001 Planning Proposal Provided under separate cover
- 2. LEP23/0001 Infrastructure Services Mapping Provided under separate cover
- 3. LEP23/0001 Information Checklist Provided under separate cover
- 4. LEP23/0001 Police Submission Provided under separate cover
- LEP23/0001 Planning Proposal Application Provided under separate cover
- LEP23/0001 Title Search and Deposited Plan Provided under separate cover
- 7. LEP23/0001 Planning Proposal Assessment Report Provided under separate cover

RP-3 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE REPORT AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

Author: Carolyn Rodney

Summary: This report is for Council to consider information presented on the

2023/24 budget and Long-Term Financial Plan, and details Council's external investments and performance as at 31

December 2023.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a approve the proposed 2023/24 budget variations for the month ended 31 December 2023 and note the balanced budget position as presented in this report
- b approve the proposed budget variations to the 2023/24 Long Term Financial Plan Capital Works Program including new projects and future year timing adjustments
- c note the contract variation to Gardiner Street Path (University Link) as part of the Active Travel Plan Stage 1 Project as presented in this report
- d note the Responsible Accounting Officer's reports, in accordance with the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021* (Part 9 Division 3: Clause 203) that the financial position of Council is satisfactory having regard to the original estimates of income and expenditure and the recommendations made above
- e note the details of the external investments as of 31 December 2023 in accordance with section 625 of the *Local Government Act 1993*

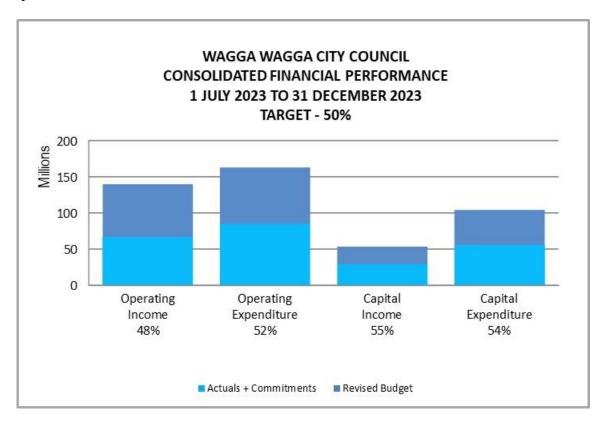
Report

Wagga Wagga City Council (Council) forecasts a balanced budget position as of 31 December 2023.

Proposed budget variations including adjustments to the capital works program are detailed in this report for Council's consideration and adoption.

Council has experienced a positive monthly investment performance for the month of December when compared to budget (\$481,343 up on the monthly budget). This is mainly due to better than budgeted returns on Council's investment portfolio as a result of the ongoing movement in the interest rate environment, as well as a higher than anticipated investment portfolio balance.

Key Performance Indicators



OPERATING INCOME

Total operating income is 48% of approved budget and is tracking slightly behind for the month of December 2023. An adjustment has been made to reflect the levy of rates that occurred at the start of the financial year. Excluding this adjustment, operating income received is 76% when compared to budget.

OPERATING EXPENSES

Total operating expenditure is 52% of approved budget and is tracking over budget at this stage of the financial year, which is due to the payment of annual one-off expenses such as rates and insurance, along with one-off commitments raised for operating projects and multi-year contracts.

CAPITAL INCOME

Total capital income is 55% of approved budget. It is important to note that the actual income from capital is influenced by the timing of the receipt of capital grants and contributions in relation to expenditure incurred on the projects.

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

Total capital expenditure including commitments is 54% of approved budget including pending projects. Excluding commitments, the total expenditure is 28% when compared to the approved budget.

WAGGA WAGGA CITY COUNCIL STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE 1 JULY 2023 TO 31 DECEMBER 2023

		CONSOLIDA	TED STATEMENT				
	ORIGINAL BUDGET 2023/24	BUDGET ADJ 2023/24	APPROVED BUDGET 2023/24	YTD ACTUAL EXCL COMMT'S 2023/24	COMMT'S 2023/24	YTD ACTUAL + COMMT'S 2023/24	YTD % OF BUD
Revenue							
Rates & Annual Charges	(79,700,947)	0	(79,700,947)	(39,190,088)	0	(39,190,088)	49%
User Charges & Fees	(32,607,964)	1,992,180	(30,615,784)	(15,002,418)	0	(15,002,418)	49%
Other Revenues	(3,040,358)	0	(3,040,358)	(3,185,316)	0	(3,185,316)	105%
Grants & Contributions provided for Operating Purposes	(13,891,687)	(5,994,554)	(19,886,241)	(3,902,141)	0	(3,902,141)	20%
Grants & Contributions provided for Capital Purposes	(43,630,578)	(5,988,308)	(49,618,886)	(28,591,291)	0	(28,591,291)	58%
Interest & Investment Revenue	(4,873,916)	0	(4,873,916)	(4,423,088)	0	(4,423,088)	91%
Other Income	(1,564,445)	(22,667)	(1,587,112)	(983,167)	0	(983,167)	62%
Total Revenue	(179,309,895)	(10,013,349)	(189,323,244)	(95,277,509)	0	(95,277,509)	50%
Total Nevellue	(173,003,033)	(10,010,040)	(103,023,244)	(30,211,003)	v	(55,211,505)	30 70
Expenses							
Employee Benefits & On-	56,172,711	328,830	56,501,540	24,981,173	1,530	24,982,703	44%
Costs							
Borrowing Costs	3,363,314	0	3,363,314	2,013,983	0	2,013,983	60%
Materials & Services	41,316,274	15,113,871	56,430,145	25,894,304	8,375,243	34,269,548	61%
Depreciation & Amortisation	44,291,577	0	44,291,577	22,145,788	0	22,145,788	50%
Other Expenses	1,954,429	233,560	2,187,989	1,187,335	366,167	1,553,502	71%
Total Expenses	147,098,304	15,676,261	162,774,565	76,222,583	8,742,941	84,965,524	52%
Net Operating (Profit)/Loss	(32,211,591)	5,662,912	(26,548,679)	(19,054,926)	8,742,941	(10,311,985)	
Net Operating Result Before Capital (Profit)/Loss	11,418,987	11,651,220	23,070,207	9,536,365	8,742,941	18,279,305	
Cap/Reserve Movements Capital Expenditure - One Off Confirmed	33,539,246	31,076,533	64,615,779	20,101,222	20,297,299	40,398,521	63%
Capital Expenditure - Recurrent	21,649,500	9,568,082	31,217,583	5,421,441	6,651,458	12,072,899	39%
Capital Expenditure - Pending Projects	38,732,266	(37,984,161)	748,105	8,681	119,815	128,496	0%
Loan Repayments	7,523,436	0	7,523,436	3,261,718	0	3,261,718	43%
New Loan Borrowings	(10,609,635)	7,043,364	(3,566,271)	0	0	0	0%
Sale of Assets	(1,490,575)	(2,317,180)	(3,807,755)	(541,049)	0	(541,049)	14%
Net Movements Reserves	(12,841,071)	(13,049,551)	(25,890,622)	0	0	0	0%
Total Cap/Res Movements	76,503,167	(5,662,912)	70,840,256	28,252,013	27,068,572	55,320,585	
Net Result after Depreciation	44,291,577	(0)	44,291,577	9,197,087	35,811,513	45,008,599	
Add back Depreciation Expense	44,291,577	0	44,291,577	22,145,788	0	22,145,788	50%
Cash Budget (Surplus)/Deficit	0	0	0	(12,948,702)	35,811,513	22,862,811	

Years 2-10 Long Term Financial Plan (Surplus) /Deficit

Description	Budget 2024/25	Budget 2025/26	Budget 2026/27	Budget 2027/28	Budget 2028/29	Budget 2029/30	Budget 2030/31	Budget 2031/32	Budget 2032/33
Adopted Bottom Line (Surplus) / Deficit	706,102	2,769,193	2,225,767	0	0	0	0	0	(953,513)
Adopted Bottom Line Adjustments	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revised Bottom Line (Surplus) / Deficit	706,102	2,769,193	2,225,767	0	0	0	0	0	(953,513)

2023/24 Revised Budget Result – (Surplus) / Deficit					
Original 2023/24 Budget Result as adopted by Council	\$0K				
Total Budget Variations approved to date.	\$0K				
Budget Variations for December 2023	\$0K				
Proposed Revised Budget result for 31 December 2023 - (Surplus) / Deficit	\$0K				

The proposed Operating and Capital Budget Variations for 31 December 2023 which affect the current 2023/24 financial year are listed below.

Budget Variation	Amount	Funding Source	Net Impact (Fav)/ Unfav				
1 – Community Leadership and Collaboration							
StateCover WHS Incentive Income	(\$30K)	WHS Training & Development \$30K	Nil				
Council has been informed that we are to receive an additional \$30K above the budgeted \$100K budgeted for the StateCover Work Health and Safety Incentive. It is proposed to allocate the additional funds towards the Psychosocial Hazards Code of Practice Implementation in 2023/24. Estimated Completion: 30 June 2024 Job Consolidations: 12611 & 13898							
4 – Community Place and lo	dentity						
Civic Theatre Replacement of Overhead Stage Lights	\$110K	Clubgrants Funding (\$90K) Operating Income (\$20K)	Nil				
The upgrade of the Wagga Wagga Civic theatre's lighting system will align with industry standards, ensure energy efficiency, boost productivity and better position the Wagga Wagga Civic Theatre as a technical training ground for young people in our region. The upgrade will enable our community and touring							

Budget Variation	Amount	ount Funding Source							
companies to deliver works capital cities.	at a higher	technical standard, on par with our							
The proposed lighting upgrade energy consumption by 37%.	de from Hal	ogen lighting to LED decreases our							
operating income budgets by the total project budget to \$18	\$20K to co 80K.	funding and it is proposed to increase ntribute to the project. This will bring							
Estimated Completion: 30 Jur Job Consolidations: 19566	ne 2024								
5 – The Environment									
Dunns Road – Roads and Traffic Facilities Upgrade	\$242K	Civil Infrastructure Reserve (\$242K)	Nil						
Additional funds are required for the Dunns Road project due to unforeseen additional expenses and changes to the scope of required works. The unforeseen expenses include engaging of an independent verifier and a safety audit for TfNSW requirements, additional property works and compulsory land acquisitions and a pipe replacement at the Holbrook Road intersection. This also included the removal of large quantities of unsuitable material and replacement with suitable material at the Olympic Highway and Dunns Road intersection which was not originally budgeted. This will bring the total project budget to \$8,946,356. Estimated Completion: 30 March 2024 Job Consolidation: 13684									
Strong Start Cadetship Program		NSW State Government Grant Income (\$25K)	Nil						
the Strong Start Cadetship Proposition Pro	ogram. The Wand fill van offer a caco	Council has been successful in securing NSW Government grant funding under the Strong Start Cadetship Program. The program is aimed at addressing the planning skills shortage in NSW and fill vacancies in Councils Planning teams. The grant will allow Council to offer a cadet role in the Development Services Division with this grant partially funding the training for the position. Estimated Completion: 30 June 2024							

The following 2023/24 project has been reviewed and it is being proposed to transfer it from the Recurrent Program to the Delivery Program for completion in this financial year. There has been no change to the total budget of the project.

Job No.	Project Title	2023/24 Current One-Off Confirmed	2023/24 Current Recurrent	2023/24 Proposed One-Off Confirmed	2023/24 Proposed Recurrent
17749	Renew Community Amenities – Gissing Oval	\$0	\$756,633	\$756,633	\$0

2023/24 Capital Works Summary

Capital Works	Approved Budget	Proposed Movement	Proposed Budget
One-off	\$64,615,779	\$998,633	\$65,614,412
Recurrent	\$31,217,583	(\$756,633)	\$30,460,950
Pending	\$748,105	\$0	\$748,105
Total Capital Works	\$96,581,467	\$242,000	\$96,823,467

Contract variation to Gardiner St path (University Link) - \$162,342.50 (GST exclusive)

The Lump Sum contract for part of University Link ATP path along Gardiner St was awarded to CRS in 2022 for \$306,142.

The works have been unable to commence until November 2023 due to a combination of poor site conditions and excess moisture and contractor availability. The scope of the project has changed some sections of the path from the asphalt surface to concrete following the geotechnical investigation which determined some sections of the pathway contained material unsuitable for the construction of the path in asphalt as originally intended.

The Variation for this concrete surface is \$162,342.50. The revised contract value for Gardiner St work is \$468,484.50.

The total project budget for ATP Stage 1 is \$13.2M, funded by WWCC developer contributions (\$1.4M) and State Government grant funding (\$11.8M). The remaining budget as at 12 January 2024 is \$1.6M. This variation of \$162,342.50 will be funded from the overall existing ATP Stage 1 budget.

There is a considerable amount of work remaining, predominantly relating to the Forest Hill link rail trail which is still required to complete the project. A detailed report including the status of the overall project, and the remaining work and required funding and budget variation will be submitted to February 2024 Council meeting.

Current Restrictions

	RESERVES	SUMMARY			
	31 DECEMI	BER 2023			
	CLOSING BALANCE 2022/23	ADOPTED RESERVE TRANSFERS 2023/24	BUDGET VARIATIONS APPROVED UP TO COUNCIL MEETING 11.12.2023	PROPOSED CHANGES for Council Resolution*	BALANCE AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023
Eviamelly Destricted					
Externally Restricted Developer Contributions - Section 7.11	(22 549 602)	F 650 217	(2.146.652)		(20.015.020)
·	(33,518,693)	5,650,317	(2,146,653)		(30,015,029)
Developer Contributions - Section 7.12	(427,766)	(28,137)	(4.000.400)		(455,903)
Developer Contributions - Stormwater Section 64	(7,952,971)	461,121	(1,003,403)		(8,495,253)
Sewer Fund	(45,473,006)	(486,810)	(920,244)		(46,880,059)
Solid Waste	(28,001,560)	1,115,349	(935,606)		(27,821,816)
Specific Purpose Unexpended Grants & Contributions	(13,419,243)	0	13,419,243		0
SRV Levee Reserve	(6,316,594)	0	46,718		(6,269,877)
Stormwater Levy	(5,350,848)	3,299,121	(2,906,312)		(4,958,039)
Total Externally Restricted	(140,460,680)	10,010,962	5,553,743	0	(124,895,976)
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Internally Restricted					
Additional Special Variation (ASV)	(630,214)	(304,627)	0		(934,841)
Airport	0	0	0		0
Art Gallery	(3,804)	0	0		(3,804)
Bridge Replacement	(277,544)	0	40,739		(236,805)
Buildings	(1,816,155)	222,330	255,413		(1,338,412)
CCTV	(47,471)	12,476	0		(34,995)
Cemetery	(1,246,587)	(240,585)	30,437		(1,456,735)
Civic Theatre	(127)	0	0		(127)
Civil Infrastructure	(8,750,164)	1,975,590	381,233	242,000	(6,151,341)
Council Election	(305,964)	(117,566)	0		(423,531)
Economic Development	(407,131)	0	388,773		(18,358)
Emergency Events Reserve	(245,427)	(91,807)	50,000		(287,235)
Employee Leave Entitlements Gen Fund	(3,604,926)	0	0		(3,604,926)
Environmental Conservation	(116,578)	0	0		(116,578)
Event Attraction	(969,436)	0	728,755		(240,681)
Financial Assistance Grants in Advance	(12,361,442)	0	0		(12,361,442)
Grant Co-Funding	(500,000)	0	0		(500,000)
Gravel Pit Restoration	(807,726)	13,333	26,500		(767,892)
Information Services	(2,419,649)	906,761	92,772		(1,420,116)
Insurance Variations	(50,000)	0	0		(50,000)
Internal Loans	(6,215,667)	(768,775)	240,226		(6,744,217)
Lake Albert Improvements	(127,751)	38,377	0		(89,374)
Library	(166,718)	(155,915)	0		(322,633)
Livestock Marketing Centre	(6,581,531)	1,077,258	4,194,727		(1,309,546)
Museum Acquisitions	(54,612)	10,000	0		(44,612)
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	CLOSING BALANCE 2022/23	ADOPTED RESERVE TRANSFERS 2023/24	BUDGET VARIATIONS APPROVED UP TO COUNCIL MEETING 11.12.2023	PROPOSED CHANGES for Council Resolution*	BALANCE AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023
Net Zero Emissions	(309,016)	(44,492)	226,196		(127,313)
Oasis Reserve	(1,324,304)	172,650	222,748		(928,906)
Parks & Recreation Projects	(1,061,367)	(137,862)	606,268		(592,962)
Parks Water	(180,000)	(150,000)	0		(330,000)
Planning Legals	(100,000)	(20,000)	0		(120,000)
Plant Replacement	(4,023,265)	128,993	2,353,001		(1,541,272)
Project Carryovers	(6,990,324)	0	6,990,324		0
Public Art	(238,510)	30,000	159,177		(49,332)
Service Reviews	(100,000)	0	0		(100,000)
Sister Cities	(30,590)	0	0		(30,590)
Stormwater Drainage	(110,178)	0	0		(110,178)
Strategic Real Property	(1,723,844)	0	(1,787,417)		(3,511,261)
Subdivision Tree Planting	(348,173)	20,000	0		(328,173)
Unexpended External Loans	(1,870,017)	136,612	1,541,428		(191,977)
Workers Compensation	(194,670)	25,000	9,520		(160,149)
Total Internally Restricted	(66,310,882)	2,737,751	16,750,818	242,000	(46,580,312)
Total Restricted	(206,771,562)	12,748,713	22,304,561	242,000	(171,476,288)
Total Unrestricted	(11,502,000)	0	0	0	(11,502,000)
Total Cash, Cash Equivalents, and Investments	(218,273,562)	12,748,713	22,304,561	242,000	(182,978,288)

		CONTRACTS REVIEW STATEMENT 1 OCTOBER TO 31 DECEMBER 2023				
	•	Contract	Contract	Start	Duration of	Budgeted
Contract Number	Contractor	Detail & Purpose	Value	Date	Contract	(Yes/No)
2023-26 PE31923	Maxwood Technology Australia Pty Ltd	On Court Seating MPS	372,194	1/10/2023	4 months	Y
2023-29	PCR Building Services Pty Ltd	Kessler Park Amenities D&C	659,297	28/11/2023	8 months	Y
2024-509	Westlake Punnett Pty Ltd	ATP Stage 3 Detailed Design	813,120	19/12/2023	7 months	Υ
2024-05	Riverina Crane Services Pty Ltd	Demolition of Jim Elphick Tenis Centre Bolton Park	227,161	15/12/2023	6 weeks	Υ
2024-14	JRC Electrical Services Pty Ltd	Jubilee Oval Athletics Lighting D&C	419,225	18/12/2023	14 months	Υ
2024-507	OCS Building Maintenance Pty Ltd	Civic Theatre Wall Resheet	177,685	3/11/2023	3 months	Υ
2024-515 PE01273	Complete Road Seal (NSW) Pty Ltd	Supply & Lay DGA and Associated Road Works	4,890,844	30/11/2023	4 months	Υ
2024-516 PE32389	Lift Maintenance Services	Lift Control Art Glass Gallery	61,124	20/11/2023	3 months	Υ
LGP-420 PF00886	Fulton Hogan Industries Pty Ltd	Rehabilitation of Road Pavements	1,097,712	11/12/2023	2 months	Y

Notes:

- 1. Minimum reporting level is 1% of estimated income from continuting operations or \$50,000, whichever is the lesser.
- 2. Contracts to be listed are those entered into during the quarter and have yet to be fully performed, excluding contractors that are on Council's Preferred Supplier list.
- 3. Contracts for employment are not required to be included.
- 4. Where a contract for services etc was not included in the budget, an explanation is to be given (or reference made to an explanation in another Budget Review Statement).

	31 DECEMBER 2023												
		Approved	Changes										
	BUDGET 2023/2		SEPTEMBER QTR DECEMBER QTR BUDGET BUDGET VARIATIONS VARIATIONS APPROVED TO APPROVED TO DATE DATE		PROJECTED YEAR END RESULT	ACTUAL YTD							
Consultancy Expenses	86,900	10,050	57,713	154,663	154,663	72,795							
Legal Expenses	257,267	24,749	14,424	296,440	296,440	563,038							
Please note that this table only includes expenses costed to the relevant consultancy and legals types in the finance ledger.													

Investment Summary as at 31 December 2023

In accordance with Regulation 212 of the *Local Government (General) Regulation* 2021, details of Wagga Wagga City Council's external investments are outlined below.

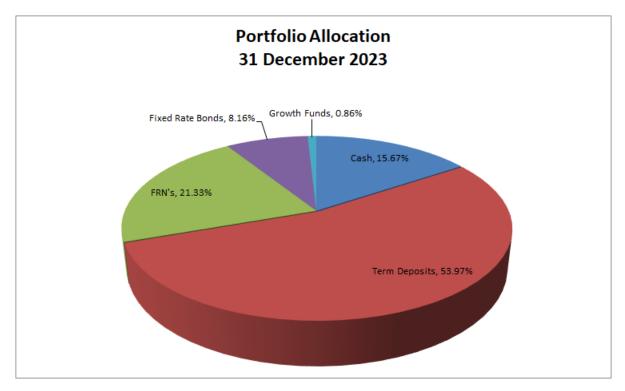
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Institution	Rating	Closing Balance Invested 30/11/2023 \$	Closing Balance Invested 31/12/2023 \$	December EOM Current Yield %	December EOM % of Portfolio	Investment Date	Maturity Date	Term (months)
At Call Accounts								
NAB	AA-	685,082	160,704	4.35%	0.07%	N/A	N/A	N/A
CBA	AA-	13,618,148	3,966,559	4.35%	1.75%	N/A	N/A	N/A
СВА	AA-	21,704,508	21,784,034	4.40%	9.64%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Macquarie Bank	A+	9,478,088	9,510,293	4.15%	4.21%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total At Call Accounts		45,485,827	35,421,589	4.33%	15.67%			
Short Term Deposits								
AMP	BBB	1,000,000	1,000,000	5.40%	0.44%	15/11/2023	15/11/2024	12
СВА	AA-	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.69%	0.44%	30/01/2023	30/01/2024	12
Australian Military Bank	BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000	5.06%	0.44%	24/05/2023	24/05/2024	12
Australian Unity	BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000	5.44%	0.44%	8/06/2023	11/06/2024	12
ING Bank	Α	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.62%	0.88%	26/06/2023	26/06/2024	12
ING Bank	Α	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.65%	0.88%	30/06/2023	28/06/2024	12
Heritage and People's Choice	BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000	5.80%	0.44%	10/07/2023	10/07/2024	12
CBA	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.27%	0.88%	31/08/2023	30/08/2024	12
Australian Unity	BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000	5.49%	0.44%	27/11/2023	27/11/2024	12
Suncorp	A+	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.46%	0.88%	30/11/2023	29/11/2024	12
ING Bank	Α	1,000,000	1,000,000	5.46%	0.44%	30/11/2023	29/11/2024	12
BankVic	BBB+	0	1,000,000	5.45%	0.44%	4/12/2023	4/12/2024	12
AMP	BBB	0	2,000,000	5.35%	0.88%	14/12/2023	16/12/2024	12
Total Short Term Deposits		15,000,000	18,000,000	5.42%	7.96%			
Medium Term Deposits								
BOQ	BBB+	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.20%	0.88%	4/01/2022	4/01/2024	24
BOQ	BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000	3.78%	0.44%	1/06/2022	3/06/2024	24
Westpac	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.32%	0.88%	28/06/2021	29/06/2026	60
Westpac	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.80%	0.88%	15/11/2021	17/11/2025	48
ICBC	Α	2,000,000	2,000,000	2.03%	0.88%	6/11/2019	6/11/2024	60
ICBC	Α	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.83%	0.88%	28/11/2019	28/11/2024	60
Judo Bank	BBB-	1,000,000	0	0.00%	0.00%	3/12/2021	4/12/2023	24
ICBC	Α	1,000,000	1,000,000	1.75%	0.44%	6/01/2020	8/01/2024	48
BOQ	BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000	2.00%	0.44%	28/02/2020	28/02/2025	60
Police Credit Union	NR	1,000,000	1,000,000	2.20%	0.44%	1/04/2020	1/04/2025	60
ICBC	Α	1,000,000	1,000,000	1.85%	0.44%	29/05/2020	29/05/2025	60
ICBC	A	1,000,000	1,000,000	1.86%	0.44%	1/06/2020	2/06/2025	60
ICBC	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.75%	0.88%	25/06/2020	25/06/2025	60
ICBC	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.75%	0.88%	25/06/2020	25/06/2025	60
ICBC	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.60%	0.88%	29/06/2020	28/06/2024	48
ICBC ICBC	Α	3,000,000 2,000,000	3,000,000 2,000,000	5.07% 1.42%	1.33% 0.88%	30/06/2022 7/07/2020	30/06/2027 8/07/2024	60 48
ICBC	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.42%	0.88%	17/08/2020	18/08/2025	60
BoQ	BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000	1.25%	0.44%	7/09/2020	8/09/2025	60
BoQ	BBB+	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.25%	0.88%	14/09/2020	15/09/2025	60
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Institution	Rating	Closing Balance Invested 30/11/2023	Closing Balance Invested 31/12/2023 \$	December EOM Current Yield %	December EOM % of Portfolio	Investment Date	Maturity Date	Term (months)
NAB	AA-	1,000,000	1,000,000	5.23%	0.44%	14/09/2023	16/09/2024	12
ICBC	Α	1,000,000	1,000,000	1.20%	0.44%	7/12/2020	8/12/2025	60
NAB	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	0.95%	0.88%	29/01/2021	29/01/2026	60
NAB	AA-	1,000,000	1,000,000	1.08%	0.44%	22/02/2021	20/02/2026	60
NAB	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.25%	0.88%	3/03/2021	2/03/2026	60
NAB	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.40%	0.88%	21/06/2021	19/06/2026	60
Westpac	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.32%	0.88%	25/06/2021	25/06/2026	60
ICBC	Α	1,000,000	1,000,000	1.32%	0.44%	25/08/2021	25/08/2026	60
AMP	BBB	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.00%	0.88%	18/10/2021	17/10/2024	36
Westpac	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.56%	0.88%	30/11/2021	29/11/2024	36
Westpac	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	2.00%	0.88%	8/02/2022	10/02/2025	36
P&N Bank	BBB	2,000,000	2,000,000	2.40%	0.88%	9/03/2022	10/03/2025	36
P&N Bank	BBB	2,000,000	2,000,000	2.00%	0.88%	10/03/2022	11/03/2024	24
MyState	BBB	2,000,000	2,000,000	2.20%	0.88%	2/03/2022	3/03/2025	36
СВА	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	3.28%	0.88%	26/04/2022	26/04/2024	24
CBA	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	3.78%	0.88%	4/05/2022	6/05/2024	24
CBA	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	3.99%	0.88%	4/05/2022	5/05/2025	36
ING Bank	Α	1,000,000	1,000,000	3.76%	0.44%	23/05/2022	23/05/2024	24
ICBC	Α	2,000,000	2,000,000	3.95%	0.88%	6/06/2022	6/06/2024	24
Australian Unity	BBB+	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.15%	0.88%	8/06/2022	11/06/2024	24
Suncorp	A+	2,000,000	0	0.00%	0.00%	22/06/2022	14/12/2023	18
MyState	BBB	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.45%	0.88%	29/06/2022	28/06/2024	24
BoQ	BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.50%	0.44%	7/07/2022	7/07/2025	36
CBA	AA-	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.25%	0.44%	12/08/2022	12/08/2025	36
P&N Bank	BBB	3,000,000	3,000,000	4.55%	1.33%	29/08/2022	29/08/2025	36
Australian Military Bank	BBB+	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.55%	0.88%	2/09/2022	2/09/2025	36
P&N Bank	BBB	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.40%	0.44%	9/09/2022	9/09/2025	36
BoQ	BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.70%	0.44%	4/10/2022	4/10/2024	24
AMP	BBB	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.95%	0.88%	21/10/2022	21/10/2024	24
ICBC	Α	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.20%	0.88%	21/10/2022	21/10/2025	36
AMP	BBB	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.75%	0.44%	15/11/2022	14/11/2024	24
AMP	BBB	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.80%	0.44%	21/11/2022	20/11/2025	36
P&N Bank	BBB	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.75%	0.88%	16/12/2022	16/12/2024	24
Police Credit Union	NR	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.04%	0.88%	15/02/2023	17/02/2025	24
Police Credit Union	NR	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.94%	0.88%	14/03/2023	14/03/2025	24
P&N Bank	BBB	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.00%	0.88%	14/03/2023	15/03/2027	48
Hume Bank	BBB+	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.75%	0.88%	31/03/2023	31/03/2025	24
Auswide	BBB	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.95%	0.88%	13/04/2023	13/04/2026	36
P&N Bank	BBB	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.20%	0.88%	20/04/2023	20/04/2027	48
P&N Bank	BBB	1,000,000	1,000,000	5.20%	0.44%	26/05/2023	26/05/2026	36
ING Bank	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.37%	0.88%	21/08/2023	21/08/2025	24
P&N Bank	BBB	1,000,000	1,000,000	5.45%	0.44%	30/11/2023	28/11/2025	24
ING Bank	A	0	2,000,000	5.20%	0.88%	14/12/2023	15/12/2025	24
Total Medium Term Deposits		105,000,000	104,000,000	3.16%	46.01%	, ==, 2323	-,, 20-3	
Floating Rate Notes - Senior Debt					1			
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Westpac	AA-	2,512,140	2,522,410		1.12%	16/05/2019		
Suncorp ANZ	A+ AA-	1,256,295 2,004,429	1,261,459 2,012,845	BBSW + 78 BBSW + 77	0.56% 0.89%	30/07/2019 29/08/2019	30/07/2024 29/08/2024	60 60

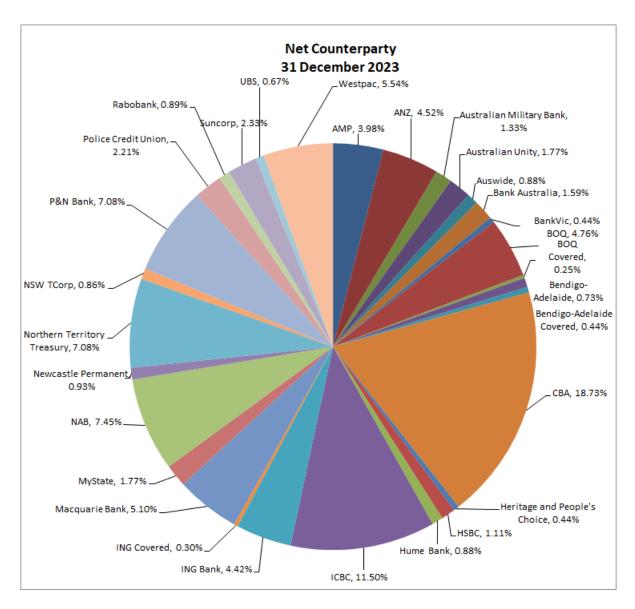
Institution	Rating	Closing Balance Invested 30/11/2023	Closing Balance Invested 31/12/2023 \$	December EOM Current Yield %	December EOM % of Portfolio	Investment Date	Maturity Date	Term (months)
HSBC	AA-	2,526,491	2,506,012	BBSW + 83	1.11%	27/09/2019	27/09/2024	60
ANZ	AA-	1,512,519	1,518,636	BBSW + 76	0.67%	16/01/2020	16/01/2025	60
NAB	AA-	2,015,662	2,023,875	BBSW + 77	0.90%	21/01/2020	21/01/2025	60
Newcastle Permanent	BBB	1,102,368	1,107,533	BBSW + 112	0.49%	4/02/2020	4/02/2025	60
Macquarie Bank	A+	2,009,087	2,017,499	BBSW + 84	0.89%	12/02/2020	12/02/2025	60
BOQ Covered	AAA	553,171	555,949	BBSW + 107	0.25%	14/05/2020	14/05/2025	60
UBS	A+	1,503,882	1,510,992	BBSW + 87	0.67%	30/07/2020	30/07/2025	60
CBA	AA-	2,005,089	2,013,900	BBSW + 70	0.89%	14/01/2022	14/01/2027	60
Rabobank	A+	1,998,148	2,013,308	BBSW + 73	0.89%	27/01/2022	27/01/2027	60
Newcastle Permanent	BBB	985,230	990,780	BBSW + 100	0.44%	10/02/2022	10/02/2027	60
NAB	AA-	2,393,454		BBSW + 72				
			2,404,766		1.06%	25/02/2022	25/02/2027	60
Bendigo-Adelaide			1,654,853	BBSW + 98	0.73%	17/03/2022	17/03/2025	36
ANZ	AA-	2,013,555	2,023,732	BBSW + 97	0.90%	12/05/2022	12/05/2027	60
NAB	AA-	1,707,268	1,714,951	BBSW + 90	0.76%	30/05/2022	30/05/2025	36
Suncorp	A+	902,536	906,873	BBSW + 93	0.40%	22/08/2022	22/08/2025	36
ANZ	AA-	2,538,671	2,551,227	BBSW + 120	1.13%	4/11/2022	4/11/2027	60
NAB	AA-	2,529,216	2,543,831	BBSW + 120	1.13%	25/11/2022	25/11/2027	60
Suncorp	A+	1,117,663	1,108,482	BBSW + 125	0.49%	14/12/2022	14/12/2027	60
CBA	AA-	2,032,511	2,042,389	BBSW + 115	0.90%	13/01/2023	13/01/2028	60
Bank Australia	BBB	1,906,587	1,917,934	BBSW + 155	BBSW + 155 0.85%		22/02/2027	48
Bendigo-Adelaide Covered	AAA	1,011,195	1,002,999	BBSW + 115	0.44%	16/06/2023	16/06/2028	60
CBA	AA-	2,506,826	2,520,677	BBSW + 95	1.12%	17/08/2023	17/08/2028	60
ANZ	AA-	2,122,939	2,107,513	BBSW + 93	0.93%	11/09/2023	11/09/2028	60
Bank Australia	BBB	1,658,682	1,666,942	BBSW + 150	0.74%	30/10/2023	30/10/2026	36
Total Floating Rate Notes - Senior Debt		48,093,982	48,216,368		21.33%			
Fixed Rate Bonds								
ING Covered	AAA	677,210	687,832	1.10%	0.30%	19/08/2021	19/08/2026	60
Northern Territory Treasury	AA-	3,000,000	3,000,000	1.00%	1.33%	24/08/2021	16/12/2024	40
Northern Territory Treasury	AA-	3,000,000	3,000,000	1.50%	1.33%	24/08/2021	15/12/2026	64
BoQ	BBB+	1,728,190	1,758,219	2.10%	0.78%	27/10/2021	27/10/2026	60
Northern Territory Treasury	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.50%	0.88%	6/08/2021	15/12/2026	64
Northern Territory Treasury	AA-	1,000,000	1,000,000	1.50%	0.44%	14/07/2021	15/12/2026	65
Northern Territory Treasury	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.30%	0.88%	29/04/2021	15/06/2026	61
Northern Territory Treasury	erritory AA- 2,000,000 2,000,00		2,000,000	1.00%	0.88%	30/11/2020	15/12/2025	60
Northern Territory Treasury	n Territory AA- 1,000,000 1,000,0		1,000,000	1.00%	0.44%	20/11/2020	15/12/2025	61
Northern Territory Treasury	orthern Territory AA- 2,000,000 2,000,00		2,000,000	1.00%	0.88%	21/10/2020	15/12/2025	62
Total Fixed Rate Bonds		18,405,400	18,446,051	1.30%	8.16%			
Managed Funds								
NSW Tcorp	NR	1,893,336	1,951,560	3.08%	0.86%	17/03/2014	1/12/2028	176

Institution	Rating	Closing Balance Invested 30/11/2023 \$	Closing Balance Invested 31/12/2023 \$	December EOM Current Yield %	December EOM % of Portfolio	Investment Date	Maturity Date	Term (months)
Total Managed Funds		1,893,336	1,951,560	3.08%	0.86%			
TOTAL CASH ASSETS, CASH EQUIVALENTS & INVESTMENTS		233,878,545	226,035,568		100.00%			
LESS: RIVERINA REGIONAL LIBRARY (RRL) CASH AT BANK		2,508,164	2,503,802					
TOTAL WWCC CASH ASSETS, CASH EQUIVALENTS & INVESTMENTS		231,370,381	223,531,766					

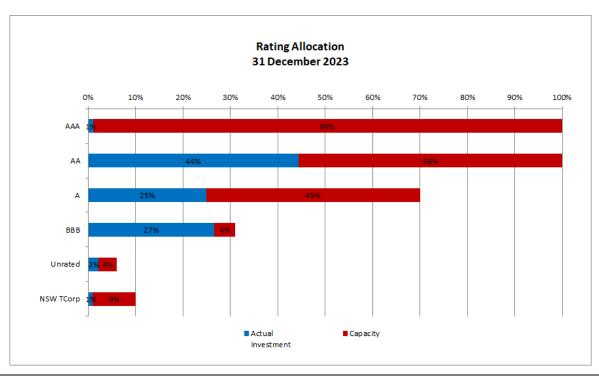
Council's investment portfolio is dominated by Term Deposits, equating to approximately 54% of the portfolio across a broad range of counterparties. Cash equates to 16%, with Floating Rate Notes (FRNs) around 21%, fixed rate bonds around 8% and growth funds around 1% of the portfolio.



Council's investment portfolio is well diversified in complying assets across the entire credit spectrum. It is also well diversified from a rating perspective. Credit quality is diversified and is predominately invested amongst the investment grade Authorised Deposit-Taking Institutions (ADIs) (being BBB- or higher), with a smaller allocation to unrated ADIs.



All investments are within the defined Policy limits, as outlined in the Rating Allocation chart below:



Investment Portfolio Balance

Council's investment portfolio balance decreased over the past month, down from \$231.37M to \$223.53M. This decrease is reflective of a number of larger contract payments being made during the month of December.

	Closing Balance Invested 31/10/2023 \$	Closing Balance Invested 30/11/2023 \$	Closing Balance Invested 31/12/2023 \$
TOTAL WWCC CASH ASSETS, CASH			
EQUIVALENTS & INVESTMENTS	219,294,256	231,370,381	223,531,766

Monthly Investment Movements

Redemptions/Sales – Council redeemed the following investment securities during December 2023:

Institution and Type		Amount	Investment Term	Interest Rate	Comments
Judo (BBB-) Deposit	Bank Term	\$1M	2 years	1.30%	This term deposit was redeemed on maturity and these funds were reinvested in a new 12-month BankVic term deposit (as below).
Suncorp (A+) Deposit	Bank Term	\$2M	18 months	4.40%	This term deposit was redeemed on maturity and these funds were reinvested in a new 12-month AMP Bank term deposit (as below).

New Investments – Council purchased the following investment securities during December 2023:

Institution and Type	Amount	Investment Term	Interest Rate	Comments
BankVic (BBB+) Term Deposit	\$1M	12 months	5.45%	The Bank Vic rate of 5.45% compared favourably to the rest of the market for this term. The next best rate for this term was also 5.45%. BankVic were selected due to having a higher credit rating.
AMP Bank (BBB) Term Deposit	\$2M	12 months	5.35%	The AMP Bank rate of 5.35% compared favourably to the rest of the market for this term. The next best rate for this term was 5.30%.
ING Bank (A) Term Deposit	\$2M	2 years	5.20%	The ING Bank rate of 5.20% compared favourably to the rest of the market for this term. The next best rate for this term was 5.05%.

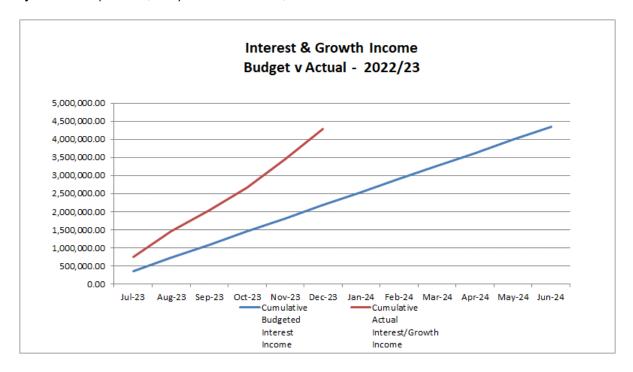
Rollovers - Council did not roll over any investment securities during December 2023.

Monthly Investment Performance

Interest/growth/capital gains/(losses) for the month totalled \$844,175, which compares favourably with the budget for the period of \$362,832 - outperforming budget for the month by \$481,343.

Council's outperformance to budget for December is mainly due to better than budgeted returns on Councils investment portfolio as well as a higher than anticipated investment portfolio balance. This is a result of the ongoing movements in the cash rate made by the Reserve Bank of Australia, with the latest increase in early November 2023 bringing the cash rate to 4.35% from a record low of 0.10% in April 2022.

Council experienced a positive return on its NSW T-Corp Managed Fund for the month of December, with the fund returning +3.08% (or +\$58,224) as domestic (+7.26%) and international (+4.70%) shares continued to rally strongly this month. Council also experienced a positive increase in the principal value of its Fixed rate bonds, increasing by +1.52% (or \$36,561) for the month, as valuations rose.



In comparison to the AusBond Bank Bill Index* of 4.43% (annualised), Council's investment portfolio returned 4.08% (annualised) for the month of December. This underperformance against the benchmark for the month is mainly due to lower returns on fixed deposits and bonds due to a proportion of these being locked in prior to the unexpected RBA rate hikes, as well as aggressive increases in the AusBond Bank Bill index due to the current interest rate environment. On Cash and At-Call accounts returned 4.35% (annualised) for the month. These funds are utilised for daily cash flow management and need to be available to meet operating and contractual payments as they fall due.

Over the past year, Council's investment portfolio has returned 3.50%, marginally underperforming the AusBond Bank Bill index by -0.39%. Councils investment portfolio has continued to outperform the AusBond Bank Bill Index* over the longer-term time period, returning 2.27% per annum over the past 3 years — outperforming the benchmark by 0.56% over this time.

Performance	1 month	3 months	6 months	FYTD	1 year	2 years	3 years
Official Cash Rate	0.36%	1.06%	2.09%	2.09%	3.89%	2.59%	1.76%
AusBond Bank Bill Index	0.37%	1.06%	2.15%	2.15%	3.89%	2.56%	1.71%
Council's Cash	0.36%	1.05%	2.08%	2.08%	3.88%	2.63%	1.83%
Council's T/D	0.30%	0.87%	1.70%	1.70%	3.14%	2.60%	2.34%
Council's FRN	0.45%	1.34%	2.66%	2.66%	4.92%	3.67%	2.80%
Council's Bonds	0.11%	0.33%	0.66%	0.66%	1.31%	1.31%	1.25%
Council's TCorp LTGF	3.08%	5.45%	4.54%	4.54%	12.16%	1.29%	5.22%
Council's Portfolio	0.34%	0.96%	1.85%	1.85%	3.50%	2.67%	2.27%
Relative Performance	-0.03%	-0.09%	-0.29%	-0.29%	-0.39%	0.11%	0.56%

^{*} The AusBond Bank Bill Index is the leading benchmark for the Australian fixed income market. It is interpolated from the RBA Cash rate, 1 month and 3-month Bank Bill Swap rates.

Report by Responsible Accounting Officer

I hereby certify that all of the above investments have been made in accordance with the provision of Section 625 of the *Local Government Act 1993* and the regulations there under, and in accordance with the Investment Policy adopted by Council on 11 December 2023.

Carolyn Rodney Responsible Accounting Officer

Policy and Legislation

Budget variations are reported in accordance with Council's POL 052 Budget Policy.

Investments are reported in accordance with Council's POL 075 Investment Policy.

Local Government Act 1993

Section 625 - How may councils invest?

Local Government (General) Regulation 2021

Section 212 - Reports on council investments

Link to Strategic Plan

Community Leadership and Collaboration

Objective: We have strong leadership

Outcome: We are accountable and transparent

Risk Management Issues for Council

This report is a control mechanism that assists in addressing the following potential risks to Council:

- Loss of investment income or capital resulting from ongoing management of investments, especially during difficult economic times
- Failure to demonstrate to the community that its funds are being expended in an efficient and effective manner

Internal / External Consultation

All relevant areas within Council have consulted with the Finance Division in relation to the budget variations listed in this report.

The Finance Division has consulted with relevant external parties to confirm Council's investment portfolio balances.

Attachments

1<u>1</u>. Capital Works Program 2023/24 to 2032/33

			LONG TERM FINAN	NCIAL PLAN (ONE-OFF (CAPITAL PR	OJECTS - 20	023/24 - 20	32/33 AS A	T 31 DECE	MBER 202	3			
				65,363,884	748,105	64,615,779	58,392,911	68,420,169	32,240,078	18,294,398	15,258,879	15,063,915	7,265,304	861,142	8,585,460
Ref	Job No.	Project Title	Funding Source	2023/24	2023/24 Pending	2023/24 Confirmed	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31	2031/32	2032/33
1	21577	54 Johnson Street Property Acquisition	Buildings Reserve \$111,328 + Eastern Riverina Arts Contribution \$40,000	151,328		151,328									
2	18812	Active Travel Plan - Stage 1 - TT26	Grant (Crown Finance Restart) \$2,049,911 + \$7.11 \$262,714	1,612,626		1,612,626	700,000								
3	21130	Active Travel Plan - Stage 2	Grant (Transport for NSW)	162,343		162,343									
4	21931	Active Travel Plan - Stage 3	Transport for NSW Grant \$606,575 + Section 7.11 Reserve \$194,935 + Parks & Recreation Reserve \$156,033	807,543		807,543	150,000								
5	21620	Active Travel Research Project	Grant (Sydney University)	10,524		10,524									
6	47288	Airport - Bays 1-3 Upgrade	External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments funded from Airport/Internal Loans Reserve)				500,000								
7	47328	Airport - Light Aircraft Precinct Required Works	Internal Loans Reserve (Future Years Loan Repayments funded from Airport/Internal Loans Reserve)				57,006								
8	47192	Airport - Redevelop terminal - Internal Baggage Claim and Retail Section	\$8,523,197 Grant (TBC) + \$27,763 Airport/Internal Loans Reserve					8,550,960							
9	47283	Airport - Runway Lighting Upgrade	External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments funded from Airport/Internal Loans Reserve)					2,000,000							
10	47323	Airport Ancillary Land Acquisition	Internal Loans Reserve (payback from Airport/Internal Loans Reserve)				304,399								
11	50427	Alan Turner Depot Office Works	Sewer Reserve	19,104		19,104									
12	22224	Alan Turner Depot Outdoor Seating/ Amenities Block	GPR	5,000		5,000									
13	22223	Alan Turner Depot Security Gate Main Entry/Exit	Civil Infrastructure Reserve	114,779		114,779									
14	22138	Alan Turner Depot Washbay Waste/Oil Separator & Pit	Plant Replacement Reserve	83,887		83,887									
15	22222	Alan Turner Depot Worker on Foot Upgrade	Civil Infrastructure Reserve	343,358		343,358									
16	15082	Amundsen Bridge Construction - TT6	External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCLI Subsidy funded from S7.11)				1,116,027								
17	22203	Apex Park Playground Climbing Net Replacement	Parks & Recreation Reserve	44,914		44,914									

Ref	Job No.	Project Title	Funding Source	2023/24	2023/24 Pending	2023/24 Confirmed	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31	2031/32	2032/33
18	21275	Bakers Lane Widening + Intersection Upgrades - TTS	S7.11	397,678		397,678									
19	22195	Bill Jacobs Athletics Centre Lighting Upgrade	NSW Stronger Country Communities Round 5	293,984		293,984	293,984								
20	21624	Bolton Park Stadium Repairs & upgrades	Parks & Recreation Reserve	25,442		25,442									
21	17760		External Borrowings \$1,496,581 (Future Years Loan Repayments funded from GPR) + S7.11 \$4,205,361 + Grant (TBC) \$25,902,307					10,000,000	10,000,000	11,604,249					
22	19628	Boorooma St Upgrade - TT28	S7.11					4,404,284							
23	15083	Boorooma Street Slip Lane into Boorooma West - (2006-19 Plan)	\$7.11					292,759							
24	19546	Botanic Gardens Zoo - Stage 2 CCTV	GPR	9,951		9,951									
25	21274	Bourke Street and Bourkelands Drive Intersection Upgrade	\$7.11	95,992		95,992									
26	22825	Bus Shelter Installations	Transport for NSW Grant	34,500		34,500									
27	22226	Civic Theatre - Balcony Retiling & Waterproofing	GPR				165,000								
28	22225	Civic Theatre - External Wall Cladding (Stage 2)	Buildings Reserve	205,000		205,000									
29	22227	Civic Theatre - Internal Stage Safe Working at Heights System	Civic Theatre Reserve	73,000		73,000									
30	19566	Civic Theatre - Replacement of Overhead Stage Lights with Digital Lights	Internal Loans Reserve (Future Years payback from Civic Theatre Reserve)	70,000		70,000									
31	38639	Copiand St Industrial Area - Stormwater	Old S94 Reserve \$85,262 + Contribution \$92,358 + Stormwater DSP \$374,329 + S64 Reserve \$107,282				107,282	551,949							
32	21816	Cremator Brickworks Reline	Cemetery Reserve	30,437		30,437									
33	22246	Destination Electic Vehicle (EV) Charger Installation	NSW Office of Energy and Climate Change Grant \$18,179	18,179		18,179									
34	21348		Grant (TfNSW - Fixing Local Roads) \$467,928.97 + Civil Infrastructure Reserve \$154,796	622,725		622,725									
35	21476	Duke of Kent Community Building	Strategic Real Property Reserve	190,510		190,510									
36	13684	Dunns Road - Roads and Traffic Facilities Upgrade	Grant \$4,013,051 (Dept Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Dev & Local Gov) + External Borrowings \$1,732,297 (Future Years Loan Repayments funded from GPR) + Grant \$400,000 (LRCI Phase 4)	6,145,349		6,145,349									
37	19647	Estella New Local Park (west Rainbow Drive) Embellishment - ROS1 + LA1 (Land Acquisition)	57.11				1,363,837	1,363,838							

Ref	Job No.	Project Title	Funding Source	2023/24	2023/24 Pending	2023/24 Confirmed	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31	2031/32	2032/33
38	22330	Estella Road Upgrade	Grant TBC \$700,000 (Fixing Local Roads)					700,000							
39	19590	Euberta Hall & Sportsground Water Bore & Irrigation System	GPR	41,971		41,971									
40	22232	Farrer Road Upgrade - TT4	\$7.11												3,481,529
41	19618	Footpaths - Boorooma, Estella & Gobbagombalin - TT17	\$7.11 \$255,319 + Grant (TBC) \$1,146,999				1,146,999	255,319							
42	19619	Footpaths - Bourkelands & Lloyd - TT18	\$7.11 \$352,763 + Grant (TBC) \$1,738,250						2,091,013						
43	19620	Footpaths - Central & North Wagga - TT19	\$7.11 \$69,694 + Grant (TBC) \$329,180				329,180	69,694							
44	19622	Footpaths - Forest Hill - TT21	\$7.11 \$208,725 + Grant (TBC) \$936,160						1,144,885						
45	19623	Footpaths - Kooringal - TT22	\$7.11 \$152,835 + Grant (TBC) \$587,374						740,209						
46	19625	Footpaths - Mount Austin, Tolland & Turvey Park - TT24	\$7.11 \$282,210 + Grant (TBC) \$1,234,135						1,516,345						
47	19678	Forest Hill Upgrade Local Park - ROS16	57.11						216,200						
48	22613	Glass Gallery Lift Control Upgrade	Buildings Reserve	70,000		70,000									
49	12922	Glenfield Road Corridor Works - TT1	S7.11 \$9,939,326 + External Borrowings \$9,220,792 funded from (Future year repayments funded from S7.11)				71,950	3,202,219	1,471,429	1,837,926		7,192,279	725,384		4,658,931
50	18738	Glenfield Road Drain Remediation	Stormwater DSP \$1,014,490 + Stormwater Levy \$420,047	99,490		99,490	1,335,047								
51	19649	Gobbagombalin - 2 local parks - ROS3 + LA3 (Land Acquisition)	S7.11				312,510								
52	19648	Gobbagombalin Nth (Harris Road) Park Embellishment - ROS2	\$7.11	196,679		196,679									
53	19534	Gobbagombalin Stormwater Infrastructure	Stormwater DSP	185,591		185,591									
54	19604	Gregadoo Road Corridor Works - TT7	22/23 (External Borrowings 51,693,040 - Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCII Subsidy funded from 57.11 + CiVII Infrastructure Reserve 5994,661) + 25/26 - 26/27 \$1,544,450 External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments funded from 57.11)	2,687,701		2,687,701		772,225	772,225						
55	70195	GWMC - Cell Extension	Solid Waste Reserve	200,000		200,000	1,800,000								

Ref	Job No.	Project Title	Funding Source	2023/24	2023/24 Pending	2023/24 Confirmed	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31	2031/32	2032/33
56	70164	GWMC - Construction of a new Waste Cell	Solid Waste Reserve \$9,002,545 + Grant (NSW EPA) \$900,000	1,430,322		1,430,322	2,119,281				6,352,942				
57	70147	GWMC - Domestic Precinct (Transfer Station, Office Relocation, Roadworks)	Solid Waste Reserve				401,142	3,254,395	3,254,395		601,670				
58	70135	GWMC - Gas Capture Network Expansion & Gas Powered Evaporator	Solid Waste Reserve				1,769,728	300,000		327,000			356,430		
59	70178		Solid Waste Reserve \$2,758,371 + Grant (NSW EPA) \$900,000				1,829,186	1,829,186					2,600,000		
60	70105	GWMC - Organic Processing Plant	Solid Waste Reserve						199,077						
61	70101	GWMC - Road Rehabilitation	Solid Waste Reserve	498,333		498,333									
62	70168	GWMC Plant Shed	Solid Waste Reserve					2,360,646							
63	70169	GWMC Waste to Energy (Solution)	Solid Waste Reserve									5,000,000			
64	19668	Harris Road to Open Space - ROS13	External Borrowings (Future Years Loans Repayments less 50% LCLI Subsidy funded from S7.11)	70,844		70,844									
65	21791	Humula Infrastructure Upgrade	Grant (Dept Industry, Science, Energy & Resources)	106,541		106,541									
66	22322	Improved Pedestrian Access in Turvey Park	Grant (Labor)	35,000		35,000									
67	21855	Incarnie Crescent Stormwater Augmentation	Grant (Department of Industry) \$219,690 + Stormwater Levy Reserve \$219,690	439,380		439,380									
68	21089	Jim Elphick Tennis Centre - ROS15	S7.11 \$1,942,896 + Contribution Tennis NSW \$1,232,595 + State Government Grant (Multi-Sport Community Facility Fund) \$4,930,401	4,997,359		4,997,359	4,052,946								
69	19669	Jubilee Oval - Community Meeting Space - ROS14	\$7.11					384,750							
70	12941	Area - Implement Stormwater Dramage	External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCLI Subsidy funded from Stormwater DSP)	6,971		6,971	289,018								
71	19664	Jubilee Park - Athletics Park Upgrade - ROS10	S7.11 \$1,552,223 + State Government Grant (Multi-Sport Community Facility Fund) \$2,704,439 + Parks & Recreation Reserve \$246,740	4,503,402		4,503,402									
72	19382	Jubilee Park - Replace existing synthetic	Hockey Assoc Contrib \$205,000 + External Borrowings \$195,000 (Future Years Loan Repayments funded from GPR)					400,000							
73	22193	Keajura Road - Fixing Local Roads	R2R \$333,071 + Fixing Local Roads \$1,332,282	1,665,209		1,665,209									

Ref	Job No.	Project Title	Funding Source	2023/24	2023/24 Pending	2023/24 Confirmed	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31	2031/32	2032/33
74	18638	Lake Albert - Raising Water Level	\$189,546 Internal Loans Reserve + \$7,000,000 Grant (TBC)	189,546		189,546	3,500,000	3,500,000							
75	14048	Lawn Cemetery & Crematorium Office Refurbishment	Cemetery Reserve					500,000							
76		Lawn Cemetery Master Plan Stage 2A Works New burial area, outdoor chapel and water feature	External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments funded from Cemetery Reserve)	73,784		73,784	675,000								
77	17866	Levee System Upgrade - North Wagga (1 in 20)	Special Rate Variation (SRV) Reserve \$2.604M + Grant (TBC) \$5.816M				1,000,000	7,419,811							
78	19661	Lloyd Establish 3 Local Parks - ROS5 + LA5 (Deakin Ave) + LA6 (Barton Ave) + LA7 (Central Lloyd) - Land Acquisitions	23/24 S7.11 \$2,105,833 + 24/25 External Borrowings \$2,401,850 (Future Years Loan repayments funded from S7.11)	567,208		567,208	1,538,625	2,401,850							
79	45131	LMC - Cattle Delivery Yard Rehabilitation	LMC Reserve	400,000		400,000									
80	45089	LMC - CCTV & security (partial)	LMC Reserve	0			41,734								
81	45121	LMC - Clean, fill and landscape all new works areas	LMC Reserve	85,000		85,000									
82	45096	LMC - New circulating road (partial)	LMC Reserve	50,000		50,000	1,018,346	1,018,346							
83	45133	LMC - Realign Sheep and Cattle Draft Ramps	LMC Reserve	4,012,994		4,012,994									
84	45125	LMC - Refurbish agents offices and canteen	LMC Reserve							500,000					
85	45124	LMC - Replace existing cattle/sheep delivery ramps	LMC Reserve						1,300,000						
86	45122	LMC - Reseal existing internal road network	LMC Reserve				650,000								
87	45111	LMC - Resurface Existing Sheep Yards	LMC Reserve	767,579		767,579									
88	45126	LMC - Road Train facilities	LMC Reserve								1,800,000				
89	45128	LMC - Sheep & Goat Electronic (EiD) System Feasibility Study	LMC Reserve	750,000		750,000	750,000								
90	45049	LMC - Treatment of Re-use Water	LMC Reserve	355,269		355,269									
91	45127	LMC - Waste to Energy	LMC Reserve				3,500,000								
92	22379	Local Government Recovery Grant	Grant (NSW Government) \$996,497 + GPR \$30,000	338,744		338,744	687,753								
93		Local Roads Community Infrastructure Round 4	Grant (LRCI Phase 4) \$2,833,589 + \$20,000 GPR + Sewer Reserve \$250,000 + \$40,000 Block	2,140,700		2,140,700	1,002,889								

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94	22324	Local Road Repair Program Funding Phase 2	Grant (Labor)	2,400,000		2,400,000	2,804,143	350,000	350,000						
95	19736	Lord Baden Powell Drive Redevelopment	Grant (Dept Industry, Science, Energy & Resources) \$2,323,233 + Stormwater Levy Reserve \$130,000	2,453,233		2,453,233									
96	21778	Mangoplah Recreation Reserve Amenities Upgrade	Grant (Crown Reserve Improvement Fund)	119,054		119,054									
97	19662	McDonalds Parks - Establish 2nd Rugby League Field - ROS6	\$7.11				939,550								
98	22342	Mortimer Place Traffic Works	Contribution \$4,347 + GPR \$45,000	49,347		49,347									
99	21797	MPS Sports Court Recoat	2027/28 GPR \$40,000							40,000					
100	18796	Northern Sporting Precinct - Sports grounds and play equipment (Peter Hastie Oval Works) - ROS11 + LA4 (Land Acquisition)	External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCLI Subsidy funded from S7.11 + Building Reserve + GPR)	264,946		264,946	5,258,854								
101	28174	Oasis - 25m & Program Pool Covers & Rollers Replacement	GPR							70,000					
102	28183	Oasis - 25m, Program & Leisure Pool Expansion Joints Replacement	GPR									125,000			
103	28190	Oasis - 25m Pool Dive Starting Blocks	GPR								48,000				
104	28150	Oasis - 25m Pool Lane Ropes & Lane Storage Rollers Replacement	GPR					34,441							
105	28181	Oasis - 50m Pool & Grandstand Concourse Resurfacing	GPR							175,000					
106	28154	Oasis - 50m & Dive Pool Bulkhead Tiles Upgrade	GPR	40,270		40,270									
107	28153	Oasis - 50m & Dive Pool Expansion Joints Replacement	GPR					79,790							
108	28147	Oasis - 50m Pool Covers & Rollers Replacement	GPR											85,992	
109	28177	Oasis - 50m Pool Dive Starting Blocks	GPR						42,000						
110			GPR						80,000						
111	28123	Oasis - 50m Pool Heating System Solar & Gas Boiler	GPR								275,000				
112	28172	Oasis - 50m Pool Lane Ropes & Lane Storage Rollers Replacement	GPR						85,000						
113	28179	Oasis - 50m Pool Shade covers deep end of pool	GPR				Page 6		290,000						

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114	28185	Oasis - 50m Pool Shade covers western side	Oasis Reserve						390,000						
115	28072	Oasis - Automatic Pool Cleaners	Oasis Reserve									60,000			
116	20840	Oasis - BBQ's	Oasis Reserve										70,000		
117	28158	Oasis - Change Rooms Upgrade	GPR					353,500							
118	28171	Oasis - Co Generation Energy System or alike	GPR						1,500,000						
119	28148	Oasis - Dive Pool Covers & Rollers Replacement	Oasis Reserve											45,000	
120	28076	Oasis - Diving Board Replacements	GPR											85,000	
121	28173	Oasis - Disable/ Mixed Access Equipment / Steps - Wheel Chairs - Hoist & Extras	GPR	95,000		95,000									
122	28162	Oasis - Energy Savings Project (Mechanical Air Ventilation System Upgrade)	Internal Loans Reserve \$821,635 (Electricity Savings - Future Year Loan Repayments) + Oasis Reserve \$549,123 + Net Zero Emissions Reserve \$226,196 + \$7.11 \$100,000	765,184		765,184	931,770								
123	28119	Oasis - Filter Sand for All Pools	GPR						232,300						
124	16393	Oasis - Floor Carpet - Entrance Pool Hall, Offices Stairs & Meeting Room	Oasis Reserve										64,000		
125	28182	Oasis - Irrigation/ Sprinkler System to Mixed Areas	Oasis Reserve							85,000					
126	28188	Oasis -Mixed Air Conditioning	GPR											125,000	
127	15143	Oasis - Point of Sale System & Entry Gates	GPR								115,000				
128	28184	Oasis - Pool Balance Tanks Service	GPR										105,000		
129	28149	Oasis - Pool Cover Winch Replacement	GPR											35,150	
130	28139	Oasis - Pool Deck Grating Replacement	Oasis Reserve					31,005							
131	28178	Oasis - Pool Hall Circulation Fans	GPR									45,000			
132	28155	Oasis - Pool Hall Glass Doors Upgrade & Replacement	GPR	29,395		29,395									
133	28175	Oasis - Pool Hall Lighting Repair & Replacement	Oasis Reserve								100,000				
134	28156	Oasis - Pool Hall Skylights Repair & Replacement	GPR	237,350		237,350	Page 7								

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135	28123	Oasis - Pool Heating Systems (All Pools)	Oasis Reserve				200,000								
136	28159	Oasis - Pool Plant Equipment Upgrade & Replacement	Oasis Reserve \$90,000 + GPR \$778,600					868,600							
137	28176	Oasis - Public Address System Repair & Replacement	Oasis Reserve									85,000			
138	28157	Oasis - Security Lockers Replacement	Oasis Reserve					30,300							
139	28151	Oasis - Two Pool Inflatables Replacement	Oasis Reserve \$28,280 + GPR \$100,000					28,280					100,000		
140	28180	Oasis - Water Drinking Fountains	GPR									60,000			
141	28145	Oasis - Water Features Project	Grant (TBC) \$834,085 + Oasis \$7.11 Recoupment \$854,937	200,000		200,000	1,489,022								
142	21790	Oberne Creek Hall Project	Grant (Dept Industry, Science, Energy & Resources)	34,257		34,257									
143	22391	Old Narrandera Road Sealing	Grant (Transport for NSW)	646,038		646,038									
144	22112	Oura Community Skate Park Construction	Grant (Office of Responsible Gambling) \$77,272 + \$7.12 Reserve \$20,000	97,272		97,272									
145	19601	Pine Gully Road Corridor Works - TT2	S7.11 \$3,273,505 + External Borrowings \$4,320,604 (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCLI Subsidy funded from 57.11) + Grant TBC \$2,932,738 (Fixing Local Roads) + GPR \$625,000	2,726,394		2,726,394	2,034,453	1,391,000	5,000,000						
146	22198	Pomingalarna Cultural Garden Stage 1	Grant (NSW Stronger Country Communities Round 5)	141,178		141,178									
147	18792	Public Art - River Life	Public Art Reserve	136,593		136,593									
148	17075	Public Art Projects - TBA	Public Art Reserve						45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000
149	19667	Rawlings Park North - Construct a synthetic soccer facility - ROS12	\$7.11 \$700,000 + Grant (TBC) \$3,177,112				700,000	3,177,112							
150	19627	Red Hill Rd/Dalman Parkway Intersection Treatment - TT27	57.11					150,000			1,750,443				
151	19681	Red Hill Road Upgrade - TT3	22/23 External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCLI Subsidy funded from 57.11) + 24/25 57.11 + 28/27 - 29/30 External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments funded from 57.11)	31,789		31,789	78,217				2,134,706	1,151,636	1,174,668		
152	23816	Regional Roads Repair Block Grant - project TBA	Repair Block Grant (TfNSW)							400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000

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153	22492	RFS Aviation Station 2nd Storey	Contribution (RFS)					100,000	900,000						
154	22489	RFS Big Springs Station Toilet	Contribution (RFS)	65,000		65,000									
155	22494	RFS Forest Hill Station Capital Works	Contribution (RFS)							100,000	1,100,000				
156	22497	RFS Galore Station Solar Upgrade	Contribution (RFS)											40,000	
157	22491	RFS Humula Station Capital Works	Contribution (RFS)				50,000	600,000							
158	22493	RFS Lake Albert Station Capital Works	Contribution (RFS)						100,000	1,500,000					
159	22490	RFS Mangoplah Station Additional Bay & Amenities	Contribution (RFS)	450,000		450,000									
160	22495	RFS Oura Station Capital Works	Contribution (RFS)								50,000	850,000			
161	22496	RFS Uranquinty Station Capital Works	Contribution (RFS)									50,000	750,000		
162	21903	RIFL Stage 1A Subdivision Works	Contribution (Regional Growth Development Corporation)	4,798,208		4,798,208									
163	20550	RIFL Stage 2B - Terminal Works	Contribution (VISY)	172,456		172,456									
164	19545	RIFL Stage 2C - Industrial Subdivision - Civil Works	Grant (Crown Finance Restart)	4,528,664		4,528,664									
165	21367	Riverside Basketball Court Upgrade	GPR	9,656		9,656									
166	18798 + 20574	Stage 2 - ROS9 (including Landscaping,	External Borrowings \$12,392 (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCLI Subsidy funded from \$7.11)	12,392		12,392									
167	50112	Sewage Treatment Works Renewal - Tarcutta	Sewer Reserve	248,852		248,852									
168	50224	Carrier Maria Harrada	External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCLI subsidy funded from Sewer Reserve)	396,246	368,981	27,265	2,747,008								
169	50276	Sewer - Cartwright's Hill Pump Station - SPS09 - Renewals	Sewer Reserve				50,000	200,000							
170	50258	Sewer - Copland Street Pump Station - SPS39 - New Assets - New pump station	Sewer Reserve (DSP)	443,968	379,124	64,844									
171	50199	Sewer - Elizabeth Avenue Forest Hill SPS22 - New Assets	Sewer Reserve (DSP)	1,269,795		1,269,795									
172	50060	Sewer - Forsyth St Pump Station - SPS02 - Renewals - Refurbishment of current wells	Sewer Reserve					800,000							

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173	50384	Sewer - Install Flowmeters	Sewer Reserve	74,466		74,466									
174	50221	Sewer - Narrung St Treatment Plant Flood Protection Infrastructure	Sewer Reserve	498,023		498,023									
175	50245	Sewer - Olympic Highway - SPS13 New Assets	Sewer Reserve (DSP)	70,000		70,000							874,822		
176	50274	Sewer - Pump Station - SPS06 Shaw Street - Renewals	Sewer Reserve					280,000							
177	50028	Sewer - Re-use Water - Additional infrastructure to meet quality requirements	Sewer Reserve	80,000		80,000		1,144,096							
178	50433	Sewer - SL Rat Unit & HD Pole Camera Purchase	Sewer Reserve	80,000		80,000									
179	50261	Sewer - Springvale Pump Station - SPS36 - New Assets - New pump station	Sewer Reserve					596,272							
180	50291	Sewer - Uranquinty Pump Station - SPS31 - Renewals	Sewer Reserve (DSP)						520,000						
181	50277	Sewer - Wiradjuri Sewer Pump Station - SPS10 Renewal	Sewer Reserve (DSP)				13,032	75,486							
182	50266	Sewer Treatment Works - Forest Hill Plant - New Assets	External Borrowings \$958,217 (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCLI subsidy funded from Sewer Reserve) + Sewer Reserve \$1,484,467	137,510		137,510	2,305,185								
183	22197	Shade Sails over Playgrounds in Wagga	Grant (NSW Stronger Country Communities Round 5)	112,624		112,624									
184	19609	Shared path - Boorooma to Estella & Gobba - TT9	\$7.11 \$260,044 + Grant (TBC) \$1,309,850					1,309,850		260,044					
185	19610	Shared path - Bourkelands to Lloyd - TT10	S7.11 \$11,306 + Grant (TBC) \$56,950					56,950		11,306					
186	19612	Shared path - CBD to Forest Hill - TT12	\$7.11 \$200,963 + Grant (TBC) \$990,250							1,191,213					
187	19613	Shared path - Forest Hill - TT13	\$7.11 \$147,660 + Grant (TBC) \$727,600					727,600		147,660					
188	50418	Southern Growth Area Sewer Augmentation	Grant (Dept Planning & Environment)	1,321,875		1,321,875									
189	15293	Sportsgrounds Lighting Program - McPherson Oval (Nth Wagga)	GPR (tfrd to Parks & Rec Reserve) \$75,257 + Grant (Stronger country Communities) \$152,703	227,960		227,960									
190	22196	Stadium Upgrades (Equex Centre & Bolton Park)	Grant (NSW Stronger Country Communities Round 5)	412,386		412,386									

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191	20799	Stores - Barcoding System/ Shelving	Plant Replacement Reserve				37,500								
192	13673	Stormwater - Day, Higgins, Tarcutta St - Wagga West DSP Area Drainage Upgrade	Stormwater DSP \$308,458 + Stormwater Drainage Reserve \$20,000								328,458				
193	12758	Stormwater - Kincaid St end to Flowerdale pumping station drainage - Wagga West DSP Area	External Borrowings \$782,980 (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCLI subsidy funded from Stormwater 599 + External Borrowings \$27,955 (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCLI subsidy funded from Civil Infrastructure Reserve)				810,935								
194	13674	Stormwater - Lloyd Contour Ridge approx 5 km - Wagga West DSP Area Drainage Upgrade	Stormwater DSP \$148,060 + Stormwater Drainage Reserve \$9,600								157,660				
195	17742	Stormwater - Murray St Project	Stormwater Levy	195,074		195,074	2,952,750								
196	12916	Stormwater - Tarcoola Drainage Extension	Stormwater DSP					495,657							
197		Stormwater - Tarcutta Drainage Upgrade & Supplementary Levee	RMS Contribution				411,626								
198	21792	Tarcutta Memorial Hall Upgrade	Grant (Dept Industry, Science, Energy & Resources)	89,061		89,061									
199	21789	Tarcutta Recreation Reserve Infrastructure Upgrade	Grant (Dept Industry, Science, Energy & Resources)	246,657		246,657									
200	20846	Venue Technical Events Kit	Community Works Reserve					8,000							
201	21777	Wiradjuri Walking Track Upgrade	Grant (Crown Reserve Improvement Fund)	254,482		254,482									
202	16497	Wollundry Lagoon Levee Bank and Pump Out from theatre	S94 Civic Building Recoupment	114,488		114,488									
203	21454	Your High Street Grant Program	Grant (Dept Planning, Industry & Environment)	52,971		52,971									
		TOTAL LTFP CAPITAL PROGRAM		65,363,884	748,105	64,615,779	58,392,911	68,420,169	32,240,078	18,294,398	15,258,879	15,063,915	7,265,304	861,142	8,585,460

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		Summary		31,217,583	20,818,270	22,317,547	20,610,729	24,374,469	23,728,246	23,279,213	24,664,750	25,813,797	26,273,949
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1	19504	Art Gallery - Acquire pieces for the Australian Print Collection	GPR	9,580	9,963	10,362	10,776	11,207	11,638	12,143	12,670	13,219	13,748
2	19505	Art Gallery - Acquire pieces for the National Art Glass Collection	GPR	23,950	24,908	25,904	26,940	28,018	29,096	30,359	31,677	33,053	34,375
3	12498	Bus Shelters Upgrade (existing)	GPR	20,000		20,000		20,000		20,000		20,000	
4	19503	Civic Theatre - Backstage Equipment Upgrade	GPR	13,686	14,233	14,802	15,394	16,010	16,626	17,291	17,983	18,703	19,451
5	17986	Community Amenities - Apex Park	GPR					30,000	242,031				
6	16459	Community Amenities - Forest Hill Oval	GPR + Community Amenities Reserve (tfrd from GPR)	231,817									
7	17749	Community Amenities - Gissing Oval	GPR \$256,633 + NSW Government Office of Sport \$500,000	756,633									
8	17748	Community Amenities - Jubilee/Connolly Park	GPR		30,000	219,158							
9	16458	Community Amenities - Kessler Park	GPR \$252,794 + Buildings Reserve (tfrd from GPR) \$70,110 + Contribution (Tolland FC) \$19,596 + Grant (Stronger Country Communities) \$330,110	675,609									
10	19484	Community Amenities - McPherson Oval	GPR						30,000	250,192			
11	17985	Community Amenities - Tarcutta Public Convenience	GPR				30,000	234,332					
12	17039	Community Amenities - TBC	GPR							30,000	288,790	326,553	338,204
13	12846	Community Amenities - Uranquinty Sports Ground	GPR	30,000	211,901								
14	16583	Corporate Hardware Purchases	GPR	880,140	828,000	720,000	645,000	757,000	415,000	395,000	393,000	910,000	450,000

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15	15230	Culverts - Renew and Replace	GPR	964,197	708,256	738,094	769,119	799,884	830,649	863,875	898,430	934,367	971,742
16	32514	Footpath Construction	GPR		20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
17	24218	Gravel Resheets	GPR	2,752,500	1,984,797	2,067,981	2,154,476	2,240,655	2,326,834	2,419,907	2,516,703	2,617,371	2,722,066
18	16531	Heavy Patching Program	2023/24 \$710,000 R2R + \$325,128 Block + \$640,150 GPR + GPR Future Years	1,874,278	1,085,858	1,130,289	1,176,493	1,222,697	1,268,901	1,319,657	1,372,443	1,427,341	1,484,435
19	22107	Horticulture Upgrades & Renewals	GPR	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
20	39868	Kerb and Gutter Replacement	GPR	908,450	580,067	603,870	628,622	653,767	678,912	706,068	734,310	763,682	794,229
21	22397	Library Collection	GPR	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
22	22404	Library Databases	GPR	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
23	22398	Library DVD	GPR	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500
24	22405	Library eLibrary	GPR	35,000	36,020	37,060	38,122	39,204	40,308	41,433	42,583	43,756	44,950
25	22406	Library eLibrary Sundries	GPR	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500
26	22399	Library Large Print	GPR	15,000	15,510	16,030	16,561	17,102	17,654	18,217	18,791	19,377	19,975
27	22402	Library Microfilm	GPR	4,200	4,200	4,200	4,200	4,200	4,200	4,200	4,200	4,200	4,200
28	22400	Library MP3	GPR	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500
29	22401	Library Page Turners Collection	GPR	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
30	22403	Library Periodicals	GPR	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
31	22396	Library Shelf Ready Collections	GPR	100,000	104,151	108,386	112,705	117,110	121,604	126,188	130,863	135,631	140,495
32	21684	Library RFID Encoding Hardware	GPR	8,166	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
33	21680	Library - South-west Zone Digital Library	GPR	35,000	35,714	36,442	37,185	37,943	38,716	39,504	40,308	41,128	41,965
34	21682	Library Shelf-Ready Processing	GPR	24,722	25,089	25,464	25,846	26,235	26,633	27,038	27,452	27,874	28,304
35	21686	Library - Agile Library Book Collection	GPR	40,000	40,816	41,648	42,497	43,363	44,247	45,147	46,066	47,004	47,960

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36	21687	Library Book Club Program	GPR	10,000	10,200	10,404	10,612	10,824	11,041	11,262	11,487	11,717	11,951
37	21345	Museum Acquisitions	Museum Acquisitions Reserve	10,000	4,378								
38	20959	Parks Smart Irrigation	Internal Loans Reserve (Water savings payback - 2 Year Loan Repayments)	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000						
39	16532	Pavement Rehabilitation Program	23/24 - R2R \$1,654K + Reg Rds Block \$305K + GPR \$3,437K, 24/25 onwards - R2R \$1,005K + Reg Rds Block \$643K (R2R 3% + Block 2% each year) + GPR Balance	5,396,704	3,913,831	4,179,946	4,052,750	4,528,934	4,704,931	4,895,328	5,091,141	5,294,787	5,506,578
40	39042	Pedestrian Access and Mobility Program (PAMP)	GPR + \$50,000 Labor Grant (2023/24)	136,075	42,000	42,000	42,000	42,000	42,000	42,000	42,000	42,000	42,000
41	21900	Plant and Equipment Replacement	Plant Reserve \$3.4M + Plant Sales \$1.5M (amounts vary each fin yr)	7,126,040	3,787,200	5,066,500	3,297,600	5,961,500	4,132,400	3,851,500	4,514,500	4,514,500	4,514,500
42	12231	Playground Equipment Renewal	GPR	98,000	309,000	430,000	536,000	387,000	1,406,000	574,000	631,000	500,000	696,000
43	21930	Playground Shade Sail Installation	Grant Funded (TBC) + \$90,000 Labor Grant (2023/24)	161,328	71,328	71,328	71,328	71,328					
44	21926	Public Art - Creative Light Spaces	Public Art Reserve	30,000		30,000							
45	21924	Public Art - Neighbourhood Engagement	Public Art Reserve	35,780	20,000	20,000							
46	21925	Public Art - Suburbs & Villages	Public Art Reserve	21,805	15,000	15,000							
47	21091	Recreational Assets Renewal	GPR	392,115	366,200	380,848	396,082	411,925	427,769	444,878	462,672	481,178	500,425
48	15883	Regional Roads Supplementary Block Grant - project TBA	Block Grant -Supp (TfNSW)		199,000	199,000	199,000	199,000	199,000	199,000	199,000	199,000	199,000
49	16529	Reseal program (renewal)	GPR \$3,177,642 + Regional Roads Block Grant \$323,887 (incrementing 3% each yr) + Additional \$500,000 GPR (2024/25)	3,501,529	3,215,989	2,835,510	2,960,301	3,078,713	3,197,125	3,325,011	3,458,011	3,596,331	3,740,184

Ref	Job No.	Project Title	Funding Source	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31	2031/32	2032/33
50	21671	Sale of Bomen Land	Land Sales	132,535									
51	52055	Sewer Gravity Mains Renewal Program	Sewer Reserve	159,884	164,680	169,621	174,709	179,950	185,191	190,747	196,469	202,363	208,434
52	51390	Sewer Joint Connections Elimination	Sewer Reserve	54,672	55,492	56,325	57,169	58,027	58,885	59,768	60,665	61,575	62,498
53	50018	Sewer Mains Rehabilitation Program	Sewer Reserve	1,577,426	1,475,849	1,520,124	1,565,728	1,612,700	1,659,671	1,709,461	1,760,744	1,813,566	1,867,973
54	50052	Sewer Manhole Lids Replacment	Sewer Reserve	74,295	75,409	76,540	77,688	78,853	80,036	81,237	82,455	83,692	84,946
55	50024	Sewer Plant & Pumps Replacement and Renewal	Sewer Reserve	55,492	56,325	57,170	58,027	58,897	59,768	60,665	61,576	62,500	63,437
56	15267	Sportsgrounds Lighting Program - Anderson Oval	GPR \$177,006 + Contrib (TBC) \$144,500	321,506									
57	17040	Sportsgrounds Lighting Program - Estella	GPR \$177,590 + Contrib (TBC) \$150,000	327,590									
58	17041	Sportsgrounds Lighting Program - Jack Misson Oval (Ashmont)	GPR \$177,875 + Contrib (TBC) \$144,500	322,375									
59	12786	Street Lighting Improvements Program - Roads and Traffic Facilities (as per schedule)	GPR	75,580	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
60	15181	Traffic Committee - Implement unfunded Resolutions as adopted by Council	GPR		25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
61	30044	Urban Asphalt Program	\$404,250 R2R + \$1,207,174 GPR + Future Years GPR	1,611,424	999,406	1,040,041	1,082,297	1,125,589	1,168,881	1,215,636	1,264,261	1,314,831	1,367,424
62	12894	Village Community Priorities - S94A3	External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCLI subsidy funded from 57.12*)		20,000	20,000	18,000	18,000					
		TOTAL LTFP CAPITAL PROGRAM			20,818,270	22,317,547	20,610,729	24,374,469	23,728,246	23,279,213	24,664,750	25,813,797	26,273,949

RP-4 2023/24 REGIONAL DROUGHT RESILIENCE PLANNING PROGRAM – ROUND 2 – GRANT OFFER

Author: Sue Hanrahan **Executive:** John Sidgwick

Summary:

Council recently received an offer for funding via the Regional Drought Resilience Planning Programme - Round 2. Regional Drought Resilience Planning program grants are co-funded by the NSW Government and the Australian Government's Future Drought Fund. This funding application was required to be submitted in conjunction with Lockhart Shire Council. The grant value is \$200,000 for development of a Regional Drought Resilience Plan and \$250,000 for plans implementation. Wagga Wagga City Council was nominated as the lead applicant for this application.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a accept the funding offer of \$200,000 for development of a Regional Drought Resilience Plan
- b accept the funding offer of \$250,000 for the implementation of the Regional Drought Resilience Plan (conditional on the development of the plan)
- c authorise the General Manager or delegate to enter into a funding agreement with the Department of Regional NSW
- d authorise the affixing of Council's common seal to any relevant documents as required.
- e approve the budget variations as detailed in the financial implication section of the report

Report

In late September 2023 staff submitted a grant funding application through the Regional Drought Resilience Planning Programme - Round 2. Regional Drought Resilience Planning program grants are co funded by the NSW Government and the Australian Government's Future Drought Fund. The funding was provided to selected regions in NSW to allow the development and implementation of Regional Drought Resilience Plans and assist in the mitigation of future drought risks. The Regional Drought Resilience Planning Program is being delivered as part of the Future Ready Regions Strategy. The Program is designed to enable consortia of local governments and their communities to better prepare for, respond to and recover from drought.

Funding was made available in Round 2 to selected eligible NSW councils working as a consortium to develop their own Regional Drought Resilience Plans. Wagga Wagga City Council was required to submit an application as a consortium with Lockhart Shire Council.

The program aims to build capability and empower regional communities to plan and act early when responding to drought risks.

The funding:

- Regional Drought Resilience Plan development: \$200,000
- Regional Drought Resilience Plan implementation (conditional): \$250,000

During discussions with Regional NSW, it was identified the final plan would play an important role in future drought-related funding opportunities. Councils have been nominated into consortia based on previously identified Functional Economic Region (FER) boundaries.

Financial Implications

Wagga City and Lockhart Shire Council will engage a qualified consultant to assist with the development of a comprehensive Regional Drought Resilience Plan. The plan will identify Wagga City and Lockhart Shire's drought preparedness needs to build capability to plan and act early to reduce and respond to drought risks.

Once resolved, Council staff will allocate the grant income and expenditure budgets to undertake the required plan and actions identified within the plan.

Policy and Legislation

Community Strategic Plan 2040

Link to Strategic Plan

The Environment

Objective: Wagga Wagga is sustainable, liveable, and resilient to the impacts of climate change

Adapt to our changing climate

Risk Management Issues for Council

No specific risks have been identified for the development of the plan.

The risks associated with implementing any future projects identified within the plan may relate to process, cost, environmental, WHS and contractor performance. These risks will be addressed as part of Council's project management and contractor performance management systems.

Internal / External Consultation

Internal consultation has been undertaken within the Regional Activation, Finance and Operations directorates.

External consultation has been undertaken with staff from Lockhart Shire Council and the Department of Regional NSW

A community and stakeholder consultation plan will be a key output as part of the initial stages in the development of the drought resilience plan.

RP-5 QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

Author: Scott Gray

Summary: This report is to list questions with notice raised by Councillors in

accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice.

Recommendation

That Council receive and note the report.

Report

The following questions with notice were received prior to the meeting, in accordance with the Code of Meeting Practice.

Councillor R Foley had a request from a community member requesting that Council stop the erosion on the foreshore on the Lake Albert on the Eastlake Drive side.

The water levels at the Lake would need to be low for any erosion controls to be implemented.

Councillor R Foley requested information on Councils position with utilising Artificial Intelligence to assist with Development Applications and Planning Proposals.

Council has registered interest via the NSW Planning website.

Councillor M Henderson requested information on reasoning of two patching trucks together on multiple times along Holbrook Road.

Council has been trialling filling potholes with one truck and then placing a square seal over it with the other truck to make the repair more waterproof and resilient to traffic. So far, we are finding that this treatment is working well.

Holbrook Road is a higher order road and one of the longer sealed lengths of road in the network that can take quite some time to patch following prolonged rainfall. Two trucks are needed at times to patch the higher order roads (Regional Roads) up in less overall time to reduce the risk to Council and provide a safer road for motorist.

Financial Implications

N/A

Policy and Legislation

Code of Meeting Practice

Link to Strategic Plan

Community leadership and collaboration

Objective: Our community is informed and actively engaged in decision making and problem-solving to shape the future of Wagga Wagga

Ensure our community feels heard and understood

Risk Management Issues for Council

N/A

Internal / External Consultation

N/A

COMMITTEE MINUTES

M-1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE - 23 AND 30 NOVEMBER 2023

Author: Melinda Conolly General Manager: Peter Thompson

Summary: The Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee (ARIC) is an

advisory committee of Council. This Report seeks that Council endorse the recommendations made by the Committee at the

meeting on 23 and 30 November 2023.

Those recommendations relate to the role of the Committee in providing independent assurance and assistance to Council on financial reporting, risk management, internal controls, governance, and internal and external audit and accountability responsibilities.

Recommendation

That Council endorse the recommendations contained in the minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting held on 23 and 30 November 2023.

Report

The minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting held on 23 and 30 November 2023 are presented to Council for adoption.

Financial Implications

Council has granted certain authorities to the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee within the scope of its role and responsibilities, as defined within its Charter. As an advisory committee to Council, the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee has no authority to action items that may have a budget and/or resource implication outside of this authority unless Council resolves to adopt the recommendations.

Policy and Legislation

Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Charter

Link to Strategic Plan

Community leadership and collaboration

Objective: Wagga Wagga City Council leads through engaged civic governance and is recognised and distinguished by its ethical decision-making, efficient management, innovation and quality customer service

Ensure transparency and accountability

Risk Management Issues for Council

The Committee considered matters relating to their role in providing independent assurance and assistance to Council on risk management, as outlined in the attached Minutes and which included consideration of Council's Fraud and Corruption Control Risk Register and Action Plan 2023-2026.

Internal / External Consultation

The ARIC Chairperson Report was distributed to Councillors in mid-January 2024.

Attachments

- 1J. Minutes ARIC 23 November 2023
- 2J. Minutes ARIC 30 November 2023

MINUTES of the AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE held on Thursday 23 November 2023.

PRESENT

Mr Bryce McNair (Chairperson) Mrs Carolyn Rosetta-Walsh Ms Rachel Harris Councillor Michael Henderson

IN ATTENDANCE

Director Financial Audit, NSW Audit Office Mary Yuen Councillor Dallas Tout Mayor General Manager Peter Thompson Chief Audit Executive Melinda Conolly Chief Financial Officer Carolyn Rodney Senior Financial Accountant Zac Wilson Acting Manager Governance and Risk Nicole Johnson Risk Management and Insurance Officer **Daniel Tallar**

The meeting of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee commenced at 9:35am.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Wagga Wagga City Council acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land, the Wiradjuri people, and pays respect to Elders past, present and future and extends our respect to all First Nations Peoples in Wagga Wagga.

We recognise and respect their cultural heritage, beliefs and continuing connection with the land and rivers. We also recognise the resilience, strength and pride of the Wiradjuri and First Nations communities.

APOLOGIES

An apology was received and accepted for Councillor R Kendall on the Motion of B McNair and C Rosetta-Walsh.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No Declarations of Interest were received.

MINUTES of the AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE held on Thursday 23 November 2023.

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RP-1 2022/23 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Recommendation:

On the Motion of C Rosetta-Walsh and R Harris

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee:

- a receive a presentation from Council's auditors, the NSW Audit Office
- b note that due to Council not having control over certain vested Rural Fire Service assets, and therefore not recording those Rural Fire Service assets in Council's financial statements, the NSW Audit Office have expressed a Qualified Audit Opinion for the 2022/23 General Purpose Financial Statements
- c recommend that Council approve the signing of the 2022/23 Financial Statements pursuant to Section 413(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1993 and the Local Government Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting
- d recommend to Council to continue to lobby the Federal Government to make settlement of the Airport land as the highest priority

CARRIED

The NSW Audit Office provided an overview and explanation of the Engagement Closing Report for the year ended 30 June 2023 and elements of the interim Management Letter in particular IT Access Controls, the comprehensive revaluation of Council's road, bridges and footpath infrastructure. There was discussion on the issues experienced through this process including the road structure methodology, data issues and contractor timeframes.

The Committee were pleased with the audit process, sampling and discussion and expressed appreciation to Council staff, noting the challenges experienced during this year's audit. The Committee recommended that Council strongly pursue the Federal Government to make settlement on the Airport land lease as a matter of urgency.

Concerns were also raised regarding IT Access Controls, assurance and maturity of Council's asset management processes, noting improvements to date and planned action to address these issues.

QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

No Questions with Notice were received.

The Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee rose at 11:03am.

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MINUTES of the AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE held on Thursday 30 November 2023.

PRESENT

Mr Bryce McNair (Chairperson) Mrs Carolyn Rosetta-Walsh Ms Rachel Harris Councillor Michael Henderson Councillor Rod Kendall

IN ATTENDANCE

Chief Audit Executive Melinda Conolly
Chief Financial Officer Carolyn Rodney
Manager Plant, Fleet and Buildings Travis Weir
Acting Manager Governance and Risk Nicole Johnson
Risk Management and Insurance Officer Daniel Tallar

The meeting of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee commenced at 8:00am.

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APOLOGIES

Apologies for non-attendance were received and accepted by the Committee for:

- The Mayor, Councillor Dallas Tout
- Peter Thompson General Manager
- Mary Yuen Audit Office
- Gearoid Fitzgerald Audit Office

On the Motion of R Harris and C Rosetta-Walsh.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were received.

MINUTES of the AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE held on Thursday 30 November 2023.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

CM-1 AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES

Recommendation:

On the Motion of R Harris and Councillor M Henderson

That the Minutes of the proceedings of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting held on 17 August 2023 be confirmed as a true and accurate record, noting that the recommendations contained in the minutes of that meeting were endorsed by Council at its Ordinary Meeting on 18 September 2023.

CARRIED

PROCEDURAL MOTION - ENGLOBO

Recommendation:

On the Motion of Councillor R Kendall and B McNair

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee adopt RP-7, RP-8 and RP-12 as recommended in the business papers.

CARRIED

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RP-1 GENERAL MANAGER'S UPDATE

Recommendation:

On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and M Henderson

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee:

- a receive and note the update provided by the General Manager.
- b receive a more detailed report on the Housing Crisis at the next meeting
- c endorse the Chair of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee to approach the Federal Government Minister to express concern on the Airport Lease
- d receive an update on the Airport Lease at the February 2024 meeting

CARRIED

The Committee considered a report from the General Manager in relation to the Transgrid Acquisitions being EnergyConnect (Gregadoo Waste Management Facility) and Humelink. They also received a status update on the Riverina Regional Library Asset division dispute and the Housing Crisis. The Committee requested a more detailed report on the Housing Crisis to be presented to the next meeting providing information on long-term planning, including details on the Tolland renewal project, infrastructure and land release and short-term housing.

RP-2 REPORT ON THE AUDIT & RISK COMMITTEE FORUM 2023

Recommendation:

On the Motion of B McNair and R Harris

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee note the report on the Audit & Risk Committee Forum 2023.

CARRIED

The ARIC Chair provided a summary of key takeaways from the Audit & Risk Committee Forum, attended on 12-13 October 2023, highlighting third-party risk management, the use of Artificial Intelligence (AI), Cybersecurity and recent changes to the Fair Work Act. Consideration was given to third-party risk assessment being included in each audit report.

The Chair encouraged other members of the Committee to attend Institute of Internal Audit Forums and similar sessions and that Council consider funding attendance of Committee members for such events.

Chief Operating Officer, Scott Gray and Manager Information & Communications Technology Services, Reece Hamblin entered the meeting the time being 8:30am.

RP-3 CYBER SECURITY AND INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY UPDATE

Recommendation:

On the Motion of Councillor M Henderson and C Rosetta-Walsh

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee receive and note the Cyber Security and Information and Communications Technology update.

CARRIED

Council's Manager Information and Communications Technology Services provided an overview on current cyber security actions including development of an initial Cyber Security Plan, Council Cyber Security Risk Appetite Review with the Executive on 1 December 2023, and an update on other current projects such as UpGuard, Sophos

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managed detection response and password policy update, privileged access monitoring and periodic user access review.

The Committee further reviewed activities being undertaken to address concerns by the NSW Audit Office to monitor core systems and provide assurance to address these concerns, noting constraints in the current environment including software and systems, integration issues and resourcing.

Manager Information and Communications Technology Services, Reece Hamblin, left the meeting, the time being 8.40am.

Manager Project Management Office, Anjanee Beechani entered the Meeting the time being 8:00am.

RP-4 CAPITAL WORKS UPDATE

Recommendation:

On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and R Harris

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee receive and note the contents of the report.

CARRIED

Council's Manager Project Management Office provided the Committee with a status update on the Capital Works Program and advice on the improvements made to date. The Committee raised concern regarding the large volume of projects and Council's ability to deliver those projects. Council's Chief Financial Officer advised the Committee that Council are proposing a budget reset for our current financial year with a full review of each Capital Project to be undertaken to ensure more "realistic figures", in contrast to previous years with very high values.

Manager Project Management Office, Anjanee Beechani vacated the Meeting the time being 8:40am.

Executive Director People & Culture, Fiona Piltz, entered the meeting, the time being 8:41am.

RP-5 PEOPLE & CULTURE UPDATE

Recommendation:

On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and M Henderson

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee receive and note the People & Culture update specifically relating to the current role vacancies across the organisation.

CARRIED

Council's Executive Director People & Culture provided an update on the significant improvement being experienced in the recruitment area with an increase in the employee market. The Committee were advised of Council's attraction strategy and the "Good News Story" campaign aimed at promoting Council as an employer of choice. The Committee discussed retention strategies and collection of data to monitor and assess outcomes of these strategies and campaigns.

The Committee raised concern in the vacancy of the Manager Governance and Risk and requested that sufficient resources were provided in the Governance space. The Committee were advised the recruitment process had commenced, noting a change to the role, with corporate planning added to align strategic planning with risk management. Advertising to take place in the first week of December.

Executive Director People & Culture, Fiona Piltz vacated the Meeting the time being 8:50am.

RP-6 SEPTEMBER 2023 QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW

Recommendation:

On the Motion of Councillors R Harris and B McNair

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee note the Quarterly Budget Review for the quarter ended 30 September 2023 reported to Council at the 23 October 2023 Council meeting.

CARRIED

Council's Chief Financial Officer provided an overview of Council's current position including budget adjustments carryover and additional grants in capital works and operational budgets.

RP-7 INVESTMENT POLICY REVIEW - POL 075

Recommendation:

On the Motion of Councillor R Kendall and B McNair

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee:

- a note only minor changes are proposed to Investment Policy (POL 075)
- b recommend Council adopt the reviewed Investment Policy (POL 075) noting the minor changes

CARRIED

RP-8 PUBLIC INTEREST DISCLOSURE POLICY (POL 097)

Recommendation:

On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and B McNair

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee review and provide feedback on the draft Public Interest Disclosure Policy (POL 097).

CARRIED

RP-9 GOVERNANCE AND RISK UPDATE

Recommendation:

On the Motion of C Rosetta-Walsh and R Harris

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee receive and note the report.

CARRIED

The Committee received an update on litigated insurance matters; the process of dealing with car damage under excess claims, capital works and road maintenance challenges, legislative changes; 2023 Continuous Improvement Program, Code of Conduct complaints, commencement of the Community Strategic Plan review and community engagement activities, Business Planning and Fraud and Corruption control.

RP-10 INTERNAL AUDIT ANNUAL REPORT 2022/23

Recommendation:

On the Motion of B McNair and C Rosetta-Walsh

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee:

- a endorse the final Internal Audit Annual Report 2022/23
- b request the Internal Audit Annual Report 2022/23 be presented at the next available Ordinary Meeting of Council

CARRIED

RP-11 ARIC ACTION REGISTERS (RESOLUTION REGISTER ARIC MEETINGS)

Recommendation:

On the Motion of Councillor M Henderson and C Rosetta-Walsh

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee receive and note the report.

CARRIED

RP-12 CODE OF CONDUCT STATISTICS

Recommendation:

On the Motion of Councillor R Kendall and B McNair

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee receive and note the Reporting Statistics on Code of Conduct Complaints about Councillors and the General Manager, in accordance with Part 11 of the Administrative Procedures of the Code of Conduct.

CARRIED

The Chief Operating Officer, Scott Gray, vacated the meeting the time being 9:01am.

RP-13 AUDIT, RISK & IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING DATES AND PLANNING SCHEDULE 2024

Recommendation:

On the Motion of B McNair and C Rosetta-Walsh

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee approve the meeting schedule and planning schedule for 2024, subject to confirmation of availability.

CARRIED

Council's Chief Audit Executive provided an overview of the 2024 Planning Schedule including the review of the ARIC Charter, Internal Audit Charter and Internal Audit Manual and the External Quality Assessment. The Committee commended staff for their work during 2023 and confirmed the proposed meeting dates for 2024.

RP-14 INTERNAL AUDIT UPDATE

Recommendation:

On the Motion of Councillors C Rosetta-Walsh and M Henderson

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee:

- a note the progress of internal audits on the 2023/24 Internal Audit Plan
- b note the status of the Audit Unit Register

CARRIED

Council's Chief Audit Executive provided a status update on the Cemetery Audit noting recent change in legislation, high engagement with staff and strategic direction of cemeteries and the development of a future Masterplan, which will address future land acquisitions. The potential scope of the planned Public Health audit was discussed by the Committee including review of legislative requirements, licensing/inspections for re-licensing, on-site sewer treatment and inspections on Council owned facilities. Psychosocial was also identified by the Committee as an emerging risk, and the Chief Audit Executive advised this risk will be included in the next 4-year Strategic Plan.

The Committee discussed the Service Review of the Development Application Assessment Process (and Certifications), which is set to commence shortly. The CFO confirmed this and other service reviews have arisen from the zero- based budget approach adopted by Council.

Council are undertaking a tender process for an external consultant to conduct all or elements of the review. The Committee requested internal audit inclusion in the process and that service review outcomes be reported to the ARIC with endorsed improvement initiatives included in the Improvement Initiative Database.

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RP-15 AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

Recommendation:

On the Motion of Councillors B McNair and R Kendall

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee:

- a endorse the final Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Annual Report 2022/23
- b request the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Annual Report 2022/23 be presented at the next available Ordinary Meeting of Council

CARRIED

RP-16 IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVES DATABASE

Recommendation:

On the Motion of Councillor R Kendall and B McNair

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee:

- a note the status of the Improvement Initiatives Database
- b endorse the Revised Target Dates
- c note the progress in relation outstanding action items
- d request recommendations of Quarry Audit be resolved by 30 June 2024

CARRIED

The Committee considered the follow-up of improvement initiatives accepted by management as a result of internal audits and other reviews, was being appropriately monitored.

The Committee discussed concern with outcomes of the Quarry Audit, noting the scope did not hit the target, requesting that Council officers meet to reconsider and realign to the current environment to ensure outcomes are progressed and all matters finalised this financial year.

RP-17 PRESENTATION - MANAGER PLANT, FLEET & BUILDINGS

Recommendation:

On the Motion of B McNair and R Harris

That the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee note the presentation by the Manager Plant, Fleet & Buildings.

CARRIED

Council's Manager Plant, Fleet and Building provided a comprehensive presentation on risk identification and mitigation strategies for contract management, Council's store (stocktake and stock audit), management of high risk plant and hazardous chemicals, plant, fleet & equipment servicing, high risk machinery / safe work practices, workshop and depot dangerous goods / hazardous goods storage, traffic management, worker on foot, Plant Fleet & Equipment, Preventative Maintenance, fleet Operations Reviews, 15 Year Plant, Fleet & Equipment Replacement Plan, Building Preventative / Schedule Maintenance, Aging infrastructure, Asbestos Management, Building Security, and depot Public Access.

The Committee commended the Manager Plant, Fleet and Building and were pleased to receive advice on the extensive amount of work undertaken leading to significant improvement in this division, including the comprehensive risk identification process and development and implementation of mitigation strategies across all areas of his portfolio.

QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

QWN-1 SUPERANNUATION PAYMENTS OF ARIC MEMBERS

The Chair requested an update on Council's position in relation to payment of superannuation to ARIC members, noting provisions of the "Guidelines for Risk Management and Internal Audit for Local Government in NSW".

Council's Chief Financial Officer (CFO) advised the Committee of a pending class ruling to Local Government NSW, with Councils invited to provide voluntary financial support to this class ruling. The Chair questioned if there was any issue with ARIC members being added to the Payroll? (ie be considered as employees?), with the CFO advising it is an issue of independence and will not confirm Council's position until there is a definite class ruling.

QWN-1 SCOPES OF INTERNAL AUDITS

C Rosetta-Walsh asked if future Internal Audit scopes will be distributed to Committee members out of session with the Chief Audit Executive confirming this will occur.

The Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee rose at 10:15am.

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CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

CONF-1 RFT2024-04 FORMER WIRADJURI LANDFILL REMEDIATION

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PRESENT

The Mayor, Councillor Dallas Tout Councillor Georgie Davies Councillor Michael Henderson Councillor Richard Foley Councillor Rod Kendall Councillor Tim Koschel Councillor Jenny McKinnon Councillor Amelia Parkins

IN ATTENDANCE

General Manager (Mr P Thompson) **Director Community** (Ms J Summerhayes) **Director Infrastructure Services** (Mr W Faulkner) **Director Strategy and Projects** (Mr P McMurray) **Director Regional Activation** (Mr J Sidgwick) Chief Financial Officer (Mrs C Rodney) **Chief Operating Officer** (Mr S Gray) Executive Director - People & Culture (Mrs F Piltz) Executive Manager – Major Projects (Mr D Woods) Manager Project Management Office (Mr A Beechani) Manager Development Assessment & Building Certification (Mr P O'Brien) Manager Community Services (Ms M Scully) Community Development Coordinator (Ms A Osgood) Manager Livestock Marketing Centre (Mr P Martin) **Property Coordinator** (Mr M Dombrovski) Manager Recreation & Economic Development (Mr B Creighton) Governance & Risk Coordinator (Mrs N Johnson) Communications & Engagement Coordinator (Mr M Casey) (Ms K West) Governance Officer

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Wagga Wagga City Council acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land, the Wiradjuri people, and pays respect to Elders past, present and future and extends our respect to all First Nations Peoples in Wagga Wagga.

We recognise and respect their cultural heritage, beliefs and continuing connection with the land and rivers. We also recognise the resilience, strength and pride of the Wiradjuri and First Nations communities.

REFLECTION

Councillors, let us in silence reflect upon our responsibilities to the community which we represent, and to all future generations and faithfully, and impartially, carry out the functions, powers, authorities and discretions vested in us, to the best of our skill and judgement.

APOLOGIES

No apologies were received.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

CM-1 **EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING - 27 NOVEMBER 2023**

23/301 **RESOLVED:**

On the Motion of Councillors A Parkins and G Davies

That the Minutes of the proceedings of the Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 27 November 2023 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

D Tout

G Davies

M Henderson

R Folev

R Kendall

T Koschel

J McKinnon

A Parkins

Against	the	Motion

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MAYOR	GENERAL MANAGER

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor G Davies declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in CONF 2 - PROPOSED RENEWAL OF COMMERCIAL LEASE - 23 FITZHARDINGE STREET, WAGGA WAGGA the reason being that a member of her family owns a share in a property in Fitzhardinge Street and remained in the chamber during its consideration.

Councillor G Davies declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in CONF-4 - EXPRESSION OF INTEREST OUTCOME REPORT - BOMEN LAND SALES the reason being that one of the directors in the EOI submissions is a board member where she works and remained in the chamber during its consideration.

Councillor G Davies declared a Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in CONF-7 - RFT2024-07 REALIGN CATTLE DELIVERY RAMPS & SHEEP DRAFT RAMPS DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION LMC the reason being that one of the applicants is a close family friend and vacated the chamber during its consideration.

Councillor M Henderson declared a Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in RP-1 USE OF EXISTING SHED AND REMOVAL OF BUILDING ENVELOPE the reason being that he knows one of the objectors and vacated the chamber during its consideration.

Councillor M Henderson declared a Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in RP-3 DA22/0009 - ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS TO EXISTING PUB (SPORTSMENS CLUB HOTEL), 107 KINCAID STREET, WAGGA WAGGA the reason being that he is the licensee of a Registered Club and the applicant also owns a business with in close proximity to the Club and vacated the chamber during its consideration.

Councillor M Henderson declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in RP-4 PETITION - REMOVAL OF NAME PLAQUES AND SIGNAGE the reason being that he knows one of the authors of the petition and remained in the chamber during its consideration.

Councillor M Henderson declared a Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in RP-6 LAKE ALBERT WATER QUALITY AND SUPPLY the reason being that he is the Commodore of the Wagga Boat Club and vacated the chamber during its consideration.

Councillor R Kendall declared a Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in RP-1 - USE OF EXISTING SHED AND REMOVAL OF BUILDING ENVELOPE the reason being that the owner of the property and applicant are clients of his and vacated the chamber during its consideration.

Councillor R Kendall declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in CONF-2 PROPOSED RENEWAL OF COMMERCIAL LEASE - 23 FITZHARDINGE STREET the reason being that he has an interest in a building in Fitzhardinge Street. This proposal has no material impact on that building and remained in the chamber during its consideration and remained in the chamber during its consideration.

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Councillor T Koschel declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in RP - 10 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE REPORT AS AT 30 NOVEMBER 2023 the reason being that he works for a financial institution and his employer is listed within the report and remained in the chamber during its consideration.

Councillor T Koschel declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in RP-11 POL 075 - INVESTMENT POLICY the reason being that he works for a financial institution and remained in the chamber during its consideration.

Councillor A Parkins declared a Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in CONF-6 - JUBILEE PARK ATHLETICS CENTRE PROJECTS - RFT2024-02, RFT2024-12 & RFT2024-14 the reason being that her employer is listed within the report and vacated the chamber during its consideration.

Chief Operating Officer, Mr S Gray declared a Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in RP-3 DA22/0009 - ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS TO EXISTING PUB (SPORTSMENS CLUB HOTEL), 107 KINCAID STREET, WAGGA WAGGA the reason being the applicant is a sponsor of Wagga Basketball and he holds a position with Wagga Basketball and vacated the chamber during its consideration.

PROCEDURAL MOTION - ENGLOBO

23/302 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and G Davies

That the standing orders be varied for the meeting as set out hereunder:

- · Items where councillors wish to speak
- Items where no councillors wish to speak
- Confidential

R Foley R Kendall T Koschel J McKinnon

- Matter of urgency
- Closure of Meeting

That RP-2, RP-4, RP-5, RP-8 TO RP-16, M-1, CONF-1, CONF-2, CONF-4, CONF-8 be adopted as recommended in the business papers.

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

D Tout
G Davies
M Henderson

A Parkins

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MAYOR	GENERAL MANAGER

PUBLIC DISCUSSION FORUM

MM-1 - MAYORAL MINUTE - 16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM IN WAGGA WAGGA

• Johanna Elms - Speaking in favour of the Recommendation

NOM-1 - NOTICE OF MOTION - SUPPORTING PEACE IN GAZA

- Paul Funnell Speaking against the Recommendation
- Ray Goodlass Speaking in favour of the Recommendation

Councillor R Kendall declared a Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest and vacated the chamber, the time being 6:23pm.

Councillor M Henderson declared a Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest and vacated the chamber, the time being 6:24pm.

RP-1 - DA22/0725.01 - USE OF EXISTING SHED AND REMOVAL OF BUILDING ENVELOPE

- Matt Jenkins Speaking against the Recommendation
- Slade Stanley Speaking in favour of the Recommendation

Councillor R Kendall re-entered the chamber, the time being 6:32pm.

Mr S Gray declared a Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest and vacated the chamber the time being 6:32pm.

RP-3 - DA22/0009 - ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS TO EXISTING PUB (SPORTSMENS CLUB HOTEL), 107 KINCAID STREET, WAGGA WAGGA

- Mary Anne Kelly Speaking against the Recommendation
- Sean O'Hara Speaking in favour of the Recommendation

Mr S Gray re-entered the chamber the time being 6:42pm.

RP-6 - LAKE ALBERT WATER QUALITY AND SUPPLY

• Garry Williams - Speaking against the Recommendation

Councillor M Henderson re-entered the chamber, the time being 6:47pm.

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PROCEDURAL MOTION - CHANGE STANDING ORDERS

23/303 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors J McKinnon and R Foley

That Council move forward consideration of the following items to follow the Public Discussion Forum:

- MM-1- Mayoral Minute 16 Days of Activism in Wagga Wagga
- NOM-1 Notice of Motion Supporting Peace in Gaza
- RP-1 DA22/0725.01 Use of existing shed and removal of building envelope
- RP-3 DA22/0009 Alterations and additions to existing pub (Sportsmens Club Hotel), 107 Kincaid Street, Wagga Wagga
- RP-6 Lake Albert Water Quality and Supply

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

D Tout

G Davies

M Henderson

R Foley

R Kendall

T Koschel

J McKinnon

A Parkins

Against the Motion

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MAYOR	GENERAL MANAGER

MAYORAL MINUTE

MM-1 MAYORAL MINUTE - 16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM IN WAGGA WAGGA

23/304 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of The Mayor, Councillor D Tout

That Council:

- a commend the Wagga Women's Health Centre for their leadership in facilitating the 16 Days of Activism in Wagga Wagga. This will occur through a formal written acknowledgement from the Mayor's office on behalf of Council and the community
- b receive a report from staff prior to 31 March 2024 that outlines Council staff involvement and activities that support prevention of Domestic and Family Violence
- c note Council's adopted Advocacy Plan statement of commitment to the prevention of Domestic and Family Violence being:
 - "We will advocate for resources and funding levels that support the frontline services and other organisations addressing coercive control, abuse and violence and their delivery of preventative programs to address gender equity and respectful relationships"

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

D Tout

G Davies

M Henderson

R Foley

R Kendall

T Koschel

J McKinnon

A Parkins

Against the Motion

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......GENERAL MANAGER

MOTIONS OF WHICH DUE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

NOM-1 NOTICE OF MOTION - SUPPORTING PEACE IN GAZA

A MOTION was moved by Councillors J McKinnon and R Foley

That Council:

- a condemns violence of all kinds
- b notes the need for an immediate permanent ceasefire in Gaza
- c acknowledges calls from around the world for peaceful resolution of the conflict between Israel and Palestine

An AMENDMENT was moved by Councillor R Kendall and seconded by Councillor G Davies

That Council:

- a condemns violence of all kinds
- b condemns attacks on the civilian population in any conflict/war
- c condemns any army, and the controlling government of that army, who use the civilian population as a shield for their activities both in the conduct of war/conflict and in the build-up to potential war/conflict
- d calls on the initiator of all current wars/conflicts in the world to cease fighting immediately and withdraw from the area of conflict
- e calls on all parties currently involved in wars/conflicts to enter immediate negotiations for a permanent and peaceful resolution
- f delegates authority to the Mayor to write to the relevant Federal Minister regarding this motion and this countries obligations to uphold the Statute of Rome

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE AMENDMENT

For the Amendment	Against the Amendment
D Tout	M Henderson
G Davies	J McKinnon
R Foley	
R Kendall	
T Koschel	
A Parkins	

The AMENDMENT on being put to the meeting was carried and became the Motion.

OF WAGGA WAGGA held on 11 DECEMBER 2	' MEETING OF COUNCIL of the Council of the CITY 023.
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23/305 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and G Davies

That Council:

- a condemns violence of all kinds
- b condemns attacks on the civilian population in any conflict/war
- c condemns any army, and the controlling government of that army, who use the civilian population as a shield for their activities both in the conduct of war/conflict and in the build-up to potential war/conflict
- d calls on the initiator of all current wars/conflicts in the world to cease fighting immediately and withdraw from the area of conflict
- e calls on all parties currently involved in wars/conflicts to enter immediate negotiations for a permanent and peaceful resolution
- f delegates authority to the Mayor to write to the relevant Federal Minister regarding this motion and this countries obligations to uphold the Statute of Rome

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

D Tout

G Davies

R Foley

R Kendall

Against the Motion

M Henderson

J McKinnon

T Koschel

REPORTS FROM STAFF

A Parkins

RP-1 DA22/0725.01 - USE OF EXISTING SHED AND REMOVAL OF BUILDING ENVELOPE

Councillor R Kendall declared a Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest and vacated the chamber, the time being 7:28pm.

Councillor M Henderson declared a Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest and vacated the chamber, the time being 7:29pm.

A Motion was moved by the Mayor Councillor D Tout and Councillor R Foley

That Council approve DA22/0725.01 for the Use of an Existing Shed and Removal of Building Envelope at 108 Brindabella Drive, Tatton NSW 2650 (Lot 224 DP1247818) subject to the conditions outlined in the Section 4.15 Assessment Report.

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An AMENDMENT was moved by Councillor T Koschel and seconded by Councillor J McKinnon

That Council defer the consideration of DA22/0725.01 pending a site visit and additional information being provided to Councillors.

RECORD OF VOTING ON DEVELOPMENT OR PLANNING MATTERS - SECTION 375A(3) LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1993

For the Amendment

Against the Amendment

D Tout

R Foley

T Koschel

J McKinnon

A Parkins

G Davies

The AMENDMENT on being put to the meeting was carried and became the Motion.

23/306 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors Councillor T Koschel and J McKinnon

That Council defer the consideration of DA22/0725.01 pending a site visit and additional information being provided to Councillors.

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON DEVELOPMENT OR PLANNING MATTERS - SECTION 375A(3) LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1993

For the Motion

Against the Motion

D Tout

G Davies

R Foley

T Koschel

J McKinnon

A Parkins

Councillor R Kendall re-entered the chamber, the time being 7:51pm.

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RP-3 DA22/0009 - ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS TO EXISTING PUB (SPORTSMENS CLUB HOTEL), 107 KINCAID STREET, WAGGA WAGGA

Councillor M Henderson declared a Significant Non-Pecuniary interest and remained vacated from the Chamber.

Chief Operating Officer, S Gray declared a Significant Non-Pecuniary interest and vacated the chamber the time being 7.51pm.

23/307 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and R Foley

That Council:

- a approve DA22/0009 for alterations and additions to existing pub at 107 Kincaid Street, Wagga Wagga, subject to the conditions contained within the s4.15 Assessment Report
- b acknowledge the right of the applicant to lodge a further development application or a modification application to vary the times of operation of the beer garden

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON DEVELOPMENT OR PLANNING MATTERS - SECTION 375A(3) LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1993

375A(3) LOCAL GOVERNM	ENT ACT 1993
For the Motion	Against the Motion
D Tout	
G Davies	
R Foley	
R Kendall	
T Koschel	
J McKinnon	
A Parkins	

Chief Operating Officer, S Gray re-entered the chamber, the time being 8.21pm.

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MAYOR GENERAL MANAGER

RP-6 LAKE ALBERT WATER QUALITY AND SUPPLY

Councillor Henderson declared a Significant Non-Pecuniary interest and remained vacated from the Chamber.

A Motion was moved by Councillors A Parkins and J McKinnon

That Council:

- a note the information in the report regarding a possible algae treatment for Lake Albert
- b consider funding a trial of the algae treatment in the February 2024 Councillor budget workshop, in conjunction with other budget considerations
- c note that the expected potential future operating costs are likely to exceed \$1,000,000 annually for the algae treatment and pipeline, excluding any costs attributable to the pipeline construction
- d note that these operational costs would require the identification of a funding source that could include a special rate variation

An AMENDMENT was moved by Councillor T Koschel and seconded by Councillor R Foley

That Council:

- a in accordance with s55(3)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993, not invite tenders for a proposed Lake Albert Algae Treatment
 - i note the reason for not calling tenders is on the grounds that Council is satisfied that inviting tenders would not achieve a satisfactory result due to the unique product being offered and the field trial arrangement that is proposed under the contract
 - ii authorise the General Manager or their delegate to negotiate to enter into a contract with Waterzyme Australia to complete a two year trial for the management of algae within Lake Albert for amount outlined in the confidential attachment
- b authorise the affixing of Council's common seal to all relevant documents as required
- c note that if the project is to progress past the two-year trial period, an ongoing funding source will need to be identified which may include a special rate variation
- d approve the budget variation to be funded from the Civil Infrastructure Reserve

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RECORD OF VOTING ON THE AMENDMENT

For the Amendment Against the Amendment

R Foley D Tout
J McKinnon G Davies
T Koschel R Kendall
A Parkins

The AMENDMENT on being put to the meeting was LOST.

23/308 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors A Parkins and J McKinnon

That Council:

T Koschel J McKinnon A Parkins

- a note the information in the report regarding a possible algae treatment for lake Albert
- b consider funding a trial of the algae treatment in the February 2024 Councillor budget workshop, in conjunction with other budget considerations
- c note that the expected potential future operating costs are likely to exceed \$1,000,000 annually for the algae treatment and pipeline, excluding any costs attributable to the pipeline construction
- d note that these operational costs would require the identification of a funding source that could include a special rate variation

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion
D Tout
G Davies
R Kendall

Against the Motion
R Foley

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.......GENERAL MANAGER

RP-2 WAGGA WAGGA DEVELOPMENT CONTROL PLAN 2010 AMENDMENT 27 - ADMINISTRATIVE AND POLICY POSITION REVIEW

23/309 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and G Davies

That Council:

- a note the submissions received in relation to the proposed 'Wagga Wagga Development Control Plan 2010 Amendment 27 – Administrative and Policy Position Review' during the exhibition period from 27 October 2023 to 23 November 2023
- b adopt the 'Wagga Wagga Development Control Plan Amendment 27 Administrative and Policy Position Review' as exhibited, and as set out in the attachment to this report, with a commencement date of:
 - For all sections other than 'Section 1.10 Notification of a Development Application', 22 January 2024, in accordance with Clause 1.6A of the Wagga Wagga Development Control Plan 2010
 - For Section 1.10 Notification of a Development Application, upon adoption by Council of a Community Participation Plan

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

D Tout

G Davies

M Henderson

R Foley

R Kendall

T Koschel

J McKinnon

A Parkins

Against the Motion

RP-3 - DA22/0009 - Alterations and Additions to existing pub (Sportsmens Club Hotel), 107 Kincaid Street, Wagga Wagga was moved forward to follow the Public Discussion Forum.

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......GENERAL MANAGER

RP-4 PETITION - REMOVAL OF NAME PLAQUES AND SIGNAGE

23/310 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and G Davies

That Council:

- a receive and note the petition
- note that Council already can remove names and signs from open space areas via the Parks Naming Policy (POL 055)
- receive a further report following a review of the Plaques Naming Policy (POL 028)

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

D Tout

G Davies

M Henderson

R Foley

R Kendall

T Koschel

J McKinnon

A Parkins

Against the Motion

RP-5 MARRAMBIDYA WETLAND PLAN OF MANAGEMENT

23/311 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and G Davies

That Council:

- a endorse submitting the Draft Marrambidya Wetland Plan of Management to the NSW Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) for review
- endorse the Draft Marrambidya Wetland Plan of Management to be placed on public exhibition for a period of 42 days once approved by NSW DPE
- c note that the proposed additional annual maintenance budget outlined in the financial implications section of this report will be considered during the draft 2024/25 Long Term Financial Plan process
- d receive a further report following public exhibition period detailing submissions

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RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

D Tout

G Davies

M Henderson

R Foley

R Kendall

T Koschel

J McKinnon

A Parkins

RP-6 - LAKE ALBERT WATER QUALITY AND SUPPLY was moved forward to follow the Public Discussion Forum.

Against the Motion

RP-7 RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF MOTION - CALL FOR A TRIAL AND DEMONSTRATION TO FIX POTHOLES PROPERLY AND FAST

A Motion was moved by Councillor R Foley and Councillor J McKinnon

That Council:

- a receive and note the report
- b engage Roadworx Industries to wet-hire a Pot-Hole Pro machine for a two week demonstration
- c receive a further report following the demonstration that provides an evaluation of this machine against Councils current pothole filling and repair practices

An AMENDMENT was moved by Councillor G Davies and seconded by Councillor A Parkins

That Council:

- a receive and note the report
- b engage Roadworx Industries to wet-hire a Pot-Hole Pro machine for a minimum one week demonstration
- c receive a further report following the demonstration that provides an evaluation of this machine against Councils current pothole filling and repair practices

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE AMENDMENT

For the Amendment	Against the Amendment
D Tout	
G Davies	
M Henderson	
R Foley	
R Kendall	
T Koschel	
J McKinnon	
A Parkins	

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.......GENERAL MANAGER

The AMENDMENT on being put to the meeting was carried and became the motion.

23/312 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors G Davies and A Parkins

That Council:

- a receive and note the report
- b engage Roadworx Industries to wet-hire a Pot-Hole Pro machine for a minimum one week demonstration
- c receive a further report following the demonstration that provides an evaluation of this machine against Councils current pothole filling and repair practices

Against the Motion

Against the Motion

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

D Tout

G Davies

M Henderson

R Foley

R Kendall

T Koschel

J McKinnon

A Parkins

RP-8 RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF MOTION - SPECIAL EVENTS AND VICTORY MEMORIAL GARDENS

23/313 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and G Davies

That Council receive and note the report.

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

D Tout

G Davies

M Henderson

R Foley

R Kendall

T Koschel

J McKinnon

A Parkins

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......GENERAL MANAGER

RP-9 FACILITY ADDITIONAL FEES & CHARGES

23/314 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and G Davies

That Council:

a place the following new fees and charges on public exhibition for an extended period from 30 November 2023 to 31 January 2024

Estella Community Centre				
Fee and Charge Description	2023/24 Fee (exclusive of GST)	GST	2023/24 Fee (inclusive of GST)	
Meeting Room - 4 hours (Weekdays)	\$59.09	\$5.91	\$65.00	
Meeting Room - 4 hours (Weekends and Public Holidays)	\$68.18	\$6.82	\$75.00	
Meeting Room - 8 hours (Weekdays)	\$118.18	\$11.82	\$130.00	
Meeting Room - 8 hours (Weekends and Public Holidays)	\$136.36	\$13.64	\$150.00	
Community & Not For Profit Group	50% redu	iction in h	ire rates	
School Hall - 2 hours (Weekdays)	\$36.36	\$3.64	\$40.00	
School Hall - 4 hours (Weekends and Public Holidays)	\$90.91	\$9.09	100.00	
Community & Not For Profit Group	50% reduction in hire rates			
Duke of Kent Community Centre				
Fee and Charge Description	2023/24 Fee (exclusive of GST)	GST	2023/24 Fee (inclusive of GST)	
Half Meeting room - 4 hours (Weekdays)	\$45.45	\$4.55	\$50.00	
Half Meeting room - 4 hours (Weekends and Public Holidays)	\$54.55	\$5.45	\$60.00	
Half Meeting room - 8 hours (Weekdays)	\$81.82	\$8.18	\$90.00	
Half Meeting room - 8 hours (Weekends and Public Holidays)	\$100.00	\$10.00	\$110.00	
Full Meeting room - 4 hours (Weekdays)	\$90.91	\$9.09	\$100.00	
Full Meeting room - 4 hours (Weekends and Public Holidays)	\$109.09	\$10.91	\$120.00	
Full Meeting room - 8 hours (Weekdays)	\$163.34	\$16.36	\$180.00	

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Full Meeting room - 8 hours (Weekends and Public Holidays)	\$200.00	\$20.00	\$220.00
Community & Not For Profit Group	50% redu	iction in h	nire rates
McPherson Oval Sportsground Lighting			
Fee and Charge Description	2023/24 Fee (exclusive of GST)	GST	2023/24 Fee (inclusive of GST)
McPherson Oval training (100 lux) lighting fee (per hour)	\$14.28	\$1.43	\$15.71
McPherson Oval competition (200 lux) lighting fee (per hour)	\$25.21	\$2.52	\$27.73
Oasis - Aqua/fitness classes			
Fee and Charge Description	2023/24 Fee (exclusive of GST)	GST	2023/24 Fee (inclusive of GST)
Casual Option – Yoga, Pilates, Salti and Hiit (per class)	\$18.18	\$1.82	\$20.00
Term Option (10 sessions)	\$163.34	\$16.36	\$180.00

- b invite public submissions on the proposed new fees and charges until 31 January 2024
- c receives a further report following the public exhibition period:
 - i. Addressing any submission made in respect of proposed new fees
 - Proposing adoption of the new fees and charges unless there are any recommended amendments that will require a further public exhibition

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

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G Davies

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A Parkins

Against the Motion

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RP-10 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE REPORT AS AT 30 NOVEMBER 2023

23/315 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and G Davies

That Council:

- a approve the proposed 2023/24 budget variations for the month ended 30 November 2023 and note the balanced budget position as presented in this report
- b approve the proposed budget variations to the 2023/24 Long Term Financial Plan Capital Works Program including new projects and future year timing adjustments
- c note the Responsible Accounting Officer's reports, in accordance with the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 (Part 9 Division 3: Clause 203) that the financial position of Council is satisfactory having regard to the original estimates of income and expenditure and the recommendations made above
- d note the details of the external investments as of 30 November 2023 in accordance with section 625 of the Local Government Act 1993
- e approve the proposed budget variations to the 2023/24 Long Term Financial Plan Capital Works Program that were included in CONF-2 RFT2023-27 Bolton Park Sporting Precinct D&C Tennis Courts and Clubhouse at Ordinary Council held on Monday 20 November 2023

CARRIED

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For the Motion

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Against the Motion

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.......GENERAL MANAGER

RP-11 POL 075 - INVESTMENT POLICY

23/316 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and G Davies

That Council:

- a note the recommendation from the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee to adopt the reviewed Investment Policy
- b note only minor changes are proposed to POL 075 Investment Policy
- c adopt the revised POL 075 Investment Policy given the minor changes

Against the Motion

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RP-12 PRESENTATION OF THE 2022/23 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

23/317 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and G Davies

That Council:

- a receive the Audited Financial Statements, together with the Auditor's Reports on the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2023
- b receive a further report if any public submissions are received

CARRIED

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RP-13 2023 SALE OF LAND FOR UNPAID RATES - UPDATE ON PUBLIC AUCTION AND SALE PROCESS

23/318 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and G Davies

That Council:

- a note the results of the Sale of Land for Unpaid Rates Auction held on 28 October 2023
- b pursuant to the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 Regs 131 (3) and 4(b), write off rates and charges of \$817.16 for the following property:

Legal Description	Address	Name of Registered Owner
Lot 60 DP 239712	32 Tichborne Crescent Kooringal NSW 2650	Estate H E Williams

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

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A Parkins

Against the Motion

RP-14 CODE OF CONDUCT STATISTICS

23/319 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and G Davies

That Council receive and note the Reporting Statistics on Code of Conduct Complaints about Councillors and the General Manager, in accordance with Part 11 of the Administrative Procedures of the Code of Conduct.

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RP-15 PUBLIC INTEREST DISCLOSURE POLICY (POL 097)

23/320 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and G Davies

That Council:

- a note there was one submission received during the public exhibition period for the draft Public Interest Disclosure Policy (POL 097)
- b adopt the Public Interest Disclosure Policy (POL 097)

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RP-16 RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS REGISTERS

23/321 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and G Davies

That Council receive and note the following registers:

- a Active Resolutions as at 14 November 2023
- b Active Notice of Motions as at 14 November 2023
- c Resolutions including Notice of Motions completed from 17 October 2023 to 5 December 2023

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RP-17 QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

23/322 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and A Parkins

That Council receive and note the report.

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......GENERAL MANAGER

COMMITTEE MINUTES

M-1 LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MINUTES - 16 NOVEMBER 2023

23/323 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and G Davies

That Council:

- a receive the minutes of the Local Traffic Committee Meeting held on 16 November 2023
- note the Local Traffic Committee received and considered the Response to Notice Motion – Special Events and Victory Memorial Gardens report and recommended that no additional advice is required
- c approve the installation of the following traffic controls on Fernleigh Road in accordance with a notice of development consent for DA22/0787 and as per Spotto Consulting Drawing Number 0195-01 Revision B
 - i. a length of NO STOPPING zone on the northern side of Fernleigh Road from the intersection with Bourke Street to a point 45 metres west of the proposed exit driveway
 - ii. a length of NO STOPPING zone on the northern side of Fernleigh Road, spanning 6 metres either side of the western most driveway entry to the new carpark
 - iii. a length of NO STOPPING zone on the southern side of Fernleigh Road, Bourke Street to western side of the driveway at 124 Fernleigh Road
 - iv. all signs to depict the following:

NO STOPPING 8AM - 9.30AM 2.30PM - 4PM SCHOOL DAYS

- v. the words KEEP CLEAR be painted on the east bound lane of Fernleigh Road immediately outside the western driveway entry to the new carpark
- vi. a left turn only arrow sign (R2-14L) be installed on the northern side of Fernleigh Road at the exit driveway from the new carpark
- vii. the existing left turn only arrow sign (R2-14L) on the eastern most driveway out of the off-street school carpark remain and be raised in accordance with standards
- viii.the existing internal "Left Turn Only School Zone Times" advisory sign be removed, and
- ix. No Entry (R2-4A) signs be installed on the reverse side of the All Traffic Left Turn Only arrow signs at the two eastern exit driveways onto Fernleigh Road

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- d endorse the installation of the regulatory signs and line marking at the Intersection of Tasman Road and Edison Road, East Wagga Wagga as shown on Council Plan Registration C2168 Sheet 079 Revision A dated 10 November 2023
- e seek other avenues other than the installation of an 8 metre long No Parking zone centred evenly either side of the pedestrian ramp in front of 24 Bolton Street
- f endorse the installation of regulatory signs and line marking at the Brunskill Road and Birch Road intersection upgrade as per Infrastructure & Development Consulting (IDC) Drawing Number 21-040-CC-S1-C811 Revision F dated 11 September 2023
- g endorse the delineation of the Mobility Parking Scheme zone in the Council managed car park located on the northern side of Crampton Street immediately east of the intersection with Fitzmaurice Street, using standard R5-1-3 series "Parking – Disabled Only" signs in accordance with AS2890.6-2022 "Parking facilities – Off Street Parking for people with disabilities"
- h endorse the installation of regulatory line making and signage on the first 2.6km of Keajura Road off the Hume Motorway as per Council Plan Registration C2197 Sheets 001 to 003 Revision 1 dated 9 November 2023
- i endorse the installation of:
 - i. regulatory signage and line marking at the Muttama Parade/Ross Parkway roundabout, Gobbagombalin as per Council Plan Registration C2198 Sheet 001 Revision 2 dated 9 November 2023
 - ii. line marking at the Messenger Avenue/Bradman Drive roundabout, Boorooma as per Council Plan Registration C2198 Sheet 002 Revision 2 dated 9 November 2023
 - iii.line marking at the Watson Boulevard/Lingiari Drive roundabout, Lloyd as per Council Plan Registration C2198 Sheet 003 Revision 2 dated 9 November 2023
- j endorse the schedule of meeting dates for the next 12 months as outlined in the report

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion
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G Davies
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A Parkins

Against the Motion

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.......GENERAL MANAGER

CLOSED COUNCIL

23/324 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors J McKinnon and A Parkins

That the Council now resolve itself into a Closed Council, the time being 9.15pm.

CARRIED

AT THIS STAGE OF THE MEETING THE PRESS AND PUBLIC GALLERY RETIRED FROM THE COUNCIL MEETING.

CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

CONF-1 PROPOSED RENEWAL OF COMMERCIAL LEASE - 57 DAMPIER STREET, BOMEN

23/325 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and G Davies

That Council:

- a delegate authority to the General Manager or their delegate to negotiate entry into a commercial lease agreement at 57 Dampier Street, Bomen (being Lot 23 DP 1227522) with Austrak Pty Ltd ACN 008 925 031 upon the terms noted in the body of this report
- b delegate authority to the General Manager or delegate to execute all documents as required
- c authorise the affixing of Council's common seal to all documents as required

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

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CONF-2 PROPOSED RENEWAL OF COMMERCIAL LEASE - 23 FITZHARDINGE STREET, WAGGA WAGGA

23/326 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and G Davies

That Council:

- a delegate authority to the General Manager or their delegate to enter into a Crown Lease agreement with Wagga Tigers Australian Football and Netball Club Incorporated over the land located at 23 Fitzhardinge Street, Wagga Wagga (being Lot 336 DP 1034475)
- delegate authority to the General Manager or their delegate to execute all documents as required
- c authorise the affixing of Council's common seal to all documents as required

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

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Against the Motion

CONF-3 RENEWAL OF LEASE AGREEMENT - 127 LORD BADEN POWELL DRIVE, TURVEY PARK

23/327 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and J McKinnon

That Council:

- a delegate authority to the General Manager or their delegate to exercise the option to renew Council's lease from Wagga Wagga and District Historical Society Inc ABN 88 838 712 334 at 127 Lord Baden Powell Drive being Lot 1 DP 747896, known as the Museum of the Riverina
- b delegate authority to the General Manager or their delegate to execute all documents as required

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c authorise the affixing of Council's common seal to all documents as required

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RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

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CONF-4 EXPRESSION OF INTEREST OUTCOME REPORT - BOMEN LAND SALES

23/328 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and G Davies

That Council:

- a note the report and recommendations within the Expression of Interest Evaluation Report
- b authorise the General Manager or delegate to enter negotiations with the parties as recommended in the Expression of Interest Evaluation Report
- c authorise the General Manager or delegate to enter into contract of sale for Part Lot 11 DP 1223041 with the party noted in the body of this report
 - i delegate authority to the General Manager or their delegate to execute any necessary documentation on behalf of Council
 - ii authorise the affixing of Council's Common Seal to documents relating to this matter as required
- d authorise the General Manager or delegate to negotiate in principle contract terms from suitable purchasers of the unsold land parcels
- e authorise the General Manager or delegate to extend Colliers International Pty Ltd engagement until December 2024 to market any remaining unsold land parcels in accordance with their existing contract
- f receive a further report on any future proposed sales of the remaining lots within Lot 11 DP 1223041 the Riverina Intermodal Freight and Logistics (RIFL) Hub industrial subdivision for Council endorsement
- g note the detail of the Financial Implications section of the report

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CONF-5 RFT2024-01 WINNING & CRUSHING OF GRAVEL

23/329 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors G Davies and M Henderson

That Council:

- a accept the offer of EB Mawson and Son Pty Ltd (ABN: 14 004 519 617) for the winning and crushing of gravel in the schedule of rates submitted with their offer
- b authorise the General Manager or their delegate to enter into a contract with EB Mawson and Son Pty Ltd (ABN: 14 004 519 617) for the winning and crushing of gravel

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

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Against the Motion

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CONF-6 JUBILEE PARK ATHLETICS CENTRE PROJECTS - RFT2024-02, RFT2024-12 & RFT2024-14

Councillor A Parkins declared a Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest and vacated the chamber, the time being 9:21pm.

23/330 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and J McKinnon

That Council:

- a accept the offer of Polytan Asia Pacific Pty Ltd (ABN: 90 111 057 606) in the lump sum amount of \$3,854,056.35 for the Design and Construction of the Jubilee Park Athletics Centre (RFT2024-02) and in accordance with the terms identified within the body of the report
 - i authorise the General Manager or their delegate to enter into a contract with Polytan Asia Pacific Pty Ltd (ABN: 90 111 057 606) for the Design and Construction of the Jubilee Park Athletics Centre in accordance with the terms identified within the body of the report
- decline all tenders for the delivery of Bulk Earthworks and Stormwater for the Jubilee Park Athletics Centre (RFT2024-12) in accordance with Clause 178(1)(b) of the Local Government (General Regulation) 2021
 - i pursuant to clause 178(3)(e) of the Local Government (General Regulation) 2021, authorise the General Manager, or their delegate, to enter into negotiations with any person with the intention of entering into a contract for the Bulk Earthworks and Stormwater for the Jubilee Park Athletics Centre
 - ii note that the reason for entering into negotiations is that a change to the scope of works is required following receipt of the design and construction tenders
 - iii authorise the General Manager or their delegate to enter into a contract for Bulk Earthworks and Stormwater for the Jubilee Park Athletics Centre should the negotiation be successful within the parameters outlined within the body of the report
- c accept the offer of JRC Electrical Services Pty Ltd (ABN: 11 600 156 349) in the lump sum amount of \$381,114 excluding GST for Lighting Design and Construction for the Jubilee Park Athletics Centre (RFT2024-14)
 - i authorise the General Manager or their delegate to enter a contract with JRC Electrical Services Pty Ltd (ABN: 11 600 156 349) for Lighting Design and Construction for the Jubilee Park Athletics Centre
- d authorise the affixing of Council's common seal to all relevant documents as required

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s detailed in the Financial Implications	e approve the budget variations a section of the report
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For the Motion

Against the Motion

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Councillor A Parkins re-entered the chamber, the time being 9:22pm.

CONF-7 RFT2024-07 REALIGN CATTLE DELIVERY RAMPS & SHEEP DRAFT RAMPS DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION LMC

Councillor G Davies declared a Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest vacated the chamber the time being 9:23pm.

23/331 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and J McKinnon

That Council:

- a in accordance with Clause 178(1)(b) of the Local Government (General Regulation) 2005, decline all tenders for the design and construction of the cattle delivery ramps and sheep draft ramps at the LMC
- b pursuant to clause 178(3)(e) of the Local Government (General Regulation) 2005, authorise the General Manager, or their delegate, to enter into negotiations with any person with the intention of entering into a contract for the design and construction of the cattle delivery ramps and sheep draft ramps at the LMC
- c note that the reason for entering into negotiations is that the tender bids submitted do not meet the available budget and modifications required cannot be undertaken without negotiation
- d note the reason for not inviting fresh tenders is that it is expected negotiation will provide a satisfactory outcome
- e authorise the General Manager or their delegate to enter into a contract for the design and construction of the cattle delivery ramps and sheep draft ramps at the LMC should the negotiation be successful
- f authorise the affixing of Council's common seal to all relevant documents as required
- g approve the budget variation/s as detailed in the Financial Implications section of the report

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Against the Motion

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For the Motion

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M Henderson

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A Parkins

Councillor G Davies re-entered the chamber, the time being 9:24pm.

CONF-8 RFQ2024-509 ATP3 DETAILED DESIGN

23/332 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and G Davies

That Council:

- a accept the offer of Westlake Punnet and Associates Pty Ltd (ABN: 38 120 322 536) in the lump sum amount of \$739,200 excluding GST for the provision of detailed plans for Active Travel Plan 3
- b authorise the General Manager or his delegate to enter a contract with Westlake Punnet and Associates Pty Ltd (ABN: 38 120 322 536) for the provision of detailed design plans for Active Travel Plan 3
- c authorise the affixing of Council's Common Seal to all relevant documents as required
- d approve the budget variation/s as detailed in the Financial Implications section of the report

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

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REVERSI	ON TO OPEN COUNCIL		
23/333	RESOLVED: On the Motion of Councillors	J McKinnon and R Kendall	
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Council,	the time being 9.24pm.		CARRIED
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