



Agenda and Business Paper

Ordinary Meeting of Council

To be held on
Monday 8 April 2024
at 6.00pm

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Peter Thompson
General Manager

WAGGA WAGGA CITY COUNCILLORS



**Councillor Dallas Tout
(Mayor)**

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



**Councillor Amelia Parkins
(Deputy Mayor)**

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



Councillor Georgie Davies

Councillor Georgie Davies was elected to Council in 2021.



Councillor Richard Foley

Councillor Richard Foley was elected to Council in 2021.



Councillor Michael Henderson

Councillor Michael Henderson was elected to Council in 2021.



Councillor Rod Kendall

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



Councillor Tim Koschel

Councillor Tim Koschel was elected to Council in 2016.



Councillor Jenny McKinnon

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

STATEMENT OF ETHICAL OBLIGATIONS

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

QUORUM

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

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL AGENDA AND BUSINESS PAPER

MONDAY 8 APRIL 2024

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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 - 25 MARCH 2024

Recommendation

That the Minutes of the proceedings of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 25 March 2024 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

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DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

Author: Steven Cook
General Manager: Peter Thompson

Summary:

The report is for a development application and is presented to Council for determination.

This report was presented at Councils Ordinary Council Meeting 25 March 2024 but was undetermined due to loss of quorum.

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.

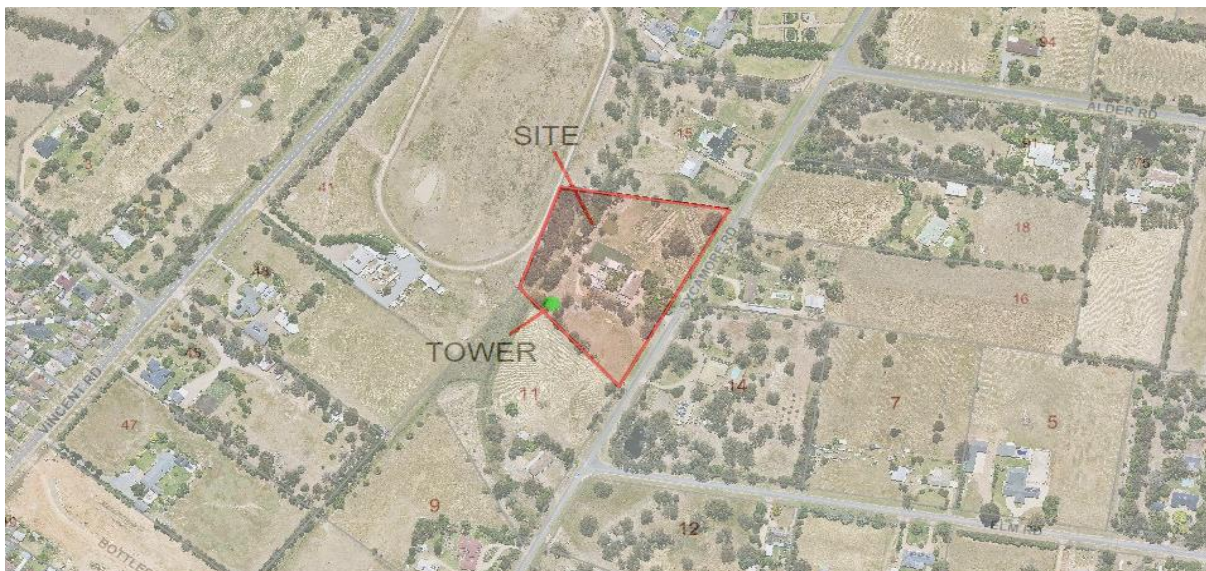
- The site is identified as subject to flooding during overland flow stormwater events. Subject to recommended conditions of consent, the flooding impacts of the development are assessed as satisfactory having regard to the matters for consideration under the relevant provisions of both the LEP and DCP.
- 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)																

RP-2 2024/25 AIRPORT FEES AND CHARGES

Author: Zachary Wilson
Executive: Carolyn Rodney

Summary: The proposed Airport fees and charges for the 2024/25 financial year have been on public exhibition for a period of 28 days, from 27 February 2024 to 26 March 2024. This report outlines public submissions received and proposes adoption of those fees and charges.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a note that there were two public submissions received during the exhibition period for the 2024/25 Airport fees and charges
- b adopt the Airport Fees and Charges for the 2024/25 financial year, to commence from 1 July 2024
- c commence the new Passenger Service Charges from 1 August 2024

Report

Council, at its meeting of 26 February 2024, resolved:

That Council:

- a *place the draft 2024/25 Airport Fees and Charges on public exhibition for a period of 28 days from 27 February 2024 to 26 March 2024 and invite public submissions during this period*
- b *receive a further report following the exhibition and submission period:*
 - i *addressing any submissions made in respect of the draft 2024/25 Airport Fees and Charges*
 - ii *proposing adoption of the 2024/25 Airport Fees and Charges unless there are any recommended amendments deemed to be substantial and requiring a further public exhibition period*
 - iii *proposing that the new Passenger Services Charges rates commence from 1 August 2024*

The proposed Airport fees and charges for the 2024/25 financial year were placed on public exhibition from 27 February 2024 until 26 March 2024 and Council invited public submissions during this period. Two (2) public submissions were received during this period.

Airport User Notification

In order for airport users to be provided with adequate notice of the change in fees and charges for the 2024/25 financial year, a three (3) month notification period is required for Airlines to enact this change – in particular for the Passenger Service Charges.

On adoption of the proposed fees and charges, Council staff will commence the notification process to airport users. Based on the required notification period, it is proposed to commence the increased Passenger Service Charges from 1 August 2024.

These adopted fees and charges will subsequently be incorporated into Councils Operational Plan for consideration and adoption by Council in its entirety in June 2024.

Financial Implications

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the financial position of the Wagga Airport has declined significantly over the past few financial years. This impact, along with the freezing of the passenger service charge from 2018/19 to 2022/23 inclusive, has resulted in the Airport reserve being reduced to a \$0 balance as at 30 June 2023.

For the Airport business to return to surplus and to fund any future capital spend at the Airport, the proposed yearly minimum increase in fees and charges is required.

Policy and Legislation

Local Government Act 1993, Sections 610F
Integrated Planning and Reporting Guidelines

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

Without adequate revenue to cover the costs of operating the Wagga Wagga Airport, the Airport will not be financially sustainable into the future and will not meet the expectations of the community.

Internal / External Consultation







The draft 2024/25 Airport fees and charges were placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days, from 27 February 2024 to 26 March 2024 with two (2) public submissions being received. The submissions received are attached and below is a summary, along with response from staff.

ID	Submitter	Submission Summary	Officers Response
FC-1	Geoff Breust – Wagga City Aero Club	Wagga City Aero Club supports the proposed CPI based increases to the Airport Fees and Charges.	Council staff appreciate the support of the Wagga City Aero Club regarding the proposed fees and charges.

ID	Submitter	Submission Summary	Officers Response
FC-2	Leanne Hastings	Requested an explanation on the Pricing Policy column, as well as including a suggestion for Council to sell the Airport back to the federal government.	<p>The Pricing Policy column refers to how the individual fee is calculated such as cost recovery, restricted by legislation or regulations, or priced at below cost.</p> <p>Wagga City Council does not currently own the land the airport is located on, with the Department of Defence being the land owners.</p>

Direct correspondence will be provided to the Airport users outlining Council's decision.

Attachments

1.   2024-25 Wagga Airport Fees and Charges
2.   FC-1 - Submission - 2024-25 Airport Fees and Charges - Geoff Breust
3.   FC-2 - Submission - Updated facility fees and charges - Leanne Hastings

Item Number	Fee Name	Pricing Policy ID	Year 23/24 Last Yr Fee (incl. GST)	Fee (excl. GST)	Year 24/25 GST	Total Fee (incl. GST)	GST Applicable	Basis
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Wagga Wagga City Council

Council Facilities

Airport

0001	Airside Access Card – Initial	C	\$47.00	\$45.45	\$4.55	\$50.00	Y	Initial Issue
0002	Airside Access Card – Re-issue	C	\$47.00	\$45.45	\$4.55	\$50.00	Y	Replacement
0003	Authority to Drive Airside (ADA) – Initial	C	\$190.00	\$181.82	\$18.18	\$200.00	Y	Initial Issue
0004	Authority to Drive Airside (ADA) – Re-issue	C	\$47.00	\$45.45	\$4.55	\$50.00	Y	Renewal/Replacement
0005	Landing charge – fixed wing aircraft (non RPT)	D	\$16.04	\$15.31	\$1.53	\$16.84	Y	Per tonne per landing (manufacturers MTOW)
Landing charges apply to non-resident aircraft landing at Wagga Wagga Airport, but excludes RPT aircraft and operators exempted by Council.								
0006	Landing charge – rotary wing aircraft (non RPT)	D	\$8.03	\$7.67	\$0.77	\$8.43	Y	Per tonne per landing (manufacturers MTOW)
Landing charges apply to non-resident aircraft landing at Wagga Wagga Airport, but excludes RPT aircraft and operators exempted by Council.								

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0007	Landing Charge – Aircraft maintenance	D					Y	Each
			Standard Rates per Tonne MTOW for first landing at Wagga. No landing fees for subsequent maintenance or test flights if pilots stated on CTAF that it a maintenance or test flight.					
			Last year fee Standard Rates per Tonne MTOW for first landing at Wagga. No landing fees for subsequent maintenance or test flights if pilots stated on CTAF that it a maintenance or test flight.					
Where an aircraft is being serviced by a locally based MRO, Landing Charges will apply at the standard rate for the first landing only. No Landing Charges will be raised for subsequent maintenance or test flights.								
0008	Resident Commercial and Pilot Training Aircraft – Annual Landing Permit	D	\$389.28	\$371.58	\$37.16	\$408.74	Y	Per tonne per annum (manufacturers MTOW)
Annual permits apply to, and are valid for, the financial year commencing 1 July.								
0009	Resident Freight Aircraft – Annual Landing Permit	D	\$196.05	\$187.14	\$18.71	\$205.86	Y	Per tonne per annum (manufacturers MTOW)
Annual permits apply to, and are valid for, the financial year commencing 1 July.								
0010	Resident Private Aircraft – Annual Landing Permit	D	\$194.63	\$185.79	\$18.58	\$204.37	Y	Per tonne per annum (manufacturers MTOW)
Annual permits applicable to resident aircraft only. Resident aircraft are such aircraft that are hangared at this airport. Annual permits apply to, and are valid for, the financial year commencing 1 July.								
0011	ILS Approach	C	\$33.59	\$31.60	\$3.16	\$34.76	Y	Each
0012	ILS Precision Approach Charge > 400 approaches per year	E	\$24.19	\$22.76	\$2.28	\$25.04	Y	Each

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0013	Passenger Service Charge – Base rate for arriving and departing passengers	C				\$18.00	Y	Passenger
						Last year fee \$15.80		
	New fee rate to commence from 1 August 2024.							
0014	Passenger Service Charge - Wagga/Sydney greater than 180,000 passengers threshold combined	E				\$9.00	Y	Passenger
						Last year fee \$7.90		
	New fee rate to commence from 1 August 2024.							
0015	Passenger Service Charge - Wagga/Melbourne greater than 6,000 passengers threshold combined	E				\$9.00	Y	Passenger
						Last year fee \$7.90		
	New fee rate to commence from 1 August 2024.							
0016	Angel Flights, Care Flight, Emergency Services and Other Not For Profit Charitable Organisation Flights	E				No Charge	Y	Each
						Last year fee No Charge		
0017	Screening Fees – Departing Passenger (excludes infants 0-24 months)	C	\$16.14	\$14.39	\$1.44	\$15.83	Y	Passenger
0018	Car Parking – Annual	D	\$1,830.00	\$1,750.00	\$175.00	\$1,925.00	Y	Annual
0019	Car Parking – Weekly	D	\$67.50	\$61.36	\$6.14	\$67.50	Y	Week
0020	Car Parking – Daily	D	\$13.50	\$12.27	\$1.23	\$13.50	Y	Day
0021	Car Parking – Hourly	D	\$2.70	\$2.45	\$0.25	\$2.70	Y	Hour
0022	Car Parking – Lost Ticket	D	\$135.00	\$122.73	\$12.27	\$135.00	Y	Each
0023	Car Park Access Card – Initial	C	\$47.00	\$45.45	\$4.55	\$50.00	Y	Initial Issue
0024	Car Park Access Card – Re-issue	C	\$47.00	\$45.45	\$4.55	\$50.00	Y	Replacement
0025	Car Rental Operators - use of Car Park	C	\$0.50	\$0.45	\$0.05	\$0.50	Y	Each Use
	To be invoiced monthly for each time the issued swipe cards are used by individual car rental operators.							
0026	Replacement for lost parking permit	D	\$85.00	\$81.82	\$8.18	\$90.00	Y	Each
0027	Vic Cards Issue	C	\$44.00	\$42.73	\$4.27	\$47.00	Y	Card Issue

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0028	Promotional Displays	D	\$170.00	\$163.64	\$16.36	\$180.00	Y	Week
0029	Pavement Concession Application Fee	C	\$265.00	\$254.55	\$25.45	\$280.00	Y	Each
Applicable to all aircraft with an ACN of more than 20 for which a Pavement Concession is to be granted prior to the intended landing.								
0030	Pavement Concession Above Weight Charge	C	\$12.64	\$12.06	\$1.21	\$13.27	Y	Per tonne MTOW above 30 tonnes
0031	Quarterly Water Access Fee per leased site at Airport	C	\$45.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	N	Per leased site

Wilson, Zachary

From: Geoff Breust
Sent: Monday, 11 March 2024 11:51 AM
To: Wilson, Zachary
Cc:
Subject: RE: Draft 2024/25 Airport Fees and Charges - Public Exhibition

Hi Zac,

Thanks for letting us know of the proposed increases in charges for 24/25.

Given most charges increase by around 5% and the annual CPI is in the order of 4.1% we accept the proposed increases.

Kind regards,

Geoff

Geoff Breust
President
Wagga City Aero Club Inc



From: Wilson, Zachary
Sent: Tuesday, 5 March 2024 7:45 AM
To: Undisclosed recipients:
Subject: Draft 2024/25 Airport Fees and Charges - Public Exhibition

Good Morning,

Please be advised that the draft 2024/25 Wagga Airport Fees and Charges are currently on public exhibition until Tuesday 26 March 2024.

The draft documents can be found and submissions can be made by following the below link:

[Draft 2024/25 Airport Fees and Charges | Have Your Say Wagga Wagga \(nsw.gov.au\)](#)

Regards Zac

Zachary Wilson
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From: "Have Your Say Wagga Wagga" <noreply@wagga.nsw.gov.au>
Sent: Sat, 16 Mar 2024 16:37:03 +1100
To: "City of Wagga Wagga" <Council@wagga.nsw.gov.au>
Subject: Make a submission - Updated facility fees and charges. Form Submission



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Phone Number

Submission

Hello,

I took a look at the 'Draft Airport Fees & Charges' & would like to know what "C, D, E" stand for in the Pricing Policy column please.

Further, as we have a new Fed Gov, why don't WWCC sell the airport back to them? ALP may be more receptive to the offer.

Wouldn't this mean more \$ rates can be spent on our region rather than on the airport

Regards,

Leanne Hastings

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RP-3 INLAND RAIL UPDATE**Author:** Phil McMurray

Summary: | The purpose of this report is to update Council the status of the proposed Inland Rail Project.

Recommendation

That Council receive and note the report.

Report

The environmental approval process between Inland Rail and the NSW Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) has consisted of an initial Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and subsequent Preferred Infrastructure Report (PIR). For each of these studies Council has undertaken a thorough review and provided a response on behalf of the community of Wagga Wagga. Inland Rail has now provided a close-out response addressing WWCC's comments to DPE. This document is on the planning portal as "Preferred Infrastructure Report – Response to Submissions" and enclosed under separate cover.

This response from the project proponent is not sufficient in addressing the concerns and environmental impacts initially raised. As a result, the detrimental impact on the City of Wagga Wagga remains outstanding.

DPE is currently in the assessment phase of the project application, prior to recommendation and determination phases. Council officers have taken the opportunity to outline some of the key elements of unresolved environmental impacts with DPE, as highlighted below:

Bypass

Council noted that they had previously advocated for a bypass of the city. Council stated that this would alleviate all the issues that had been previously raised and those raised in response to the EIS. Council express concern that Inland Rail expressed that consideration of a bypass of Wagga Wagga is not contemplated by government and is not a necessity for this planning approval or assessment of the proposal.

At its last Council meeting held on Monday 25 March 2024 Council resolved the following Notice of Motion from Councillor Richard Foley:

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

24/077 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors R Foley and J McKinnon

That the Mayor 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. 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**

CARRIED

Traffic & Transport (operational)

Inland Rail have undertaken thorough traffic modelling for the City, looking at impacts of both the construction of project enhancement sites and the operation of Inland Rail as far as 2040. The modelling undertaken by Inland Rail as part of their PIR report clearly shows that the operation of Inland Rail will reduce AM and PM peak Level of Service (LOS) significantly, to a level of D, at the intersections immediately adjacent to the Bourke/Docker level crossing. Namely the Bourke/Coleman and Docker/Chaston intersections (See Figure 1). Council cannot accept a reduction of LOS from B to D as a result of operation of this project and do not accept that operational impacts of Inland Rail are outside of the responsibility of the proponent to address. Council assert that appropriate mitigation is required at the Bourke/Docker crossing to ensure that LOS is not reduced to D as a result of the operation of Inland Rail and that this mitigation should take the form of grade separation of the Bourke/Docker crossing at the time of construction.

Intersection	2040 Base			2040 Operational			Delay Change (%)
	Volume (veh)	Delay (sec)	LoS	Volume (veh)	Delay (sec)	LoS	
Pearson Street / Sturt Highway	3,692	191	F	3,744	184	F	-4%
Docker Street / Sturt Highway	2,796	245	F	2,838	217	F	-11%
Station Place / Sturt Highway	1,403	71	E	1,413	71	E	+0%
Best Street / Sturt Highway	2,517	17	B	2,537	17	B	+0%
Bourke Street / Coleman Street	1,897	25	B	1,814	51	D	>100%
Mitchelmore Street / Coleman Street	1,246	21	B	1,240	21	B	-1%
Docker Street / Chaston Street	1,939	25	B	1,857	45	D	+79%
Mitchelmore Street / Fernleigh Road	874	11	A	862	10	A	-9%

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Figure 1. Extract from WSP traffic modelling report showing LOS changes from operation in 2040.

Design safety

Inland Rail is proposing to reconstruct Edmondson Street bridge with a new structure and geometry which will allow clearance below for double-stacked container trains. The new road bridge will have significantly increased grades and shortened sight distances, as a result of a sharper bridge crest. This design adopts multiple absolute minimum design criteria, which combined, reduces the safety of the road environment. Council have not been provided with documentation which demonstrates how the proposed changes will not increase the risk of the road environment and how the proposal will be compliant. Having identified confusion between the project proponent and contractor about the design and operating speed of the new road, Council is unsatisfied that safety assessments and proposed mitigations are sufficient. As a result, WWCC insist that a requirement should be put in place to conduct a Road Safety Audit (RSA) following delivery of the new Edmondson Street bridge and that the project proponent should remain liable to fully-address any deficiencies identified by this RSA at their cost.

Constraints to operation

In their close-out response Inland Rail have stated that the current speed restriction on the Bomen Viaduct is a result of maintenance works to renew the components of the structure and that the speeds imposed are not reflective of typical operation of the rail network. Council notes that these restrictions have been in place for 7-years. Considering this, Council are not satisfied that additional maintenance works are not planned or likely following completion of the current project. As all impacts of the construction and operation of Inland Rail have assumed that this speed-restriction will not be in-place, Council insist that a requirement should be put in place that commencement of operation of the Inland Rail project must not begin until all ongoing and planned renewal activities on the Bomen Viaducts have been completed.

Pedestrian Bridges

Inland Rail response has not proposed lifts in the pedestrian bridge upgrades. The proposed pedestrian footbridges, as designed with accessible ramps, shall also include the provision of lifts for the benefit of those in the community who need it and

may not be able to traverse the ramps. This should be mandated in any condition of consent.

Operational Noise

Council is positive that the mitigation of operational noise by the proponent have included clear mechanisms by which operational noise impacts will be identified and mitigated in both the detailed design, construction, and operational stages. I have included these measures below for the Council to reference.

Detailed design	NV3	Minimising the potential for operational noise and vibration impacts	An operational noise and vibration review will be undertaken to review the potential for operational impacts and guide the approach to identifying feasible and reasonable mitigation measures to be incorporated in the detailed design. This will be informed, where applicable, by further investigations of internal noise levels, building layout and building condition, to confirm noise trigger exceedances and required mitigation responses.
Detailed design	NV4	Minimising the potential for operational noise impacts	Feasible and reasonable mitigation measures will be identified where exceedances of operational noise and vibration triggers are identified in accordance with the NSW RING Guideline and the Project Specific Noise Levels (PSNL), considering at-source, pathway and receiver treatments. Measures will be identified in accordance with the outcome of the operational noise and vibration review and the Inland Rail Noise and Vibration Strategy. Where at-property noise treatments are identified as the preferred mitigation option, these will be developed in consultation with individual property owners.
Operation	NV4+ NV12	Operational noise and vibration	The proposal will be operated with the aim of achieving the operational noise and vibration criteria identified by the operational noise and vibration review, the requirements of the conditions of approval and the ARTC's existing EPL (EPL#3142).
Operation	NV4+ NV13	Operational noise and vibration	Operational noise and vibration compliance monitoring will be undertaken, once Inland Rail has commenced operation, at representative locations to compare actual noise performance against that predicted by the operational noise and vibration review. Compliance monitoring requirements will be defined by the operational noise and vibration review. The results of monitoring will be included in an operational noise and vibration compliance report, prepared in accordance with the conditions of approval. The need for any additional feasible and reasonable mitigation measures will be identified as an outcome of the monitoring.

Figure 1. Appendix B: Updated Mitigation Measures.

Financial Implications

N/A

Policy and Legislation

Environmental Planning and Assessment Amendment Act 2017

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

Communicate with our community

Risk Management Issues for Council

N/A

RP-4 DRAFT ON-SITE SEWAGE MANAGEMENT PLAN 2024-2028**Author:** Mark Gardiner**Executive:** Janice Summerhayes

Summary: The draft On-Site Sewage Management Plan 2024-2028 provides a consistent approach for regulating On-Site Sewage Management Systems across the Local Government Area. The plan is recommended to be placed on public exhibition for 28 days.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a endorse the draft On-Site Sewage Management Plan 2024-2028 and place on public exhibition for a period of 28 days from 12 April 2024 and invite public submissions until 10 May 2024 on the draft document
- b receive a further report following the public exhibition
 - (i) addressing any submissions made in respect of the proposed plan
 - (ii) proposing any amendments to the plan considered appropriate whether as a result of the submissions or otherwise

Report

Council is responsible for ensuring On-Site Sewage Management Systems (OSMS) are operating effectively, which includes approval of installations, maintaining a register of systems and monitoring the effectiveness of the On-Site Sewage Systems within the Local Government Area. This program is implemented through the On-Site Sewage Management Plan in accordance with best practice guidelines and legislative requirements. The purpose of the management plan is to:

- Protect and enhance the quality of public health and the environment.
- Assist Council to prioritise resources for the efficient monitoring of OSMS
- Guide landholders towards sustainable on-site management of domestic sewage and effluent water.
- Coordinate monitoring, surveillance, environmental assessment and data collection.
- Allow for site assessment on a risk management basis and consider alternate solutions for environmentally sensitive sites.

The plan recognises that there is potential for risk to human Health and the environment by the failure of on-site sewage management systems or the inappropriate irrigation of effluent. The level of risk is determined by a number of factors such as location to a water body, density of population, soil type and performance of the system.

The Local Government (General) Regulation 2021, stipulates the performance standards for operation of system of sewage management, which includes:

- the prevention of the spread of disease by micro- organisms,
- the prevention of the spread of foul odours,
- the prevention of contamination of water,
- the prevention of degradation of soil and vegetation,

- the discouragement of insects and vermin,
- ensuring that persons do not come into contact with untreated sewage or effluent (whether treated or not) in their ordinary activities on the premises concerned,
- the minimisation of any adverse impacts on the amenity of the premises and surrounding lands

The majority of On-Site Sewage Management Systems have an effective operational life of between 15-25 years after which time they may require significant maintenance or replacement to meet the basic performance standards.

The failure of an On-Site Sewage Management System disposal area may pose a major risk to human health and the environment. Failing underground disposals or inappropriate irrigation of effluent are cause for concern as effluent still contains large amounts of dissolved pollutants or can contain disease causing pathogens (eg. viruses and bacteria).

Staff have undertaken a review of the current On-Site Sewage Management Plan to ensure it is still contemporary and in line with health and environmental standards. As part of the review process, it is proposed that Council implement a consistent approach for on-site sewage management practices as the responsible authority for regulating OSMS. Staff recommend and have included in the attached draft On-Site Sewage Management Plan 2024-2028, the reinstatement of inspections on properties greater than 20 hectares for septic systems across the local government area. This is to ensure all systems meet the required performance standards.

Financial Implications

N/A

Policy and Legislation

NSW Local Government Act 1993
NSW Local Government (General) Regulation 2021

Link to Strategic Plan

The Environment

Objective: Our built environment is functional, attractive and health promoting
Improve the facilities of our spaces and places

Risk Management Issues for Council

The On-Site Sewage Management program recognises that there is potential for risk to human health and the environment by the failure of on-site sewage management systems or the inappropriate irrigation of effluent. The level of risk is determined by a number of factors such as density of population, location to a water body, soil type and performance of the system.



Council has regulatory functions in respect of OSMSs and offences which could be committed as a result of a failure of an OSMS. A failure by Council to exercise those regulatory functions could result in Council breaching its charter and could expose Council to liability should any damage result from the failure of an OSMS.

Internal / External Consultation

A Councillor workshop regarding the draft On-Site Sewage Management 2024-2028 was held on 18 March 2024. The draft On-Site Sewage Management Plan 2024-2028 will be placed on public exhibition for 28 days, seeking public submissions. Staff also intend to provide community information and notices as part of implementation of the On-Site Sewage Management Plan 2024-2028.

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

Attachments

1. Draft On-Site Sewage Management Plan 2024-2028 - Provided under separate cover 
2. The Easy Septic Guide - Provided under separate cover 

RP-5 DRAFT CIVIC THEATRE - PERFORMING ARTS MASTERPLAN**Author:** Madeleine Scully**Executive:** Janice Summerhayes**Summary:**

This report brings forward the draft Civic Theatre–Performing Arts masterplan (draft masterplan) for endorsement and to be placed on public exhibition for 28 days. This is the next step following on from the civic theatre councillor workshop held 15 May 2023, the community consultation undertaken as part of the Riverside stage 3 precinct concept plans, and the Riverside stage 3 business case councillor workshop held 19 March 2024. It should be noted there is no funding to deliver the draft masterplan as this will be subject to any future year’s timing and funding for detailed designs, costings and development. Accompanying the attached draft masterplan is the updated 2024 review of the civic theatre business case produced by AEC Group consultancy as part of the Riverside stage 3 precinct business case and in line with NSW treasury guidelines.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a place the draft Civic Theatre - Performing Arts masterplan on public exhibition for a period of 28 days from 12 April and invite public submissions until 10 May 2024 on the draft document
- b receive a further report following the public exhibition period
 - (i) addressing any submissions made in respect of the draft Civic Theatre – Performing Arts Masterplan
 - (ii) proposing any amendments to the plan considered appropriate whether as a result of the submissions or otherwise

Report

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The draft masterplan was completed in April 2022, which was identified as an action in Council’s Cultural Plan 2020-2030. It includes details of the community consultation undertaken, concept design, business case, theatre design, cost plan, economic impact assessment and a traffic and parking assessment.

The Civic Theatre is 61 years old and no longer meets the needs of the community. The draft masterplan outlines the way forward to develop a contemporary Performing Arts Centre that meets the current and future needs of the community. It utilises the existing Civic Theatre (Venue 1) and proposes to add two new contemporary, flexible and accessible spaces (Venue 2 and 3), along with an upgrade to the Basement Theatre that together will provide multi-programming spaces on one site and transform the performing arts offering to the Wagga Wagga and regional community it serves.

Background

The Civic Theatre was opened in June 1963 when Wagga Wagga was a country town with a population of 23,000. It was an ambitious project for a small town and over the last 60 years it has presented thousands of civic ceremonies, community and touring performances, concerts, and special events. It is the centre of the performing arts in Wagga Wagga and over 50,000 people attend shows each year which serves a regional catchment area of over 200,000.

The Civic Theatre building has changed very little over the last 60 years. The early 1960s design was perfect for the community size and needs of the time. Performances then included large community musicals, school shows and award nights and occasional visiting professional arts companies from the capital cities. After being used regularly by the community from the 1960s to the late 1980s the building needed an upgrade in the 1990s, with works undertaken and the existing asset brought back to life in 2000. These works included the replacement of the central stairs with a hallway, making the building wheelchair accessible for audience members. The backstage area gained a loading dock next to the stage, a workshop area was created which meant the front and back of the building could be accessed internally for the first time. The balcony was also added along with a lift and extra toilets.

In 2018 the Civic Theatre underwent refurbishment including the replacement of the seats and carpet in the auditorium, painting of the foyers, the addition of a wheelchair lift and accessible toilet backstage and a retractable roof on the balcony. The Civic Theatre reopened again in March 2018 and has been operating at full capacity ever since. Every year the Civic Theatre has additional demand requests from the community and from promoters that cannot be met as the schedule is already booked and full for the one stage offering.

From a 1960's Civic Theatre to a Contemporary Performing Arts Centre

The draft masterplan identifies a way forward to develop a contemporary Performing Arts Centre that provides multi-programming spaces on one site and transforms the performing arts offering to the Wagga Wagga and regional community it serves. The new design also includes a kitchen, downstairs bar, new balcony and additional backstage space.

The proposed new spaces will allow a greater variety of performances and events to be delivered. Stand up concerts for younger audiences and different genres of music such as jazz, folk and classical can be presented. The addition of a kitchen means food can be incorporated into the program schedule which would allow the venue to host small to medium size conferences and award nights. The new spaces will be more affordable than the only current offer of the one stage, 491 seat theatre. Local artists and community organisations will be able to present new theatre work, live music and be able to hold more community events. They will be able to grow their audiences and the increase in performances means more paid employment opportunities for local creative industries.

This new proposed design is more efficient than the current model with shared services between the three venues. The annual attendance will increase from 50,000 per year to 92,000 per year. This will bring more people to the central business district and provide a significant ongoing boost to nearby hospitality, retail and accommodation businesses.

The concept design is inspired by Uncle Stand Grant Snr and the Wiradjuri/Wiradyuri meaning of Wagga Wagga being a place of dance and celebration. It is proposed that the new performing arts centre would be wrapped in the image of Wiradjuri/Wiradyuri dancers reinforcing that this is a place of dance and celebration in the centre of Wagga Wagga. This unique design will reflect the creativity and culture of our community.

Community Consultation and Strategic Alignment

In 2017 Council undertook extensive consultations to develop the Wagga Wagga Community Strategic Plan. The community indicated the need for more performance entertainment, more variety in the entertainment offering and more opportunities to participate in the performing arts.

Out of Council's Cultural Plan 2020-2030 community consultation process the community provided feedback on the idea of adding two new performance spaces to the existing Civic Theatre. This response was considered, and the expansion of the Civic Theatre became a key recommendation in the plan (1.03 - Expansion of the Civic Theatre).

In 2020/21 further consultations were conducted as part of the development of the draft masterplan where local and national user groups were consulted about the proposed development and the performing arts needs of the city. They agreed new spaces were needed to be flexible with retractable chairs, and that accessibility onto the stage as well as backstage was required. Feedback also noted the venue needs for excellent acoustics and audio/visual technology. Consultation with theatre producers demonstrated a clear market demand for the proposed spaces and that the sizes of the new spaces were the right size for the community and to take advantage of touring circuits. Further community engagement was undertaken between 22 November and 22 December 2023 as part of the Riverside stage 3 concept plans, which included seeking community feedback on the level of support for the expansion of the Civic Theatre.

Draft Masterplan

In October 2020 Council appointed ARM (Ashton, Raggatt, McDougall) Architects to develop a masterplan for the expansion of the Civic Theatre. This included a concept design, business plan, theatre equipment planning and cost plan. Since the completion of the initial work, council staff have also undertaken an economic assessment and a traffic and parking assessment.

The concept is to keep the existing Civic Theatre and extend the building to create a multi-space Performing Arts Centre. Currently the Civic Theatre includes one fixed seat theatre that seats 491. There is a small bar and balcony upstairs. Downstairs there is a box office and toilets. Backstage there is a loading dock, workshop, five dressing rooms and a laundry. In the Basement there is a small theatre stage with seating for 80 and costume storage and office space that is leased by the School of Arts Community Theatre (SOACT).

The draft masterplan will more than double the footprint of the existing venue. The proposed V2 has two levels and will seat a total of 328 in the standard layout with 231 downstairs and 97 upstairs. The downstairs seats will be retractable and create a flat floor space that holds up to 774 people for a standing concert. The room can be configured for a range of events and performance styles. The large window can also open out to the northern side of the venue creating a new outdoor performance area. V3 is located upstairs and can seat 119 in standard configuration and all seats will be retractable creating a flat floor venue that is suitable for cocktail style events of up to 200 people. In the draft masterplan V1, new V2 and V3 are acoustically separate and are designed to be used at the same time.

On the ground floor of the new building will be a large main bar that can serve indoors to the lower foyer and outdoors to a new paved area overlooking the Wollundry Lagoon. There will be a new box office and cloakroom area as well as additional toilets including parents' rooms and an adult lay down change facility. Upstairs the current balcony will be replaced with a larger balcony overlooking the Wollundry Lagoon. The upstairs area will be served by a new bar, toilets, and lift. Backstage there will be a kitchen, six new dressing rooms which can also be used as meeting rooms and breakout space, an additional green room which can also be used for meetings and events, parking for two trucks, office, technical and storage spaces. The Basement Theatre will have a new foyer added with a lift and accessible toilet included. The space will receive a full refurbishment with new paint, carpet and seats as well as new fixtures and fittings. A short fly through video has been developed to present the draft masterplan available here: [Civic Theatre Masterplan \(vimeo.com\)](#)

The exterior of the building will complement the natural setting by creating a stronger connection with the Wollundry Lagoon and green spaces in the precinct. This will be achieved through creating paved areas, new landscaping, indoor/outdoor bar and through the exterior design.

The exterior of the building will also reflect the Wiradjuri/Wiradyuri heritage significance of the Wollundry Lagoon precinct and is inspired by the Wiradjuri meaning of Wagga Wagga as a *Place of Dance and Celebration*. The building will appear to shimmer and dance by using layered Moir screens with the image of Wiradjuri/Wiradyuri dancers captured with high-speed photography. The screens will be colored and backlit. This will create a beautiful and eye-catching façade. The image in the draft masterplan is an example of what it might look like and the video link above demonstrates the outer screen movement and the site's built form as it relates to the surrounding cultural precinct. The final image would be developed in consultation with the Wiradjuri/Wiradyuri Elders and community.

Business Plan

The Civic Theatre presents over 170 performances and events each year to an audience of 50,000 people. The venue has a permanent staff of eight fulltime equivalent and forty-two available rostered casual employees who undertake front of house and technical production work across a 7-day schedule to meet operational demand. The current Civic Theatre is a quality venue for traditional theatre. It is in high demand, highly valued by the community and the schedule is booked out many months in advance. This means that Wagga Wagga misses out on many performances and events because the program schedule is already full. The design of the single stage is suitable for traditional large-seated concerts, community musicals and large dance events meaning these types of events dominate the annual program schedule. The style of design is restrictive and limits Wagga Wagga to a smaller range of

performances than other regional areas. There is strong demand for standing rock concerts for younger audiences, along with other diverse programming requests of which the current building cannot accommodate. The growing demand for multi programming to include multicultural performances with audience participation, contemporary festival work, plays, jazz and cabaret as well as food-based events are unable to be accommodated with a one stage option. In addition, the Civic Theatre misses out on small to medium conferences and events because it does not have a kitchen, flat floor event spaces or breakout space to accommodate them.

As part of the development of the business plan, user groups including local, state, and national performing arts organisations were interviewed to understand their current and future needs. There was strong support for the proposal and for the size and flexibility of the proposed new spaces, confirming that the new design would make it possible to present a more diverse range of performances to the community. V2 was considered perfect for contemporary live music, with commercial producers confirming that there was strong market demand for this type of venue in both the seated acoustic shows and standing concert configurations. It was agreed that the space would also be perfect for plays, circus, comedy, conferences, award nights, musicals, community performances and special events. Local performers and producers were particularly enthusiastic about V3 which they saw as an affordable space, great for contemporary bands, classical recitals, jazz performances, cabaret, comedy, children’s shows, workshops, presentations, classes and corporate events.

The size and flexibility of the proposed new spaces increases the diversity of performances that could be presented and diversifies the income to support the business operations of the Civic Theatre and overall Performing Arts Centre into the future.

Pre COVID-19 the Civic Theatre presented 172 performances and events in 2019 using the Civic Theatre mainstage and the upper foyer. V2 will present 151 performances and events per year and V3 will be utilised for classes, workshops and events and can be used several times a day. This means the current schedule of 172 per year will increase to 581 per year satisfying current and future demand.

The additional performances mean annual attendance will grow from 50,000 per year to over 92,000 per year.

Ticketed Attendances		Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Venue	F2019	Full Ops	Full Ops	Full Ops	Full Ops	Full Ops
T1	49,581	49,799	53,308	55,734	58,209	60,410
T2		17,325	19,260	20,274	22,035	22,425
T3		8,700	9,360	9,720	10,080	10,080
Total	49,581	75,824	81,928	85,728	90,324	92,915

The new venue will have shared services that are utilised between all three spaces including theatre bars, box office, technical equipment, marketing, and staffing making operations more efficient and improving the long-term financial operation of the Civic Theatre. The 2024 Civic Theatre bookings are strong with 227 performances scheduled and on track with projected audience numbers of 65,000, the theatre’s biggest year yet.

Every year the Wagga Wagga Civic Theatre hosts several conferences and business meetings. The Civic Theatre currently provides professional audio/visual equipment, staff, and outdoor exhibition space. It is also in walking distance to the city's premium accommodation, food, and beverage offerings in the central business district.

Conferences, meetings, events, and seminars made up 3% of total events held per year with seven in total presented in 2019. By adding these new, flexible spaces that will have conferencing audio visual equipment and a commercial kitchen, this will strengthen the Civic Theatre as an attractive central business district venue. The Expansion Project Economic Assessment Report April 2022 projects growth of these style of events from 3% to 17% per year.

Current offering

Room	Theatre	Classroom	U Shaped	Boardroom	Sit down Dinner	Cocktail
Civic Theatre	491	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Upper Foyer/Balcony	60	20	16	20	20	100

The proposed V2 can be used as a plenary space single conference/event space or changed into two smaller breakout spaces. V3 can be used in a range of configurations. The dressing rooms and new green room can be used as meeting rooms or as breakout space. The balcony and foyers can also be used for breakout space and events.

Theatre Planning and Acoustics Capabilities

The design includes budget estimates for all technical equipment and installation for the following systems: stage lighting systems including rigging, lighting and consoles, sound, projection and presentation, curtains and tracks, stage management, hearing augmentation and audio/visual. The design includes systems to be used throughout the venue in all foyer and backstage areas across all three venues including paging, performance relay and public display.

The design also includes an electro acoustic system in each of the proposed new spaces. This technology is a series of small speakers and microphones placed around the room that can alter the acoustics of the room electronically. These powerful systems are operated by an ipad and can create the perfect conditions for a variety of music. For example, they can replicate the acoustic quality of a recital hall for classical music, effectively creating two recital spaces in the new venue. They can also create the perfect acoustics for spoken word performances that don't use microphones, making the speech clear and audible. This type of 'active architecture' makes the proposal truly flexible as you will be able to change not only the physical configuration of the space but the audio configuration as well, elevating the new venues to have world class acoustics that would equal the best acoustics in venues across Australia.

Cost Plan

The initial cost of the project was developed by Slattery Australia at \$51,259,000 (April 2022). This was reviewed and confirmed at that time by Council's Associate Director, Projects. As part of the AEC 2024 review the following is the current capital costs year-on-year: 2023-2024 = \$55,625,234 and 2024-2025 = \$58,608,325. It is noted that post

construction the latter years will also have capital renewals required as assets reach the end of their useful lives, with an annual 3.5% indexation applied.

Economic Assessment

In 2022 Lawrence Consulting was engaged to complete an economic impact for the operations of the Civic Theatre which covered the 2018/19 full financial year before the COVID-19 pandemic and forms part of the draft masterplan with a benefit cost ratio (BCR) of 1.24. For currency and in meeting NSW treasury guidelines 2023 an updated review by AEC consultancy was completed and is attached. From this review there is an updated BCR at 5% discount of 0.83 along with the following results:

Civic Theatre Expansion CBA Results			
Measure	3% Discount Rate	5% Discount Rate	7% Discount Rate
Present Value of Costs	\$78,115,909	\$69,894,151	\$64,203,959
Present Value of Benefits	\$83,619,838	\$57,699,345	\$42,359,324
Net Present Value	\$5,503,928	-\$12,194,806	-\$21,844,635
Benefit Cost Ratio	1.07	0.83	0.66

Source AEC consultancy report

Environment and Landscape

Environmentally Sustainable Design (ESD) principles form one of the foundations upon which the proposed draft masterplan will stand. The architects have allowed 5% for ESD over and above any ESD requirements. This allows for a high percentage of vegetated area across the site in comparison to the total building footprint. Although the design requires removal of nine trees and relocation of a memorial tree, an amount of \$950,000 has been allocated for site preparation and landscaping. This will be in consultation with local Wiradjuri/Wiradyuri Elders and community for suitable vegetation for the Wollundry Lagoon area. Energy, water, materials, waste, land-use ecology and indoor environmental quality systems will form part of future detailed site plans using EDS principles.

Traffic and Parking

In March 2022 McLaren Traffic Engineering and Road Safety Consultants completed a traffic and parking assessment for the draft masterplan.

This included examination of the parking availability within 500 metres of the site. The surveys were conducted on 11th and 12th March 2022 coinciding with a major event Wagga Mardi Gras to test the traffic and parking performance during a high use period for the CBD. This survey concluded that the expansion posed no parking issues created by the proposed additional theatre users. It concludes there is remaining spare parking availability on-street and off-street, within public car parks to accommodate parking demand generated by the proposed development, even when all three venues are operating at peak capacity of 1440 patrons.

A new bus drop-off area is included in the draft masterplan. It is located near the civic theatre entrance on Tarcutta Street, along with additional accessible carparks. This compliments the four existing accessible parks in Morrow Street. A loading dock area is accessed off Tarcutta Street that allows for two vehicles. The site is already served by a bus stop located on the corner of Baylis and Morrow Streets which is 300 metres and 4 minutes walking distance from the Civic Theatre.

A traffic survey of the surrounding roads was conducted on 22 March 2022. It found that, even at peak operation of 1440 patrons, the assessed intersections performed at an acceptable level of service and that the proposed development is fully supportable on traffic flow efficiency grounds. As part of any future development further consultation would occur with Transport for NSW, and as part of any future development application process.



Map of parking in Wagga Wagga Civic Theatre Precinct

The Basement and Wagga School of Arts Community Theatre (SOACT)

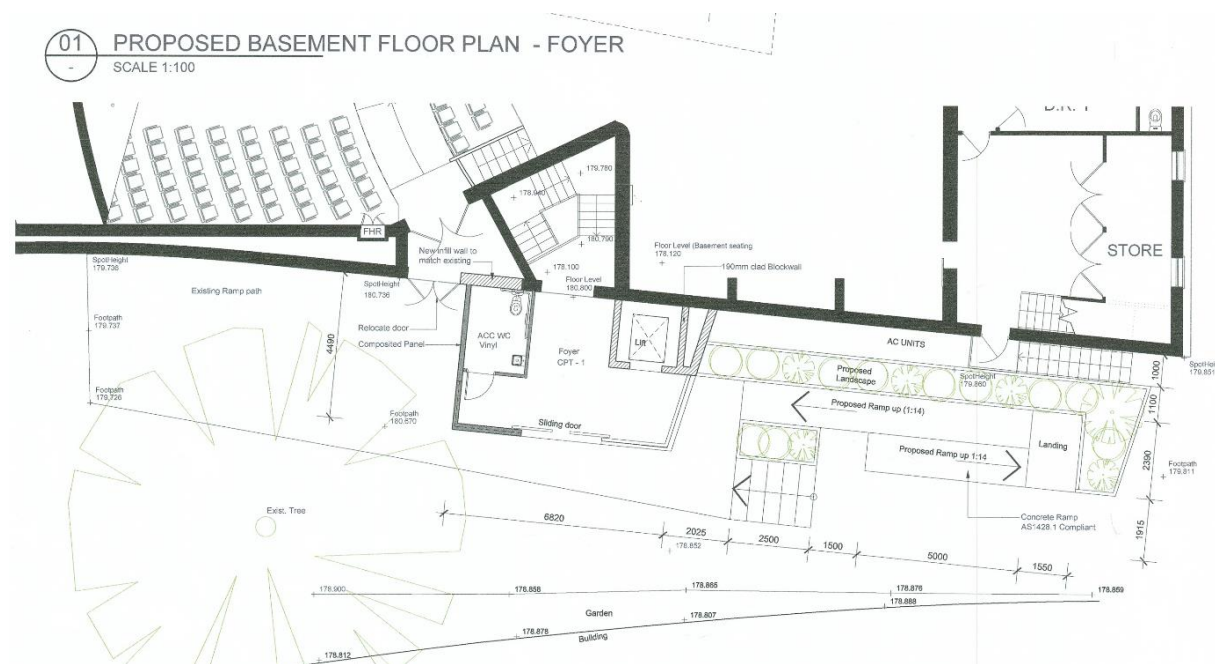
SOACT is located in the basement of the Wagga Wagga Civic Theatre. The space consists of offices, costume storage and The Basement Theatre, which seats 80 -100 people. The lease with Council guarantees two periods every year where The Basement Theatre can be used for plays which results in the Civic Theatre stage not being able to be used to accommodate this, due to acoustic bleed between the stages. This lease arrangement equals 16 performance days per year. SOACT regularly requests additional days to meet their needs and they are incorporated, whenever possible, into the Civic Theatre program schedule.

As the Basement Theatre is located directly below the current V1 Civic Theatre mainstage, the two spaces cannot be used at the same time. A report was completed by WSP Acoustics in 2018 and it confirmed that this was not able to be achieved.

The Basement Theatre is accessed by a set of spiral stairs on the side of the building. It can also be accessed by a set of stairs at the back of the building. There is no wheelchair or lift access to the space. SOACT installed a toilet in the space but it is located in a dressing room and is not accessible. In 2018 an access audit was completed for the space detailing that the space is in fair to poor condition. The carpet and seats have been changed over the years using secondhand donations and

SOACT have relied on volunteers to paint and maintain the space. Council maintains all fire doors, air conditioning, electrical and plumbing for the space.

In 2018 Council engaged GPG Architecture and Design to develop a plan for the Basement Theatre using the design recommended by the access audit report that includes a new foyer space at ground level, a lift to basement level, an accessible toilet, new carpet and paint, new chairs, and new storage. These works are included in the draft masterplan.



Wollundry Cottage

The Wollundry Cottage was built during the 1920s. Since 2011 the site has been vacant and used as a storage. The property was found to be in a below average condition with general deterioration, weathering and defects as reported in the Wollundry Cottage Building Condition Report. The building contains asbestos and is not accessible.

In December 2020 a Heritage Report on the Wollundry Cottage was completed by David Scobie Architects. From this report, it was recommended to consider how to incorporate the structure into food and beverage services as part of design works of the site.

This was considered as part of the proposal but was found not to be suitable for the following reasons:

- The building is not suitable for food and beverage services and the cost of adapting the building would be prohibitive.
- The current business structure includes bars that support the delivery of performances and to be efficient needs to be in the same building, close to the theatre entrance doors.
- The cottage is located in a position that could be better used as a drop-off point for buses and accessible parking.
- There are better preserved examples of this style of architecture within the Wagga Wagga conservation area.

Therefore, it is recommended that the Wollundry Cottage is removed as part of draft masterplan and site layout. To acknowledge the cottage the following actions are recommended for inclusion:

- The leadlight windows created by Mr Hill-Page are preserved and accessioned into the permanent collection at the Museum of the Riverina.
- The bricks of the building are reused onsite to create the new path from the drop off area to the new front entrance.
- A sign be erected that commemorates the cottage and celebrates its history.

The draft masterplan was a key recommendation of Council's Cultural Plan 2020-2030 (1.03). Council endorsed in August 2020 to proceed with the development of the proposed draft masterplan and after extensive consultation and community engagement the draft masterplan is now presented to Council to endorse and place on public exhibition. It is noted there is no funding to deliver the draft masterplan as this will be subject to any future year's timing and funding for detailed designs, costings and development.

Financial Implications

The total budget to complete the draft masterplan was \$123,800 excluding the AEC review as this was part of the Riverside stage 3 business case funding from the NSW Government.

The cost to construct the draft masterplan project works as per the revised AEC report is \$58,608,325 for 2024-2025.

Funding options for such masterplans can include:

Fully or part funded externally by State and/or Federal Government	Fully or part funded externally by NSW Infrastructure funding and/or Federal Government grants. This is the preferred funding model given Council's deficit Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP). On occasions, opportunities arise where State and/or Federal Government agencies can provide out-of-round allocations.
Developer Contributions Plan	The plan was completed in 2019 and is fully allocated at present. When the contributions plan is reviewed in the future there will be competing priorities, and this would only be a part contribution relying on other Council or external funding to meet the full costs of the project.
Corporate Contribution	Pursue corporate funding as part of the overall budget along with contributions from State and/or Federal Governments. Whilst an option it is noted that this is unlikely to secure for Local Government infrastructure and will still require guaranteed amounts from State and/or Federal Governments to secure corporate funds.
A project within any future Special Rate Variation	Inclusion as part of any future Special Rate Variation along with contributions from State and Federal governments. This again will be with competing priorities and will require other external contributions to meet full costs of the project.

Policy and Legislation

- Community Strategic Plan
- Cultural Plan 2020-2030 item No
- Recreation, Open Space and Community Strategy and Implementation Plan (MP4)
- Reconciliation Action Plan
- All Abilities Inclusion Action Plan
- Riverina Murray Regional Plan
- NSW Cultural Infrastructure Plan 2020-2025

Link to Strategic Plan

Community Place and Identity

Objective: Our community are proud of where we live and our identity

Provide services and facilities that make Wagga Wagga a centre for arts and culture




Risk Management Issues for Council

To progress the draft masterplan in future years for detailed designs, costings and development external funding will need to be secured.

Internal / External Consultation

Extensive consultation was held as part of the Cultural Plan 2020-2030 where the expansion of the Civic Theatre to a multi venue performing arts facility was recommended as a key action. Following this; community, stakeholder and internal consultation was conducted for the development of the draft masterplan. A councillor workshop regarding the draft masterplan was held on 15 May 2023. As part of the Riverside Stage 3 precinct concept plans and Business Case process, further community engagement and consultation was held during November and December 2023. This was then followed by a councillor workshop on 19 March 2024. The draft masterplan is to be placed on public exhibition for 28 days inviting further feedback from the community.

Attachments

1. Wagga Wagga Civic Theatre - Concept Masterplan - Provided under separate cover

2. Attachments - Civic Theatre Performing Arts Masterplan - Provided under separate cover

3. Civic Theatre Masterplan AEC Letter - Provided under separate cover


RP-6 VICTORY MEMORIAL GARDENS SHADE SAIL PROPOSAL - THE ROTARY CLUB OF WOLLUNDRY WAGGA WAGGA

Author: Joshua Walsh

Executive: John Sidgwick

Summary: The Rotary Club of Wollundry Wagga Wagga (Wollundry Rotary) have offered a \$25,185 donation for the installation of a shade sail and seat at the Victory Memorial Gardens Playground.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a accepts the proposed donation of \$25,185 from Wollundry Rotary to allow the construction and installation of a shade sail, seat, and signage at the Victory Memorial Gardens
- b approve the budget variation as detailed in the Financial Implications section of the report

Report

Wollundry Rotary representatives have had discussions with Councillor Georgie Davies and staff regarding a proposal to donate and install a shade sail structure, seating and signage at the Victory Memorial Gardens to enhance the facilities at the site.

The Victory Memorial Gardens is host to the Gears and Beers Festival which is run by Wollundry Rotary. The funds being donated were raised via the hosting of this event.

The estimated cost of completing these works is \$25,185 comprising of:

- Shade sail structure: \$19,000.00
- Seat: \$3,185.00
- Seat slab: \$1,000.00
- Signage: \$2,000.00

The proposed signage would recognise the donation, the Gears and Beers festival and the partnership with Council in delivering the infrastructure.

Council's contribution would be the in-kind project management of the installation to ensure the infrastructure is of a suitable quality and safe standard.

The installation of shade sails is consistent with Council's current policy of increasing shade at all Playgrounds. The Victory Memorial Playground was not identified as a priority location for the installation of shade sails but was selected by Wollundry Rotary due to its proximity to the Gears and Beers Festival location.

Subject to Council endorsement the proposed work would be scheduled to be completed prior to the end of June 2024.

Financial Implications

Wollundry Rotary have offered a \$25,185 donation for the installation of a shade sail and seat at the Victory Memorial Gardens Playground.

The cost of purchasing and installation of these items will be \$25,185.

Council's contribution will be the management of the project which is estimated to be between \$2,000 - \$3,000. This contribution will be in-kind and absorbed into existing work programs.

It is proposed to allocate a project budget of \$25,185, funded from the cash contribution to be received from Wollundry Rotary.

In addition to the project management, Council will be responsible for the ongoing maintenance. Local suppliers recommend a 12 monthly visual inspection, and re-tension of sails every 3-4 years, this costs typically \$1,200-\$1,500 depending on the sail size and equipment required. The cost of replacement will also need to be considered as the average useful life span of a shade sail is 15 years. This will need to be factored into asset management plans and future long term financial plans.

Policy and Legislation

Wagga Wagga Playground Strategy 2016-2036
Recreation, Open Space and Community Strategy 2040

Link to Strategic Plan

Growing Economy

Objective: Wagga Wagga is a hub for activity

Facilitate the development of vibrant precincts

Risk Management Issues for Council

The risks associated with installing the shade structures relate to process, cost, environmental, WHS and contractor performance. These risks are addressed as part of Council's project management and contractor performance management systems.

Internal / External Consultation

Discussions have been held with members of Wollundry Rotary and Council staff regarding the proposed donation and works.

RP-7 2024 FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT NATIONAL CONFERENCE**Author:** Nicole Johnson**Executive:** Scott Gray

Summary: Endorse representation and appointment of a Councillor to attend the 2024 Floodplain Management National Conference in Brisbane from 20 & 21 May 2024

Recommendation

That Council appoint one (1) Councillor as Council's delegate to attend the Floodplain Management Australia National Conference to be held in Brisbane from 20 & 24 May 2024.

Report

The Floodplain Management Australia National Conference has been held annually for over 50 years and is a respected national flood risk management event. The [2024 Floodplain Management Australia National Conference](#) will be held in will be held at Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre from 20 – 24 May 2024.

The FMA Conference has been held annually for over 60 years and is the most respected flood risk management event held in Australia.

The Conference is for anyone interested in making our communities more flood safe. It will bring together over 350 flood professionals and community members with interests in flood risk management. Attendees will include Commonwealth, State and Local Government representatives, research organisations and education providers as well as consultants, engineers, land-use planners, emergency responders and community volunteer organisations.

The Conference will include outstanding Australian and International speakers, plenary and concurrent presentations, a Local Government Councillors' session, field trips addressing floodplain issues in Brisbane and surrounding areas, as well as great networking events. Optional Conference workshops on topical issues will be held on the Tuesday.

Financial Implications

The estimated cost for the nominated delegate to attend the conference is \$1350. In addition, there will be further costs for five nights' accommodation \$355 per night, travel via plane is \$755 and out of pocket expenses, bringing the total estimated cost for this conference to \$3800.

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 \$17,022 expended as at 31 March 2024, leaving a budget remaining of \$2,978.

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

Attachments

1   2024 Floodplain Management Australia Conference Program



CONFERENCE PROGRAM

(Program, subject to change)

Monday 20 May 2024

8.30am – 5.00pm **Rainfall-runoff modelling with HEC-HMS Full Day Workshop**
BCEC (additional cost full day workshop)

Tuesday 21 May 2024

8.00am – 12.30pm **Pre-Conference Morning Rain on grid modelling with HEC-RAS Workshop**
BCEC (additional cost half day workshop – morning tea & lunch included)

8.30am – 12.30pm **Pre-Conference Morning Workshop: Risk to Life Tolerability in Floodplain Management**
BCEC (additional cost half day workshop – morning tea & lunch included)

Pre-Conference Morning Workshop: The data is in – how can we use research to shape change?
BCEC (additional cost half day workshop – morning tea & lunch included)

12.30pm – 5.00pm **Pre-Conference Afternoon Bridges and culverts in HEC-RAS Workshop**
BCEC (additional cost half day workshop – lunch & afternoon tea included)

12.30pm – 5.00pm **Pre-Conference Afternoon Workshop: Rising to the Challenge – learning from flood hazards to build resilient communities**
BCEC (additional cost half day workshop – lunch & afternoon tea included)

12.30pm – 5.00pm **YFM TriWater Cup**
BCEC (additional cost half day TriWater Cup)

5.00pm – 7.00pm **Conference Registration & Welcome Reception**
Trade Exhibition Area, Boulevard Auditorium Foyer, BCEC

From 7.00pm **YFM Function** (open to all delegates registered for the Conference)
The Charming Squire
Sponsored by KBR

Day One – Wednesday 22 May 2024

7.30am **Conference Registration, Boulevard Auditorium Foyer**

Session 1 **Plenary** 8.30am – 10.10am

Welcome to Country

Welcome from Floodplain Management Australia
 Ian Dinham, *President, Floodplain Management Australia*

Welcome from Brisbane City Council

Minister Address (TBC)

Keynote Address
 Professor Gavin Smith, *North Carolina State University College of Design*

10.10am – 10.40am Morning Tea + Poster Presentations

Session 2 **Concurrent** 10.40am – 12.35pm

Sponsored by: 

	2A: Emergency preparedness, response and recovery	2B: Flood case studies and stories	2C: Modelling and flood data	2D: Managing growth and land use planning
Location:	Boulevard Auditorium	B1	B2	B3
10.40am – 11.05am	No Escape: Secondary Risks in Flood-Isolated Communities Suede Stanton , NSW State Emergency Service & Shaza Raini , NSW DCCEEW	The good, bad and ugly Milwaukee’s journey to sustainable flood management David Fowler , Association of State Floodplain Managers <i>International Presenter</i>	Hawkesbury-Nepean River Flood Study: key features and findings Stephen Yeo , NSW Reconstruction Authority	Adapting through risk-based planning - is there a role for the 1%AEP anymore? William Prentice , Water Technology
5 minute	<i>Changeover</i>	<i>Changeover</i>	<i>Changeover</i>	<i>Changeover</i>
11.10am – 11.35am	Burning Issues: The Impacts of Bushfires on Flood Preparedness and Response Gillian Webber , NSW State Emergency Service	Scotland’s proactive approach to flood management: the Grangemouth Flood Protection Scheme Adele Jaccon , Jacobs Engineering <i>International Presenter</i>	NSW State Disaster Mitigation Plan – A Statewide Review of Managed Relocation Rhys Thomson , Rhelm	Impacts of the new ARR climate change factors on flood planning levels Mark Babister , WMAwater
5 minute	<i>Changeover</i>	<i>Changeover</i>	<i>Changeover</i>	<i>Changeover</i>

11.40am – 12.05pm	NSW Flood Data Portal: From the beginning, linking data to disaster response. Keiran O'Fee & Melissa Daley, NSW State Emergency Service	Ex-Tropical Cyclone Gabrielle Flood Hazard Categorisation, Hawke's Bay, New Zealand Ramon Strong, PDP International Presenter	Precipitation-streamflow regression to synthetically extend record length in flood frequency analyses Evan O'Brien, SMEC	Integrating flood risk into planning: Using data analysis to identify intolerable risk Stephen Dredge, Meridian Urban
5 minute	<i>Changeover</i>	<i>Changeover</i>	<i>Changeover</i>	<i>Changeover</i>
12.10pm – 12.35pm	Combining and amplifying outcomes from FRMP's, Flood Forecasting and Community Awareness Projects Adam Berry, Synergy Solutions	Community experiences of the 2022 Tasmanian floods: A mixed methods study Darryl Stellmach, University of Tasmania	Update of design rainfall intensities for South East Queensland Phillip Jordan, HARC	Integrating Climate Change into Design Criteria: Science Becomes Policy Michael McMahon, HDR International Presenter

12.35pm – 1.15pm Lunch + Poster Presentations

Long Field Trip – Referable Dams departs at 1.00pm and return approximately 5.30pm, afternoon tea included on tour.

Session 3 Concurrent 1.15pm – 2.40pm

	3A: Flood policy, guidance and best practice	3B: Flood prediction and warning	3C: Flood case studies and stories	3D: 10 Minute Presentations
Location:	Boulevard Auditorium	B1	B2	B3
1.15pm – 1.40pm	\$31 Million Flood Risk Management Program Katrina Smith, Queensland Reconstruction Authority	Probabilistic flood forecasting – embrace a range or maintain the binary? Chris Samuel, Bureau of Meteorology	Comparing Flood Modelling Approaches: MIKE+ to TUFLOW in Tauranga, New Zealand Ramisa Bhuiyan, Aurecon	1.15pm – 1.25pm Estimating environmental damages from soil loss during flooding events Mitchell Kirby, JB Pacific 1.30pm – 1.40pm Getting harder and harder to drain: 'flood mitigation' in low-lying coastal floodplains Chris Clay, Rous County Council
5 minute	<i>Changeover</i>	<i>Changeover</i>	<i>Changeover</i>	<i>Changeover</i>
1.45pm – 2.10pm	Everything's different north of the border – even flood risk management Mathew Martin & Carrie Dearnley, WRM Water & Environment	Understanding Flood Risk When Engineers and the General Public Do Not Speak the Same Language Mark Forest, Consor North America International Presenter	The flow must go on: more robust river gauges for future extremes Van Cuong Nguyen, Department of Water and Environmental Regulation	1.45pm – 1.55pm Flood Mitigation in the Pacific: A scoping Study for Ba, Fiji Luke Joseph, Royal HaskoningDHV 2.00pm – 2.10pm Croc n' Roll: Navigating Floods in the Adelaide River Tarkan Pasin, WRM Water and Environment

5 minute 2.15pm – 2.40pm	Changeover Presentation TBC	Changeover Applying the Bureau’s Flood Scenarios Product to Emergency Response Coordination Tom Jory, NSW State Emergency Service & Ailsa Schofield, Bureau of Meteorology	Changeover Australia’s largest measured river flow? Assessing the 2023 Fitzroy River rating curves Krey Price, Surface Water Solutions	Changeover 2.15pm – 2.25pm Innovative approaches for floodplain management – RFD flood model update 2022 Anne Kolega, BMT 2.30pm – 2.40pm How are Victorian authorities using climate change riverine modelling in decision making Lachlan Inglis, Water Technology
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Session 4 Short Field Trips 3.00pm – 5.30pm

Short field trips depart at 3.00pm (sharp) and will return to BCEC approximately 5.30pm, afternoon tea is included on all tours.

- FT2: City Cat Tour – Creating a Resilient River City
- FT3: Delivering the Norman Creek Master Plan
- FT4: Kedron Brook

5.30pm Close of Day One

7.30pm – 10.30pm Casual Dinner
Rivershed, Howard Smith Wharves
(return transfers available from Southbank – additional information to follow)
Sponsored by WMAwater

Day Two – Thursday 23 May 2024

8.30am Registration (for 1 Day delegates), Boulevard Auditorium Foyer

Session 5 Concurrent 9.00am – 10.25am

	5A: Flood policy, guidance and best practice	5B: Social sciences, human behaviour and communication	5C: Environmental aspects, climate change, coastal hazards and adaptation	5D: 10 Minute Presentations
Location:	Boulevard Auditorium	B1	B2	B3
9.00am – 9.25am	Strategic Management of Flood Risk Duncan McLuckie , NSW DCCEEW	'Know your flood risk' simple advice for a profoundly mis-understood learning context Willow Forsyth , University of Newcastle	Tomorrow's Floodplain: A change in thinking on future coastal flooding Richard Sharp , Water Technology	9.00am – 9.10am IoT Hydrometric Smart Sensors – The Good, the Bad and the Ugly Brany Iezzi , Brisbane City Council 9.15am – 9.25am Impacts of pre-burst on extreme floods. A case study in southeast Queensland Ash Rasheed , HARC
5 minute	Changeover	Changeover	Changeover	Changeover
9.30am – 9.55am	Changes in Rural Floodplain Management in New South Wales Tim Morrison , NSW DCCEEW	Challenges in Providing Helpful Flood Information to Brisbane Residents Robert McGlinn , Brisbane City Council	Navigating the future: lessons for risk-based assessment of coastal flooding and erosion Christine Lauchlan Arrowsmith , Streamology	9.30am – 9.40am Environmental Modelling of the flood relief channels in the River Thames Scheme Keiko Yamagata , DHI 9.45am – 9.55am Discovering water information for robust modelling Chinee Mercado , Manly Hydraulics Laboratory
5 minute	Changeover	Changeover	Changeover	Changeover
10.00am – 10.25am	Keeping Flood Funding From Drying Out Meg Preston , Queensland Reconstruction Authority	What I have learnt engaging with flood affected communities for twenty years Emma Maratea , Rhelm	Influence of Climate Change on Logan Albert Flood Characteristic Janaka Gunawardena , Logan City Council	10.00am – 10.10am Community Flood Information Online - A Lismore City Council Case Study Cameron Druery , Worley Consulting 10.15am – 10.25am Communicating uncertainty in flash flood events Carla Mooney , Bureau of Meteorology

10.25am – 11.00am Morning Tea + Poster Presentations

Session 6 Plenary 11.00am – 12.30pm

Welcome to Day 2

ANZ Updates 2024

Developing Brisbane’s Floodplain: Lessons from History
 Dr Margaret Cook, *Australian Rivers Institute, Griffith University*

12.45pm – 1.45pm Lunch + Poster Presentations

YFM Panel Session: The future of floodplain management - where we are headed

Session 7 Concurrent 1.45pm – 3.10pm

	7A: Flood policy, guidance and best practice	7B: New technology and research	7C: Environmental aspects, climate change, coastal hazards and adaptation	7D: Community recovery
Location	Boulevard Auditorium	B1	B2	B3
1.45pm – 2.10pm	The Technical Mapping Advisory Council – Shaping US Flood Risk Management Practices Doug Bellomo <i>AECOM</i> <i>International Presenter</i>	Visualising multi-source data streams to communicate uncertainty in flood forecasts Fiona Johnson, <i>UNSW</i>	Partnering with Regional Communities to Develop Nature-Based Solutions to Flooding Roslyn Prinsley, <i>Australian National University</i>	After the floodwaters recede - Improving support for flood affected residents Mel Taylor, <i>Macquarie University / Enduring Advantage Consulting</i>
5 minute	Changeover	Changeover	Changeover	Changeover
2.15pm – 2.40pm	The Problem with Parks Alana Mosely, <i>City of Moreton Bay</i> <i>Young Floodplain Manager</i>	Rip Rap to Rock Bags, physical modelling of high flow cases Dan Messiter, <i>Royal HaskoningDHV</i>	Enabling healthy waterway outcomes in flood risk planning – a nature-based approach John Bucinkas & Nathan Pomfret, <i>NSW DCCEEW</i>	Empowering Community-Led Resilience: A Co-Design Approach to Disaster Recovery in Wisemans Ferry Prawi Woods, <i>Alluvium Consulting</i>
5 minute	Changeover	Changeover	Changeover	Changeover
2.45pm – 3.10pm	Where do you Draw the Line? (Engineering Judgement in Flood Extent Delineation) Kate Prout, <i>Engeny</i>	Building better networks, Australia’s new ALERT2TM Flood Warning Alarm System Laurens Willems van Beveren & Michael Galloway, <i>Manly Hydraulics Laboratory</i>	The power of innovative technology to deliver carbon negative flood management solutions Richard Crowder, <i>Jacobs</i> <i>International Presenter</i>	Prioritising properties for buyback, raising and retrofit – The Evidence Base and Approach to the Northern Rivers Resilient Homes Program Louise Collier, <i>Rhelm</i>

3.10pm – 3.45pm Afternoon Tea + Poster Presentations

Session 8	FMA Annual General Meeting <i>"All FMA Members please attend"</i>	3.45pm – 5.30pm
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Location:	Location:
8A: FMA Annual General Meeting - <i>"All FMA Members please attend"</i>	8B:

5.30pm	Close of Day Two
7.00pm	Conference Dinner & Floodplain Management Australia Excellence Awards, Plaza Terrace Room, BCEC Sponsored by Royal HaskoningDHV

Day Three – Friday 24 May 2024

8.30am Registration (for 1 Day delegates), *Boulevard Auditorium Foyer*

Session 9 Plenary 9.00am – 10.20am

Presentation by Winner of FMA - IAG Flood Risk Management Project of the Year Award

Bridging the gap: Making disaster insurance into an opportunity for risk reduction

Professor Paula Jarzabkowski, University of Queensland

2025 FMA National Conference Announcement

10.20 am – 10.50am Morning Tea + Poster Presentations

Session 10 Concurrent 10.50am – 12.45pm

	10A: Flood prediction and warning	10B: Managing growth and land use planning	10C: Infrastructure projects and asset management	10D: 10 Minute Presentations
Location:	Boulevard Auditorium	B1	B2	B3
10.50am – 11.15am	Townsville’s FLASH New Flood Warning System Alan Baker, <i>Royal HaskoningDHV</i>	Development controls for equitable management of filling across the Lower Hunter Richard Murphy, <i>NSW DCCEEW & Michael Osborne,</i> <i>Port Stephens Council</i>	Dams and Levee System Operations, Maintenance and Emergency Management and Risk Comparison? Malcolm Barker, <i>GHD</i>	10.50am – 11.00am The Psychology of Flooding, how understanding psychology can assist with emergency management Melissa Blum, <i>Burchills Engineering Solutions</i> 11.05am – 11.15am Community-Based Flood Action Plans, an effective way of managing flood risk Jess Carey, Stantec
5 minute	<i>Changeover</i>	<i>Changeover</i>	<i>Changeover</i>	<i>Changeover</i>
11.20am – 11.45am	Real-time Flash Flood Forecasting in Adelaide Trent Laves, Worley	Is South East Queensland growing into high hazard flood areas? Pradesh Ramiah, <i>Moreton Bay Regional Council</i>	Eight years of working on the Hunter Valley Flood Mitigation Scheme Ben Patterson, <i>Royal HaskoningDHV</i>	11.20am – 11.30am Building back better – Balancing resilience in recovery William Kershaw, <i>Department of Energy and Public Works</i> 11.35am -11.45am Flood evacuation planning the meeting of models, data and logic Damion Cavanagh, <i>BMT</i>
5 minute	<i>Changeover</i>	<i>Changeover</i>	<i>Changeover</i>	<i>Changeover</i>
11.50am – 12.15pm	Flood Forecasting and warnings for ICOLLS Dan Rodger, <i>JB Pacific</i>	Managing Stormwater Flood Risk for Infill Development Nadia Guterres, <i>Sunshine Coast Council</i>	The Maitland Flood of July 2022 Ian Jackson, NSW DCCEEW	11.50am – 12.00pm Integrative Decision Support Tool for Flood-Informed Road Infrastructure Investment Prioritisation

				Gangfu Zhang, AECOM 12.05pm – 12.15pm Flood Mitigation Works – Improving Construction Cost Estimation and Cost Benefit Analysis Andrew Morris, Royal HaskoningDHV
5 minute	Changeover	Changeover	Changeover	Changeover
12.20pm – 12.45pm	New tools assisting adaptive pathway planning for sea level rise in NSW Galen Lewis, Manly Hydraulics Laboratory	Let Your Catchment Be Your Guide – Flood Sensitive Rezoning James Ogg, Inner West Council	Stormwater Backflow Device Operations During the February 2022 Brisbane Flood-Case Study Evan Caswell, Brisbane City Council	12.20pm – 12.30pm Interstate Levee Committee – Floods Know No Boundaries Phillip Buchanan NSW DCCEEW 12.35pm – 12.45pm Not broken? Don't fix it! The cautionary tale of Pentel Islands levees Shaun Morgan, North Central CMA
12.45pm – 1.30pm Lunch				
Session 11 Concurrent 1.30pm – 3.00pm				
	11A: Flood damages and insurance	11B: Flood Stories	11C: Modelling and flood data	11D: 10 Minute Presentations
Location:	Boulevard Auditorium	B1	B2	B3
1.30pm – 1.55pm	2022 Floods in the Northern Rivers: impacts on businesses and their recovery Tariq Maqsood, RMIT University	Effectively engaging with indigenous communities before, during and after floods Neil Dufty, Water Technology	Infragravity Wave Considerations in Small Coastal Creeks Geoff Newell, Sunshine Coast Council	1.30pm – 1.40pm Contaminants of emerging concern in floodwaters Minna Saaristo, EPA Victoria 1.45pm – 1.55pm A Strategic approach to building flash flood forecasting capability in South Australia Myles Fauser, Department for Environment and Water
5 minute	Changeover	Changeover	Changeover	Changeover
2.00pm – 2.25pm	Benchmarking the 2022 and 2023 DT01 Flood Damage Tool(s) to Seven Sub-Catchment(s) Martin Griffin, Stantec	FRMSPs when few buildings are inundated: the Boggabri case study Hayden Guse, WRM Water & Environment	Changing Flood Magnitudes through Flood Frequency Analysis Russel Haque, Goulburn Broken Catchment Management Authority	2.00pm – 2.10pm Brisbane's future flood resilience blueprint: mapping synergy of studies and technology Simon Otero, Brisbane City Council 2.15pm – 2.25pm Presentation TBC
5 minute	Changeover	Changeover	Changeover	Changeover

2.30pm – 2.55pm	Rising waters, sinking coverage: Innovative strategies for managing insurance hydrologic assessments Carson Ly, <i>Engeny Australia</i>	Update published: Climate Change Considerations chapter in Australian Rainfall and Runoff Guidelines Kirsty Mackay, <i>Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water</i>	2.30pm – 2.40pm Leveraging Distributed Sensor Networks for Enhanced Flash Flood Monitoring Simon Igo, <i>Lixia</i>	2.30pm – 2.40pm Flood Forecasting and Flood Management, Thailand Greg Whyte, <i>DHI Water & Environment</i>
			2.45pm – 2.55pm Aligning design rainfall and FFA flow estimates on the NSW south coast Luke Evans, <i>Rhelm</i>	2.45pm – 2.55pm MoretonAlert - Automating Flood Warning Messages Elton Chong, <i>City of Moreton Bay</i>

3.00pm – 3.30pm Conference Wrap Up with Afternoon Tea

RP-8 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 Foley asked how Council Plans to address the large amount of Khaki weeds in and around footpaths after recent rainfall.

There has been an increase in summer weeds such as Khaki weed and caltrop around the city due to the higher summer rainfall in recent years. Control programs have been focused on high pedestrian public spaces such as the CBD, parks, sportsgrounds, walking tracks and footpaths adjoining shopping centres, schools and bus stops to minimise spread and impacts on the community.

Councillor McKinnon has had a few members of the community approach her in relation to the confusion of Currawarna Transfer Stations changes to what is deemed acceptable at the transfer station. Is council aware the series of changes are most likely contributing to the illegal dumping in and around the Currawarna Transfer Station.

Does Council have a plan to deal with this matter?

Community members are advised to take their hard waste and E-Waste to Gregadoo which is over 100km round trip for members of these communities.

Currawarna Rural Transfer Station is one of the 7 rural transfer station operated by Wagga Wagga City Council. The Rural Transfer Stations are designed to only accept general waste (what would fit in a red bin) and recycling, but not bulky goods collection (as the village does not receive a domestic kerbside service and does not currently have access to a free Hardwaste collection). Currawarna is now accepting items from our CRC (Community Recycling Centre) scheme to encourage the recycling of hard to dispose of wastes such as TV's, computers, paint, motor oil, light globes, smoke detectors and gas bottles. These are all accepted with no cost to residents.

At present Council uses a hook truck to collect general waste from large bins at each of the Rural Transfer Stations, with the hook truck travelling to Currawarna every fortnight. Extending the services offered at our Rural Transfer Stations to include E-Waste, greenwaste, mattresses, white goods and steel would require Council to install additional large bins at each of the Rural Transfer Stations to enable the sorting of different waste streams. Additionally, the hook truck would have to visit each of the 7 Rural Transfer Stations on a more regular basis to collect this waste

and return it to Gregadoo Waste Management Centre for correct handling, increasing operational costs considerably and reducing the availability of the hook truck to move large bins at the Gregadoo transfer station (the city's primary transfer station) where it currently handles 10-15 loads per days.

Councillor Parkins would like advice from staff if there are any works planned for Wilks Ave Park in Koorungal. The park currently does not have paths, seating, tables, watering system and very little plantings or shade.

There are no projects identified for delivery in the Wilks Avenue Park either within the Recreation, Open Space and Community Strategy (ROSC) or the Long-Term Financial Plan. Staff have commenced the planning for the review of ROSC. The potential embellishment of this park will be included in this review. Once the initial review is complete, extensive community and stakeholder engagement will be undertaken to ensure input into the strategy and recommended projects.

Councillor Henderson would like to know how it is determined that one road is hot mixed and another is a 2 coat seal.

Environmental factors such as traffic loading, traffic volumes, adjoining land uses and existing pavement materials as well as available budget allocations are all considered to determine the finished wearing course of a road. Asphaltic Concrete (AC) is approximately five times the cost of a 2 coat seal. AC is the preferred wearing course where there is a lot of turning movements, in particular at intersections and roundabouts and where adjoining land uses have a lot of heavy vehicle movements. Generally on straight sections of road where there are not a lot of turning movements (in particular of heavy vehicles), a 2 coat seal will be applied because of its cost effectiveness.

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

CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

CONF-1 COMMISSIONING OF PUBLIC ARTWORK IN CURRAWARNA

Author: Madeleine Scully

Executive: Janice Summerhayes

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

CONF-2 COMMISSIONING OF PUBLIC ART PROJECT IN ASHMONT

Author: Madeleine Scully

Executive: Janice Summerhayes

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MINUTES of the **ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL** held on **Monday 25 March 2024.**

PRESENT

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

IN ATTENDANCE

Chief Operating Officer	(Mr S Gray)
Director Community	(Ms J Summerhayes)
Director Infrastructure Services	(Mr W Faulkner)
Director Strategy and Projects	(Mr P McMurray)
Director Regional Activation	(Mr J Sidgwick)
Chief Financial Officer	(Mrs C Rodney)
Executive Director - People & Culture	(Mrs F Piltz)
Manager Community Services	(Ms M Scully)
Manager Corporate Governance & Performance	(Mr D Galloway)
Governance & Risk Co-Ordinator	(Mrs N Johnson)
Communications & Engagement Officer	(Ms L Magrath)
Governance Officer	(Ms K West)

NOTICE TO MEETING

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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.

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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

An apology for non-attendance was received and accepted for the General Manager, Mr P Thompson on the Motion of Councillors M Henderson and J McKinnon.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Council noted that Leave of Absence was granted to Councillor T Koschel and Councillor R Kendall for this Ordinary Council Meeting, 25 March 2024 at its meeting 12 February 2024.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

CM-1 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING - 11 MARCH 2024

24/075 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors J McKinnon and G Davies

That the Minutes of the proceedings of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 11 March 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	
J McKinnon	
A Parkins	

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DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor M Henderson declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in RP-1 - DA23/0579 - TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITY – LOT 8 DP 716602, 13 SYCAMORE ROAD, LAKE ALBERT the reason being that he meet with a person onsite and vacated the chamber during its consideration.

Councillor M Henderson declared a Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in RP-3 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE REPORT AS AT 29 FEBRUARY 2024 the reason being he is the Commodore of the Boat Club and the report contained a budget variation for Lake Albert, he therefore vacated the chamber during its consideration.

Councillor J McKinnon declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in RP-1 - DA23/0579 - TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITY – LOT 8 DP 716602, 13 SYCAMORE ROAD, LAKE ALBERT the reason being that she has had discussions with some community members about this development and vacated the chamber during its consideration.

PROCEDURAL MOTION - ENGLOBO

24/076 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors R Foley and J McKinnon

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, RP-7, M-1 and CONF-1 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	
J McKinnon	
A Parkins	

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PUBLIC DISCUSSION FORUM

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

- Mr Steve Dale – Speaking in favour of the Recommendation

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

24/077 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors R Foley and J McKinnon

That the Mayor 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. 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

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion
D Tout
G Davies
M Henderson
R Foley
J McKinnon
A Parkins

Against the Motion

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REPORTS FROM STAFF

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

Councillors M Henderson and J McKinnon declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest and vacated the chamber the time being 6.23pm. As a result leading to a loss of quorum. In accordance with Council’s Code of Meeting Practice, once quorum is lost the matter must be adjourned. Therefore the matter was deferred to the next available Ordinary Council Meeting.

Councillors M Henderson and J McKinnon returned to the chamber, the time being 6.24pm.

**RP-2 RESPONSE TO MAYORAL MINUTE - 16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM IN
WAGGA WAGGA**

24/078 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors J McKinnon and A Parkins

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	
M Henderson	
R Foley	
J McKinnon	
A Parkins	

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RP-3 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE REPORT AS AT 29 FEBRUARY 2024

Councillor M Henderson declared a Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest and vacated the chamber, the time being 6:33pm.

24/079 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors G Davies and R Foley

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**

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

D Tout
G Davies
R Foley
J McKinnon
A Parkins

Against the Motion

Councillor M Henderson re-entered the chamber, the time being 6:34pm.

RP-4 REQUESTS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE - SECTION 356

24/080 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors R Foley and J McKinnon

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)**

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- b note the proposed budget available for financial assistance requests for the remainder of the 2023/24 financial year**

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	
J McKinnon	
A Parkins	

RP-5 RECREATION AND COMMUNITY FACILITY FEES AND CHARGES

24/081 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors R Foley and J McKinnon

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**

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	
J McKinnon	
A Parkins	

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

24/082 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors A Parkins and J McKinnon

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 same terms as offered to the Wagga Wagga Veteran and Vintage Motor Club Inc for part Lot 101 DP 1263792 outlined in this report**
- c authorise the affixing of Council's common seal to any documents as required**

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

Against the Motion

D Tout
G Davies
M Henderson
R Foley
J McKinnon
A Parkins

RP-7 ADJUSTMENT TO COUNCIL MEETING DATES 2024

24/083 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors R Foley and J McKinnon

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**

CARRIED

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RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

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

RP-8 2024 LGNSW WATER MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

24/084 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors J McKinnon and A Parkins

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**

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	
J McKinnon	
A Parkins	

Councillor J McKinnon nominated Councillor R Foley.

Councillor R Foley accepted the nomination.

Councillor R Foley was duly appointed to represent Council at the 2024 LGNSW Water Management Conference to be held 23-25 July 2024.

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

24/085 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors A Parkins and G Davies

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**

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	
J McKinnon	
A Parkins	

Councillor R Foley self-nominated as council’s representative.

Councillor M Henderson self-nominated as council’s alternate representative.

Councillor R Foley was duly appointed to represent Council at the 2024 National General Assembly of Local Government Annual Conference with the Mayor in Canberra from 2 to 4 July 2024.

Councillor M Henderson was duly appointed as council’s alternate representative.

RP-10 QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

24/086 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors J McKinnon and A Parkins

That Council receive and note the report.

CARRIED

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RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

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

M-1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE - 22 FEBRUARY 2024

24/087 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors R Foley and J McKinnon

That Council endorse the recommendations contained in the minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting held on 22 February 2024.
CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

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

CONF-1 REQUEST FOR QUOTATION RFQ2024-537 - EMERGENCY WORKS FLOODGATE 15A

24/088 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors R Foley and J McKinnon

That Council:

- a in accordance with S55(3) of the Local Government Act 1993, authorise the emergency repairs to floodgate 15A which is located adjacent to the main city levee in Tarcutta Street Wagga Wagga**
- b accept the offer of Huon Contractors Pty Ltd (ABN: 33 094 145 409) for repairs to floodgate 15A in the lump sum amount of \$261,080 excluding GST**
- c authorise the General Manager or their delegate to enter a contract with Huon Contractors Pty Ltd (ABN: 33 094 145 409) for the repairs at floodgate 15A**
- d authorise the affixing of Council's Common Seal to all relevant documents as required**

CARRIED

THIS COMPLETED THE BUSINESS OF THE COUNCIL MEETING WHICH ROSE AT 6.46pm.

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MAYOR

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.....MAYORGENERAL MANAGER