



Agenda and Business Paper

Ordinary Meeting of Council

To be held on
Monday 25 March 2024
at 6:00 PM

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(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 25 MARCH 2024

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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

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

CM-1 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING - 11 MARCH 2024

Recommendation

That the Minutes of the proceedings of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 11 March 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 – CALLING ON THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO IDENTIFY WHAT WILL BE THE FUTURE BYPASS EASEMENT FOR THE INLAND RAIL AROUND THE CITY OF WAGGA WAGGA

Author: Councillor Richard Foley

Summary: Dr Kerry Schott’s review of the Inland Rail found “that an easement bypassing the town be preserved for future use.” This NOM invokes upon the Federal and State Government to identify and expedite where that future easement shall be.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a writes to the Federal Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government, the Hon Catherine King MP and the State Minister for Regional Transport and Roads, the Hon Jenny Aitchison regarding the urgent need to identify and preserve an easement for a future Inland Rail bypass.
- b The letter at a minimum is to include;
 - i reference to Dr Kerry Schott’s review of the Inland Rail Project which stated “that an easement bypassing the town be preserved for future use”
 - ii invokes upon the critical urgency for this easement for Inland Rail to be identified, declared, expedited and preserved for the future now and not buck passed to a future government in 10- or 20-years’ time if at all
 - iii that the City of Wagga Wagga is a fast-growing regional city heading to be over 100,000+ population and needs planning certainty as to where its future housing developments will be situated and, on this basis, alone that the urgent identification of the easement is called for now in order to give this Council planning certainty
 - iv that the NSW Government sets and announces a timeline down to commence this process which includes the Gazetting of the future Inland Rail Bypass for the City of Wagga Wagga.

Report

At this stage in time there has been no decent response nor action from either the Federal or State Government in relation to the recommendation by Dr Kerry Schott that an easement be preserved bypassing the City of Wagga Wagga (acknowledging that States are primarily tasked with the responsibility of ensuring easements).

The City of Wagga Wagga is an expanding and growing regional city with aspirations to be over 100,000+ in population soon. This therefore calls for surety in future planning of land use so that vital land releases and housing subdivisions can proceed unabated without potential interruption.

The Schott Report into the Inland Rail Project clearly identified the need for the City of Wagga Wagga to have an easement preserved for a future bypass as the inevitable impact of greater rail movements impacts the amenity of this city. And further will split

this city in half particularly at the vital level crossing at Bourke St near the Base Hospital.

The Federal and State Governments, in particular the relevant ministers, must surely comprehend that by severing this city from north to south it will cause not only inconvenience but a very real threat to life in that emergency services will be cut off from our major hospital once 18-20 more rail movements begin. This gives even more impetus for the urgency in identification and declaration of the future Inland rail bypass easement route to be expedited.

Financial Implications

N/A

Policy and Legislation

Wagga Wagga Code of Meeting Practice

Link to Strategic Plan

Community leadership and collaboration

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

Plan long term for the future of Wagga Wagga

REPORTS FROM STAFF

RP-1 **DA23/0579 - TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITY – LOT 8 DP 716602, 13 SYCAMORE ROAD, LAKE ALBERT**

Author: Cameron Collins
General Manager: Peter Thompson

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 DA23/0579 for a telecommunications facility (mobile phone base station incorporating a 30 metre high monopole and associated infrastructure) Lot 8 DP 716602, 13 Sycamore Road, Lake Albert, subject to the conditions outlined in the s4.15 Assessment Report.

Development Application Details

Applicant	Ventia Pty Ltd Directors: Dean John Banks Mark Lee Ralston David Lee McPadden Zoheb Mehmood Razvi Debbie Jean Schroeder
Owner	Annette TenBroeke
Development Cost	\$385,305.00
Development Description	Telecommunications facility - mobile phone base station incorporating a 30 metre high monopole and associated infrastructure

Report

Key Issues

- Site selection
- Detrimental visual impact on rural/residential character of the area
- Flooding impacts
- Radiofrequency Electromagnetic Energy impacts

Assessment

- The application is for the installation of a 30m monopole to support the installation of four 5G panel antennas and other associated equipment. The overall height of the facility, including antennas and equipment, will not exceed 33.2m above ground level.
- The application also includes other infrastructure contained within a 8m x 10m fenced compound including outdoor equipment cabinets and an elevated support platforms.
- The proposed facility will be owned by the Indara Group (via lease over the subject site) and will host Optus telecommunications equipment. The facility will provide Optus 4G and 5G services to Lake Albert.
- Under the provisions of the Wagga Wagga local Environmental Plan 2010 (LEP), the subject site is within the R5 Large Lot Residential zone. The application has been assessed as being consistent with the objectives of the R5 zone and consistent with all relevant clauses under the LEP.
- The development is subject to the provisions of Division 21 of State Environmental Planning Policy (Transport and Infrastructure) 2021 (the SEPP) which deals with telecommunications and other communications facilities. Clause 2.4.3 (subclause (1)) of the SEPP identifies that development for the purposes of telecommunications facilities may be carried out by any person with consent on any land.
- Clause 2.4.3 (subclause (2)) of the SEPP requires the consent authority to take into consideration the NSW Telecommunications Facilities Guideline, Including Broadband. The application has been considered against all relevant principles.
- The principles under the guideline include site selection principles including the requirement to consider alternate sites and also potential co-location and upgrade opportunities. Alternatives considered in the site selection process and also co-location and upgrade options have been detailed in the application.
- The principles under the guideline include impacts associated minimising visual impact. The application is accompanied by a visual impact assessment report. The findings and recommendations of the report have been assessed and it is satisfied that the visual impact of the development is acceptable.
- The principles of the guidelines include consideration of health standards for exposure to radio emissions. The application includes a report identifies the maximum EME level the site is compliant with relevant standards set by the Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency (ARPANSA).
- Having regard to all of the relevant principles under the guideline, no matters have been identified that would warrant refusal of the proposal.
- The application has been assessed as being consistent with the relevant provisions of the Wagga Wagga Development Control Plan 2010 (DCP) including the public notification requirements under section 1.10.
- A total of 18 public submissions were received during the notification period, all in objection to the proposal. All matters raised in submissions have been considered in the assessment of the application.
- The site is identified as subject to flooding during overland flow stormwater events. Subject to recommended conditions of consent, the flooding impacts of the development are assessed as satisfactory having regard to the matters for consideration under the relevant provisions of both the LEP and DCP.
- A comprehensive assessment report completed in accordance with the provisions of Section 4.15(1) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 is provided as an attachment to this report. This assessment addresses all matters

identified above in further detail and also considers all other relevant heads of consideration including the likely impacts of the development.

- Having regard to this assessment, the application is recommended for approval subject to the inclusion of recommended conditions of consent.

Reasons for Approval

1. The application is compliant with the provisions of State Environmental Planning Policy (Transport and Infrastructure) 2021 including the requirement for consideration against the NSW Telecommunications Facilities Guideline, Including Broadband.
2. The proposed development is consistent with the objectives and 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 subject to the inclusion of recommended conditions of consent.
5. The site is considered suitable for the proposed development and is in the public interest.

Site Location

The site is 13 Sycamore Road, Lake Albert (Lot 8 DP 716602). The site is located on the western side of Sycamore Road, approximately 150 metres north of its intersection with Elm Road. The site has an area of 2.15 hectares and contains an existing single storey residential dwelling. The site is within the R5 Large Lot Residential zone under the Wagga Wagga Local Environmental Plan 2010 (LEP). The site is surrounded by other large lot residential properties as depicted in the aerial image below.



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

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

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.

	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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>														<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Consult		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>														<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Involve																
Collaborate																
Other methods (please list specific details below)																

Attachments

1. DA23/0579 - 4.15 Assessment Report - Provided under separate cover



2. DA23/0579 - Plans - Provided under separate cover



3. DA23/0579 - Statement of Environmental Effects - Provided under separate cover



4. DA23/0579 - Visual Impact Assessment Report - Provided under separate cover



5. DA23/0579 - Photomontage - Provided under separate cover



6. DA23/0579 - Applicant response to submissions - Provided under separate cover



7. DA23/0579 - Submissions (redacted) - Provided under separate cover



RP-2 RESPONSE TO MAYORAL MINUTE - 16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM IN WAGGA WAGGA**Author:** Alex Osgood**Executive:** Janice Summerhayes**Summary:**

In response to the 11 December 2023 Ordinary Council Meeting Mayoral Minute this report details the support that Council staff provide toward the prevention of Domestic and Family Violence in the Wagga Wagga Local Government Area.

Recommendation

That Council receive and note the report.

Report

At the 11 December 2023 Ordinary Meeting of Council it was resolved (23/304):

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 front-line services and other organisations addressing coercive control, abuse and violence and their delivery of preventative programs to address gender equity and respectful relationships"*

The following report has been developed in response to part b of the above resolution.

Context

Council staff play an active role collaborating with local not for profit organisations, government agencies and community groups to raise awareness of domestic and family violence (DFV) and in supporting the implementation of community-informed prevention and intervention strategies.

It is important to note that Council is not a direct service provider as our community has state-funded local service providers contracted to lead and provide a range of domestic and family violence crisis and intervention support services.

Based on the most recent data from the NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research (BOCSAR), domestic and family violence incidents recorded by NSW Police statewide have remained stable in the two years to September 2023, but have increased significantly by 3.2% per year on average over the previous five years. The increase in recorded DFV assaults over the five years to September 2023 is being driven by

increases in incidents reported in Regional NSW which is up 5.6% on average per year, while incidents in Greater Sydney remain stable for this period (BOCSAR, 2024).

The most recent crime data available reveals that in the Wagga Wagga Local Government Area (WWLGA) between October 2022 and September 2023, 498 incidents of domestic violence related assault were recorded by NSW Police (BOCSAR, September 2023).

From July 2024 coercive control will become a criminal offence in NSW. This is a critical gap in domestic and family violence statistical reporting. Coercive control is when a person uses abusive behaviours towards a current or former intimate partner with the intention to coerce or control them. From 1 July 2024 this criminal offence will capture the crime data on repeated patterns of physical or non-physical abuse used to hurt, scare, intimidate, threaten or control someone.

In 2019, Council staff led the DVproject:2650 which was a three-year state funded project that concluded in June 2021. The aim of the project was to educate the community on the causes of violence against women and their children, to promote gender equality and respect, and to challenge rigid gender roles and stereotypes detailed in a 2016 survey by the Wagga Women's Health Centre. This community survey revealed concerning and damaging attitudes towards domestic violence and gender roles in our community.

The DVproject:2650 focused on three key areas:

1. *Organisational Change*: creating an equitable and respectful workplace within Wagga Wagga City Council.
2. *Sector Engagement*: collaborating with businesses, organisations, educational institutions, and sporting clubs across Wagga Wagga.
3. *Community-wide Campaigns*: engaging with Wagga Wagga residents of all demographics.

A key component of the DVproject:2650 project was to recognise that violence against women is primarily driven by gender inequality and reinforced by several other factors and this has influenced Council staff work in the development and delivery of community programming going forward.

As part of the DVproject: 2650 many collaborative projects were developed and led by Council staff in partnership with local non-profit organisations, schools, government agencies and community groups. Projects included but were not limited to the Enlighten for Equity youth-based project with local high schools located at Riverside, a partnership with Southern Sports Academy (SSA) to develop a suite of eLearning modules for their young athletes and community members, a partnership with the Wagga Business Chamber to engage local businesses in community initiatives over a 2-year period and a range of school-based programs.

Council staff were also engaged in a significant program of events and workforce/organisational training to cover key areas of inclusion, gender equality, recognising and responding to DFV, updating organisational policies and the active bystander effect.

Based on recommendations from the DVproject:2650 close out report delivered in June 2021, it was recommended that Council's role in preventing and reducing incidents of domestic and family violence should aim to 'strengthen and promote gender equity

through local leadership roles, networks, partnerships, services and as a significant community employer' (ref page 53 in the report):
<https://wagga.nsw.gov.au/community/programs-and-initiatives/thedvproject>).

The recommendations of the DVproject:2650 report is reflected in Council's Community Strategic Plan (CSP) 2024 under the key areas of Community Leadership and Collaboration, Safe and Health Community and the Community Safety Action Plan 2022-2026. Other key Council plans that work towards increasing safety and equality in our community include:

- Wagga Wagga City Council Cultural Plan 2020-2030
- Wagga Wagga Reconciliation Action Plan 2022-2024
- All Abilities Inclusion Action Plan 2022-2026
- Wagga Wagga Active Travel Plan 2022-2026
- Playground Strategy 2016-2036
- Recreation, Open Space and community Strategy and Implementation Plan 2040

Council staff are currently undertaking a significant program of community consultation to inform the new Community Strategic Plan – Wagga Wagga 2050. As part of this community consultation process staff are currently taking every opportunity to connect and engage with our community to ensure that women and non-binary people play an active part in the consultation process. The CSP will guide Council's future activities around gender equality, creating safe spaces for women and ensure Council services consider the needs of community members and staff impacted by DFV.

Council's community collaborations, programs and sector engagement

Council staff actively engage through regular meetings, partnership programs and campaigns with the following local interagency groups to ensure cross-collaboration on domestic and family violence issues:

- Wagga Domestic Violence Liaison Committee (DVLC)
- Triple H Forum (Housing, Humanitarian Services and Homelessness)
- Wagga Youth Interagency Group
- Wagga Aboriginal Interagency Group
- Wagga Access Reference Committee
- Wagga Community Drug Action Team

The 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence is an annual international week of commemoration that commences on 25 November, the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women and concludes on the 10 December which is Human Rights Day. This campaign is a global call for the prevention and elimination of violence against women and girls. In 2023 Council staff partnered with Wagga Domestic Violence Liaison Committee, the Wagga Women's Health Centre and Sisters Housing Enterprises to deliver the 'No More Silence on Family and Domestic Violence' campaign across the 16 Days of Activism. Including the Mayor Cr Dallas Tout, seven local identities from Wiradjuri community, Police, Health, Education and other sectors featured in the 'No More Silence' campaign.

In December 2023 staff led the coordination and launch of a twelve-month long community campaign. This included collateral consisting of 700 double-sided A3 posters with the seven local identities and key support contacts on the alternative side of the poster, 1000 palm-sized pamphlets listing national, state and local intervention and crisis services, a digital suite of assets for online promotion and five large bus stop

signs strategically installed in key locations across the city. Staff worked closely with ten local support organisations for critical resource information to assist someone identifying and leaving DFV. Positive feedback has been received and a review of the campaign will be completed in late 2024.

Again, with other sectors staff are delivering community training, events, programs, exhibitions and performances focused on promoting support available and the impact of DFV on individuals, families and our community. Some examples of projects recently coordinated by staff include:

- Free training presented at the Wagga Wagga City Library by Gender and Disaster Australia, funded by the Commonwealth Government through the National Plan to End Violence Against Women and Children 2022-2032 on 14 March 2024.
- Free or subsidised training presented in community hubs across the city including “Understanding and Reporting Hate Crimes” with NSW Police Force, Youth Mental Health First Aid, and Volunteering Recruitment, Retention and Management.
- Free community neighbourhood events like the *Back-to-School Party* at Chambers Park Tolland, in January 2023 and 2024. This provides families and young people access to key resources and information to start off the new year, as well as vital food relief, school and education supplies, menstruation products, mental health support services, and free haircuts in a relaxed community setting.
- During Youth Week 2023, staff worked with Anglicare Financial Counselling to host a series of four free workshops around financial literacy, which is a key barrier to escaping violence and assisting survivors to become independent. These popular sessions covered superannuation, pay-now-buy-later programs, loans, rental management, basic budgeting to increase independence, and car maintenance skills.
- In March 2023, key Council staff were trained in Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design. This training focuses on planning and the built environment to create safer neighbourhoods and is informed by known potential negative and criminal human behaviour when interacting with public spaces.

Council’s cultural facilities staff deliver a diverse range of projects and programs to promote gender equality, connect people with support services and importantly provide safe public spaces for the community to discuss the complexities and responses to challenging issues such as DFV. For example, open seven days per week the Library provides a free and safe place for people to:

- access information like legal resources and a wide range of support service resources.
- Access to a comprehensive physical and digital library for improving life skills and lifelong learning, and an agile library service across the WWLGA where other services can outreach with the library to communities.
- access to a diverse calendar of free events and activities e.g., author talks, craft and reading groups, digital literacy programs like Tech Savvy Seniors and Tech Savvy community sessions, weekly language café program to support conversational English skills, the Learn English and Play (LEAP) program for parents, guardians and their young children to practise conversational English skills while participating in play-based and craft activities in various locations across the city.

Other cultural programming recently presented includes the powerful ‘Prima Facie’ by Suzie Miller at the Civic Theatre in 2023. This showcased the Australian legal system’s

failure to provide reliable pathways to justice for women in rape, sexual assault, or harassment cases. The play sought to raise awareness of the injustices faced by women seeking to report and obtain justice, while provoking deeper conversations around gender equality in the courts, and discussions on the impact of gender-based violence. The Museum of the Riverina also presented a local exhibition in 2023 highlighting the contribution of local women from culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) backgrounds called 'Stitches Across Generations: Katha/Nakshi Katha' this display featured the art of katha quilting and led a discussion about the importance of women's domestic work and caregiving. In 2024 staff at the Museum are preparing a new exhibition to launch in May 2024 named 'Herstory' documenting the lives and stories of a diverse range of local women through objects and photographs highlighting their contribution to the development of Wagga Wagga.

Other social programming includes Seniors Festival in March 2024 where staff have a number of local service providers providing a range of informative sessions on financial literacy, retirement planning, health and wellbeing programs for older people. Based on feedback from last year's festival, Youth Week 2024 will also be expanded to deliver more life skills training programs on living independently, building knowledge about local support services like mental health services. Also, with Anglicare Financial Counselling and Mission Australia there will be a series of free youth workshops on financial skills and the Rent It Keep It program, along with presenting free first aid and barista training with the Riverina Community College to support young people to be job ready.

As previously mentioned, Council staff are active members of the Triple H Forum, who meet on a quarterly basis to discuss sector gaps and organise local solutions. A concerning national statistic is the rise of older women experiencing homelessness. Council staff support the Homelessness Week Expo in the first week of August each year through ground event management and logistics support and promoting Council services to members of the homeless community such as the Wagga Wagga City Library service. During 2023 Council staff facilitated two Foodbank pop ups in collaboration with the Murrumbidgee Primary Health Network and the Triple H Forum members. The initial food relief pop up attracted over 800 vulnerable community members with the more recent December 2023 event drawing over 2,000 people from across the Wagga Wagga Local Government Area. Currently staff are seeking funding to present another Foodbank emergency food relief pop up event during Homelessness Week 2024 in collaboration with local service providers.

Working at Wagga Wagga City Council

As a major employer in the Wagga Wagga Local Government Area, Council is mindful of its commitment to support Council employees experiencing the impacts of DFV. As part of the DVproject: 2650 an Equity & Respect Workplace Toolkit 2021 with online resources was developed to support Council's ongoing commitment to Gender equity in the workplace. Council staff currently have access to a diverse program of training opportunities including customer service, health and wellbeing, emotional intelligence, and financial literacy. Council staff experiencing DVF can access the Employee Assistance Program (EAP) to seek counselling support and staff (other than casual employees) are entitled to up to 10 days paid leave to deal with the impact of DFV for example staff fleeing a violent household and needing to establish safe alternative accommodation for themselves and their children.

Council's Equal Employment Opportunity (POL 085) is based on the principle that ensures all staff and potential staff are treated equitably and fairly, regardless of their

race, sex, marital status, transgender, age, physical or intellectual impairment, carers responsibility, homosexuality, or sexual preference. In line with this policy, Council is committed to providing a workplace environment free from discrimination, harassment and bullying for all prospective and existing employees, customers, and visitors.

DFV is a whole of community issue, with Council activities and leadership remaining an important contributor toward the prevention of DFV to affect change and prevention. Alongside this work, staff value and recognise the importance of community partnerships along with the ongoing work led by locally funded organisations providing front line DFV response and support services to our community.

Financial Implications

N/A

Policy and Legislation

Equal Employment Opportunity (EEP) Policy (POL 085)

Link to Strategic Plan

Safe and Healthy Community

Objective: Our community feel safe

Promote safety and safe behaviours

Risk Management Issues for Council

NA

Internal / External Consultation

Internal staff from across the organisation were consulted in the development of this report including from the People and Culture division.

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RP-3 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE REPORT AS AT 29 FEBRUARY 2024**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 29 February 2024.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a approve the proposed 2023/24 budget variations for the month ended 29 February 2024 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 29 February 2024 in accordance with section 625 of the *Local Government Act 1993*

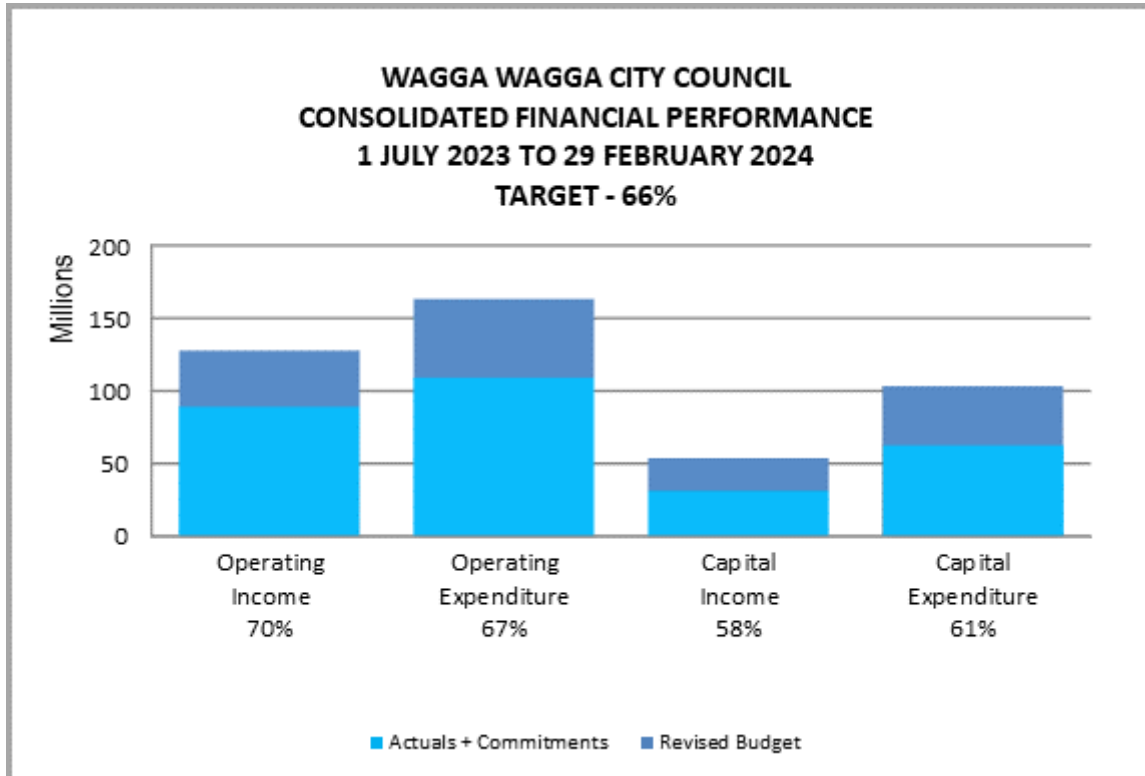
Report

Wagga Wagga City Council (Council) forecasts a balanced budget position as of 29 February 2024.

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 February when compared to budget (\$409,649 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 70% of approved budget and is tracking ahead for the month of February 2024. 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 90% when compared to budget.

OPERATING EXPENSES

Total operating expenditure is 67% of approved budget and is tracking on budget at this stage of the financial year.

CAPITAL INCOME

Total capital income is 58% 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 61% of approved budget including pending projects. Excluding commitments, the total expenditure is 34% when compared to the approved budget.

WAGGA WAGGA CITY COUNCIL
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE
1 JULY 2023 TO 29 FEBRUARY 2024

CONSOLIDATED 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)	(52,608,145)	0	(52,608,145)	66%
User Charges & Fees	(32,607,964)	2,042,180	(30,565,784)	(20,344,062)	0	(20,344,062)	67%
Other Revenues	(3,040,358)	(89,000)	(3,129,358)	(4,119,695)	0	(4,119,695)	132%
Grants & Contributions provided for Operating Purposes	(13,891,687)	6,060,888	(7,830,799)	(4,692,909)	0	(4,692,909)	60%
Grants & Contributions provided for Capital Purposes	(43,630,578)	(6,277,308)	(49,907,886)	(30,551,527)	0	(30,551,527)	61%
Interest & Investment Revenue	(4,873,916)	0	(4,873,916)	(6,076,843)	0	(6,076,843)	125%
Other Income	(1,564,445)	(22,667)	(1,587,112)	(1,241,955)	0	(1,241,955)	78%
Total Revenue	(179,309,895)	1,714,093	(177,595,802)	(119,635,137)	0	(119,635,137)	67%
Expenses							
Employee Benefits & On- Costs	56,172,711	463,830	56,636,540	34,184,751	0	34,184,751	60%
Borrowing Costs	3,363,314	0	3,363,314	2,118,014	0	2,118,014	63%
Materials & Services	41,316,274	15,483,871	56,800,145	32,850,706	8,725,390	41,576,095	73%
Depreciation & Amortisation	44,291,577	0	44,291,577	29,527,718	0	29,527,718	67%
Other Expenses	1,954,429	233,560	2,187,989	1,235,928	366,167	1,602,095	73%
Total Expenses	147,098,304	16,181,261	163,279,565	99,917,116	9,091,557	109,008,673	67%
Net Operating (Profit)/Loss	(32,211,591)	17,895,354	(14,316,237)	(19,718,021)	9,091,557	(10,626,464)	
Net Operating Result Before Capital (Profit)/Loss	11,418,987	24,172,662	35,591,649	10,833,507	9,091,557	19,925,063	
Cap/Reserve Movements							
Capital Expenditure - One Off Confirmed	33,539,246	29,499,796	64,454,617	22,991,339	19,758,264	42,749,602	66%
Capital Expenditure - Recurrent	21,649,500	9,217,755	30,460,950	8,074,255	7,339,875	15,414,130	51%
Capital Expenditure - Pending Projects	38,732,266	(36,944,891)	778,105	28,249	2,800	31,049	0%
Loan Repayments	7,523,436	0	7,523,436	4,348,957	0	4,348,957	58%
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)	(741,835)	0	(741,835)	19%
Net Movements Reserves	(12,841,071)	(24,394,198)	(37,235,269)	0	0	0	0%
Total Cap/Res Movements	76,503,167	(17,895,354)	58,607,814	34,700,965	27,100,939	61,801,904	
Net Result after Depreciation	44,291,577	0	44,291,577	14,982,944	36,192,496	51,175,440	
Add back Depreciation Expense	44,291,577	0	44,291,577	29,527,718	0	29,527,718	67%
Cash Budget (Surplus)/Deficit	0	0	0	(14,544,773)	36,192,496	21,647,722	

Years 2-10 Current Adopted 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)

* Please note that Council is currently reviewing the 2024/25 Long Term Financial Plan, and will place the draft plan on public exhibition over the coming months. The above table includes the current adopted position.

2023/24 Revised Budget Result – (Surplus) / Deficit	\$'000s
Original 2023/24 Budget Result as adopted by Council	\$0K
Total Budget Variations approved to date.	\$0K
Budget Variations for February 2024	\$0K
Proposed Revised Budget result for 29 February 2024 - (Surplus) / Deficit	\$0K

The proposed Operating and Capital Budget Variations for 29 February 2024 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			
Stores Barcoding System/ Shelving	\$18K	Plant Replacement Reserve (\$18K)	Nil
Funds are currently allocated in 2024/25 for the Stores Barcoding System/Shelving, it is proposed to bring forward some of the funds to allow for the completion of the store fit out for the roll out of the POS System/Barcoding. The project is funded from the Plant Replacement Reserve. This will leave \$20K in 2024/25. Estimated Completion: 30 June 2025 Job Consolidations: 20799			
Create NSW Grants Program Services	\$95K	Create NSW State Government Grant Income (\$95K)	Nil
Council has been successful in securing grant funds from the Create NSW State Government for the Wagga Wagga Art Gallery for the next 2 financial			

Budget Variation	Amount	Funding Source	Net Impact (Fav)/ Unfav
<p>years (2023/24 \$95,000 + 2024/25 \$95,000). This funding will allow the Wagga Wagga Art Gallery to deliver annual programs of activities.</p> <p>Estimated Completion: 30 June 2025</p> <p><i>Job Consolidations: 20660</i></p>			
2 – Safe and Healthy Community			
Lake Albert Blue Green Algae Treatment	\$150K	Lake Albert Reserve (\$50K) Parks & Recreation Reserve (\$100K)	Nil
<p>Funds are required for the treatment of Blue Green Algae (BGA) in Lake Albert. Council committed to a trial treatment of Lake Albert for this summer only on the basis that the treatment was undertaken ASAP.</p> <p>The product is added directly to the water; its natural compound binds to the walls of the cyanobacteria (BGA) causing it to aggregate and drop to the bottom of the water within days of application. This starves the BGA of sunlight and triggers the destruction of cells.</p> <p>It is proposed that the variation be funded initially from internal reserves, with the payback from the sale of carbon credits at the Gregadoo Waste Management Centre. The likely timeframe of the sale of the credits is expected to occur in approximately December 2024.</p> <p>Estimated Completion: 30 June 2024</p> <p><i>Job Consolidation: 22876</i></p>			
4 – Community Place and Identity			
TAPE IT! 2652 Collaborative Drawing Project	\$20K	NSW Regional Arts Grant Funding (\$20K)	Nil
<p>Council has been successful in securing NSW Regional Arts grant funding to deliver the TAPE IT! 2652 Collaborative Drawing Project in community halls and venues in Tarcutta, Wagga Wagga and Uranquinty during the April 2024 school holidays.</p> <p>Estimated Completion: 30 June 2024</p> <p><i>Job Consolidation: 23056</i></p>			
Elsa Dixon Aboriginal Employment Grant	\$130K	Training Services NSW Grant Income (\$130K)	Nil
<p>Council has been successful in securing four one off funding allocations totalling \$130K from Training Services NSW – Elsa Dixon Employment Grant for the Community Services division. The Elsa Dixon Aboriginal Employment</p>			

Budget Variation	Amount	Funding Source	Net Impact (Fav)/ Unfav
Grant supports Aboriginal people through the creation of training and employment opportunities. Promoting diversity, innovation and service responsiveness in the NSW workforce, the Elsa Dixon Aboriginal Employment Grant subsidises the salary, development and support costs of Aboriginal employees in public service agencies and local government authorities. Estimated Completion: 30 June 2024 <i>Job Consolidations: 22894,22895,22896</i>			
Library Priority Funding	\$76K	NSW State Public Library Funding (\$76K)	Nil
Council has been advised that the 2023/24 NSW State Public Library funding for the Library Subsidy will be \$194K which is higher than what was originally budgeted for at \$118K. The additional funds of \$76K will be used to update current self-loan stations and associated install costs, purchase of additional large print books and mobile devices to expand the physical and digital collections including the Home Library and Homes & Hospitals services collection. Estimated Completion: 30 June 2024 <i>Job Consolidation: 19003</i>			
Tint Windows & Doors – Botanic Gardens Museum	\$10K	Museum Acquisitions Reserve (\$10K)	Nil
Funds are required to complete a tinting treatment on the windows and doors at the Museum Botanic Gardens site to stabilise the environmental temperature for exhibition spaces and in meeting museum standards for the collections on display. It is proposed to fund the variation from the Museum Acquisitions Reserve. Estimated Completion: 30 June 2024 <i>Job Consolidation: 23058</i>			
5 – The Environment			
Glenfield Drain & Flowerdale Storage Flood Mitigation Study	\$60K	Existing Stormwater Operational Savings (\$60K)	Nil
Additional funds are required for the Glenfield Drain & Flowerdale Storage Flood Mitigation Study to expand the scope of works to include works to be undertaken to fully understand the interaction between the two catchments that affect Glenfield Drain. This work is required to enable a more accurate representation of the volume of water that enters the Flowerdale Storage area in a large overland flow event. It is proposed to fund the variation from existing			

Budget Variation	Amount	Funding Source	Net Impact (Fav)/ Unfav
stormwater operational savings. This will bring the total project budget to \$247K. Estimated Completion: 30 June 2024 <i>Job Consolidation: 21795</i>			

An extensive review of Council's Plant Purchases and Plant Sales has been undertaken by Council Officers, with the net result being adjusted in the Plant Replacement Reserve.

Current	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31	2031/32	2032/33
Plant Sales	(604,250)	(1,043,500)	(1,558,175)	(1,101,500)	(914,050)	(1,285,375)	(910,000)	(910,000)	(910,000)
Plant Purchases	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
Net Result (Reserve)	(3,182,950)	(4,023,000)	(1,739,425)	(4,860,000)	(3,218,350)	(2,566,125)	(3,604,500)	(3,604,500)	(3,604,500)

Proposed	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31	2031/32	2032/33
Plant Sales	(1,495,000)	(1,427,375)	(1,197,635)	(1,438,500)	(1,658,875)	(1,774,125)	(1,454,125)	(1,253,500)	(1,080,500)
Plant Purchases	5,980,000	5,709,500	4,790,539	5,754,000	6,635,500	7,096,500	5,816,500	5,014,000	4,322,000
Net Result (Reserve)	(4,485,000)	(4,282,125)	(3,592,904)	(4,315,500)	(4,976,625)	(5,322,375)	(4,362,375)	(3,760,500)	(3,241,500)

The following projects have been reviewed and it is being proposed to bring forward funds to allow for the required works to be undertaken in 2023/24. There has been no change to the total budgets of the projects.

Job No.	Project Title	2023/24 Current One-Off Confirmed	2023/24 Proposed One-Off Confirmed	2024/25 Current	2024/25 Proposed	2025/26 Current	2025/26 Proposed	Future Years (No Change)
12922	Glenfield Rd Corridor Works TT1	0	50,000	71,950	71,950	3,202,219	3,152,219	15,885,949
21931	Active Travel Plan Stage 3	807,543	957,543	150,000	0	0	0	0

2023/24 Capital Works Summary

Capital Works	Approved Budget	Proposed Movement	Proposed Budget
One-off	\$64,484,617	\$217,500	\$64,702,117
Recurrent	\$30,460,950	\$0	\$30,460,950
Pending	\$748,105	\$0	\$748,105
Total Capital Works	\$95,693,672	\$217,500	\$95,911,172

Current Restrictions

RESERVES SUMMARY					
29 FEBRUARY 2023					
	CLOSING BALANCE 2022/23	ADOPTED RESERVE TRANSFERS 2023/24	BUDGET VARIATIONS APPROVED UP TO COUNCIL MEETING 26.2.2024	PROPOSED CHANGES for Council Resolution*	BALANCE AS AT 29 FEBRUARY 2023
Externally Restricted					
Developer Contributions - Section 7.11	(33,518,693)	5,650,317	(2,146,653)	86,480	(29,928,549)
Developer Contributions - Section 7.12	(427,766)	(28,137)	0		(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)	(2,160,039)		(48,119,854)
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	4,313,948	86,480	(126,049,291)
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	623,233		(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	12,361,442		0
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	50,000	(39,374)
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	10,000	(34,612)

	CLOSING BALANCE 2022/23	ADOPTED RESERVE TRANSFERS 2023/24	BUDGET VARIATIONS APPROVED UP TO COUNCIL MEETING 26.2.2024	PROPOSED CHANGES for Council Resolution*	BALANCE AS AT 29 FEBRUARY 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	100,000	(492,962)
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	17,500	(1,523,772)
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	(1,806,417)		(3,530,261)
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	29,335,260	177,500	(34,060,370)
Total Restricted	(206,771,562)	12,748,713	33,649,208	263,980	(160,109,661)
Total Unrestricted	(11,502,000)	0	0	0	(11,502,000)
Total Cash, Cash Equivalents, and Investments	(218,273,562)	12,748,713	33,649,208	263,980	(171,611,661)

Investment Summary as at 29 February 2024

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

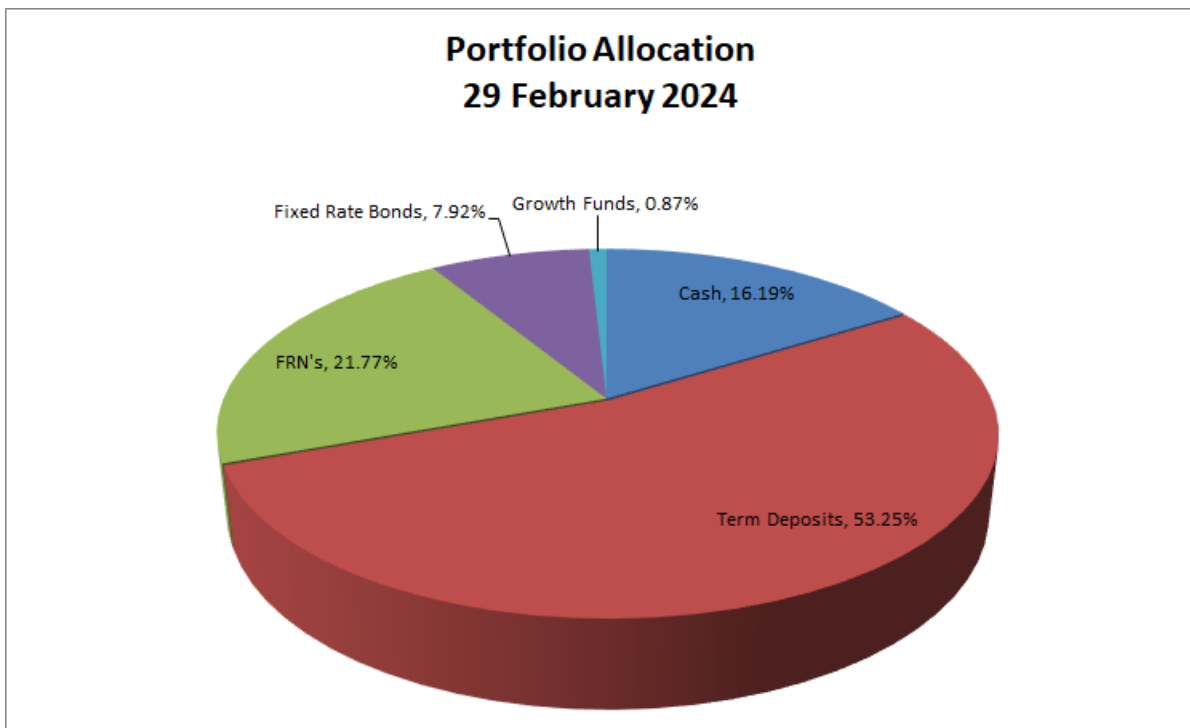
Institution	Rating	Closing Balance Invested 31/01/2024 \$	Closing Balance Invested 29/02/2024 \$	February EOM Current Yield %	February EOM % of Portfolio	Investment Date	Maturity Date	Term (mths)
At Call Accounts								
NAB	AA-	288,105	523,069	4.35%	0.22%	N/A	N/A	N/A
CBA	AA-	2,005,962	10,656,345	4.35%	4.58%	N/A	N/A	N/A
CBA	AA-	17,865,441	16,939,436	4.40%	7.27%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Macquarie Bank	A+	9,546,961	9,579,152	4.15%	4.11%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total At Call Accounts		29,706,469	37,698,002	4.32%	16.19%			
Short Term Deposits								
AMP	BBB	1,000,000	1,000,000	5.40%	0.43%	15/11/2023	15/11/2024	12
Australian Military Bank	BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000	5.06%	0.43%	24/05/2023	24/05/2024	12
Australian Unity	BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000	5.44%	0.43%	8/06/2023	11/06/2024	12
ING Bank	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.62%	0.86%	26/06/2023	26/06/2024	12
ING Bank	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.65%	0.86%	30/06/2023	28/06/2024	12
Heritage and People's Choice	BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000	5.80%	0.43%	10/07/2023	10/07/2024	12
CBA	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.27%	0.86%	31/08/2023	30/08/2024	12
Australian Unity	BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000	5.49%	0.43%	27/11/2023	27/11/2024	12
Suncorp	A+	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.46%	0.86%	30/11/2023	29/11/2024	12
ING Bank	A	1,000,000	1,000,000	5.46%	0.43%	30/11/2023	29/11/2024	12
BankVic	BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000	5.45%	0.43%	4/12/2023	4/12/2024	12
AMP	BBB	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.35%	0.86%	14/12/2023	16/12/2024	12
Australian Unity	BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000	5.19%	0.43%	30/01/2024	30/01/2025	12
Total Short Term Deposits		18,000,000	18,000,000	5.44%	7.73%			
Medium Term Deposits								
BOQ	BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000	3.78%	0.43%	1/06/2022	3/06/2024	24
Westpac	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.32%	0.86%	28/06/2021	29/06/2026	60
Westpac	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.80%	0.86%	15/11/2021	17/11/2025	48
ICBC	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	2.03%	0.86%	6/11/2019	6/11/2024	60
ICBC	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.83%	0.86%	28/11/2019	28/11/2024	60
BOQ	BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000	2.00%	0.43%	28/02/2020	28/02/2025	60
Police Credit Union	NR	1,000,000	1,000,000	2.20%	0.43%	1/04/2020	1/04/2025	60
ICBC	A	1,000,000	1,000,000	1.85%	0.43%	29/05/2020	29/05/2025	60
ICBC	A	1,000,000	1,000,000	1.86%	0.43%	1/06/2020	2/06/2025	60
ICBC	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.75%	0.86%	25/06/2020	25/06/2025	60
ICBC	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.75%	0.86%	25/06/2020	25/06/2025	60
ICBC	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.60%	0.86%	29/06/2020	28/06/2024	48
ICBC	A	3,000,000	3,000,000	5.07%	1.29%	30/06/2022	30/06/2027	60
ICBC	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.42%	0.86%	7/07/2020	8/07/2024	48
ICBC	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.50%	0.86%	17/08/2020	18/08/2025	60
BoQ	BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000	1.25%	0.43%	7/09/2020	8/09/2025	60
BoQ	BBB+	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.25%	0.86%	14/09/2020	15/09/2025	60
NAB	AA-	1,000,000	1,000,000	5.23%	0.43%	14/09/2023	16/09/2024	12
ICBC	A	1,000,000	1,000,000	1.20%	0.43%	7/12/2020	8/12/2025	60
NAB	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	0.95%	0.86%	29/01/2021	29/01/2026	60

Institution	Rating	Closing Balance Invested 31/01/2024 \$	Closing Balance Invested 29/02/2024 \$	February EOM Current Yield %	February EOM % of Portfolio	Investment Date	Maturity Date	Term (mths)
NAB	AA-	1,000,000	1,000,000	1.08%	0.43%	22/02/2021	20/02/2026	60
NAB	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.25%	0.86%	3/03/2021	2/03/2026	60
NAB	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.40%	0.86%	21/06/2021	19/06/2026	60
Westpac	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.32%	0.86%	25/06/2021	25/06/2026	60
ICBC	A	1,000,000	1,000,000	1.32%	0.43%	25/08/2021	25/08/2026	60
AMP	BBB	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.00%	0.86%	18/10/2021	17/10/2024	36
Westpac	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.56%	0.86%	30/11/2021	29/11/2024	36
Westpac	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	2.00%	0.86%	8/02/2022	10/02/2025	36
P&N Bank	BBB	2,000,000	2,000,000	2.40%	0.86%	9/03/2022	10/03/2025	36
P&N Bank	BBB	2,000,000	2,000,000	2.00%	0.86%	10/03/2022	11/03/2024	24
MyState	BBB	2,000,000	2,000,000	2.20%	0.86%	2/03/2022	3/03/2025	36
CBA	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	3.28%	0.86%	26/04/2022	26/04/2024	24
CBA	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	3.78%	0.86%	4/05/2022	6/05/2024	24
CBA	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	3.99%	0.86%	4/05/2022	5/05/2025	36
ING Bank	A	1,000,000	1,000,000	3.76%	0.43%	23/05/2022	23/05/2024	24
ICBC	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	3.95%	0.86%	6/06/2022	6/06/2024	24
Australian Unity	BBB+	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.15%	0.86%	8/06/2022	11/06/2024	24
MyState	BBB	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.45%	0.86%	29/06/2022	28/06/2024	24
BoQ	BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.50%	0.43%	7/07/2022	7/07/2025	36
CBA	AA-	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.25%	0.43%	12/08/2022	12/08/2025	36
P&N Bank	BBB	3,000,000	3,000,000	4.55%	1.29%	29/08/2022	29/08/2025	36
Australian Military Bank	BBB+	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.55%	0.86%	2/09/2022	2/09/2025	36
P&N Bank	BBB	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.40%	0.43%	9/09/2022	9/09/2025	36
BoQ	BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.70%	0.43%	4/10/2022	4/10/2024	24
AMP	BBB	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.95%	0.86%	21/10/2022	21/10/2024	24
ICBC	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.20%	0.86%	21/10/2022	21/10/2025	36
AMP	BBB	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.75%	0.43%	15/11/2022	14/11/2024	24
AMP	BBB	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.80%	0.43%	21/11/2022	20/11/2025	36
P&N Bank	BBB	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.75%	0.86%	16/12/2022	16/12/2024	24
Police Credit Union	NR	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.04%	0.86%	15/02/2023	17/02/2025	24
Police Credit Union	NR	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.94%	0.86%	14/03/2023	14/03/2025	24
P&N Bank	BBB	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.00%	0.86%	14/03/2023	15/03/2027	48
Hume Bank	BBB+	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.75%	0.86%	31/03/2023	31/03/2025	24
Auswide	BBB	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.95%	0.86%	13/04/2023	13/04/2026	36
P&N Bank	BBB	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.20%	0.86%	20/04/2023	20/04/2027	48
P&N Bank	BBB	1,000,000	1,000,000	5.20%	0.43%	26/05/2023	26/05/2026	36
ING Bank	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.37%	0.86%	21/08/2023	21/08/2025	24
P&N Bank	BBB	1,000,000	1,000,000	5.45%	0.43%	30/11/2023	28/11/2025	24
ING Bank	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.20%	0.86%	14/12/2023	15/12/2025	24
ING Bank	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.14%	0.86%	3/01/2024	5/01/2026	24
P&N Bank	BBB	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.10%	0.86%	4/01/2024	4/01/2027	36
Suncorp	A+	1,000,000	1,000,000	5.08%	0.43%	8/01/2024	8/01/2026	24
Total Medium Term Deposits		106,000,000	106,000,000	3.30%	45.52%			
Floating Rate Notes - Senior Debt								
Westpac	AA-	2,534,028	2,510,166	BBSW + 88	1.08%	16/05/2019	16/08/2024	63
Suncorp	A+	1,251,432	1,256,881	BBSW + 78	0.54%	30/07/2019	30/07/2024	60
ANZ	AA-	2,022,241	2,003,782	BBSW + 77	0.86%	29/08/2019	29/08/2024	60
HSBC	AA-	2,517,982	2,527,891	BBSW + 83	1.09%	27/09/2019	27/09/2024	60

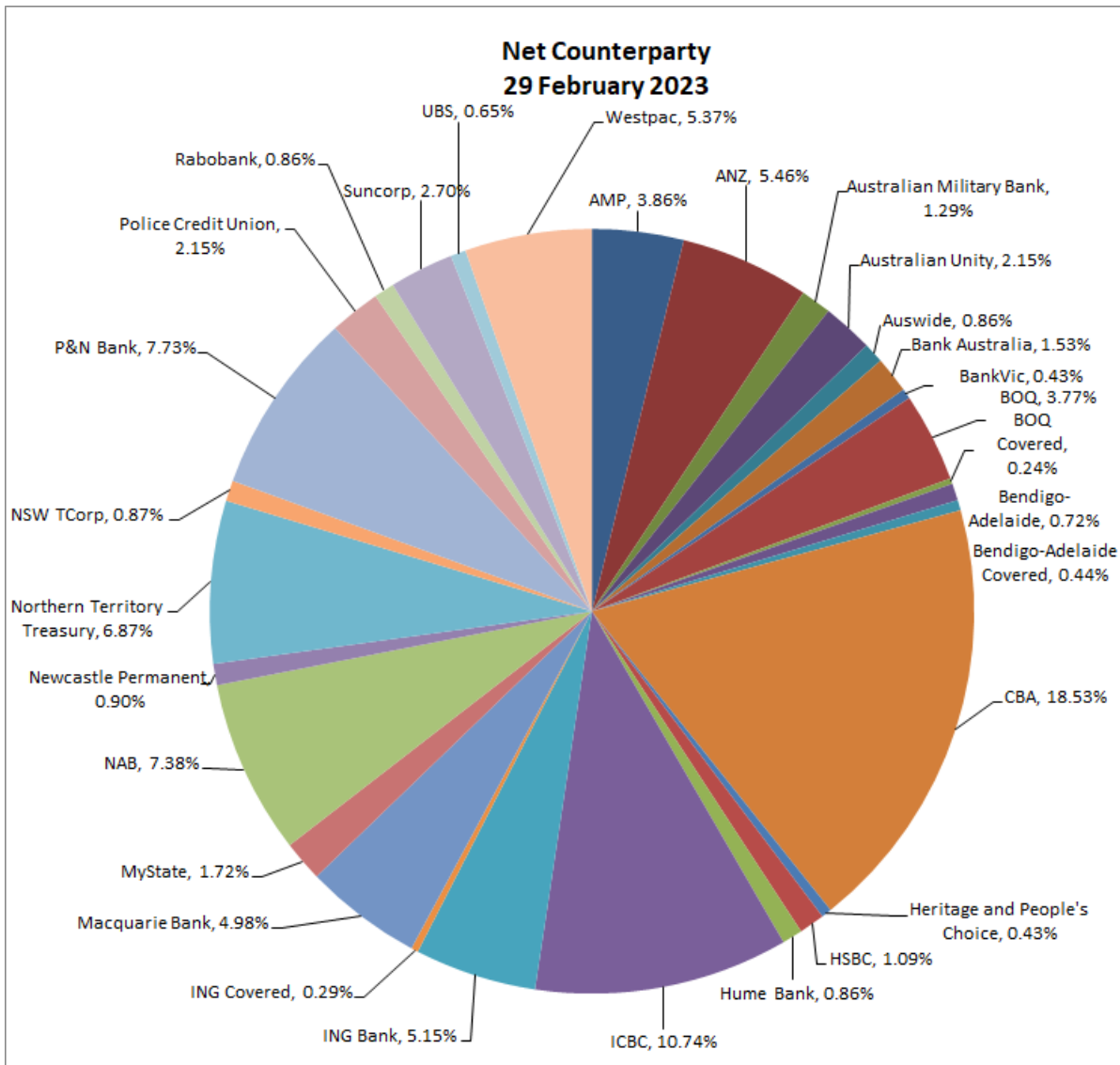
Institution	Rating	Closing Balance Invested 31/01/2024 \$	Closing Balance Invested 29/02/2024 \$	February EOM Current Yield %	February EOM % of Portfolio	Investment Date	Maturity Date	Term (mths)
ANZ	AA-	1,507,409	1,513,693	BBSW + 76	0.65%	16/01/2020	16/01/2025	60
NAB	AA-	2,008,469	2,016,949	BBSW + 77	0.87%	21/01/2020	21/01/2025	60
Newcastle Permanent	BBB	1,113,455	1,104,626	BBSW + 112	0.47%	4/02/2020	4/02/2025	60
Macquarie Bank	A+	2,027,693	2,010,512	BBSW + 84	0.86%	12/02/2020	12/02/2025	60
BOQ Covered	AAA	558,580	553,839	BBSW + 107	0.24%	14/05/2020	14/05/2025	60
UBS	A+	1,500,048	1,508,074	BBSW + 87	0.65%	30/07/2020	30/07/2025	60
CBA	AA-	2,000,110	2,011,215	BBSW + 70	0.86%	14/01/2022	14/01/2027	60
Rabobank	A+	1,992,628	2,003,179	BBSW + 73	0.86%	27/01/2022	27/01/2027	60
Newcastle Permanent	BBB	997,358	991,003	BBSW + 100	0.43%	10/02/2022	10/02/2027	60
NAB	AA-	2,416,955	2,399,863	BBSW + 72	1.03%	25/02/2022	25/02/2027	60
Bendigo-Adelaide	BBB+	1,663,729	1,671,456	BBSW + 98	0.72%	17/03/2022	17/03/2025	36
ANZ	AA-	2,032,979	2,017,084	BBSW + 97	0.87%	12/05/2022	12/05/2027	60
NAB	AA-	1,723,266	1,708,882	BBSW + 90	0.73%	30/05/2022	30/05/2025	36
Suncorp	A+	911,571	905,110	BBSW + 93	0.39%	22/08/2022	22/08/2025	36
ANZ	AA-	2,562,475	2,541,120	BBSW + 120	1.09%	4/11/2022	4/11/2027	60
NAB	AA-	2,554,376	2,533,522	BBSW + 120	1.09%	25/11/2022	25/11/2027	60
Suncorp	A+	1,113,900	1,124,897	BBSW + 125	0.48%	14/12/2022	14/12/2027	60
CBA	AA-	2,024,489	2,035,958	BBSW + 115	0.87%	13/01/2023	13/01/2028	60
Bank Australia	BBB	1,927,802	1,909,915	BBSW + 155	0.82%	22/02/2023	22/02/2027	48
Bendigo-Adelaide Covered	AAA	1,008,409	1,015,334	BBSW + 115	0.44%	16/06/2023	16/06/2028	60
CBA	AA-	2,532,468	2,512,356	BBSW + 95	1.08%	17/08/2023	17/08/2028	60
ANZ	AA-	2,117,516	2,129,778	BBSW + 93	0.91%	11/09/2023	11/09/2028	60
Bank Australia	BBB	1,652,490	1,661,338	BBSW + 150	0.71%	30/10/2023	30/10/2026	36
ANZ	AA-	0	2,514,641	BBSW + 96	1.08%	5/02/2024	5/02/2029	60
Total Floating Rate Notes - Senior Debt		48,273,858	50,693,063		21.77%			
Fixed Rate Bonds								
ING Covered	AAA	690,549	686,703	1.10%	0.29%	19/08/2021	19/08/2026	60
Northern Territory Treasury	AA-	3,000,000	3,000,000	1.00%	1.29%	24/08/2021	16/12/2024	40
Northern Territory Treasury	AA-	3,000,000	3,000,000	1.50%	1.29%	24/08/2021	15/12/2026	64
BoQ	BBB+	1,766,996	1,768,348	2.10%	0.76%	27/10/2021	27/10/2026	60
Northern Territory Treasury	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.50%	0.86%	6/08/2021	15/12/2026	64
Northern Territory Treasury	AA-	1,000,000	1,000,000	1.50%	0.43%	14/07/2021	15/12/2026	65
Northern Territory Treasury	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.30%	0.86%	29/04/2021	15/06/2026	61
Northern Territory Treasury	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.00%	0.86%	30/11/2020	15/12/2025	60
Northern Territory Treasury	AA-	1,000,000	1,000,000	1.00%	0.43%	20/11/2020	15/12/2025	61
Northern Territory Treasury	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.00%	0.86%	21/10/2020	15/12/2025	62
Total Fixed Rate Bonds		18,457,545	18,455,051	1.30%	7.92%			
Managed Funds								
NSW Tcorp	NR	1,979,237	2,030,650	2.60%	0.87%	17/03/2014	1/02/2029	178

Institution	Rating	Closing Balance Invested 31/01/2024 \$	Closing Balance Invested 29/02/2024 \$	February EOM Current Yield %	February EOM % of Portfolio	Investment Date	Maturity Date	Term (mths)
<i>Total Managed Funds</i>		1,979,237	2,030,650	2.60%	0.87%			
TOTAL CASH ASSETS, CASH EQUIVALENTS & INVESTMENTS		222,417,109	232,876,765		100.00%			
LESS: RIVERINA REGIONAL LIBRARY (RRL) CASH AT BANK		2,501,300	2,495,075					
TOTAL WWCC CASH ASSETS, CASH EQUIVALENTS & INVESTMENTS		219,915,809	230,381,690					

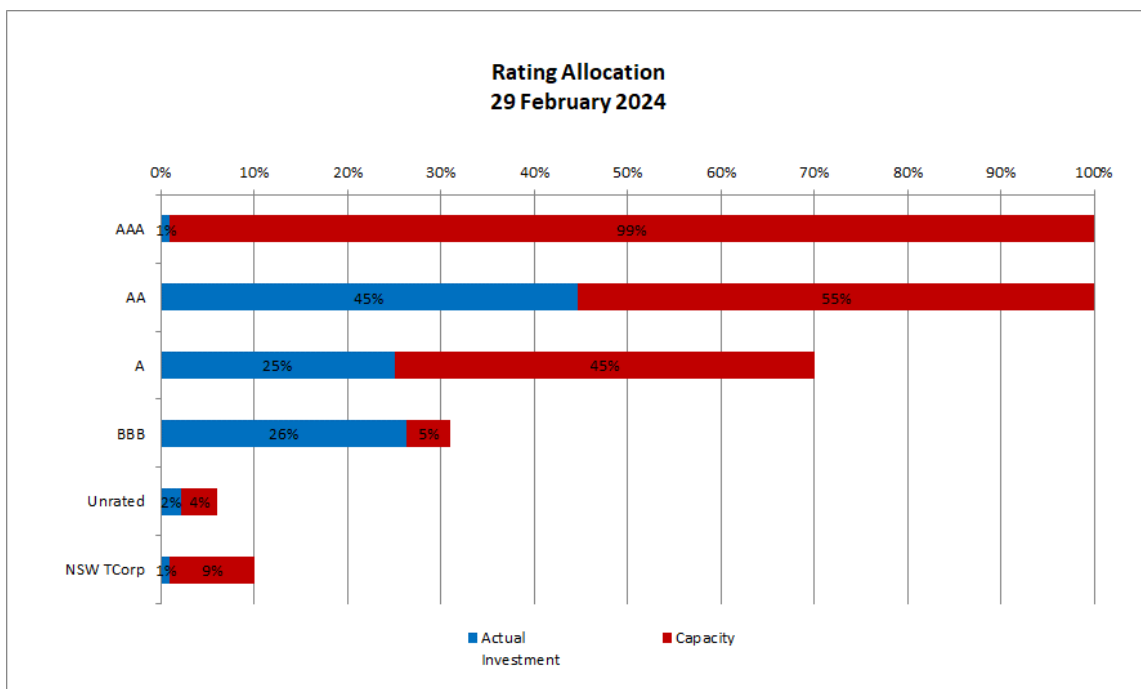
Council’s investment portfolio is dominated by Term Deposits, equating to approximately 53% of the portfolio across a broad range of counterparties. Cash equates to 16%, with Floating Rate Notes (FRNs) around 22%, fixed rate bonds around 8% and growth funds around 1% of the portfolio.



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 increased over the past month, up from \$219.92M to \$230.38M. This is reflective of the third quarter rates instalments being due as at 29 February 2024.

	Closing Balance Invested 31/12/2023 \$	Closing Balance Invested 31/01/2024 \$	Closing Balance Invested 29/02/2024 \$
TOTAL WWCC CASH ASSETS, CASH EQUIVALENTS & INVESTMENTS	223,531,766	219,915,809	230,381,690

Monthly Investment Movements

Redemptions/Sales – Council did not redeem or sell any investment securities during February 2024.

New Investments – Council purchased the following investment security during February 2024:

Institution and Type	Amount	Investment Term	Interest Rate	Comments
ANZ Bank (AA-) Floating Rate Note	\$2.5M	5 years	BBSW +96bps	Council's independent Investment Advisor advised this Floating Rate Note represented good value with a potential grossed-up value of +125-130bps after 2 years.

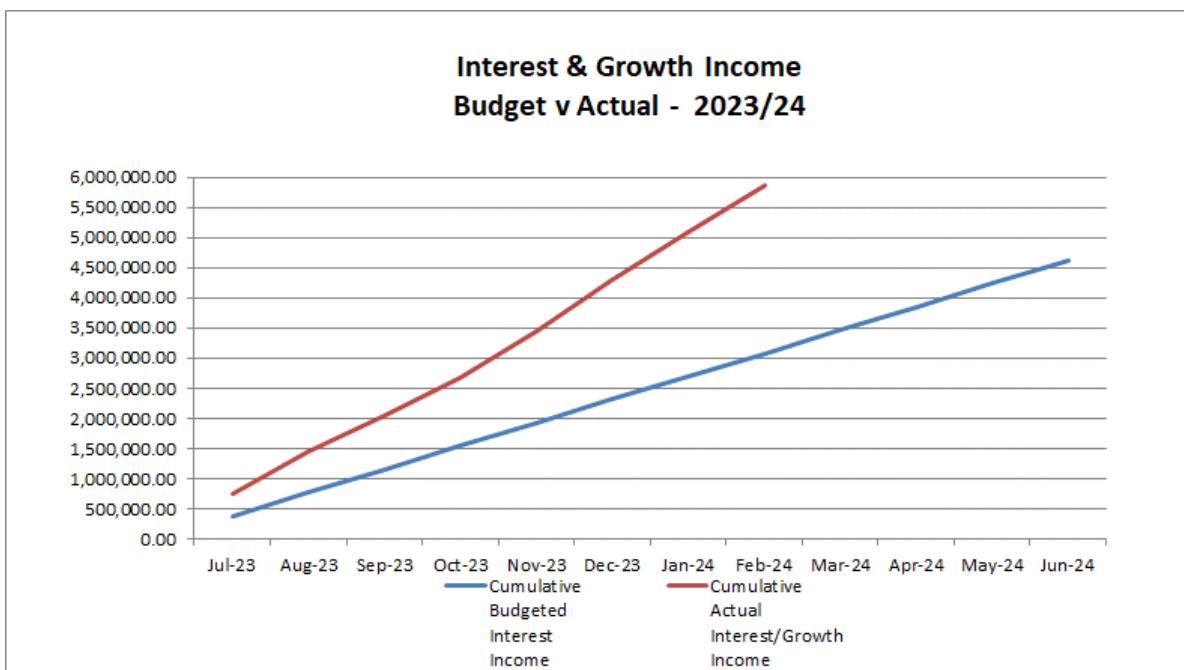
Rollovers – Council did not roll over any investment securities during February 2024.

Monthly Investment Performance

Interest/growth/capital gains/(losses) for the month totalled \$794,514, which compares favourably with the budget for the period of \$384,865 - outperforming budget for the month by \$409,649.

Council's outperformance to budget for February is mainly due to better than budgeted returns on Council's 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 February, with the fund returning +2.60% (or +\$51,413) as domestic (+0.79%) and international (+4.22%) shares provided modest gains for the month.



In comparison to the AusBond Bank Bill Index* of 4.43% (annualised), Council’s investment portfolio returned 3.84% (annualised) for the month of February. 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 3.66%, marginally underperforming the AusBond Bank Bill index by -0.44%. Councils investment portfolio has continued to outperform the AusBond Bank Bill Index* over the longer-term time period, returning 2.41% per annum over the past 3 years – outperforming the benchmark by 0.46% over this time.

Performance	1 month	3 months	6 months	FYTD	1 year	2 years	3 years
Official Cash Rate	0.34%	1.07%	2.10%	2.80%	4.09%	2.94%	1.99%
AusBond Bank Bill Index	0.34%	1.09%	2.12%	2.88%	4.10%	2.92%	1.95%
Council’s Cash	0.34%	1.06%	2.09%	2.79%	4.07%	2.96%	2.04%
Council’s T/D	0.29%	0.90%	1.75%	2.31%	3.31%	2.77%	2.44%
Council’s FRN	0.43%	1.34%	2.67%	3.57%	5.14%	3.97%	3.05%
Council’s Bonds	0.10%	0.32%	0.65%	0.88%	1.32%	1.31%	1.27%
Council’s TCorp LTGF	2.60%	7.25%	7.19%	8.78%	13.46%	5.91%	6.52%
Council’s Portfolio	0.32%	0.99%	1.90%	2.52%	3.66%	2.91%	2.41%
Relative Performance	-0.02%	-0.09%	-0.22%	-0.36%	-0.44%	-0.01%	0.46%

* 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  Capital Works Program 2023/24 to 2032/33

LONG TERM FINANCIAL PLAN ONE-OFF CAPITAL PROJECTS - 2023/24 - 2032/33 AS AT 29 FEBRUARY 2024																
				65,232,722	748,105	64,484,617	58,422,911	69,629,964	32,240,078	18,294,398	15,258,879	15,063,915	7,265,304	861,142	8,585,460	5,353,641
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	2033/34
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 \$7.11)				1,116,027									
17	22203	Apex Park Playground Climbing Net Replacement	Parks & Recreation Reserve	44,914		44,914										
18	21275	Bakers Lane Widening + Intersection Upgrades - TT5	\$7.11	397,678		397,678										

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	2033/34
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	Bolton Park Precinct Upgrade - ROS15	External Borrowings \$1,496,581 (Future Years Loan Repayments funded from GPR) + \$7.11 \$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)	S7.11					292,759								
24	19546	Botanic Gardens Zoo - Stage 2 CCTV	GPR	9,951		9,951										
25	21274	Bourke Street and Bourkelands Drive Intersection Upgrade	S7.11	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 + ClubsGrant Funding \$90,000 + \$20,000 GPR	180,000		180,000										
31	17749	Community Amenities - Gissing Oval	GPR \$256,633 + NSW Government Office of Sport \$500,000	756,633		756,633										
32	38639	Copland St Industrial Area - Stormwater Drainage Upgrade	Old 594 Reserve \$85,262 + Contribution \$92,358 + Stormwater DSP \$374,329 + S64 Reserve \$107,282				107,282	551,949								
33	21816	Cremator Brickworks Reline	Cemetery Reserve	30,437		30,437										
34	22246	Destination Electric Vehicle (EV) Charger Installation	NSW Office of Energy and Climate Change Grant	18,179		18,179										
35	21348	Dobney Avenue & Pearson Street Pavement Rehabilitation	Grant (TTNSW - Fixing Local Roads) \$467,928.97 + Civil Infrastructure Reserve \$154,796	622,725		622,725										
36	21476	Duke of Kent Community Building	Strategic Real Property Reserve	190,510		190,510										
37	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) + Civil Infrastructure Reserve \$242,000	6,387,349		6,387,349										

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	2033/34
38	19647	Estella New Local Park (west Rainbow Drive) Embellishment - ROS1 + LA1 (Land Acquisition)	S7.11				1,363,837	1,363,838								
39	22330	Estella Road Upgrade	Grant TBC (Fixing Local Roads)					700,000								
40	19590	Euberta Hall & Sportsground Water Bore & Irrigation System	GPR	41,971		41,971										
41	22232	Farrer Road Upgrade - TT4	S7.11												3,481,529	700,000
42	19617	Footpaths - Ashmont & Glenfield - TT16	S7.11 \$430,691 + Grant (TBC) \$1,841,950													2,272,641
43	19618	Footpaths - Boorooma, Estella & Gobbagombalin - TT17	S7.11 \$255,319 + Grant (TBC) \$1,146,999				1,146,999	255,319								
44	19619	Footpaths - Bourkelands & Lloyd - TT18	S7.11 \$352,763 + Grant (TBC) \$1,738,250						2,091,013							
45	19620	Footpaths - Central & North Wagga - TT19	S7.11 \$69,694 + Grant (TBC) \$329,180				329,180	69,694								
46	19621	Footpaths - East Wagga - TT20	S7.11 \$61,350 + Grant (TBC) \$347,650													409,000
47	19622	Footpaths - Forest Hill - TT21	S7.11 \$208,725 + Grant (TBC) \$936,160						1,144,885							
48	19623	Footpaths - Kooringal - TT22	S7.11 \$152,835 + Grant (TBC) \$587,374						740,209							
49	19624	Footpaths - Lake Albert & Tatton - TT23	S7.11 \$229,050 + Grant (TBC) \$1,297,950													1,527,000
50	19625	Footpaths - Mount Austin, Tolland & Turvey Park - TT24	S7.11 \$282,210 + Grant (TBC) \$1,234,135						1,516,345							
51	19678	Forest Hill Upgrade Local Park - ROS16	S7.11						216,200							
52	22613	Glass Gallery Lift Control Upgrade	Buildings Reserve	70,000		70,000										
53	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	
54	18738	Glenfield Road Drain Remediation	Stormwater DSP \$1,014,490 + Stormwater Levy \$420,047	99,490		99,490	1,335,047									
55	19649	Gobbagombalin - 2 local parks - ROS3 + LA3 (Land Acquisition)	S7.11				312,510									
56	19648	Gobbagombalin Nth (Harris Road) Park Embellishment - ROS2	S7.11	196,679		196,679										
57	19534	Gobbagombalin Stormwater Infrastructure	Stormwater DSP	185,591		185,591										

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58	19604	Gregadoo Road Corridor Works - TT7	23/24 (External Borrowings \$1,693,040 -Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCLI Subsidy funded from S7.11 + Civil Infrastructure Reserve \$994,661) + 25/26 - 26/27 \$1,544,450 External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments funded from S7.11)	2,687,701		2,687,701		772,225	772,225							
59	70195	GWMC - Cell Extension	Solid Waste Reserve	200,000		200,000	1,800,000									
60	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					
61	70147	GWMC - Domestic Precinct (Transfer Station, Office Relocation, Roadworks)	Solid Waste Reserve				401,142	3,254,395	3,254,395		601,670					
62	70135	GWMC - Gas Capture Network Expansion & Gas Powered Evaporator	Solid Waste Reserve				1,769,728	300,000		327,000			356,430			
63	70178	GWMC - Construction of a new Monocell	Solid Waste Reserve \$5,358,372 + Grant (NSW EPA) \$900,000				1,829,186	1,829,186					2,600,000			
64	70105	GWMC - Organic Processing Plant	Solid Waste Reserve						199,077							
65	70101	GWMC - Road Rehabilitation	Solid Waste Reserve	498,333		498,333										
66	70168	GWMC Plant Shed	Solid Waste Reserve					2,360,646								
67	70169	GWMC Waste to Energy (Solution)	Solid Waste Reserve									5,000,000				
68	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										
69	21791	Humula Infrastructure Upgrade	Grant (Dept Industry, Science, Energy & Resources)	106,541		106,541										
70	22322	Improved Pedestrian Access in Turvey Park	Grant (Labor)	35,000		35,000										
71	21855	Incarnie Crescent Stormwater Augmentation	Grant (Department of Industry) \$219,690 + Stormwater Levy Reserve \$219,690	439,380		439,380										
72	21089	Jim Elphick Tennis Centre - ROS15	S7.11 \$2,887,309 + 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									
73	19669	Jubilee Oval - Community Meeting Space - ROS14	S7.11					384,750								
74	12941	Jubilee Oval to Red Hill Rd - Wagga West DSP Area - Implement Stormwater Drainage Improvements	External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCLI Subsidy funded from Stormwater DSP)	6,971		6,971	289,018									
75	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										

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76	19382	Jubilee Park - Replace existing synthetic surfaces at the Jubilee Park Hockey Complex	Hockey Assoc Contrib \$205,000 + External Borrowings \$195,000 (Future Years Loan Repayments funded from GPR)					400,000								
77	22193	Keajura Road - Fixing Local Roads	R2R \$333,071 + Fixing Local Roads \$1,332,138	1,665,209		1,665,209										
78	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								
79	14048	Lawn Cemetery & Crematorium Office Refurbishment	Cemetery Reserve					500,000								
80	21273	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									
81	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								
82	19661	Lloyd Establish 3 Local Parks - ROSS + LA4 (Deakin Ave) + LA5 (Barton Ave) + LA6 (Central Lloyd) - Land Acquisitions	\$7.11 \$2,105,833 + External Borrowings \$2,401,850 (Future Years Loan repayments funded from \$7.11)	567,208		567,208	1,538,625	2,401,850								
83	45131	LMC - Cattle Delivery Yard Rehabilitation	LMC Reserve	400,000		400,000										
84	45089	LMC - CCTV & security (partial)	LMC Reserve				41,734									
85	45121	LMC - Clean, fill and landscape all new works areas	LMC Reserve	85,000		85,000										
86	45096	LMC - New circulating road (partial)	LMC Reserve	50,000		50,000	1,018,346	1,018,346								
87	45133	LMC - Realign Sheep and Cattle Draft Ramps	LMC Reserve	4,012,994		4,012,994										
88	45125	LMC - Refurbish agents offices and canteen	LMC Reserve							500,000						
89	45124	LMC - Replace existing cattle/sheep delivery ramps	LMC Reserve						1,300,000							
90	45122	LMC - Reseal existing internal road network	LMC Reserve				650,000									
91	45111	LMC - Resurface Existing Sheep Yards	LMC Reserve	767,579		767,579										
92	45126	LMC - Road Train facilities	LMC Reserve								1,800,000					
93	45128	LMC - Sheep & Goat Electronic (EID) System Feasibility Study	LMC Reserve	750,000		750,000	750,000									
94	45049	LMC - Treatment of Re-use Water	LMC Reserve	355,269		355,269										
95	45127	LMC - Waste to Energy	LMC Reserve				3,500,000									
96	22379	Local Government Recovery Grant	Grant (NSW Government) \$996,497 + GPR \$30,000	338,744		338,744	687,753									

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97	22694	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									
98	22324	Local Road Repair Program Funding Phase 2	Grant (Labor)	2,400,000		2,400,000	2,804,143	350,000	350,000							
99	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										
100	21778	Mangoplah Recreation Reserve Amenities Upgrade	Grant (Crown Reserve Improvement Fund)	119,054		119,054										
101	19662	McDonalds Parks - Establish 2nd Rugby League Field - ROS6	\$7.11				939,550									
102	22342	Mortimer Place Traffic Works	Contribution \$4,347 + GPR \$45,000	49,347		49,347										
103	21797	MPS Sports Court Recoat	GPR							40,000						
104	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 \$7.11 + Building Reserve + GPR)	264,946		264,946	5,258,854									
105	28174	Oasis - 25m & Program Pool Covers & Rollers Replacement	GPR							70,000						
106	28183	Oasis - 25m, Program & Leisure Pool Expansion Joints Replacement	GPR									125,000				
107	28190	Oasis - 25m Pool Dive Starting Blocks	GPR								48,000					
108	28150	Oasis - 25m Pool Lane Ropes & Lane Storage Rollers Replacement	GPR					34,441								
109	28181	Oasis - 50m Pool & Grandstand Concourse Resurfacing	GPR							175,000						
110	28154	Oasis - 50m & Dive Pool Bulkhead Tiles Upgrade	GPR	40,270		40,270										
111	28153	Oasis - 50m & Dive Pool Expansion Joints Replacement	GPR					79,790								
112	28147	Oasis - 50m Pool Covers & Rollers Replacement	GPR											85,992		
113	28177	Oasis - 50m Pool Dive Starting Blocks	GPR							42,000						
114	28170	Oasis - 50m Pool Flood Lights	GPR							80,000						
115	28123	Oasis - 50m Pool Heating System Solar & Gas Boiler	GPR								275,000					

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116	28172	Oasis - 50m Pool Lane Ropes & Lane Storage Rollers Replacement	GPR						85,000							
117	28179	Oasis - 50m Pool Shade covers deep end of pool	GPR						290,000							
118	28185	Oasis - 50m Pool Shade covers western side	Oasis Reserve						390,000							
119	28072	Oasis - Automatic Pool Cleaners	Oasis Reserve									60,000				
120	20840	Oasis - BBQ's	Oasis Reserve										70,000			
121	28158	Oasis - Change Rooms Upgrade	GPR					353,500								
122	28171	Oasis - Co Generation Energy System or alike	GPR						1,500,000							
123	28148	Oasis - Dive Pool Covers & Rollers Replacement	Oasis Reserve											45,000		
124	28076	Oasis - Diving Board Replacements	GPR											85,000		
125	28173	Oasis - Disable/ Mixed Access Equipment / Steps - Wheel Chairs - Hoist & Extras	GPR	95,000		95,000										
126	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									
127	28119	Oasis - Filter Sand for All Pools	GPR						232,300							
128	16393	Oasis - Floor Carpet - Entrance Pool Hall, Offices Stairs & Meeting Room	Oasis Reserve										64,000			
129	28182	Oasis - Irrigation/ Sprinkler System to Mixed Areas	Oasis Reserve							85,000						
130	28188	Oasis -Mixed Air Conditioning	GPR											125,000		
131	15143	Oasis - Point of Sale System & Entry Gates	GPR								115,000					
132	28184	Oasis - Pool Balance Tanks Service	GPR										105,000			
133	28149	Oasis - Pool Cover Winch Replacement	GPR											35,150		
134	28139	Oasis - Pool Deck Grating Replacement	Oasis Reserve					31,005								
135	28178	Oasis - Pool Hall Circulation Fans	GPR									45,000				
136	28155	Oasis - Pool Hall Glass Doors Upgrade & Replacement	GPR	29,395		29,395										
137	28175	Oasis - Pool Hall Lighting Repair & Replacement	Oasis Reserve								100,000					

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138	28156	Oasis - Pool Hall Skylights Repair & Replacement	GPR	237,350		237,350										
139	28123	Oasis - Pool Heating Systems (All Pools)	Oasis Reserve				200,000									
140	28159	Oasis - Pool Plant Equipment Upgrade & Replacement	Oasis Reserve \$90,000 + GPR \$778,600					868,600								
141	28176	Oasis - Public Address System Repair & Replacement	Oasis Reserve									85,000				
142	28157	Oasis - Security Lockers Replacement	Oasis Reserve					30,300								
143	28151	Oasis - Two Pool Inflatables Replacement	Oasis Reserve \$28,280 + GPR \$100,000					28,280					100,000			
144	28180	Oasis - Water Drinking Fountains	GPR									60,000				
145	28145	Oasis - Water Features Project	Grant (TBC) \$834,085 + Oasis \$7.11 Recoupment \$854,937	200,000		200,000	1,489,022									
146	21790	Oberne Creek Hall Project	Grant (Dept Industry, Science, Energy & Resources)	34,257		34,257										
147	22391	Old Narrandera Road Sealing	Grant (Transport for NSW)	646,038		646,038										
148	22112	Oura Community Skate Park Construction	Grant (Office of Responsible Gambling) \$77,272 + \$7.12 Reserve \$20,000	97,272		97,272										
149	19601	Pine Gully Road Corridor Works - TT2	\$7.11 \$3,273,505 + External Borrowings \$4,320,604 (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCLI Subsidy funded from \$7.11) + 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							
150	22198	Pominalarna Cultural Garden Stage 1	Grant (NSW Stronger Country Communities Round 5)	141,178		141,178										
151	18792	Public Art - River Life	Public Art Reserve	136,593		136,593										
152	17075	Public Art Projects - TBA	Public Art Reserve						45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000
153	19667	Rawlings Park North - Construct a synthetic soccer facility - ROS12	\$7.11 \$700,000 + Grant (TBC) \$3,177,112				700,000	3,177,112								
154	19627	Red Hill Rd/Dalman Parkway Intersection Treatment - TT27	\$7.11					150,000			1,750,443					
155	19681	Red Hill Road Upgrade - TT3	23/24 External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCLI Subsidy funded from \$7.11) + 24/25 \$7.11 + 28/29 - 30/31 External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments funded from \$7.11)	31,789		31,789	78,217				2,134,706	1,151,636	1,174,668			
156	23816	Regional Roads Repair Block Grant - project TBA	Repair Block Grant (TNSW)							400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000

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157	22492	RFS Aviation Station 2nd Storey	Contribution (RFS)					100,000	900,000							
158	22489	RFS Big Springs Station Toilet	Contribution (RFS)	65,000		65,000										
159	22494	RFS Forest Hill Station Capital Works	Contribution (RFS)							100,000	1,100,000					
160	22497	RFS Galore Station Solar Upgrade	Contribution (RFS)											40,000		
161	22491	RFS Humula Station Capital Works	Contribution (RFS)				50,000	600,000								
162	22493	RFS Lake Albert Station Capital Works	Contribution (RFS)						100,000	1,500,000						
163	22490	RFS Mangoplah Station Additional Bay & Amenities	Contribution (RFS)	450,000		450,000										
164	22495	RFS Oura Station Capital Works	Contribution (RFS)								50,000	850,000				
165	22496	RFS Uranquinty Station Capital Works	Contribution (RFS)									50,000	750,000			
166	21903	RIFL Stage 1A Subdivision Works	Contribution (Regional Growth Development Corporation)	4,798,208		4,798,208										
167	20550	RIFL Stage 2B - Terminal Works	Contribution (VISY)	172,456		172,456										
168	19545	RIFL Stage 2C - Industrial Subdivision - Civil Works	Grant (Crown Finance Restart)	4,528,664		4,528,664										
169	21367	Riverside Basketball Court Upgrade	GPR	9,656		9,656										
170	18798 + 20574	Riverside Wagga - Wagga Beach Upgrade Stage 2 - ROS9 (including Landscaping, carpark, CCTV, lighting)	External Borrowings \$12,392 (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCLI Subsidy funded from \$7.11)	12,392		12,392										
171	50112	Sewage Treatment Works Renewal - Tarcutta	Sewer Reserve	248,852		248,852										
172	50224	Sewer Ashmont SPS (Lloyd to Ashmont Gravity Main Upgrade)	External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCLI subsidy funded from Sewer Reserve)	396,246	368,981	27,265	2,747,008									
173	50276	Sewer - Cartwright's Hill Pump Station - SPS09 - Renewals	Sewer Reserve				50,000	200,000								
174	50258	Sewer - Copland Street Pump Station - SPS39 New Assets - New pump station	Sewer Reserve (DSP)	443,968	379,124	64,844										
175	50199	Sewer - Elizabeth Avenue Forest Hill SPS22 - New Assets	Sewer Reserve (DSP)	30,000		30,000	30,000	1,209,795								
176	50060	Sewer - Forsyth St Pump Station - SPS02 - Renewals - Refurbishment of current wells	Sewer Reserve					800,000								
177	50384	Sewer - Install Flowmeters	Sewer Reserve	74,466		74,466										

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178	50221	Sewer - Narrung St Treatment Plant Flood Protection Infrastructure	Sewer Reserve	498,023		498,023										
179	50245	Sewer - Olympic Highway - SPS13 New Assets	Sewer Reserve (DSP)	70,000		70,000							874,822			
180	50274	Sewer - Pump Station - SPS06 Shaw Street - Renewals	Sewer Reserve					280,000								
181	50028	Sewer - Re-use Water - Additional infrastructure to meet quality requirements	Sewer Reserve	80,000		80,000		1,144,096								
182	50433	Sewer - SL Rat Unit & HD Pole Camera Purchase	Sewer Reserve	80,000		80,000										
183	50261	Sewer - Springvale Pump Station - SPS36 - New Assets - New pump station	Sewer Reserve					596,272								
184	50291	Sewer - Uranquinty Pump Station - SPS31 - Renewals	Sewer Reserve (DSP)						520,000							
185	50277	Sewer - Wiradjuri Sewer Pump Station - SPS10 Renewal	Sewer Reserve (DSP)				13,032	75,486								
186	50266	Sewer Treatment Works - Forest Hill Plant - New Assets	External Borrowings \$958,217 (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCLU subsidy funded from Sewer Reserve) + Sewer Reserve \$1,484,467	137,510		137,510	2,305,185									
187	22197	Shade Sails over Playgrounds in Wagga	Grant (NSW Stronger Country Communities Round 5)	112,624		112,624										
188	19609	Shared path - Boorooma to Estella & Gobba - TT9	\$7.11 \$260,044 + Grant (TBC) \$1,309,850					1,309,850		260,044						
189	19610	Shared path - Bourkelands to Lloyd - TT10	\$7.11 \$11,306 + Grant (TBC) \$56,950					56,950		11,306						
190	19612	Shared path - CBD to Forest Hill - TT12	\$7.11 \$200,963 + Grant (TBC) \$990,250							1,191,213						
191	19613	Shared path - Forest Hill - TT13	\$7.11 \$147,660 + Grant (TBC) \$727,600					727,600		147,660						
192	50418	Southern Growth Area Sewer Augmentation	Grant (Dept Planning & Environment)	1,321,875		1,321,875										
193	15293	Sportsgrounds Lighting Program - McPherson Oval (Nth Wagga)	GPR (trfd to Parks & Rec Reserve) \$75,257 + Grant (Stronger country Communities) \$152,703	227,960		227,960										
194	22196	Stadium Upgrades (Equex Centre & Bolton Park)	Grant (NSW Stronger Country Communities Round 5)	412,386		412,386										
195	20799	Stores - Barcoding System/ Shelving	Plant Replacement Reserve				37,500									
196	13673	Stormwater - Day, Higgins, Tarcutta St - Wagga West DSP Area Drainage Upgrade	Stormwater DSP \$308,458 + Stormwater Drainage Reserve \$20,000								328,458					

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197	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 DSP) + External Borrowings \$27,955 (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCLI subsidy funded from Civil Infrastructure Reserve)				810,935									
198	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					
199	17742	Stormwater - Murray St Project	Stormwater Levy	195,074		195,074	2,952,750									
200	12916	Stormwater - Tarcoola Drainage Extension	Stormwater DSP					495,657								
201	18524 + 18589	Stormwater - Tarcutta Drainage Upgrade & Supplementary Levee	RMS Contribution				411,626									
202	21792	Tarcutta Memorial Hall Upgrade	Grant (Dept Industry, Science, Energy & Resources)	89,061		89,061										
203	21789	Tarcutta Recreation Reserve Infrastructure Upgrade	Grant (Dept Industry, Science, Energy & Resources)	246,657		246,657										
204	20846	Venue Technical Events Kit	GPR					8,000								
205	21777	Wiradjuri Walking Track Upgrade	Grant (Crown Reserve Improvement Fund)	254,482		254,482										
206	16497	Wollundry Lagoon Levee Bank and Pump Out from theatre	S94 Civic Building Recoupment	114,488		114,488										
207	21454	Your High Street Grant Program	Grant (Dept Planning, Industry & Environment)	52,971		52,971										
		TOTAL LTFP CAPITAL PROGRAM		65,232,722	748,105	64,484,617	58,422,911	69,629,964	32,240,078	18,294,398	15,258,879	15,063,915	7,265,304	861,142	8,585,460	5,353,641

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Summary				30,460,950	23,011,070	22,960,547	22,103,669	24,166,969	26,231,346	26,524,213	25,966,750	26,313,297	26,081,449	30,213,899
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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	14,298
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	35,750
3	12498	Bus Shelters Upgrade (existing)	GPR	20,000		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	20,229
5	17986	Community Amenities - Apex Park	GPR					30,000	242,031					
6	16459	Community Amenities - Forest Hill Oval	GPR + Buildings Reserve (trfd from GPR)	231,817										
7	17748	Community Amenities - Jubilee/Connolly Park	GPR		30,000	219,158								
8	16458	Community Amenities - Kessler Park	GPR \$252,794 + Buildings Reserve (trfd from GPR) \$73,110 + Contribution (Tolland FC) \$19,596 + Grant (Stronger Country Communities) \$330,110	675,609										
9	19484	Community Amenities - McPherson Oval	GPR						30,000	250,192				
10	17985	Community Amenities - Tarcutta Public Convenience	GPR				30,000	234,332						
11	17039	Community Amenities - TBC	GPR							30,000	288,790	326,553	338,204	351,732
12	12846	Community Amenities - Uranquinty Sports Ground	GPR	30,000	211,901									
13	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	450,000
14	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	1,010,612
15	32514	Footpath Construction	GPR		20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
16	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	2,830,949

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	2033/34
17	16531	Heavy Patching Program	2023/24 \$710,000 R2R + \$524,128 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	1,543,812
18	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	50,000
19	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	825,998
20	22397	Library Collection	GPR	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
21	22404	Library Databases	GPR	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
22	22398	Library DVD	GPR	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500
23	22405	Library eLibrary	GPR	35,000	36,020	37,060	38,122	39,204	40,308	41,433	42,583	43,756	44,950	46,299
24	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	7,500
25	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	20,574
26	22402	Library Microfilm	GPR	4,200	4,200	4,200	4,200	4,200	4,200	4,200	4,200	4,200	4,200	4,200
27	22400	Library MP3	GPR	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500
28	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	10,000
29	22403	Library Periodicals	GPR	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
30	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	146,115
31	21684	Library RFID Encoding Hardware	GPR	8,166										
32	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	42,804
33	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	28,870
34	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	48,919
35	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	12,190
36	21345	Museum Acquisitions	Museum Acquisitions Reserve	10,000	4,378									
37	20959	Parks Smart Irrigation	Internal Loans Reserve (Water savings payback - 2 Year Loan Repayments)	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000							

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38	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	5,726,841
39	39042	Pedestrian Access and Mobility Program (PAMP)	GPR + \$50,000 Labor Grant (2023/24 only)	136,075	42,000	42,000	42,000	42,000	42,000	42,000	42,000	42,000	42,000	42,000
40	21900	Plant and Equipment Replacement	Plant Reserve \$5.6M + Plant Sales \$1.5M (amounts vary each fin yr)	7,126,040	5,980,000	5,709,500	4,790,539	5,754,000	6,635,500	7,096,500	5,816,500	5,014,000	4,322,000	7,657,000
41	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	696,000
42	21930	Playground Shade Sail Installation	Grant Funded (TBC) + \$90,000 Labor Grant (2023/24 only)	161,328	71,328	71,328	71,328	71,328						
43	21926	Public Art - Creative Light Spaces	Public Art Reserve	30,000		30,000								
44	21924	Public Art - Neighbourhood Engagement	Public Art Reserve	35,780	20,000	20,000								
45	21925	Public Art - Suburbs & Villages	Public Art Reserve	21,805	15,000	15,000								
46	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	520,442
47	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	199,000
48	16529	Reseal program (renewal)	GPR \$3,177,642 + Regional Roads Block Grant \$323,887 (incrementing 3% each yr) + Additional \$500,000 GPR (2024/25 only)	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	3,889,791
49	21671	Sale of Bomen Land	Land Sales	132,535										
50	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	214,687
51	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	64,061
52	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	1,924,012
53	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	87,070

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54	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	65,023
55	15267	Sportsgrounds Lighting Program - Anderson Oval	GPR \$177,006 + Contrib (TBC) \$144,500	321,506										
56	17040	Sportsgrounds Lighting Program - Estella	GPR \$177,590 + Contrib (TBC) \$150,000	327,590										
57	17041	Sportsgrounds Lighting Program - Jack Misson Oval (Ashmont)	GPR \$177,875 + Contrib (TBC) \$144,500	322,375										
58	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	50,000
59	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	25,000
60	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	1,422,121
61	12894	Village Community Priorities - S94A3	External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCLL subsidy funded from S7.12*)		20,000	20,000	18,000	18,000						
		TOTAL LTFP CAPITAL PROGRAM		30,460,950	23,011,070	22,960,547	22,103,669	24,166,969	26,231,346	26,524,213	25,966,750	26,313,297	26,081,449	30,213,899

RP-4 REQUESTS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE - SECTION 356**Author:** Carolyn Rodney**Summary:** | Council has received one (1) fee waiver request which is detailed for Council's consideration.**Recommendation**

That Council:

- a in accordance with Section 356 of the *Local Government Act* 1993, provide financial assistance to the following organisations:
 - i. Benefolk Foundation - \$305.00 (Request 1)
- b note the proposed budget available for financial assistance requests for the remainder of the 2023/24 financial year

Report

One (1) financial assistance request is proposed for consideration at this Ordinary Council meeting. Details of the request is shown below:

1. Benefolk Foundation – Request for fee waiver of Room Hire Fee - \$305.00

Sally Alden, on behalf of the Benefolk Foundation in the attached email requests:

Hi Peter,

Scott Briggs has suggested I contact you to see if you are able to consider waiving the hire fee for our training 'Resilient Responders' to be held at your council facilities on 3rd of May 2024.

We are pleased to be partnering again with Department of Communities and Justice (DCJ), NSW Government to provide resources and trainings to Central and West NSW organisations.

We know, local community organisations play a vital role in supporting people during difficult times.

Our collaboration with DCJ is designed to reinforce that work, offering valuable aid to staff and volunteers as they recover from the aftermath of the floods. Wagga Wagga is one of five NSW locations DCJ has suggested for us to run our 'Resilient Responders' training for up to 60 representatives from NFP's and Charities in your region.

We successfully partnered with DCJ in the Northern Rivers in 2023 and while our program for Central West (including Wagga Wagga) is still being finalised – read below for brief.

*Resilient Responders training will be offered for **FREE** to around 60 representatives from NFP's and Charities in your region.*

As this training is being offered for free, and our resources are limited, we would like to be considered for a fee waiver for your facilities – can you please let me know if this is an option by responding to my email address.

The training is an 8-hour interactive workshop that gives NFP and Charity staff and volunteers in your area the skills to help create and maintain psychological safety at work, including: Strategies to overcome trauma and regain functioning. Once we have finalised the program, I will send further information to your council.

For information about our organisation, please read the information listed in our website linked below.

Many thanks for your time and for your consideration,

*Regards, Sally Alden
Operations Manager*

The above request aligns with Council’s Strategic Plan “Community Place and Identity” – Objective: Our community feel welcome, included and connected”.

The Benefolk Foundation have not received any other financial assistance from Council this financial year.

Financial Implications

Section 356 Budget Summary	
2023/24 Budget available for requests received during financial year	\$42,060.00
Total of fee waivers approved to date	(\$17,031.14)
Revised Balance of Section 356 fee waiver financial assistance	\$25,028.86
1) The Benefolk Foundation	<u>(\$305.00)</u>
Subtotal Fee Waivers included in this report – proposed to be funded from the Section 356 Budget	<u>(\$305.00)</u>
Balance of Section 356 fee waiver financial assistance budget for the remainder of the 2023/24 Financial Year	\$24,723.86

Job consolidation number: 13619 Section 356 Donations/waiving of Council fees and charges

Policy and Legislation

POL 078 – Financial Assistance Policy

Link to Strategic Plan

Community Place and Identity

Objective: Our community feel welcome, included and connected

Activate community spaces to promote connectedness

Risk Management Issues for Council

N/A

Internal / External Consultation

Cross Directorate consultation has been undertaken as required.

Attachments

1   Benefolk Foundation - Section 356 Request

Spowart, Jenna

From: Witenden, Rebecca <Witenden.Rebecca@wagga.nsw.gov.au>
Sent: Tuesday, 13 February 2024 8:35 AM
To: Spowart, Jenna
Subject: FW: Sally from Benefolk for GM Peter Thompson

From: Sally Alden <sally@benefolk.org>
Sent: Wednesday, February 7, 2024 3:58 PM
To: City of Wagga Wagga <Council@wagga.nsw.gov.au>
Subject: Sally from Benefolk for GM Peter Thompson

Wed 7 Feb 2024

Attn: Peter Thompson - General Manager

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RP-5 RECREATION AND COMMUNITY FACILITY FEES AND CHARGES**Author:** Joshua Walsh**Executive:** John Sidgwick

Summary: This report proposes to add a number of new fees for 2023/24 for Estella Public School, Duke of Kent Hall, McPherson Oval lighting and Oasis Aqua/Fitness classes.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a note that there were no public submissions received during the exhibition period for the Recreation and Community Facility fees and charges
- b adopt the Recreation and Community Facility fees and charges

Report

At the ordinary meeting of Council held December 2024, it was resolved:

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*

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

<i>Half Meeting room - 8 hours (Weekends and Public Holidays)</i>	<i>\$100.00</i>	<i>\$10.00</i>	<i>\$110.00</i>
<i>Full Meeting room - 4 hours (Weekdays)</i>	<i>\$90.91</i>	<i>\$9.09</i>	<i>\$100.00</i>
<i>Full Meeting room - 4 hours (Weekends and Public Holidays)</i>	<i>\$109.09</i>	<i>\$10.91</i>	<i>\$120.00</i>
<i>Full Meeting room - 8 hours (Weekdays)</i>	<i>\$163.34</i>	<i>\$16.36</i>	<i>\$180.00</i>
<i>Full Meeting room - 8 hours (Weekends and Public Holidays)</i>	<i>\$200.00</i>	<i>\$20.00</i>	<i>\$220.00</i>
<i>Community & Not For Profit Group</i>	<i>50% reduction in hire rates</i>		
<i>McPherson Oval Sportsground Lighting</i>			
<i>Fee and Charge Description</i>	<i>2023/24 Fee (exclusive of GST)</i>	<i>GST</i>	<i>2023/24 Fee (inclusive of GST)</i>
<i>McPherson Oval training (100 lux) lighting fee (per hour)</i>	<i>\$14.28</i>	<i>\$1.43</i>	<i>\$15.71</i>
<i>McPherson Oval competition (200 lux) lighting fee (per hour)</i>	<i>\$25.21</i>	<i>\$2.52</i>	<i>\$27.73</i>
<i>Oasis - Aqua/fitness classes</i>			
<i>Fee and Charge Description</i>	<i>2023/24 Fee (exclusive of GST)</i>	<i>GST</i>	<i>2023/24 Fee (inclusive of GST)</i>
<i>Casual Option – Yoga, Pilates, Salti and Hiit (per class)</i>	<i>\$18.18</i>	<i>\$1.82</i>	<i>\$20.00</i>
<i>Term Option (10 sessions)</i>	<i>\$163.34</i>	<i>\$16.36</i>	<i>\$180.00</i>

- 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*
 - ii. Proposing adoption of the new fees and charges unless there are any recommended amendments that will require a further public exhibition*

The proposed Recreation and Community Facility fees and charges were placed on public exhibition from 4 January until 31 January 2024. The dates of public exhibition were modified from the resolved date due to an error that noted a start date of 30 November 2023. Council invited public submissions during this period, zero (0) public submissions were received.

Although no submissions were received, a consultation summary indicates the proposed fees and charges were viewed 92 times which resulted in 87 site visits with 40% of referrals coming from social media.

Financial Implications

These facilities hire and lighting fees have been factored into Council's annual operating income budget during the compilation of the 2024/25 Long Term Financial Plan.

Policy and Legislation

Local Government Act 1993

Chapter 15, Part 10, Division 1:

- Section 608 Council fees for services

Chapter 15, Part 10, Division 2:

- Section 610B Fees to be determined in accordance with pricing methodologies

Chapter 15, Part 10, Division 3:

- Section 610D How does a council determine the amount of a fee for service?
- Section 610F Public notice of fees

Local Government (General) Regulation 2021

Regulation 201 Annual statement of council's revenue policy

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 charging of these fees will assist in recouping the facility maintenance and lighting costs, therefore reducing the impact on Council's financial position.

Internal / External Consultation

The draft Recreation and Community Facilities fees and charges were placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days, from 4 January 2024 to 31 January 2024 with zero (0) public submissions received.

	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													<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Consult													<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Involve													<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Collaborate																

RP-6 PROPOSED LICENCES OF OFFICE SPACE WITHIN A COMMUNITY BUILDING - 26 SHAW STREET, WAGGA WAGGA

Author: Matthew Dombrovski

Executive: John Sidgwick

Summary:

Following the disposal of land at 205 Morgan Street, Council is in the final stages of construction of a community facility at 26 Shaw Street, Wagga Wagga. This report relates to the granting of two community licences in relation to that premises.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a authorise the General Manager or their delegate to negotiate a Community Licence Agreement with Wagga Wagga Veteran and Vintage Motor Club Inc for part Lot 101 DP 1263792 on the terms outlined in this report
- b authorise the General Manager or their delegate to negotiate a Community Licence Agreement with U3A Wagga Wagga Inc for part Lot 101 DP 1263792 on the terms outlined in this report
- c authorise the affixing of Council's common seal to any documents as required

Report

At its meeting of 24 August 2020, Council resolved (Resolution 20/333) as follows: -

That Council:

- a *agree to sell the land at 205 Morgan Street, Wagga Wagga being Lot A DP 331461 and Lot 1 DP 375748*
- b *register necessary easements for sewage or drainage within the above lots prior to sale*
- c *delegate authority to the General Manager or their delegate to undertake the sale via the methodology outlined in the body of this report*
- d *delegate authority to the General Manager to enter into a licence with the Wagga Wagga Vintage and Veterans Motor Club Incorporated*
- e *allocate the proceeds of the sale to the development of a new community facility to allow relocation of the Wagga Wagga Vintage and Veterans Motor Club Incorporated clubhouse subject to a further report to Council*
- f *delegate authority to the General Manager or their delegate to execute any necessary documents on behalf of Council*
- g *authorise affixing of Council's Common Seal to all relevant documents as required*

In accordance with that resolution, Council has sold the land at 205 Morgan Street, Wagga Wagga, which was formerly used by the Wagga Wagga Veteran and Vintage Motor Club Inc as their clubhouse. The site was also utilised by other user groups including U3A Wagga Wagga Inc.

Council is now in the final stages of the construction of a new community facility at 26 Shaw Street (the former Wagga Womens Bowling Club site), and in anticipation of those works being completed, staff are seeking the endorsement of Council to enter into formal Licence Agreements with two users for the site – the Wagga Wagga Veteran and Vintage Motor Club Inc, and U3A Wagga Wagga Inc. The proposal is that

each of these entities will have the use of a lockable meeting room, as identified in Annexure A.

The Wagga Wagga Veteran and Vintage Motor Club Inc will also have the right to utilise the hall once per month at no additional charge, and host one annual meeting in the open space adjacent to the new building at no additional charge. Otherwise, the hall and open space outside will remain a bookable space for use by both these groups to facilitate their activities, and by the broader community.

It is recommended that Council offer the property for licence on the basis of the following key terms:

Term	5 years
Area	Wagga Wagga Veteran and Vintage Motor Club Inc – approx. 21.08sqm as marked in pink on Annexure A. U3A Wagga Wagga Inc – approx. 12.6sqm as marked in green on Annexure A.
Annual Licence fee	Community Licence Fee determined in accordance with Council’s Revenue and Pricing Policy (currently \$800 inclusive of GST)
Licence Fee Review	Annually on the anniversary of the commencement date in accordance with Council’s Revenue and Pricing Policy.
Maintenance	Licensee would be responsible for undertaking general maintenance of the Licensed premises (subject to fair wear and tear). Council as Licensor would remain responsible for all structural maintenance.
Insurance	Licensee to provide \$20M in public liability insurance and contents insurance.

Financial Implications

Commencing income of \$800 (inclusive of GST) per Licence Agreement will be generated, in accordance with Council’s adopted Fees and Charges 2023-24. The fee will be reviewed on an annual basis as part of the adoption of annual fees and charges.

This income has been included within Council’s long term financial plan budget.

In addition, each tenant will be required to pay a sum of \$275 (inclusive of GST) for the preparation of the Licence Agreement.

Policy and Legislation

Local Government Act 1993
Acquisition, Disposal and Management of Land Policy POL038

Link to Strategic Plan

Community Place and Identity

Objective: Our community feel welcome, included and connected

Activate community spaces to promote connectedness

Risk Management Issues for Council

Council has the obligation to responsibly manage its community land assets. As part of the disposal of the property at 205 Morgan Street, Wagga Wagga, Council committed to the primary user of that site, the Wagga Wagga Veteran and Vintage Motor Club Inc, that it would provide an alternative venue. Failure to endorse the proposed resolution would be a significant reputational risk.


Internal / External Consultation

Internal stakeholder consultation has been undertaken within the Regional Activation directorate.

In accordance with its obligations pursuant to Sections 47 & 47A of the Local Government Act 1993, Council will need to advertise the proposed licence of community facilities.

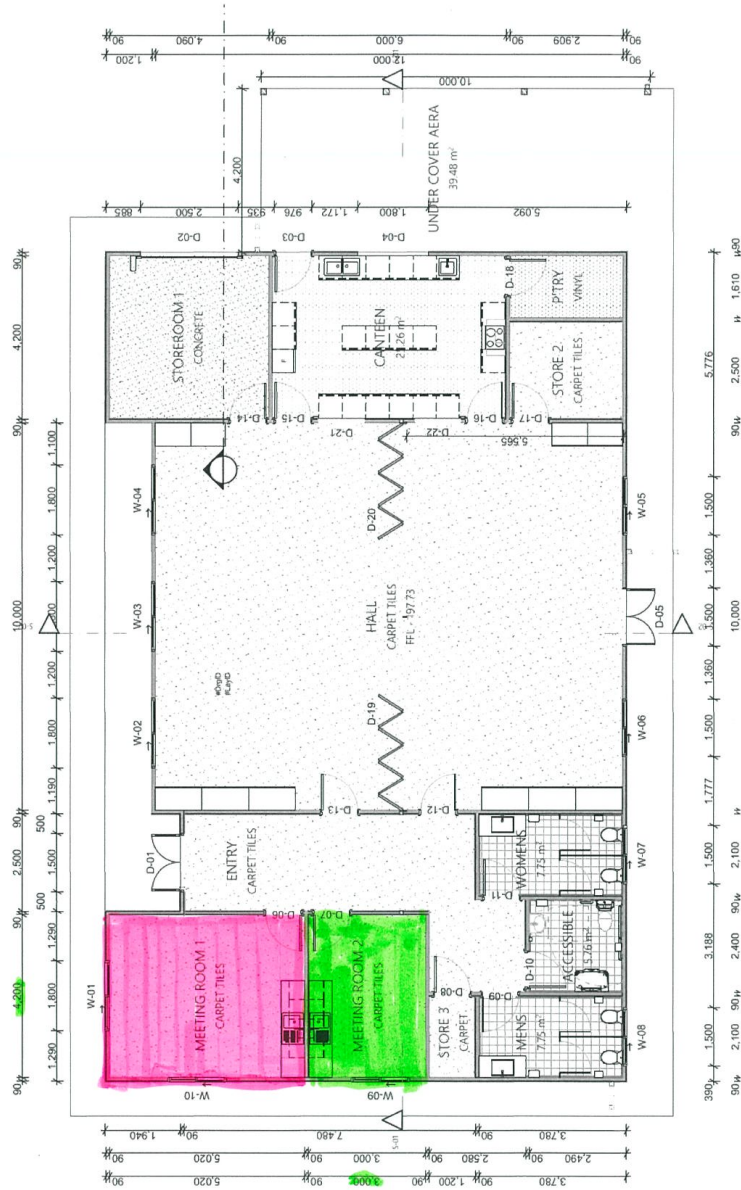
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Attachments

- 1.  Annexure A - Map of Proposed Licence Areas.

Area to be licenced to Wagga Wagga Vintage & Veterans Motor Club Incorporated - 21.08sqm.

Area to be licenced to U3A Wagga Wagga Inc - 12.6sqm.



FLOOR PLAN
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Project	COMMUNITY HALL
Site Address	KENT CRES, WAGGA WAGGA NSW 2650
Client	WAGGA WAGGA CITY COUNCIL
Drawing Title	FLOOR PLAN

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RP-7 ADJUSTMENT TO COUNCIL MEETING DATES 2024**Author:** Nicole Johnson**Executive:** Scott Gray**Summary:**

Council is required under Section 365 of the *Local Government Act 1993 (NSW)* to meet at least 10 times per year (financial year), each time in a different month.

This report recommends a change to the adopted 2024 Council Meeting schedule as a result of the confirmed date of 2024 LGNSW Annual Conference.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a note the 2024 Schedule of Ordinary Council Meeting dates adopted by Council on 23 October 2023 (Resolution 23/265)
- b reschedule the adopted date of 18 November 2024 to 11 November 2024
- c approve an additional Ordinary Council Meeting to be held 25 November 2024

Report

Council its meeting on 23 October 2023 adopted its schedule of meeting dates for 2024. At that time tentative dates of 11 to 12 November 2024 had been released for the 2024 LGNSW Conference.

LGNSW have since altered that date, confirming the 2024 LGNSW Conference will be held from 17 to 19 November 2024, leading to a clash with the adopted Ordinary Council Meeting date of 18 November 2024.

It is therefore recommended that Council amended the adopted 2024 Council Meeting Schedule moving the Ordinary Council Meeting on 18 November 2024 to 11 November 2024 and adding an additional Ordinary Council Meeting to be held on 25 November 2024 to align to the fortnightly meeting structure.

It is noted that these meeting dates will be in the new term of Council and the new Council may wish to adopt a different meeting structure, which may include a change in the frequency and/or day of meetings. However, to give the new Council time to consider the options and develop an approach, this Report will give certainty of meetings following the Election, which can be changed if a decision is able to be made earlier.

Financial Implications

There are costs involved in conducting Council meetings, including the livestreaming of the Council meetings which requires certain equipment and services. Council has an annual budget allocation to conduct the livestreaming of all Council meetings, which is provided by an external contractor.

Policy and Legislation

In accordance with Chapter 12, Part 2, Section 365 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (NSW), the Council is required to meet at least 10 times per year (financial year), each time in a different month.

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

N/A

Internal / External Consultation

N/A

RP-8 2024 LGNSW WATER MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE**Author:** Nicole Johnson**Executive:** Scott Gray

Summary: The 2024 LGNSW Water Management Conference will be held at Goulburn from 23-25 July 2024 and co-hosted by Goulburn-Mulwaree Council.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a endorse sending a Council delegate to the 2024 LGNSW Water Management Conference to be held in Goulburn from 23-25 July 2024
- b appoint one Councillor as Council's delegate to attend the LGNSW Water Management Conference

Report

The annual Local Government NSW [\(LGNSW\) Water Management Conference](#) presents a broad range of information from a local government perspective on water management, issues associated with water supply and sewerage services provided by water utilities.

The event attracts delegates from NSW and interstate including Councillors and General Managers, water managers and professionals, policy makers from government agencies and key industry stakeholders.

Delegates will have the opportunity to find out about the latest water policy initiatives and trends, receive updates on emergent technical issues, benchmark, network and further their professional development and team building capabilities.

Typically, the board of Riverina Water County Council resolves to be represented at the conference and has previously arranged registrations for delegates. This Report is to consider sending a separate Council representative.

The conference will aim to build on 2023's conference by continuing to explore issues that are critical to the sector in a way that provides practical takeaways for conference participants. Full details of topics and speakers are not yet available.

Financial Implications

The estimated cost for the nominated delegate to attend the conference is \$1,000. In addition, there will be further costs for two nights' accommodation \$255 per night (Quest), travel via hire car \$390.00 and out of pocket expenses, bringing the total estimated cost for this conference to \$2000.

The conference will be funded from the Councillors' Conference/Seminars budget which currently has a budget allocation of \$20,000 for the 2023/24 financial year, with \$15,376 expended as at 13 March 2024, leaving a budget remaining of \$4,624.

Account number: 10120807220 – Councillor Development/Conferences/Seminars

Policy and Legislation

POL 025 Payment of Expenses and Provision of Facilities to Councillors

Link to Strategic Plan

Community Leadership and Collaboration

Objective: We have strong leadership

Outcome: We are accountable and transparent

Risk Management Issues for Council

N/A

Internal / External Consultation

N/A

RP-9 2024 NATIONAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Author: Nicole Johnson
Executive: Scott Gray

Summary: Endorsement of the Mayor and one Councillor attendance at the 2024 National General Assembly (NGA) of Local Government Annual Conference as outlined in the report.

Consideration and endorsement of Motion's to be submitted to the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) for the 2024 National General Assembly of the Local Government under theme for this year's NGA will be "Building Community Trust".

Recommendation

That Council:

- a nominate one Councillor and one alternate Councillor to attend the 2024 National General Assembly of Local Government Annual Conference with the Mayor in Canberra from 2 to 4 July 2024
- b consider submitting motion/s to the National General Assembly of Local Government Annual Conference as outlined in the Report
- c receive a further report at an April 2024 Council meeting, to consider and adopt any received motions

Report

The National General Assembly (NGA) will be held at the National Convention Centre in Canberra from 2 to 4 July 2024.

The Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) Board is calling for motions for the 2024 NGA under this year's theme "Building Community Trust".

This report provides an opportunity for Councillors to consider any motions for submission to the ALGA. To be eligible for inclusion in the NGA Business Papers, and subsequent debate on the floor of the NGA, motions must meet the following criteria:

1. Be relevant to the work of local government nationally.
2. Not be focused on a specific jurisdiction, location or region – unless the project or issue has national implications.
3. Be consistent with the themes of the NGA.
4. Complement or build on the policy objectives of ALGA and your state or territory local government association.
5. Be submitted by a council which is a financial member of their state or territory local government association.
6. Propose a clear action and outcome i.e. call on the Australian Government to act on something.
7. Not be advanced on behalf of external third parties that may seek to use the NGA to apply pressure to Board members, or to gain national political exposure for

- positions that are not directly relevant to the work of, or in the national interests of, local government.
8. Address issues that will directly improve the capacity of local government to deliver services and infrastructure for the benefit of all Australian communities.
 9. Not seek to advance an outcome that would result in a benefit to one group of councils to the detriment of another.
 10. Be supported by sufficient evidence to support the outcome being sought and demonstrate the relevance and significance of the matter to local government.

To assist Council in preparing motions, a [discussion paper](#) has been prepared by the ALGA. This paper provides background information on the theme and is designed to assist councils in developing motions. Motions must be adopted by Council and received by the ALGA by 11.59pm on Tuesday, 30 April 2024.

Councillors and Executive staff were requested to provide draft motions, with received motions provided below for consideration.

Upgrade and increase of height of Burrinjuck Dam

Motion Wording

This National General Assembly calls on the Australian Government to commence a process for the upgrade of the Burrinjuck Dam.

Background

Burrinjuck Dam is over 110 years old and one of the oldest masonry block dams in the world. The majority of the concrete mix in the lower parts of wall is 5 parts crushed rock 3 parts sand 1 part cement. In the upper reaches of the wall a weaker 6.75 parts rock 3 parts sand 1 part cement mix was used. A stronger mix was used on the face of the wall.

More info here (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Concrete_degradation)

Burrinjuck dam currently has a surface area of 5500 hectares when full and dam capacity is 1028 gegalitres. On a topographical map if the 380* metre above sea level contour is adopted the dam surface area would increase to an estimated 11,000 hectares and have no impact on any towns.

A new dam wall could raise the level by up to twenty metres (380 metres above sea level) and increase the potential storage volume to 3,000 gegalitres. At 113 metres high the proposed new wall would be relatively low compared to Dartmouth Dam which is 180 metres tall, the world's tallest dam walls are 300 metres high.

Several properties, portions of properties, recreational areas, eco resort and holiday houses would need to be resumed if this plan were to proceed in the national interest.

The catchment area of Burrinjuck Dam is 12,953km², which is larger than the catchment area of Dartmouth Dam 3,600 km² and the whole of the Snowy Mountains scheme 9,070km².

Burrinjuck catchment is 1,295,300 hectares (100 mm per hectare of runoff equates to 1 megalitre) and over Burrinjuck catchment area this totals 1295 gegalitres of

water - more than the current dam can store. This is why a strong case exists to rebuild a higher modern new dam wall fit for the next 100+ years.

The average annual rainfall of the Burrinjuck catchment is 900 mm with snow areas as high as 1700mm. In 2010 1800 gigalitres flowed into Burrinjuck in a six month period. In 2012 and 2016 over 170 gigalitres per day were spilled from Burrinjuck for a short period exacerbating flooding to downstream areas like the City of Wagga Wagga.

There is a possibility to build a new dam wall downstream from the existing wall (106 years old) or even to build a new wall in situ incorporating the existing wall. There are many advantages in a much larger Burrinjuck storage being built. An extra 650 gigalitres could be stored for the environment and a new weir installed before the confluence with the Murray in order to flood the lower bidgee wetlands.

Environmental flows could be held in a larger Burrinjuck and used in drier times. Hydro electric production could be increased significantly creating clean green energy. Flood Mitigation with climate variability increases. Productive water to sell to farmers – latest high security sale in Murrumbidgee valley - \$5100 per hs Megalitre.

[\(https://www.arennews.com.au/story/5399037/water-sold-for-over-5kml-at-riverinafield-days-shows-how-much-water-is-really-worth/\)](https://www.arennews.com.au/story/5399037/water-sold-for-over-5kml-at-riverinafield-days-shows-how-much-water-is-really-worth/)

Now \$9000 per megalitre!

Environmental flows constraints can be increased avoiding the Barmah Choke using the Murrumbidgee River back into the Murray River near Balranald. Flood mitigation for the City of Wagga Wagga as well as several other towns downstream would be a reality saving huge costs and averting flood damage.

This proposal represents a golden once in a century opportunity in which all parties at the table can win which includes agriculture, green energy and climate change concerns, flood mitigation and the environmental flows in accordance with the Murray Darling Basin Plan. Further it grants the NSW State Government a brilliant opportunity to end the political paralysis in relation to water related politics ensuring a win-win outcome.

Council is provided with one (1) vote. Therefore, it recommended that the Mayor represent Council as its voting member, with one other Councillor to be appointed by Council to attend the conference with the Mayor and General Manager. It is also recommended that Council appoint an alternate Councillor, in the event that either the Mayor or appointed Councillor are unable to attend.

The 2024 NGA Conference Program is provided for your reference via [this link](#).

Financial Implications

Two options are available for attendance at this year's conference, with registration costs for each outlined below:

- In person attendance \$945 (before 7 June 2024)
- Virtual attendance \$739

The full registration cost per delegate is \$945. Transport, accommodation and incidentals estimated at approximately \$1000 per delegate in addition to the registration costs, bringing the total estimated cost for this conference to \$1945.

The conference will be funded from the Councillors' Conference/Seminars budget which currently has a budget allocation of \$20,000 for the 2023/24 financial year, with \$15,376 expended as at 13 March 2024, leaving a budget remaining of \$4,624.

Account number: 10120807220 – Councillor Development/Conferences/Seminars

Policy and Legislation

POL 025 Payment of Expenses and Provision of Facilities to Councillors Policy

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Risk Management Issues for Council

N/A

Internal / External Consultation

Councillors
Executive staff

Attachments

1   2024 NGA Discussion Paper

**2024
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Building
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DISCUSSION
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KEY DATES

- 29 March 2024 | Acceptance of Motions
- 2 July 2024 | Regional Cooperation & Development Forum
- 3 - 4 July 2024 | National General Assembly
- 5 July 2024 | Australian Council of Local Government

TO SUBMIT YOUR MOTION
VISIT: [ALGA.COM.AU](https://alga.com.au)





The Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) is pleased to convene the 30th National General Assembly of Local Government (NGA), to be held in Canberra from 2-4 July 2024.

As convenor of the NGA, the ALGA Board cordially invites all councils to send representatives to this important national event.

The NGA is the premier national gathering of local governments, and provides councils with the opportunity to come together, share ideas, debate motions, and most importantly unite and further build on the relationship between local government and the Australian Government.

This discussion paper contains essential information for Australian councils considering submitting motions for debate at the 2024 National General Assembly of Local Government (NGA).

It is recommended that all councils and delegates intending to attend the 2024 NGA familiarise themselves with the guidelines for motions contained in this paper on page 6.

BACKGROUND TO ALGA AND THE NGA

ALGA was established 1947. In structure, ALGA is a federation of member state and territory associations. Its mission is to achieve outcomes for local government through advocacy with impact, and maximise the economic, environmental and social wellbeing of councils and our communities.

Since 1994, the NGA has built the profile of local government on the national stage, showcased the value of councils, and most importantly demonstrated - particularly to the Australian Government - the strength and value of working with local government to help deliver on national priorities.

Debate on motions was introduced to the NGA as a vehicle for councils from across the nation to canvas ideas. Outcomes of debate on motions (NGA Resolutions) could be used by participating councils to inform their own policies and priorities, as well as their advocacy when dealing with federal politicians.

At the same time, they help ALGA and its member state and territory associations gain valuable insight into council priorities, emerging national issues, and the level of need and support for new policy and program initiatives.

Given the structure of ALGA, its Constitution, and level of resources, the NGA does not bind the ALGA Board. However, the Board carefully considers NGA resolutions as it determines ALGA's policies, priorities and strategies to advance local governments within the national agenda.

This is your NGA and ALGA is pleased to act as the convenor. ALGA's policies and priorities will continue to be determined by the ALGA Board in the interests of all councils.

The ALGA Board thanks all councils for attending the NGA and those that will take the time to reflect on the purpose of debate on motions outlined in this paper, and to submit motions for debate at the 2024 NGA.

SUBMITTING MOTIONS

Australia is one of the world's great democracies. It is held in high regard across the world but should never be taken for granted.

The theme of the 2024 NGA is – Building Community Trust.

This theme aims to explore the critical importance of trust in governments, between governments, its institutions, and its citizens. This trust is a fundamental building block of our nation's democracy.

While relatively low key, over the past decade there has been increasing public debate by scholars and policy makers about the level of trust in government, its institutions and indeed the operation of our democracy more broadly.

Mark Evans et al (2019) published research in 'The Conversation' indicating that Australians' trust in politicians (our political representatives) and democracy has hit an all-time low. This report indicates 'fewer than 41% of Australian citizens are satisfied with the way democracy works in Australia, down from 86% in 2007.

Public satisfaction has fallen particularly sharply since 2013, when 72% of Australian citizens were satisfied. Generation X is least satisfied (31%) and Baby Boomers most satisfied (50%). Some political authors suggest that these trends in part explain the rise in popularity and the relative success of independents and micro or single-issue parties.

These statistics should be of concern to every level of government and those interested in the future of our communities and Australia's democratic system.

It is said that 'trust is hard-earned, easily lost, and difficult to re-establish – and a key to absolutely everything.' While media and public attention frequently focuses on levels of trust in the national and state governments, local governments have an equally important role in building, maintaining and indeed, often repairing government-community relationships.

At its most fundamental level, the 2024 NGA focusses on the role of local government and how all levels of government can help each other build, maintain and strengthen government-community relationships.

This discussion paper is a call for councils to submit motions for debate at the 2024 NGA to be held in Canberra from 2-4 July 2024.



Motions for this year's NGA should consider:

- how all levels of government in Australia can build trust in each other and earn greater trust from the community;
- practical opportunities for the Australian Government to leverage the trust that local communities have in their local council;
- focus on practical programs that can strengthen the system of local government nationally to provide the services and infrastructure required to support and strengthen our communities; and
- new program ideas that that would help the local government sector to deliver the Australian Government's objectives.

Motions should be concise, practical and implementable and meet the guidelines for motions set out in the paper.

You are encouraged to read all the sections of the paper but are not expected to respond to every issue or question. Your council's motion/s must address one or more of the issues identified in the discussion paper.

Motions must be lodged electronically using the online form available on the NGA website at: www.alga.com.au and received no later than 11:59pm AEST on Friday 29 March 2024.

All notices of motions will be reviewed by the ALGA Board's NGA Sub-committee prior to publishing the NGA Business Paper to ensure that they meet these guidelines. This sub-committee reserves the right to select, edit or amend notices of motions to facilitate the efficient and effective management of debate on motions at the NGA.

All NGA resolutions will be published on www.nationalgeneralassembly.com.au.

As the host of the NGA, ALGA will communicate resolutions to the relevant Australian Government Minister and publish Ministerial responses as they are received on this website.

Please note that if your council does submit a motion, there is an expectation that a council representative will be present at the NGA to move and speak to that motion if required.

We look forward to hearing from you and seeing you at the 2024 NGA.

CRITERIA FOR MOTIONS

To be eligible for inclusion in the NGA Business Papers, and subsequent debate on the floor of the NGA, motions must meet the following criteria:

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4. Complement or build on the policy objectives of ALGA and your state or territory local government association.
5. Be submitted by a council which is a financial member of their state or territory local government association.
6. Propose a clear action and outcome ie call on the Australian Government to act on something.
7. Not be advanced on behalf of external third parties that may seek to use the NGA to apply pressure to Board members, or to gain national political exposure for positions that are not directly relevant to the work of, or in the national interests of, local government.
8. Address issues that will directly improve the capacity of local government to deliver services and infrastructure for the benefit of all Australian communities.
9. Not seek to advance an outcome that would result in a benefit to one group of councils to the detriment of another.
10. Be supported by sufficient evidence to support the outcome being sought and demonstrate the relevance and significance of the matter to local government nationally.

Motions must commence with the following wording:

This National General Assembly calls on the Australian Government to ...

Please note that resolutions of the NGA do not automatically become ALGA's national policy positions.

OTHER THINGS TO CONSIDER

It is important to complete the background section of the submission form. Submitters of motions should not assume that NGA delegates will have background knowledge of the proposal. The background section helps all delegates, including those with no previous knowledge of the issue, in their consideration of the motion. Please note, motions should NOT be prescriptive in directing how the matter should be pursued.

Try to keep motions practical, focussed and capable of implementation to ensure that relevant Australian Government Ministers provide considered, thoughtful and timely responses.

Try to avoid motions that are complex, contain multi-dot points and require complex cross-portfolio implementation.

All motions submitted will be reviewed by the ALGA Board's NGA Sub-committee, in consultation with state and territory local government associations, to determine their eligibility for inclusion in the NGA Business Papers.

When reviewing motions, the Sub-committee considers the criteria, clarity of the motion and the importance and relevance of the issue to local government.

If there are any questions about the substance or intent of a motion, ALGA will raise these with the nominated contact officer. With the agreement of the submitting council, these motions may be edited before inclusion in the NGA Business Papers.

To ensure an efficient and effective debate, where there are numerous motions on a similar issue, the NGA Sub-committee will group these motions together under an overarching strategic motion. The strategic motions will have either been drafted by ALGA or will be based on a motion submitted by a council which best summarises the subject matter.

Debate will occur in accordance with the rules for debate published in the Business Papers and will focus on the strategic motions. Associated sub-motions will be debated by exception only or in accordance with the debating rules.

Any motion deemed to be primarily concerned with local or state issues will be referred to the relevant state or territory local government association and will not be included in the NGA Business Papers.

All motions require:

- a contact officer;
- a clear national objective;
- a summary of the key arguments in support of the motion; and
- endorsement of your council.

**Motions should be lodged electronically using the online form available at www.alga.asn.au.
Motions should be received no later than 11:59pm AEST on Friday 29 March 2024.**

SETTING THE SCENE

The theme for NGA24 'Building Community Trust' aims to focus on the role of local government in the Australian system of government and explore the critical importance of trust in governments, between governments, its institutions, and our citizens.

In a recent essay on Capitalism after the Crisis (2023) the Treasurer the Hon Dr Jim Chalmers MP wrote:

'Our mission is to redefine and reform our economy and institutions in ways that make our people and communities more resilient, and our society and democracy stronger as well.'

The need to strengthen our democracy was also emphasised the Prime Minister the Hon Anthony Albanese MP in a speech at Queensland's Woodford Folk Festival toward the end of 2022:

'I urge anyone who thinks our democracy is unassailable to have a look around the world. Even some of the oldest, most stable democracies have come under attack from a whole range of corrosive, insidious forces. No one is immune. Our democracy is precious, something we have carefully grown and nurtured from one generation to the next. One of our core responsibilities is to make it stronger, and the key to that strength is transparency and accountability.'

In early 2023 the Australian Government established a taskforce to advise government on 'what can be done – practically – to strengthen Australian democracy'.



The 2024 NGA provides you - the elected representatives of Australia's local councils and communities - with the opportunity to engage with the Federal Government and key Ministers.

Further, it is your opportunity to advocate for new or expanded programs and key policy initiatives that could strengthen local governments, its capacity to deliver services and infrastructure to local communities across the nation. This service delivery is critical to build, maintain and strengthen the trust of our citizens.

This year's call for motion focusses on twelve priority areas:

- Intergovernmental relations;
- Financial sustainability;
- Roads and infrastructure;
- Emergency management;
- Housing and homelessness;
- Jobs and skills;
- Community services;
- Closing the Gap and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Reconciliation;
- Data, digital technology and cyber security;
- Climate change and renewable energy;
- Environment; and
- Circular economy.



1. INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

'Australia's federal structure, built upon reciprocal financial, legislative and policy responsibilities, requires intelligent cooperation on issues of strategic national significance.'

National Cabinet is a forum for the Prime Minister, Premiers and Chief Ministers to meet and work collaboratively. National Cabinet was established on 13 March 2020 and is chaired by the Prime Minister. The National Cabinet is a key mechanism in Australia's current intergovernmental architecture.

A representative of local government, the President of ALGA, is invited to meet with National Cabinet once each year. The President of ALGA also attends one meeting per year of the Council on Federal Financial Relations comprising the Commonwealth Treasurer as Chair and all state and territory treasurers.

A substantial body of research, from Australia and internationally, has highlighted that governments that work together are generally more successful in achieving shared national objectives, including economic recovery from events like the COVID-19 pandemic as well as in service and infrastructure delivery.

This research reinforces the need for local government to be included in relevant ministerial forums that support national priorities – from housing affordability to reaching net-zero emissions. ALGA currently participates in National Cabinet (1/year), Council on Federal Financial Relations (1/year), Infrastructure Transport Ministers Meeting, National Emergency Managers Meeting, Local Government Ministers Forum, Joint Council on Closing the Gap, Planning Ministers Meeting, Meeting of Environment Ministers, Energy and Climate Change Ministers and the Road Safety Ministers Meeting, to represent local government views.

Local government input can provide a community voice, enabling our intergovernmental forums to make decisions with greater legitimacy and authority.

Given the importance of trust in governments, between governments and its citizens, how can intergovernmental arrangements be further improved in Australia?

Are there ways of maintaining and enhancing the community's trust in local government?

Are there new initiatives and programs that could be adopted to improve the level of cooperation and collaboration between the Australian Government and local government?

2. FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY

Trust in governments is highly correlated with their ability to fulfill the implicit social contract between government and its citizens by keeping promises.

Local government is the third sphere of government in Australia's system of government. Councils are comprised of locally elected representatives who understand local needs and engage locally on strategies to meet those needs.

Councils are responsible for providing a wide range of critical local area services including planning, libraries, waste management systems, transport and infrastructure (eg roads and footpaths, parks, sporting grounds and swimming pools) and social services.

These services are critical to the wellbeing, liveability and productivity of all local communities, and therefore the nation. Equally important is the sustaining of democratic processes at the local and regional level.

Local government's total annual expenditure in 2021 -22 was approximately \$43.6 billion. Non-financial assets including roads, community infrastructure such as buildings, facilities, airports, water, and sewerage (in some states) including land, are valued at \$539 billion [ABS Government Finance Statistics, Australia, 2021-22].

In 2021-22, the Australian Government provided \$2.6 billion in Financial Assistance Grants funding to councils. This included \$1.3b which was brought forward from the 2021-22 estimate and paid through state and territory governments in 2020-21.

Nationally, local government derives nearly 90% of its revenue from its own sources (including rates and services charges), compared to around 50% for state governments. Grants from other levels of government make up just over 10% of local government's total revenue, however these grants are particularly important in areas with a low-rate base, and/or high growth rates, and rapidly expanding service and infrastructure needs.

In 2021-22 Financial Assistance Grants to local governments was less than 0.6% of Commonwealth taxation revenue (CTR), a significant drop from 1996 when these grants were at 1% of CTR. In 2023-24 Financial Assistance Grants have fallen to 0.5% of Commonwealth taxation.

What improvements are needed to the intergovernmental financial transfer system, particularly the Commonwealth transfers to local government, to enhance the community's trust in local government and by extension all governments?

Noting that Commonwealth tied funding is provided with detailed requirements how can this system be improved to provide flexibility and maximize the benefit to local communities?

3. ROADS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

ALGA's 2021 National State of the Assets Report (NSoA) is currently being updated and expected to be launched in 2024. The most recent NSoA shows that while most local government assets such as roads, bridges, buildings, parks and recreation, stormwater, water and wastewater, and airports and aerodromes are generally in good to very good condition, around 10% are not fit for purpose, and around 20–25% are only fair and over time will need attention.

The last NSoA found that in 2019–20 non-financial infrastructure assets were valued at \$342 billion and were depreciating at \$7.7 billion per year. Replacement costs of these infrastructure assets were in the order of \$533 billion.

Local government assets make up a significant proportion of the physical structure of local communities and often provide critical access to and support for citizens to engage in state and national assets and opportunities.

For example, local roads provide important “first and last-mile access” for communities and industry to road networks, integral to economic development and community connection. Local sporting grounds can provide access for community groups to build community participation that has social, health and economic benefits.

Are there programs or initiatives that the Australian Government could adopt to improve the long-term sustainability of local government infrastructure?

Are there programs or initiatives that the Australian Government could provide to improve the sector's capacity to manage local government infrastructure and to integrate these plans into long-term financial plans?

Are there programs or initiatives that the Australian Government could develop to maintain, strengthen and enhance the reputation of Australia's infrastructure providers, including local government?

4. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

In 2022 alone, 46 disasters were declared across Australia, covering more than 300 different council areas. In recent years, almost every Australian council has been impacted in some way by fires, floods, or cyclones.

Last year's flooding caused a damage bill of approximately \$3.8 billion to local roads across Queensland, New South Wales, Victoria and South Australia. This was just a fraction of the total disaster costs incurred by governments across the country.

There have been numerous NGA motions in recent years regarding natural disasters and this has been a significant priority in ALGA's advocacy program.

In 2022 ALGA successfully advocated for a new \$200 million per year Disaster Ready Fund, with the first round of funding allocated in June 2023. This fund will support councils and communities to mitigate against the risk of future disasters and help address the significant imbalance between mitigation and recovery spending.

Councils are encouraged to draw on their practical experience of the improvements that could be made to managing emergencies.

Please note that many aspects of emergency management are state or territory responsibilities, and your motions should focus on how the Australian Government could assist.

What new programs, or improvements to existing programs, could the Australian Government develop to partner with local government to improve the current natural disaster management systems to further assist in recovery and build resilience?

5. HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS

Almost every Australian council and community is facing challenges around a lack of affordable housing.

Alarming research by the UNSW City Futures Research Centre shows 640,000 Australian households – or one in 15 households – are under housing stress.

All levels of government, including councils, have a fundamental role to play in addressing this crisis, which is being compounded by high interest rates, rising construction costs and skills shortages.

At a national level, ALGA is a signatory to the National Housing Accord, and in 2023 successfully advocated for a new \$500 million Housing Support Program for state and local governments to deliver supporting infrastructure for new housing developments.

While the provision of affordable housing is not a local government responsibility, councils have a role to play in ensuring there is enough suitably located land available for housing and that a diversity of housing stock is supported. Councils also want to ensure that new housing developments are supported with the necessary services and infrastructure to create liveable and sustainable communities.

Many councils are also addressing thin markets and developing land and housing themselves, delivering local solutions to meet the needs of their communities.

Councils also want to ensure that they engaged with planning decisions that affect local communities. Taking planning powers away from councils does not always support the best local outcomes.

Councils also play an important role addressing some of the causes of homelessness, including social inclusion programs that can assist mental health and family violence issues, as well as providing support for people currently experiencing homelessness.

What new programs and policies could the Australian Government develop to partner with local government to support the provision of more affordable housing?

How can the Australian Government work with councils to address the causes and impacts of homelessness?

6. JOBS AND SKILLS

Local government is a major employer in Australia providing employment, career advancement and training opportunities for more than 190,800 Australians, across an estimated 400 occupations.

However, councils are facing significant jobs and skills shortages that are constraining their capacity to deliver services and build and maintain local infrastructure.

ALGA's 2022 National Local Government Workforce Skills and Capability Survey indicated that more than 90 percent of Australia's 537 councils were experiencing skills shortages.

The survey also showed that for approximately two-thirds of these councils, these shortages were impacting on project delivery.

In particular, councils are facing a shortage of planners, engineers, building surveyors, environmental officers and human resources professionals.

Skills shortages occur for a variety of reasons including an inability to compete against the private sector, worker accommodation, support services for families, ageing of the workforce and geographic isolation.

Are there programs or initiatives that the Australian Government could implement that would enhance local government's capacity to attract and retain appropriately skilled staff now and into the future?

Are there programs or changes to existing programs that would increase local government's ability to employ apprentices and trainees?

Are there other initiatives that the Australian Government could provide to improve the sector's ability to plan and develop skills fit for the future?

7. COMMUNITY SERVICES

Councils provide a wide range of services based on local characteristics, needs, priorities, and the resources of their community. Indeed, it is this level of responsiveness and accountability to the local community that is an essential feature of democratic local governments worldwide.

Some of these services are provided to address market failure, and many of them are provided by councils on behalf of other levels of government.

It is important to note that nationally local government is more than 83% self-sufficient ie funded at the local level either through rates, fees and charges, sale of goods and services, or interest. The Australian Bureau of Statistics data shows that total local government annual expenditure in 2021-22 was \$43.6 billion.

Only 17% comes from grants and subsidies from other levels of government. Unfortunately, many of these grants and subsidies are tied, or require matching funding which restricts the ability to address local priorities in the way the council and community might need.

Arguably there is no greater obligation upon government than to maintain the trust that citizens have in meeting their community services obligations and promises, particularly to society's most vulnerable.

Local government community services are broadly defined, and may include but are not limited to:

- environmental health including food safety;
- childcare, early childhood education, municipal health;
- aged care, senior citizens;
- services to people living with disability;
- programs to address disadvantage, to reduce poverty and homelessness;
- sporting and recreational programs;
- arts and cultural activities, programs and festivals;
- tourism and economic development activities; and
- library services.

Noting the funding arrangements for the provision of local government community services are there programs and initiatives that the Australian Government could implement to improve the delivery of these services?

Are there reforms or improvements in national community services program that would help local governments support the Australian Government to deliver on its national objectives?

8. CLOSING THE GAP AND ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER RECONCILIATION

In 2021, ALGA co-signed a landmark national agreement to close the gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians. At the heart of the National Agreement on Closing the Gap Partnership are four agreed priority reform targets and 19 socio-economic targets in areas including education, employment, health and wellbeing, justice, safety, housing, land and waters, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander languages.

The Indigenous Voice Co-design Final Report to the Australian Government was released in December 2021. The Local & Regional Voice will contribute to achieving the Closing the Gap outcomes by providing avenues for Indigenous voices to be heard, including to provide feedback to government on Closing the Gap.

As the level of government closest to the people, councils have an essential role supporting and helping to steer the development of policies and programs in partnership with local Indigenous peoples that address closing the gap priorities at the local and regional level.

Local government plays a positive role in reconciliation and celebrating Indigenous culture and identity, and sustainably funded could work effectively to reduce Indigenous disadvantage in all its forms.

On 14 October 2023, Australians voted in a referendum about whether to change the Constitution to recognise the First Peoples of Australia by establishing a body called the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice. The referendum did not pass.

Are there programs or initiatives that the Australian Government could adopt to assist local government to advance reconciliation and close the gap?

Are there practical programs or initiatives that local government and the Australian Government could introduce to maintain, build and strengthen the level of trust between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders and governments?

9. DATA, DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY AND CYBER SECURITY

Provision of information technology to all Australians is vital to innovation, economic growth, and social equity. However, it is potentially even more important to regional Australia where the tyranny of distance increases the inequity of services available – including education, health, economic and social. Innovative technology is becoming more broadly available and could boost productivity and economic growth.

Councils around Australia continue to embrace new technologies to improve their service delivery standards and broaden consultation and engagement with their local communities. However, implementation can be hindered without access to basic technological infrastructure and the necessary IT skills and resources.

In recent times, cyber-attacks on major corporations and other businesses have resulted in significant data breaches. It is a timely reminder as digital information, services and products become an increasing feature of modern business operation including in local government.

Like all risks, local government must manage the risk of cyber-attacks and address cyber security. At a national level, there is limited understanding of local governments' vulnerability to cyber-attacks, preparedness and adequacy of risk management strategies or business continuity planning.

While this is primarily a responsibility of the sector itself, governments at all levels must work together to ensure that the public have confidence in government information management systems and its security.

Drawing upon your council's experience, and your knowledge of other councils within your state or territory, are there programs and initiatives that the Australian Government could implement to help local government develop its digital technology services and infrastructure?

Are there actions the Australian Government could take to improve cyber security within the local government sector?

10. CLIMATE CHANGE AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

Australia's changing climate presents a significant challenge to governments, individuals, communities, businesses, industry, and the environment.

The Australian Government has committed to address climate change and in June 2022 submitted its revised National Determined Contribution (NDC) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. The revised NDC included reaffirming a target of net zero emissions by 2050 and committing to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 43% from 2005 levels.

Local governments have played an important leadership role in addressing climate change, and councils have supported a wide range of community-based programs and initiatives to lower the carbon footprint of their own business operations and of their local communities.

As a sector, local government has been an advocate and active participant in the debate for lowering carbon emissions, is sourcing renewable energy, has responded creatively to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from landfills, and facilitated the construction of green buildings and water sensitive design of cities and towns.

Local government has been at the forefront in addressing the impacts of climate change and adaptation to climate change. In particular, councils have a practical understanding of the risk and impact of climate change on Australia's infrastructure and physical assets, natural ecosystems, local economies and their community.

Noting the Australian Government's approach to reducing emissions, are there partnerships, programs, and initiatives that local government and the Australian Government can form to achieve Australia's 2050 net zero emissions target?

Are there initiatives that could assist local governments to build trust in the community for implementation of key climate change and emissions reduction initiatives?

11. ENVIRONMENT

Australia's 537 local councils play an essential role in providing, regulating and managing Australia's environmental services and infrastructure.

Whether it's biodiversity, biosecurity, natural resource management (NRM), contaminated lands, waste management, water resources, sustainability or roadside environments, councils are responsible for educating households and businesses on environment policy, as well as driving environmental programs and initiatives in their local communities.

In recent years the National General Assembly has considered a range of environmental issues, and passed resolutions on biodiversity, biosecurity, conservation, climate change and water security.

How could the Australian Government partner with local government to strengthen Australia's environmental services and infrastructure?

What new programs could the Australian Government partner with local government in to progress local regional and national objectives?



12. CIRCULAR ECONOMY

Local government is responsible for the management of household and domestic waste and has a critical role to play in further developing the circular economy.

Australia's 537 councils manage approximately 26 percent of Australian waste, either directly or through contractual arrangements. Each year, local governments collect around 9.7 million tonnes of waste from kerbside bin services, sort it at material recovery facilities (MRFs), and dispatch what can be recycled to reprocessing facilities in Australia and overseas.

Where waste cannot be recovered it is landfilled, and local governments in most jurisdictions must pay a significant levy per tonne for landfilled waste, as well as incur the operational costs of maintaining and managing a landfill.

Collecting, treating, and disposing of Australian domestic waste costs local government an estimated \$3.5 billion annually. Local government also dedicates resources to administering community waste-education programs, collecting litter, addressing illegal rubbish dumping, and ensuring compliance with waste bylaws.

In November 2023, Australia's Environment Ministers agreed that the Federal Government would establish new regulations for packaging as well as mandate how packaging is designed, develop minimum recycled content requirements and prohibit harmful chemicals being used. These changes are expected to have a positive impact on the amount of waste sent to landfill, and the costs borne by councils and their communities.

How could the Australian Government further strengthen product stewardship arrangements to support local governments in their endeavours to increase recycling and reduce the volume of waste?

How could the Australian Government partner with local government to advance the circular economy?

CONCLUSION

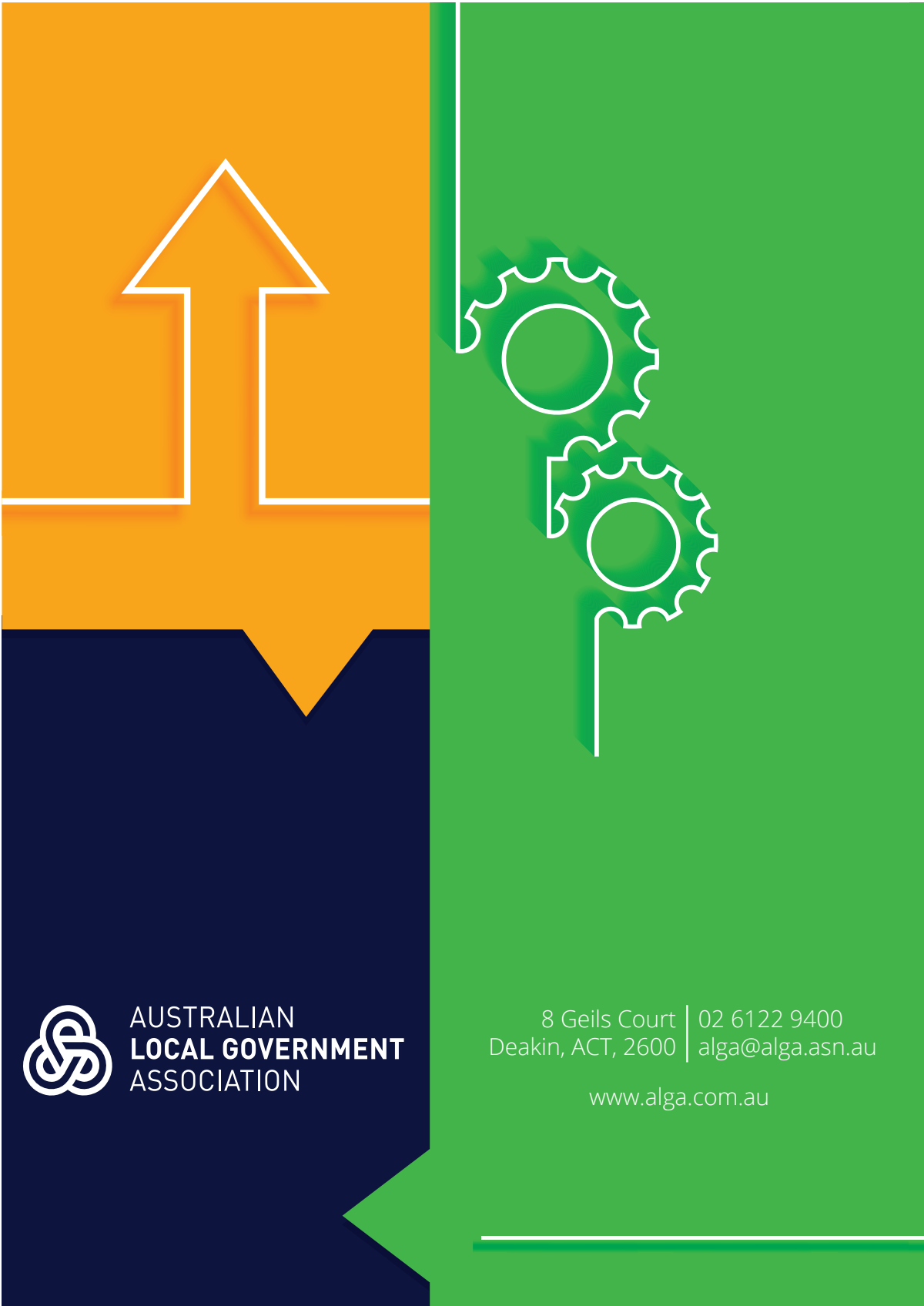
Thank you for taking the time to read this discussion paper and your support for the 2024 National General Assembly of Local Government.

A FINAL REMINDER:

- » Motions should be lodged electronically at www.alga.com.au and received no later than 11.59pm on Friday 29 March 2024.
- » Motions must meet the criteria published in this paper.
- » Motions should commence with the following wording: 'This National General Assembly calls on the Australian Government to...'
- » Motions should not be prescriptive in directing how the matter should be pursued.
- » Motions should be practical, focussed and relatively simple.
- » It is important to complete the background section on the form.
- » Motions must not seek to advance an outcome that would result in a benefit to one group of councils to the detriment of another.
- » When your council submits a motion there is an expectation that a council representative will be present at the 2024 National General Assembly to move and speak to that motion if required.
- » Resolutions of the National General Assembly do not automatically become ALGA's national policy positions. The resolutions are used by the ALGA Board to inform policies, priorities and strategies to advance local governments within the national agenda.

We look forward to hearing from you and seeing you at the 2024 National General Assembly in Canberra.





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RP-10 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 requested information on if Council has received any request or direction from NSW Point to Point Transport, to issue any parking fines over the past few days, stating that Point to Point were in the main street on Sunday at 1pm taking photos of cars in taxi zones and allegedly issue fines.

Council has not received any request from NSW Point to Point Transport related to parking.

The Point to Point Transport Commissioner is the regulator of the point to point transport industry in NSW and is responsible for ensuring that point to point transport services are conducted safely for passengers, drivers and the public.

Point to Point Transport have a Compliance team that delivers intelligence and analytics, on-street enforcement, investigation and audit functions, including responding to notifiable occurrences, complaints and allegations concerning point to point transport service providers.

Councillor R Foley asked if Wagga Wagga City Council participates in the Paperless Fine Scheme.

The General Manager responded confirming Wagga City Council is not participating in the paperless parking fine scheme. Council considered this over 12 months ago where it was agreed that Wagga Wagga City Council would not participate in this program.

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 - 22 FEBRUARY 2024

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 22 February 2024.

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 22 February 2024.

Report

The minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting held on 22 February 2024 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 Corporate Strategic Risk Register.

Internal / External Consultation

The ARIC Chairperson Report was distributed to Councillors via the Councillor Bulletin on 22 March 2024.

Attachments

1   ARIC Minutes - 22 February 2024

MINUTES of the **AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE** held on **Thursday 22 February 2024**

PRESENT

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

IN ATTENDANCE

General Manager	Peter Thompson
Chief Audit Executive	Melinda Conolly
Chief Financial Officer	Carolyn Rodney
Corporate Governance Coordinator	Nicole Johnson
Risk Management and Insurance Officer	Daniel Tallar

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

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

Apologies for non-attendance were received and accepted by the Committee for Rachel Harris and the Mayor, Councillor Dallas Tout on the Motion of B McNair and Councillor M Henderson.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

CM-1 AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES

Recommendation:

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

That the Minutes of the proceedings of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting held on 23 and 30 November 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 29 January 2024.

CARRIED

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DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were received.

PROCEDURAL MOTION - ENGLOBO

Recommendation:

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

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee adopt RP-4, RP-6, RP-8, RP-10 and RP-11 as recommended in the business papers.

CARRIED

REPORTS

RP-1 GENERAL MANAGER'S UPDATE

Recommendation:

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

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee receive and note the update provided by the General Manager.

CARRIED

The Committee considered a report from the General Manager in relation to the Transgrid Acquisitions, Riverina Regional Library Asset division dispute, Wagga Wagga Airport Lease and the Housing Crisis. The Committee discussed concerns regarding risks associated with the status of the airport lease and the community's understanding of Council's position and potential reputational risk for Council going forward. They also raised concerns relating to the "asbestos mulch" risk currently being experienced in Sydney and questioned Council's processes and procedures in regard to monitoring asbestos and green waste at Gregadoo Waste Management Centre.

Manager Information & Communications Technology Services, Reece Hamblin entered the meeting the time being 8:25am.

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RP-2 INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY UPDATE

Recommendation:

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

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 assessment of risk tolerances and resourcing, dedicated resources to undertake work on patching, restriction of administration privileges and exception reporting.

Reece Hamblin vacated the meeting the time being 8:30am.

Director Projects and Strategy, Phil McMurray entered the meeting the time being 8:30am.

RP-3 CAPITAL WORKS UPDATE

Recommendation:

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

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

CARRIED

Council's Director Projects and Strategy, provided the Committee with a status update on the Capital Works Program. 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 has undertaken a budget reset for our current financial year. A comprehensive review is also being undertaken on each capital project to ensure more "realistic figures", and to flatten out the long term financial plan, process adjustments and align projects to available resources.

Phil McMurray vacated the meeting the time being 8:36am.

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RP-4 PEOPLE & CULTURE UPDATE

Recommendation:

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

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee receive and note the People & Culture update.

CARRIED

RP-5 2022/23 NSW AUDIT OFFICE FINAL MANAGEMENT LETTER

Recommendation:

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

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee receive and note the NSW Audit Office Management Letter on the Final Phase of the Audit for the year ended 30 June 2023.

CARRIED

In relation to the Final Management Letter, the Committee raised ongoing concern with the treatment of Rural Fire Service (RFS) assets, with the General Manager providing an update on the regulations and qualified audit reports.

RP-6 AUDIT ENGAGEMENT PLAN FOR 2023/24 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Recommendation:

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

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee:

- a note the NSW Audit Office's schedule for the audit of the 2023/24 Financial Statements**
- b receive a presentation from the NSW Audit Office on the Annual Engagement Plan for the audit of the 2023/24 Financial Statements**

CARRIED

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RP-7 DECEMBER 2023 QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW**Recommendation:**

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

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee note the Quarterly Budget Review for the quarter ended 31 December 2023 reported to Council at the 29 January 2024 Council meeting.

CARRIED

Council's Chief Financial Officer provided an overview of Council's current position. The Committee requested clarification on the increase in budget consultancy and legal and were satisfied in the response from the Chief Financial Officer regarding accounting for the Riverina Regional Library matter. The Committee raised concern with RFS and SES contributions, the service review budget and reforms in planning as a result of the zero based budget approach.

RP-8 PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO FINANCE POLICIES**Recommendation:**

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

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee review and provide feedback on the proposed amendments and provide an endorsement to Council for the following policies:

- a Procurement and Disposal Policy (POL 110)**
- b Corporate Purchase Card Policy (POL 053)**

CARRIED**RP-9 CORPORATE STRATEGIC RISK REGISTER****Recommendation:**

On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and M Henderson

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee the draft Corporate Strategic Risk Register.

CARRIED

Council's Corporate Governance Coordinator, provided an overview on the status and the process taken in the development of the tabled Corporate Strategic Risk Register, including taking into account the historic Interim Strategic Risk Register, the previous Executive Top Ten and emerging risks, validating against known categories/types, updating wording of a number of risks, reviewing controls and amending the further mitigation tasks to current projects and activities. The Committee were also advised of current engagement across the organisation to support the corporate strategic risk

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register, future development of an operational risk register and the upcoming risk management framework review to rebuild foundations and tools to redevelop a risk aware culture and improve integration and understanding of corporate risk management.

RP-10 SIX MONTHLY REVIEW OF CHILD SAFE RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN AND ACTION PLAN 2023/24

Recommendation:

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

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee note and endorse the status of the 2023/24 Child Safe Risk Management Action Plan items.

CARRIED

RP-11 SIX MONTHLY REVIEW OF FRAUD AND CORRUPTION CONTROL RISK REGISTER AND ACTION PLAN 2023/24

Recommendation:

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

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee note and endorse the actions undertaken in the review of the Fraud and Corruption Control Plan incorporating risk mitigation action items from the Fraud Risk Register.

CARRIED

RP-12 GOVERNANCE AND RISK UPDATE

Recommendation:

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

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee:

- a receive and note the report**
- b endorse the Unreasonable Complaint Contact Policy**

CARRIED

The Committee received an update on litigated insurance matters; progress made in dealing with car damage under excess claims and identification of this risk in the corporate strategic risk register under failing infrastructure and maintenance. The Committee commended Council on the 2023 Continuous Improvement Program results and discussed distribution of ICAC findings to staff. The Committee also requested that Council consider findings of the ICAC Annual report in its next review of the Fraud and Corruption Control Plan. The Committee in endorsing the

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Unreasonable Complaint Contact Policy were provided information of the model policy and clarification on training of customer service officers in dealing with these complaints.

RP-13 ARIC ACTION REGISTERS (RESOLUTION REGISTER ARIC MEETINGS)

Recommendation:

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

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

CARRIED

RP-14 INTERNAL AUDIT UPDATE

Recommendation:

On the Motion of C Rosetta-Walsh and Councillor 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

The Committee noted the status of the 2023/24 Internal Audit Plan. It was agreed that the meeting between the CAE and the ARIC to follow would provide the opportunity to discuss the status of the Internal Audit Function in more detail. The Audit Unit Register will be reviewed as part of the Strategic Internal Audit Plan planning discussion.

RP-15 LIBRARY CASH-HANDLING - INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT

Recommendation:

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

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee receive and note the report from the Library Cash Handling Internal Audit.

CARRIED

The Committee commended the Chief Audit Executive on undertaking the reactive Library Cash Handling audit and producing the report in such a timely manner.

The Committee raised concerns regarding resourcing of management initiated reviews and potential implications for completing the Internal Audit Plan. It was agreed the Internal Audit Function should remain responsive to emerging needs and reactive audit

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needs while ensuring such actions do not compromise the fulfillment of the established Annual Internal Audit Plan.

The Committee asked whether the Library going cashless was considered. The CAE advised it was discussed however it was weighed against the risk of reducing the ability of the Library to continue providing services to the community.

The Committee questioned whether the due dates assigned to Action Items were likely to be met; the CAE advised Library staff had commenced actioning recommendations in December and were highly motivated to close out all items.

RP-16 IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVES DATABASE**Recommendation:**

On the Motion of C Rosetta-Walsh and Councillor R Kendall

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**

CARRIED

The Committee noted the status of the Improvement Initiatives Database.

RP-17 PRESENTATION - MANAGER DEVELOPMENT ASSESSMENT & BUILDING CERTIFICATION

Presentation by the Manager Development Assessment & Building Certification was deferred to the May 2024 ARIC Meeting.

QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

No Questions with Notice were received.

The Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee rose at 9:10am.

CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

CONF-1 2024-537 EMERGENCY WORKS FLOODGATE 15A

Author: Andrew Mason

Executive: Phil McMurray

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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)
Manager City Growth & Regional Assets	(Mr B Creighton)
Chief Financial Officer	(Mrs C Rodney)
Chief Operating Officer	(Mr S Gray)
Executive Director - People & Culture	(Mrs F Piltz)
Senior Project Manager	(Mr S Darby)
Project Manager	(Mr A Mason)
Acting Manger Governance & Risk	(Mrs N Johnson)
Communications & Engagement Officer	(Ms L Magrath)
Corporate Governance Officer	(Ms K West)

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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.

PROCEDURAL MOTION - SUSPEND STANDING ORDERS

24/058 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors J McKinnon and T Koschel

That Council suspend Standing Orders for a presentation from Miss Wagga Wagga, Kate Pevere and the Community Princess, Haylee Burkinshaw, the time being 6.02pm.

CARRIED

PROCEDURAL MOTION - REINSTATE STANDING ORDERS

24/059 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors J McKinnon and T Koschel

That Council reinstate Standing Orders the time being 6.21pm

CARRIED

APOLOGIES

An apology for non-attendance was received and accepted for Director Regional Activation, John Sidgwick.

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LEAVE OF ABSENCE

24/060 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and R Foley
That Council grant Leave of Absence to Councillor T Koschel for 8 April 2024.
CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

<u>For the Motion</u>	<u>Against the Motion</u>
D Tout	
G Davies	
M Henderson	
R Foley	
R Kendall	
T Koschel	
J McKinnon	
A Parkins	

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

CM-1 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING - 26 FEBRUARY 2024

24/061 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors R Foley and J McKinnon
That the Minutes of the proceedings of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 26 February 2024 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.
CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

<u>For the Motion</u>	<u>Against the Motion</u>
D Tout	
G Davies	
M Henderson	
R Foley	
R Kendall	
T Koschel	
J McKinnon	
A Parkins	

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DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor T Koschel declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in RP-6 - QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE the reason being that he works for a financial institution and would like this noted and remained in the chamber during its consideration.

PROCEDURAL MOTION - ENGLOBO

24/062 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and T Koschel

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**
- **Matter of urgency**
- **Closure of Meeting**

That RP-4, RP-5, M-1, CONF-1 to CONF-3 be adopted as recommended in the business papers.

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

<u>For the Motion</u>	<u>Against the Motion</u>
D Tout	
G Davies	
M Henderson	
R Foley	
R Kendall	
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PUBLIC DISCUSSION FORUM

RP-3 PRESENTATION SISTERS - AVENUE OF TREES

- Patrick Donohue – Speaking in favour of the Recommendation

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PROCEDURAL MOTION - CHANGE STANDING ORDERS

24/063 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors A Parkins and R Kendall

That Council move forward consideration of RP-3 - Presentation Sisters - Avenue of Trees, to follow the Public Discussion Forum.

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

<u>For the Motion</u>	<u>Against the Motion</u>
D Tout	
G Davies	
M Henderson	
R Foley	
R Kendall	
T Koschel	
J McKinnon	
A Parkins	

REPORTS FROM STAFF

RP-3 PRESENTATION SISTERS - AVENUE OF TREES

24/064 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors G Davies and R Foley

That Council:

- a note the request from the Presentation Sisters**
- b accept the funding offer of \$14,762 from the Presentation Sisters to establish a tree corridor in Bourke Street**
- c approve the budget variations as detailed in the Financial Implications section of the report**

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

<u>For the Motion</u>	<u>Against the Motion</u>
D Tout	
G Davies	
M Henderson	
R Foley	
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RP-1 NORTH WAGGA FLOOD MITIGATION OPTION PROJECT

24/065 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and J McKinnon

That Council:

- a notes the recommendation from the Floodplain Risk Management Advisory Committee**
- b receives the draft Reports prepared by consultants regarding the North Wagga Flood Mitigation Options and place those on public exhibition for a minimum period of 42 days from 15 March 2024 and invite public submissions until 26 April 2024 on the draft Reports**
- c receive a further report following the public exhibition and submission period addressing any submission and providing a recommendation for flood mitigation options for North Wagga**

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

<u>For the Motion</u>	<u>Against the Motion</u>
D Tout	
G Davies	
M Henderson	
R Foley	
R Kendall	
T Koschel	
J McKinnon	
A Parkins	

RP-2 ACTIVE TRAVEL PLAN STAGE 1 (ATP1)

24/066 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors A Parkins and J McKinnon

That Council:

- a note the status of the Active Travel Stage 1 project**
- b authorise the General Manager or their delegate to draft the amendment to the Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan (LICP) as outlined in the Financial Implications section of this report**
- c authorise the General Manager or their delegate to place the draft amendment to the Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan (LICP) on public exhibition for a period of 28 days and invite public submissions**
- d receive a further report following the exhibition and submission period addressing any submission made in respect of the draft document**

CARRIED

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T Koschel	
J McKinnon	
A Parkins	

RP-3 Presentation Sisters - Avenue of Trees, was moved forward to follow the Public Discussion Forum.

RP-4 FINANCE POLICIES - PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

24/067 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and T Koschel

That Council:

- a place the draft Procurement and Disposal Policy (POL 110) and the draft Corporate Purchase Card Policy (POL 053) on public exhibition for a period of 28 days from 12 March 2024 to 9 April 2024 and invite public submissions on the draft Policies during this period**
- b receive a further report following the public exhibition and submission period:**
 - i addressing any submissions made with respect to the proposed Procurement and Disposal Policy (POL 110) and Corporate Purchase Card Policy (POL 053)**
 - ii proposing adoption of the policies unless there are any recommended amendments deemed to be substantial and requiring a further public exhibition period**

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

<u>For the Motion</u>	<u>Against the Motion</u>
D Tout	
G Davies	
M Henderson	
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RP-5 OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE REPORT - 1 JULY 2023 TO 31 DECEMBER 2023

24/068 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and T Koschel

That Council receive and note the Operational Performance Report for the period 1 July 2023 to 31 December 2023.

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

<u>For the Motion</u>	<u>Against the Motion</u>
D Tout	
G Davies	
M Henderson	
R Foley	
R Kendall	
T Koschel	
J McKinnon	
A Parkins	

RP-6 QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

24/069 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors T Koschel and J McKinnon

That Council receive and note the report.

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

<u>For the Motion</u>	<u>Against the Motion</u>
D Tout	
G Davies	
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COMMITTEE MINUTES

M-1 FLOODPLAIN RISK MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE - 7 DECEMBER 2024, 15 FEBRUARY 2024 & 27 FEBRUARY 2024

24/070 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and T Koschel

That Council receive and note the Minutes of the proceedings of the Floodplain Risk Management Advisory Committee Meetings held 7 December 2023, 15 February 2024 & 27 February 2024.

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

<u>For the Motion</u>	<u>Against the Motion</u>
D Tout	
G Davies	
M Henderson	
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CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

CONF-1 RFT2024-15 EFFLUENT POND LINING DESIGN & CONSTRUCT NARRUNG ST AND KOORINGAL SEWERAGE TREATMENT WORKS

24/071 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and T Koschel

That Council:

- a in accordance with Clause 178(1)(b) of the Local Government (General Regulation) 2021, decline all tenders for RFT2024-15 effluent pond lining design & construct Narrung Street and Kooringal sewerage treatment works**
- b 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 design and construction of effluent pond lining at Narrung Street**

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- 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 the negotiation modified scope will provide a satisfactory outcome**
 - e authorise the General Manager or their delegate to enter into a contract for the design and construction of effluent pond lining at Narrung St should the negotiation be successful**
 - f authorise the affixing of Council’s common seal to all relevant documents as required**
- CARRIED**

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

<u>For the Motion</u>	<u>Against the Motion</u>
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CONF-2 PROPOSED LEASE OF AIRSPACE OVER PUBLIC ROAD ADJACENT TO 99 FITZMAURICE STREET, WAGGA WAGGA

- 24/072 RESOLVED:**
On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and T Koschel
- That Council:**
- a authorise the General Manager or their delegate to negotiate entry into a lease with Juliet Lee Duffy in relation to the air space adjacent to the property at 99 Fitzmaurice Street, Wagga Wagga (being Lot 1 DP 112205)**
 - b authorise the General Manager or their delegate to submit the proposed air space lease to the Secretary of the Department of Planning and Environment for approval**
 - c delegate authority to the General Manager or their delegate to execute the agreements on behalf of the Council**
 - d authorise the affixing of Council’s common seal to all relevant documents as required**
- CARRIED**

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CONF-3 RFT2024-03 ROADSIDE VEGETATION & GROUNDS MAINTENANCE

24/073 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and T Koschel

That Council:

- a accept the tender offers of the roadside vegetation management and grounds maintenance contractors as indicated in Table 1 of the body of this report for the provision of services to Council for a period of 24 months**
- b authorise the General Manager or their delegate to enter contracts with the entities indicated in Table 1 in the body of this report**
- c authorise the General Manager or their delegate to extend the contact for 3 x 12-month periods as allowed for in the contract and at the sole discretion of Council**
- d authorise the affixing of Council’s Common Seal to all relevant documents as required**

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

<u>For the Motion</u>	<u>Against the Motion</u>
D Tout	
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R Foley	
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THIS COMPLETED THE BUSINESS OF THE COUNCIL MEETING WHICH ROSE AT 6.52pm.

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MAYOR

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