



Agenda and Business Paper

Ordinary Meeting of Council

To be held on
Monday 23 February 2026
at 6:00 PM

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(Mayor)**

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



**Councillor Georgie Davies
(Deputy Mayor)**

Councillor Georgie Davies was elected to Council in 2021 and was elected as Deputy Mayor in 2024.



Councillor Allana Condron

Councillor Allana Condron was elected to Council in 2024.



Councillor Richard Foley

Councillor Richard Foley was elected to Council in 2021.



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 Deputy Mayor between 2022 and 2023.



Councillor Amelia Parkins

Councillor Amelia Parkins was elected to Council in 2021 and was Deputy Mayor between 2023 and 2024.



Councillor Karissa Subedi

Councillor Karissa Subedi was elected to Council in 2024.



Councillor Lindsay Tanner

Councillor Lindsay Tanner was elected to Council in 2024.

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 23 FEBRUARY 2026

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

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

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

REFLECTION

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

APOLOGIES

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

CM-1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING - 9 FEBRUARY 2026

Recommendation

That the Minutes of the proceedings of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 9 February 2026 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

Attachments

1↓. Minutes - Ordinary Council Meeting - 9 February 2026. 93

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

NOTICE OF MOTIONS OF RESCISSION

NOR-1 NOTICE OF RESCISSION - DA25/0067 - MOBILE TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITY, INCLUDING MONOPOLE AND COMPOUND

Author: Councillor Amelia Parkins
Councillor Richard Foley
Councillor Jenny McKinnon

Summary: A Rescission Motion has been lodged by Councillors Parkins, McKinnon and Foley in relation to Council's refusal of DA25/0067 – Mobile Telecommunications Facility at 20 Kapooka Road, San Isidore. The motion seeks to rescind the previous resolution and defer determination of the development application pending a site inspection by available Councillors.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a rescinds Resolution No. 26/019 from the 9 February 2026 Ordinary Council Meeting, which reads as follows:
 - i *That the Council refuse DA25/0067 'Mobile Telecommunications Facility, Including Monopole and Compound' at Lot 2 DP 731292, 20 Kapooka Road, San Isidore for the following reasons. Issues have been raised about contamination of uncontaminated land by PFAS through stormwater flows. With knowledge that stormwater will be displaced by the structure it is not appropriate to approve the structure without the decision makers having the technical information that the environmental impact will be managed in a way that leads to approve the development. Unacceptable visual impact also forms part of the refusal.*
- b defer determination of DA25/0067 'Mobile Telecommunications Facility, Including Monopole and Compound' at Lot 2 DP 731292, 20 Kapooka Road, San Isidore, pending a site inspection by available councillors.

Report

A Notice of Rescission has been submitted by Councillors Parkins, McKinnon and Foley in accordance with section 372 of the *Local Government Act 1993 (NSW)* and Council's Code of Meeting Practice, seeking to rescind Resolution No. 26/019 of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 9 February 2026 relating to DA25/0067 – Mobile Telecommunications Facility, including monopole and compound at Lot 2 DP 731292, 20 Kapooka Road, San Isidore.

The rescission motion has been lodged within the required timeframe and has the required number of supporting Councillors to be considered by Council.

The motion proposes that, should the rescission be supported, Council not only rescind the previous refusal but also adopt an alternate resolution to defer determination of the development application pending a site inspection by available Councillors.

Accordingly, the rescission motion, if carried, would have the effect of replacing the previous refusal with a deferral of the matter, rather than reopening the application for reconsideration without a proposed course of action.

If the rescission motion is not carried, Resolution No. 26/019 will remain in force and the previous Council decision to refuse the application will stand.

This report outlines the procedural implications of the rescission motion and the options available to Council should the motion be supported.

Financial Implications

N/A

Policy and Legislation

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

Link to Strategic Plan

Regional Leadership

Ethical Leadership

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Risk Management Issues for Council

If the rescission motion is supported, Council will be required to reconsider its previous decision and adopt the alternate resolution. This may result in delays to the assessment process and may have implications for the applicant's statutory timeframes.

If the rescission motion is not supported, the existing resolution to refuse the development application will remain in force.

There is also a risk associated with the defensibility of the current refusal should it be subject to legal challenge or appeal.

Internal / External Consultation

No additional consultation has been undertaken in relation to the rescission motion itself. The motion relates to a development application that has previously been subject to Council's standard assessment processes, including internal technical assessment and consideration of relevant planning controls and submissions received during the public notification period.

Attachments

1. Notice of Rescission - DA25/0067 - Mobile telecommunications facility, including monopole and compound. - Provided under separate cover
2. Original Report - DA250067 - Mobile telecommunications facility, including monopole and compound. - Provided under separate cover

REPORTS FROM STAFF

RP-1 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION DA23/0598 - LIVESTOCK PROCESSING INDUSTRY (ABATTOIR) - 2056 OURA ROAD, OURA

Author: Cameron Collins

General Manager: Peter Thompson

Summary:

The Development Application was lodged on 11 December 2023, seeking consent for a Livestock Processing Industry (Abattoir) for a throughput of 1,903 tonnes of live weight annually (cattle, sheep, and pigs), including an ancillary Solar Energy System, ancillary outbuildings, a wastewater treatment plant and associated storage tanks, landscaping works, and hardstand servicing and parking areas.

The proposal is designated development under Schedule 3 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021 (the Regulations) as it involves the slaughter of more than 750 tonnes of livestock weight per year.

The proposal is also integrated development, as it requires an Environment Protection Licence (EPL) from the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) under the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997. The application was also referred to Water NSW, who confirmed that a Water Use Approval under Section 89 of the Water Management Act 2000 was not required.

The development application was initially publicly exhibited from 30 January 2024 to 27 February 2024. Following the initial exhibition, the applicant submitted an amended development application on 26 July 2024 addressing issues raised in submissions and by agencies, including the EPA, altering the proposed method for treating and disposing of effluent on-site.

The amended development application was publicly exhibited for a second period from 29 August 2024 to 26 September 2024 and was reported to Council on 10 March 2025. Procedural concerns were raised regarding the public notice and legislative references, leading Council to defer consideration.

A further amendment was submitted on 14 May 2025 to correctly nominate the application as integrated development under Division 4.8 of the EP&A Act.

From May until December 2025, the application was re-exhibited on three further occasions to address deficiencies in public notices and ensure compliance with notification requirements under the EP&A Act and Regulation. Approximately 500 submissions were received across all exhibition periods, comprising a mix of

objections and support.

Under Section 1.10 of the Wagga Wagga Development Control Plan 2010 (DCP), where the number of submissions in the form of objections received in response to an advertised or notified development application is 10 or more, the application is required to be referred to Council for determination.

A full assessment has been completed in accordance with Section 4.15 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, considering all amendments, public submissions, and agency advice.

The development application is now reported to Council for determination.

Recommendation

That Council approve DA23/0598 for a Livestock Processing Facility (Abattoir) at 2056 Oura Road, subject to:

- a the conditions contained within the attached s4.15 Assessment Report; and
- b the General Terms of Approval, including the livestock processing limit condition (Condition L6.1), as issued by the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) under Notice Number 1636833 dated 18 December 2024.

Development Application Details

Applicant	Adam Brayshaw Eringoarrah Pty Ltd
Owner	Eringoarrah Pty Ltd Director – Andrew Parry-Okeden
Development Cost	\$11,567,926.70
Development Description	Livestock Processing Industry (Abattoir) for a throughput of 1,903 tonnes of live weight annually, including an ancillary Solar Energy System, ancillary outbuildings, a wastewater treatment plant and associated storage tanks, landscaping works, and hardstand servicing and parking areas.

Report

Key Issues

- Wastewater treatment and effluent management
- Surface and groundwater impacts
- Air quality (odour and dust)
- Visual impact on the locality

- Heritage impacts
- Flood and stormwater management
- Traffic and access

Site Location

The development site comprises 8.2 ha of RU1 – Primary Production zoned land and is located on Oura Road, around 5 km from the village of Oura and 20 km from the Wagga Wagga central business district (CBD). The site is legally described as Lot 8 DP 114170, Lot 10 DP 114170, Lot 137 DP 751397, Lot 139 DP 751397, Lot 142 DP 751397, Lot 51 DP 751423, Lot 81 DP 751423. Access to the development site is gained from an existing rural driveway from Oura Road.

The development site (the area of the land holding containing all elements of the development) is located on a property known as 'Oura Station'. The property comprises livestock farming land, associated rural buildings, including a local heritage-listed federation homestead ('Oura Station Homestead'), a pivot irrigation area and a drought feedlot.



Figure 1: The Site and Locality (Source: Google Maps, 2025)

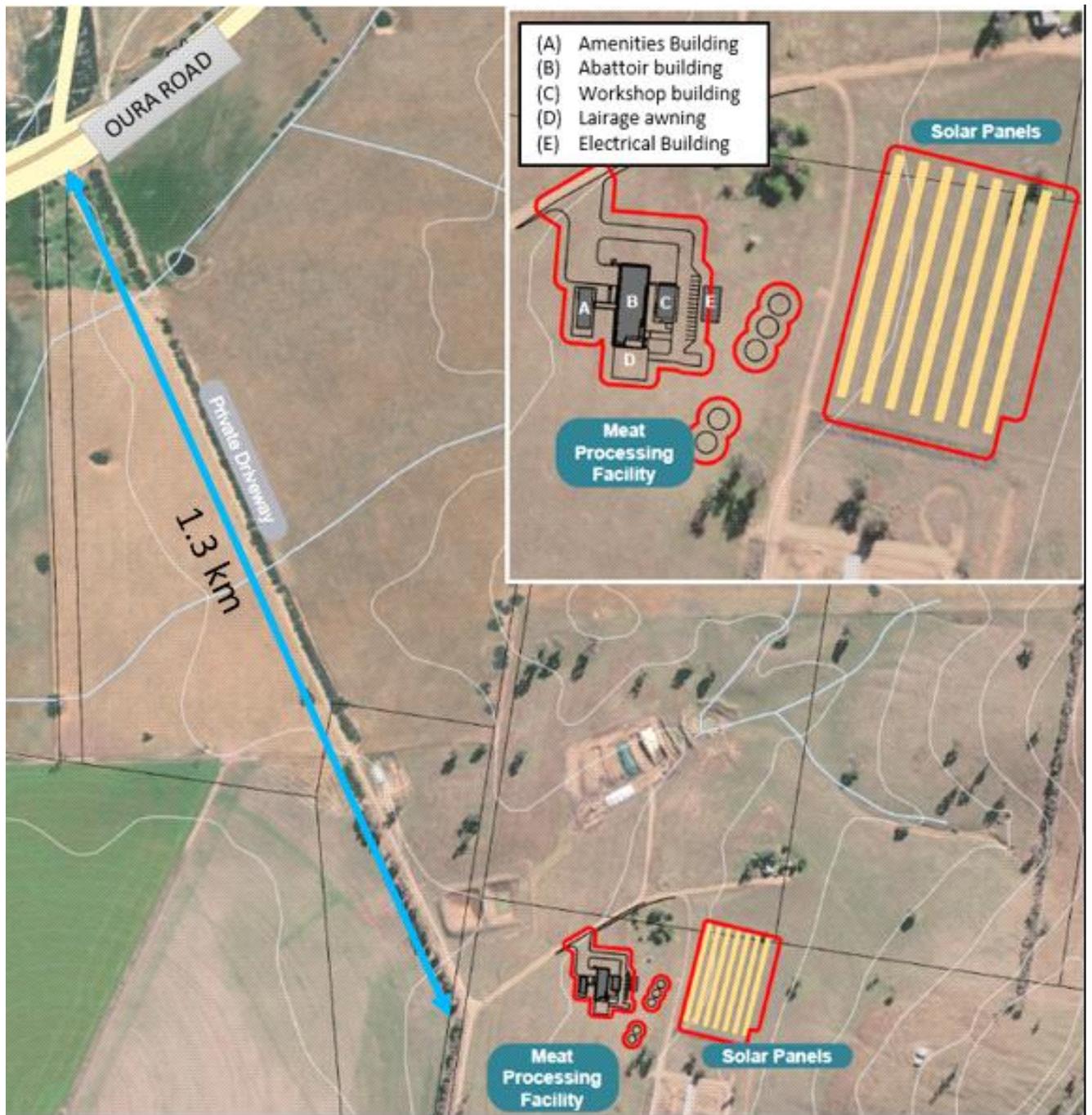
Oura Station forms part of a larger property known as 'Eringoarrah' (owned by the applicant, Eringoarrah Pty Ltd), covering 7,747 hectares between Oura and Wantabadgery. Eringoarrah is currently used for the grazing of livestock and the production of fodder crops.

Assessment

- The applicant is seeking development consent for a Livestock Processing Industry (Abattoir) for a throughput of 1,903 tonnes of live weight annually (cattle, sheep, and pigs).
- The Development also includes an ancillary Solar Energy System, ancillary outbuildings, a wastewater treatment plant and associated storage tanks,

landscaping works, and hardstand servicing and parking areas.

- The proposal is considered designated development under Schedule 3 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021, as it involves the slaughter of more than 750 tonnes of livestock weight per year. As the development is designated, the applicant has prepared an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) in accordance with the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure's Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs).
- The proposal is integrated development pursuant to Division 4.8 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 and clause 23 of Schedule 1 of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997, requiring an Environment Protection Licence (EPL) from the Environment Protection Authority (EPA). The EPA has issued General Terms of Approval (GTAs) for the development.
- The application was also referred to Water NSW as integrated development. Water NSW confirmed that a Water Use Approval under Section 89 of the Water Management Act 2000 was not required.
- The facility comprises the following main components:
 - Main abattoir building: 614.54m²
 - Office and amenities building: 180.79m²
 - Workshop and storage room: 200m²
 - Electrical building: 200m²
 - Lairage area: 337.83m²
 - 4 × 250 kL water tanks
 - Wastewater Treatment Plant including 950m³ of wet weather-treated effluent storage and 4.1 ha of treated effluent irrigation area
 - Photovoltaic (PV) system with a 1,300 kW solar collector covering 1.5 ha, a 1,500 kWh battery and a 500 kVA backup generator
 - Internal roadways, vehicular movement areas and carparking.
 - Landscaping



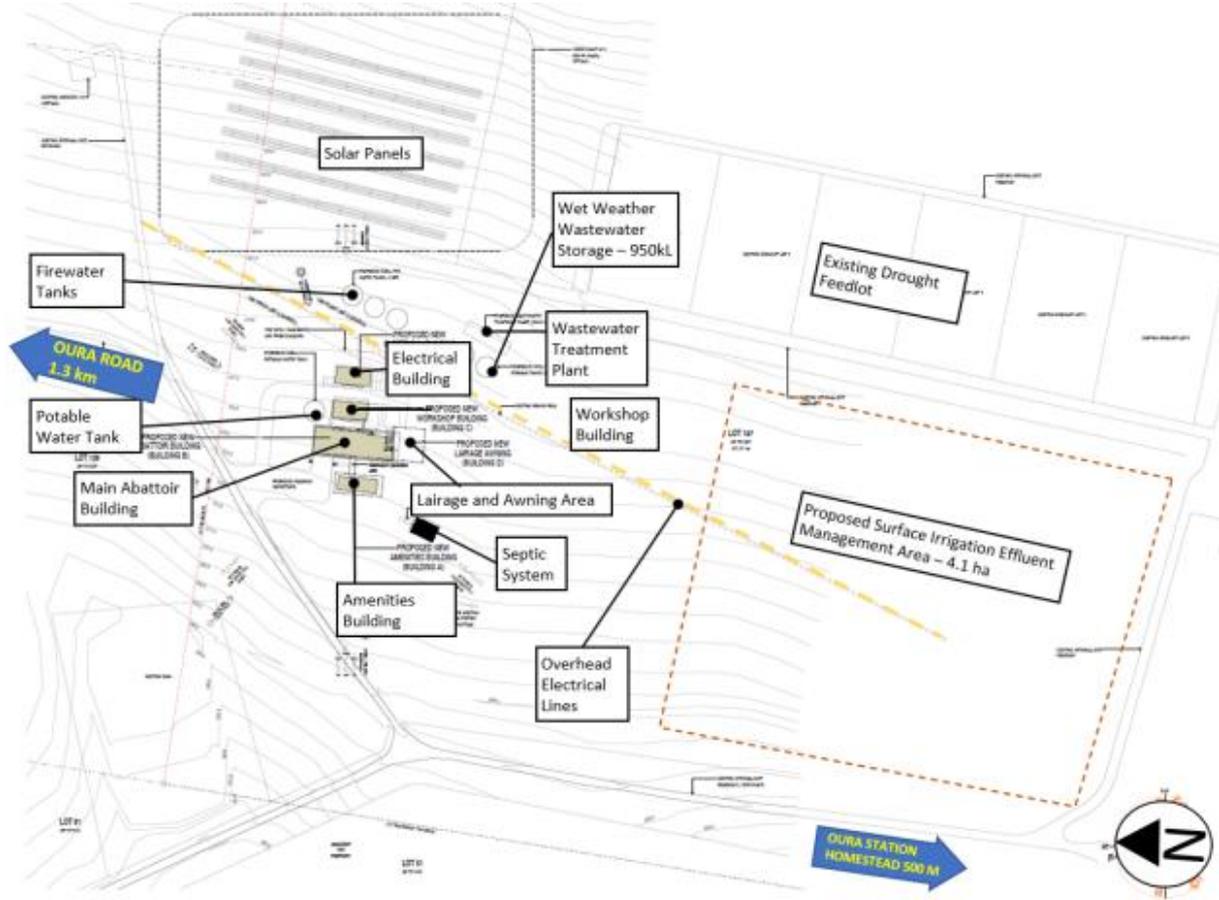


Figure 2: Development Footprint



Figure 3: Perspective View of the Proposal (Source: Icono Building Design)

- The application is primarily for the purpose of processing cattle grazed on the farm holding known as Eringoarrah (i.e. animals that are bred, born, raised and/or finished on the farm holding). The processing of sheep and pigs to be grazed on the farm holding in the future forms part of the development application, but no timeline for the introduction of these animals has been proposed.

- The facility will operate six days a week from 6 am to 6 pm, employing 10 full-time and two part-time staff.
- The original application was notified from 30/01/2024 to 27/02/2024. As a result of concerns raised by the EPA and in public submissions regarding effluent treatment and disposal, the applicant submitted an amendment to the application. The amendment proposed an alternative method for treatment of effluent prior to its reuse for surface irrigation over the site.
- The amended development application was publicly exhibited for a second period from 29 August 2024 to 26 September 2024 and was reported to Council on 10 March 2025. Procedural concerns were raised regarding the public notice and legislative references, leading Council to defer consideration.
- The application was re-exhibited on three further occasions between May and December 2025. The renotification was required to address deficiencies in public notices and ensure compliance with notification requirements under the EP&A Act and Regulation.
- Approximately 500 submissions were received across all exhibition periods, comprising a mix of objections and support. A redacted copy of all submissions is provided as an attachment to this report. All submissions and agency advice have been considered in full in the attached Section 4.15 Assessment Report.
- The proposal is consistent with the objectives of the RU1 – Primary Production zone under the WWLEP. It represents a unique and diverse primary industry enterprise in Wagga Wagga. The siting, design, and scale of buildings are sensitive to the rural character of the area and minimise impacts on adjoining land uses.
- The EPA has issued General Terms of Approval (GTAs) requiring a Wastewater Management Plan and Groundwater Monitoring Plan to manage wastewater generation, treatment and irrigation. These include trigger levels requiring additional mitigation if exceeded. The EPA is satisfied wastewater impacts can be managed subject to consent conditions and EPL requirements.
- The proposed WWTP is capable of effectively treating effluent for irrigation reuse, including provision of adequate wet weather storage to prevent oversaturation of irrigation areas.
- Solid wastes generated from processing, including biosolids, paunch and WWTP sludge, will be managed under the EPA EPL and disposed of at licensed off-site facilities.
- Air quality assessment indicates dust and particulate levels will remain below relevant criteria at all receptors. The EPA raised no concerns and imposed no air quality GTAs or conditions.

- EPA review of odour modelling identified no issues. GTAs require preparation of an Air Quality Management Plan prior to operations commencing.
- Visual impacts are expected to be minor and consistent with rural building groupings and rural architectural character. Conditions require a final building colour palette and detailed landscaping plan to further minimise impacts.
- Flood impacts, including up to PMF events, are considered negligible subject to preparation of a Flood Emergency Response Plan.
- Traffic generation is low, with approximately six heavy vehicle product collection movements per week. The road network can accommodate the development, subject to upgrading the site access to Oura Road.
- On balance, the development application has merit, and potential environmental impacts can be effectively mitigated through recommended conditions of consent and compliance with the EPA's GTAs. The proposal is considered to be in the public interest and is now reported to Council for determination.

Reasons for Approval

1. The proposed development is consistent with the applicable objectives and clauses of the Wagga Wagga Local Environmental Plan 2010.
2. The proposed development is consistent with the objectives and controls of the Wagga Wagga Development Control Plan 2010.
3. The NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) has issued General Terms of Approval (GTAs) for the development with respect to a required Environment Protection Licence (EPL) under the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997.
4. The impacts of the proposed development are acceptable and can be managed via the recommended conditions of consent and the requirements of an EPL as detailed in the GTAs granted by the NSW EPA.
5. The site is considered suitable for the proposed development having regard to the site's zoning, separation from sensitive receivers, rural setting, access to infrastructure, and ability to accommodate wastewater treatment, irrigation and associated operational requirements.
6. The development is considered to be in the public interest, having regard to the outcomes of the environmental assessment undertaken in accordance with Section 4.15 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, the consideration of agency advice and public submissions, and the ability for environmental and amenity impacts to be appropriately managed through conditions of consent and regulatory approvals.

Separate Cover Attachments

- 1 DA23 0598 - Section 4.15 Assessment Report – as below

- 2 [DA23 0598 - EPA Response & General Terms of Approval](#)
- 3 [DA23 0598 - Correspondence - Development Application DA23/0598](#)
- 4 [DA23 0598 - Correspondence - Development Application DA23/0598](#)
- 5 [DA23 0598 - Correspondence - Response to Request for Additional Information](#)
- 6 [DA23 0598 - Correspondence - Cover Letter to Summarise Updates to Martens Reports: DA23/0598 Proposed Livestock Processing Facility at 2052 Oura Rd, OURA](#)
- 7 [DA23 0598 - Correspondence - Development Application \(1\)](#)
- 8 [DA23 0598 - Correspondence - Development Application \(2\)](#)
- 9 [DA23 0598 - Environmental Impact Statement](#)
- 10 [DA23 0598 - Addendum to Environmental Impact Statement](#)
- 11 [DA23/0598 - Site Survey](#)
- 12 [DA23 0598 - Architectural Drawings](#)
- 13 [DA23 0598 - Site Plan Solar Array](#)
- 14 [DA23 0598 - Landscape Plans](#)
- 15 [DA23 0598 - Civil Drawings](#)
- 16 [DA23 0598 - Onsite Wastewater Management Strategy](#)
- 17 [DA23 0598 - Correspondence DA23/0598 - Onsite Wastewater Management Strategy](#)
- 18 [DA23 0598 - Groundwater Assessment Report cover](#)
- 19 [DA23 0598 - Supplementary Groundwater Assessment](#)
- 20 [DA23 0598 - Water Balance Assessment](#)
- 21 [DA23 0598 - Waste Management Plan](#)
- 22 [DA23 0598 - Air Quality Impact Assessment](#)
- 23 [DA23 0598 - Addendum to Air Quality Impact Assessment](#)
- 24 [DA23 0598 - Noise Impact Report](#)
- 25 [DA23 0598 - Correspondence - Addendum to Noise Impact Assessment](#)
- 26 [DA23 0598 - Archaeological Technical Report](#)
- 27 [DA23 0598 - Correspondence \(Archaeological\)](#)
- 28 [DA23 0598 - Heritage Impact Assessment](#)
- 29 [DA23 0598 - Biodiversity Assessment Report](#)
- 30 [DA23 0598 - Correspondence \(Biodiversity\)](#)
- 31 [DA23 0598 - Bushfire Assessment Report](#)
- 32 [DA23 0598 - Flood Assessment](#)
- 33 [DA23 0598 - SEPP Preliminary Risk Screening Report](#)
- 34 [DA23 0598 - Correspondence - Addendum to SEPP \(Resilience and Hazards\) 2021](#)
- 35 [DA23 0598 - Preliminary Site Investigation](#)

- 36 [DA23 0598 - Detailed Site Investigation](#)
- 37 [DA23 0598 - Traffic Impact Assessment](#)
- 38 [DA23 0598 - Traffic Statement](#)
- 39 [DA23 0598 - Land Use Conflict Risk Assessment](#)
- 40 [DA23 0598 - Biosecurity Management Plan: Small Scale Livestock Processing Facility](#)
- 41 [DA23 0598 - Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment](#)
- 42 [DA23 0598 - Memorandum relating to the Oura Meat Processing Facility & Solar Farm](#)
- 43 [DA23 0598 - Glint & Glare Assessment Report](#)
- 44 [DA23 0598 - Operational Management Plan](#)
- 45 [DA23 0598 - Construction Environmental Management Plan](#)
- 46 [DA23 0598 - Building Certification Assessment Report](#)
- 47 [DA23 0598 - Access Performance Solution Report](#)
- 48 [DA23 0598 - Registered Quantity Surveyor's Capital Investment Report](#)
- 49 [DA23 0598 - Section 7.12 Infrastructure Contribution](#)
- 50 [DA23 0598 - Redacted Submissions - First Notification Period](#)
- 51 [DA23 0598 - Redacted Submissions - Second Notification Period](#)
- 52 [DA23 0598 - Redacted Submissions - Third Notification Period](#)
- 53 [DA23 0598 - Redacted Submissions - Fourth Notification Period](#)
- 54 [DA23 0598 - Redacted Submissions - Fifth Notification Period](#)

Financial Implications

N/A

Policy

Wagga Wagga Local Environmental Plan 2010
Wagga Wagga Development Control Plan 2010

Link to Strategic Plan

Sustainable

Sustainable built environment

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Risk Management Issues for Council

Approval of the application is not considered to raise risk management issues for Council as the proposed development is generally consistent with LEP and DCP controls.

Internal / External Consultation

Full details of the notification and consultation that occurred 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																
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Involve																
Collaborate																
Other methods (please list specific details below)																

Attachments

1. DA23 0598 - Section 4.15 Assessment Report - Provided under separate cover

RP-2 DA25/0488 - MULTI DWELLING HOUSING (4 X 2 STOREY DWELLINGS), 2 X SWIMMING POOLS & COMMUNITY TITLED SUBDIVISION, LOT 69 DP 802097, 2 NEERIM CLOSE, KOORINGAL

Author: Giles Wong
General Manager: Peter Thompson

Summary:

The Development Application is for 2 storey dwellings, 2 swimming pools, associated retaining walls, and community title subdivision.

The application was notified on 2 occasions (23 October 2025 to 6 November 2025 and 22 January to 6 February 2026). A total of 12 public submissions in objection to the application were received.

Section 1.10 of the Wagga Wagga Development Control Plan 2010 requires any application that is subject to 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 DA25/0488 for a 'Multi dwelling housing (4 x 2 storey dwellings), 2 x swimming pools & community titled subdivision' at Lot 69 DP 802097, 2 Neerim Close, Kooringal, subject to the conditions outlined in the attached s4.15 Assessment Report.

Development Application Details

Applicant	Clifford John Curtain
Owner	Clifford John Curtain, Helen Dorothy Curtain, and Kain John Curtain,
Development Cost	\$1,200,000
Development Description	Multi dwelling housing (4 x 2 storey dwellings), 2 x swimming pools & community titled subdivision

Report

Key Issues

- Context and Setting
- Overlooking, overshadowing, and privacy impacts
- Traffic impacts

Site Location

The subject site is legally known as lot 69 DP 802097 and is commonly known as 2 Neerim Close, Koorngal. The site is located on the southwestern side of Neerim Close approximately 26m northwest from the intersection between Neerim Close and Henwood Avenue. The lot is irregular in shape and has an area of 1731m². The site is heavily sloped with a fall of approximately 11m from the northeastern most corner to the southwestern most corner of the lot.

The proposal is located within an established residential area characterised by single dwelling low density residential development.



Assessment

A full assessment is in the attached Section 4.15 Assessment Report which assesses all relevant matters in detail. The following is a summary of the assessment.

- The application is for 4 x 2 storey dwellings, 2 swimming pools, associated retaining walls, and community title subdivision.

- The development will provide positive social and economic benefits, including contributing to local housing supply and supporting employment during construction.
- A total of 12 submissions were received during the notification periods, all in objection to the proposal. All matters raised in the submissions have been considered in the assessment of the application.
- The proposal is considered to be in the public interest.

Reasons for Approval

- The proposed development is permissible with consent in the R1 General Residential zone and is consistent with the objectives of the zone, including providing additional housing supply and diversity.
- The development is generally consistent with the relevant provisions of the Wagga Wagga Local Environmental Plan 2010, applicable State Environmental Planning Policies, and the Wagga Wagga Development Control Plan 2010.
- The site is suitable for the proposed development, having regard to its zoning, size, location, servicing availability, and site constraints.
- The development has been designed to appropriately respond to the sloping nature of the site and provides acceptable outcomes in relation to streetscape, bulk and scale, privacy, solar access, and residential amenity.
- Potential environmental and amenity impacts, including stormwater, traffic, noise, and earthworks, can be appropriately managed through design measures and conditions of consent.
- The development is considered to be in the public interest.

Financial Implications

N/A

Policy

State Environmental Planning Policy (Sustainable Buildings) 2022
Wagga Wagga Local Environmental Plan 2010
Wagga Wagga Development Control Plan 2010

Link to Strategic Plan

Sustainable

Sustainable built environment

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Risk Management Issues for Council

Approval of the application is not considered to raise risk management issues for Council as the proposed development is generally consistent with the 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.

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Involve																
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Attachments

1. DA25-0488 - Section 4.15 Assessment Report - Provided under separate cover
2. DA25-0488 - Submitted SEE - Provided under separate cover
3. DA25-0488 - Submitted SEE (Appendix) - Provided under separate cover
4. DA25-0488 - Site Plan - Provided under separate cover
5. DA25-0488 - Drainage, Subdivision & Landscape Plans - Provided under separate cover
6. DA25-0488 - Dwelling 1 Floor Plans & Elevations - Provided under separate cover
7. DA25-0488 - Dwellings 2 & 3 Floor Plans & Elevations - Provided under separate cover
8. DA25-0488 - Dwelling 4 Floor Plans & Elevations - Provided under separate cover
9. DA25-0488 - Shadow Diagrams - Provided under separate cover
10. DA25-0488 - Engineering - Layout Plan - Provided under separate cover
11. DA25-0488 - Engineering - Bulk Earthwork Plan - Provided under separate cover
12. DA25-0488 - Engineering - Stormwater Plan - Provided under separate cover
13. DA25-0488 - Submissions (Redacted) - Provided under separate cover

RP-3 RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF MOTION - WAGGA WAGGA - KUNMING SISTER CITY INDUSTRY COOPERATION & INVESTMENT DELEGATION - REQUEST FOR REPORT**Author:** Peter Thompson**Summary:**

This report is provided in response to the resolution of Council at the Ordinary Meeting of 9 February 2026 regarding a proposed Wagga Wagga–Kunming Sister City Industry Cooperation and Investment Delegation.

The report provides preliminary advice in relation to the proposal, including consideration of foreign policy alignment and engagement protocols, strategic merit, financial and resourcing implications, governance and risk matters and the need for stakeholder consultation.

Further work is required to clarify objectives, seek appropriate advice from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade and assess risks, costs and local stakeholder interest prior to any future consideration by Council.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a direct the General Manager to prepare a detailed package of goals and objectives to be achieved if a delegation to Kunming is pursued
- b request the General Manager seek advice from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade regarding foreign policy alignment, engagement protocols and any risks associated with a proposed delegation
- c receive a further report at the second meeting in April outlining the outcomes of (a) and (b) and any implications for Council participation

Report

At its Ordinary Meeting of 9 February 2026, Council resolved the following:

NOM-3 NOTICE OF MOTION – WAGGA WAGGA - KUNMING SISTER CITY INDUSTRY COOPERATION & INVESTMENT DELEGATION - REQUEST FOR REPORT**26/001 RESOLVED:**

On the Motion of Councillors R Foley and L Tanner

That Council:

- a **note the attached six-day proposal for a Wagga Wagga–Kunming Sister City Industry Cooperation & Investment Delegation proposed for April 2026**

- b request the General Manager prepare a report for Council consideration addressing:**
 - i advice from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) regarding foreign policy alignment, travel advisories, security considerations, and appropriate engagement protocols with Chinese government entities**
 - ii the strategic merit of the proposed delegation in the context of the Wagga Wagga–Kunming sister city relationship and Council’s economic development objectives**
 - iii the financial, logistical, and resourcing implications for Council, including any estimated costs associated with Councillor and/or staff participation, cost-sharing arrangements, and potential external funding opportunities**
 - iv a risk assessment covering governance, financial, and travel risks, including due diligence on proposed hosts, facilitators, and counterpart organisations**
 - v the outcomes of consultation with relevant local industry groups, educational and vocational institutions, and business chambers to assess interest and their potential participation**
 - vi any legal, governance, or policy considerations associated with proposed memoranda of understanding or letters of intent, noting that any such documents would be non-binding and subject to Council approval**
- c request that the report be presented to Council at the earliest practicable meeting, and no later than 28 February 2026, to enable Council to consider whether to proceed with participation in a proposed April 2026 delegation**

CARRIED

This report responds to that resolution and provides an initial assessment of the proposal. It is intended to inform Council and support further consideration of the matter. Council is not being asked to make a decision regarding participation in the proposed delegation at this stage.

The sections below provide responses to each of the matters identified in Council’s resolution.

(i) Advice from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) regarding foreign policy alignment, travel advisories, security considerations, and appropriate engagement protocols with Chinese government entities

The Sister City relationship with Kunming is registered with the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT), which has an oversight role in relation to agreements between local government authorities and foreign entities.

At the moment there is insufficient detail in relation to the proposed delegation. If Council proceeds with a proposed delegation we will liaise with DFAT on the basis of

the specific timing and goals of the delegation. Ultimately, DFAT will also review proposed agreements between Council and entities in China.

(ii) The strategic merit of the proposed delegation in the context of the Wagga Wagga–Kunming sister city relationship and Council’s economic development objectives

Wagga Wagga is located in the food bowl of Australia and will soon enjoy close proximity to four international airports (Western Sydney, Canberra, Sydney and Melbourne).

We are also well located on the Inland Rail route with ease of freight movements to Port Botany and Port of Melbourne. We have existing close communication with Executive Management at both Ports.

Add to this the strategic intent of the Special Activation Preceint for food processing and manufacturing and there is clear strategic benefit in exploring ties with a Country having one of the largest populations on earth.

A trip in April is however premature. Any trip of this nature should have clearly defined objectives. These should be aligned with the policy and strategy of the Australian Government.

The types of issues which might be explored are food export including meat, fresh foods, fruit, powdered products such as milk, wines and distilled spirits. Industry associations would no doubt be able to provide data on available product and supply consideration. This work needs to be done to prepare for a delegation visit.

Conversely, we should also identify what products might be attractive to import from Kunming. A reciprocal freight task should be attractive from a logistics perspective To progress strategic merit we should gather high level data on the types of products we might supply, supply chain issues and transport logistics

(iii) the financial, logistical, and resourcing implications for Council, including any estimated costs associated with Councillor and/or staff participation, cost-sharing arrangements, and potential external funding opportunities

At this stage, detailed financial, logistical and resourcing implications cannot be confirmed as the scope, objectives and composition of any delegation have not been determined.

Preliminary high-level considerations include:

- Economy return flights; and
- accommodation costs.

Accommodation would be arranged in consultation with the Kunming Government. Estimated 7 Days duration. It is unlikely that Australian Government funding would be available for the delegation. It would be useful, however, to identify possible funding opportunities to support actions arising from the delegation.

Preliminary indicative estimates suggest participation costs could be in the order of \$6,000 per delegate. Further detail would be provided in a future report should the proposal progress.

(iv) A risk assessment covering governance, financial, and travel risks, including due diligence on proposed hosts, facilitators, and counterpart organisations

A risk assessment can be undertaken when the purpose, timing, location and stakeholders in the delegation are known and confirmed.

(v) the outcomes of consultation with relevant local industry groups, educational and vocational institutions, and business chambers to assess interest and their potential participation

These consultations have not yet occurred and will form part of a future report to Council.

(vi) any legal, governance, or policy considerations associated with proposed memoranda of understanding or letters of intent, noting that any such documents would be non-binding and subject to Council approval

Beyond the usual governance requirements in relation to local government (approval of overseas travel, Councillor approval of policy and financial commitments and public notification of things such as grant of financial assistance) the Commonwealth Government also has a role in overseeing agreements with effect in other Countries.

Since consideration of this matter at the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 9 February 2026, Council officers have made preliminary contact with representatives associated with the proposed itinerary, as well as Austrade, to obtain background information.

The proposed travel window of 20–25 April 2026 is not considered achievable to ensure appropriate preparation and the best possible outcomes from any delegation. A timeframe for any future delegation would be determined once clear objectives and supporting information have been developed to inform discussions in Kunming.

Financial Implications

Preliminary high-level estimates suggest participation costs could be in the order of \$6,000 per delegate.

Detailed costings will be provided in a future report if the proposal progresses.

Policy and Legislation

Local Government Act 1993

Councillor Payment and Expenses Policy (POL 025)

Wagga Wagga City Council Code of Conduct

Wagga Wagga City Council Code of Meeting Practice

Link to Strategic Plan

Regional Leadership

Ethical Leadership

Provide strategic direction and leadership for our region to deliver key community priorities.

Risk Management Issues for Council

Key risks include reputational considerations, geopolitical sensitivities, unclear economic return, resourcing impacts and stakeholder perception of overseas travel. These will be assessed in detail should the proposal progress.

Internal / External Consultation

Preliminary internal consultation has occurred. External consultation with industry, education and business stakeholders has not yet commenced and would occur if Council resolves to further investigate the proposal.

RP-4 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE REPORT AS AT 31 JANUARY 2026**Author:** Carolyn Rodney**Summary:**

This report is for Council to consider information presented on the 2025/26 budget and Long Term Financial Plan, and details Council's external investments and performance as at 31 January 2026.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a approve the proposed budget variations and note the balanced budget position as presented in this report
- b approve the proposed budget variations to the Long Term Financial Plan Capital Works Program including new projects and timing adjustments
- c approve the Quarterly Budget Review Statement (QBRS) for the quarter ending 31 December 2025
- d note the Responsible Accounting Officer's reports, in accordance with the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021* (Part 9 Division 3: Clause 203) that the financial position of Council is satisfactory having regard to the original estimates of income and expenditure and the recommendations made above
- e note the details of the external investments as at 31 January 2026 in accordance with section 625 of the *Local Government Act 1993*
- f accept the grant funding offers as presented in this report

Report

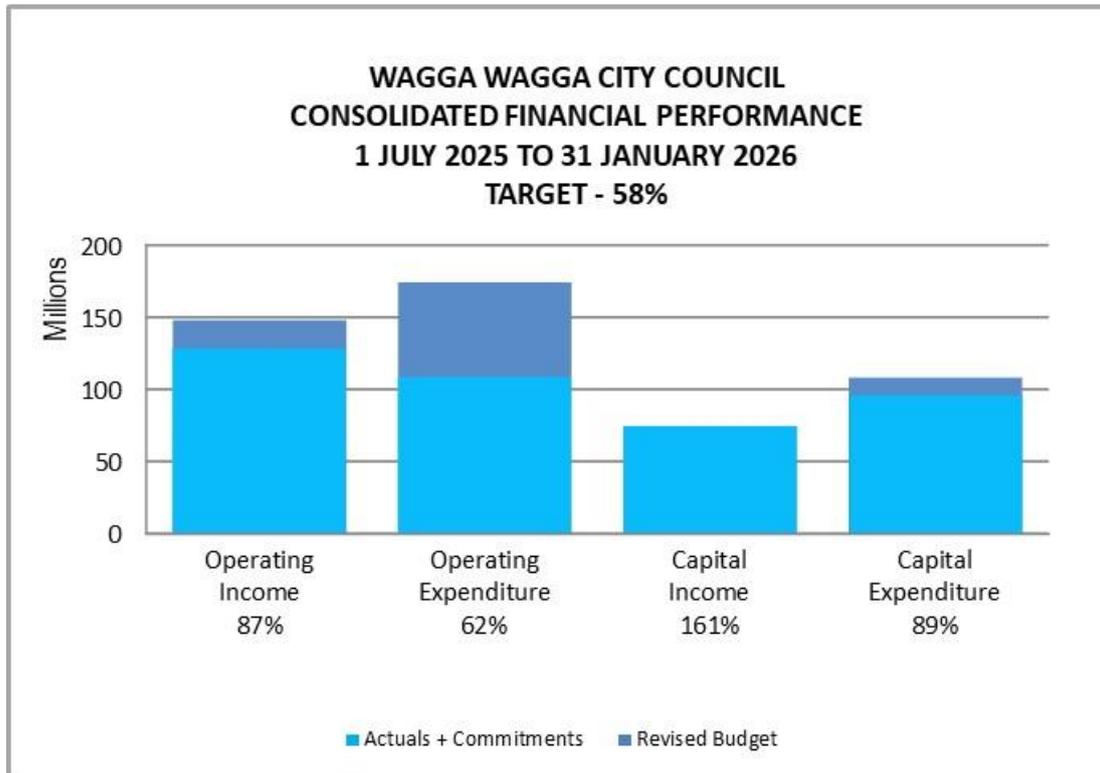
Wagga Wagga City Council (Council) forecasts a balanced budget position as of 31 January 2026.

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

The Quarterly Budget Review Statement (QBRS) has been included as an attachment in this report and includes a summary of Council's financial performance for the quarter ending 31 December 2025. These QBRS standardised reporting templates have been developed to ensure council staff report clearly and consistently to Councillors and the community by providing relevant and easy to read financial information. The recommended changes that have been included in the QBRS have already been adopted at previous meetings of Council.

Council has experienced a positive monthly investment performance for the month of January when compared to budget (\$432,924 up on the monthly budget). This is mainly due to better than budgeted returns on Council's investment portfolio, as well as a higher than anticipated investment portfolio balance – which is partly due to Council receiving upfront payment of \$48.5M in funding under the Accelerated Infrastructure Fund in June 2024.

Key Performance Indicators



OPERATING INCOME

Total operating income is 87% of approved budget and is exceeding the budget due to the rates and annual charges being raised at the start of the year. Excluding the rates amount, operating income received is 68% when compared to budget which is as a result of increased interest on investments.

OPERATING EXPENSES

Total operating expenditure is 62% of approved budget and is tracking over budget at this stage of the financial year. This is in relation to commitments that have been raised for the full 2025/26 financial year.

CAPITAL INCOME

Total capital income is 161% of approved budget, which is mainly attributed to the Accelerated Infrastructure Fund (AIF) grant funding that has been received. This income will be reduced and carried over to next financial year for completion of the project in line with the project budget.

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

Total capital expenditure including commitments is 89% of approved budget. This mainly relates to the raising of the full amount of the AIF contract against the multi-year budget. Excluding commitments, the total expenditure is 30% when compared to the approved budget.

**WAGGA WAGGA CITY COUNCIL
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE
1 JULY 2025 TO 31 JANUARY 2026**

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT

	ORIGINAL BUDGET 2025/26	BUDGET ADJ 2025/26	APPROVED BUDGET 2025/26	YTD ACTUAL EXCL COMMT'S 2025/26	COMMT'S 2025/26	YTD ACTUAL + COMMT'S 2025/26	YTD % OF BUD
Revenue							
Rates & Annual Charges	(87,770,975)	0	(87,770,975)	(87,551,027)	0	(87,551,027)	100%
User Charges & Fees	(36,430,787)	2,014,847	(34,415,940)	(22,491,229)	0	(22,491,229)	65%
Other Revenues	(3,708,908)	311,000	(3,397,908)	(2,326,801)	0	(2,326,801)	68%
Grants & Contributions provided for Operating Purposes	(15,211,543)	3,147,603	(12,063,940)	(7,114,630)	0	(7,114,630)	59%
Grants & Contributions provided for Capital Purposes	(55,259,649)	12,672,829	(42,586,820)	(73,548,633)	0	(73,548,633)	173%
Interest & Investment Revenue	(8,513,832)	0	(8,513,832)	(7,621,613)	0	(7,621,613)	90%
Other Income	(1,727,957)	(11,667)	(1,739,624)	(1,169,458)	0	(1,169,458)	67%
Total Revenue	(208,623,651)	18,134,612	(190,489,039)	(201,823,391)	0	(201,823,391)	106%
Expenses							
Employee Benefits & On-Costs	62,134,154	217,500	62,351,654	34,477,015	0	34,477,015	55%
Borrowing Costs	2,677,749	0	2,677,749	1,492,309	0	1,492,309	56%
Materials & Services	45,965,090	10,076,887	56,041,978	31,032,210	9,818,752	40,850,961	73%
Depreciation & Amortisation	50,925,213	0	50,925,213	29,706,375	0	29,706,375	58%
Other Expenses	2,148,317	10,412	2,158,729	1,185,726	841,421	2,027,146	94%
Total Expenses	163,850,523	10,304,800	174,155,323	97,893,634	10,660,172	108,553,806	62%
Net Operating (Profit)/Loss	(44,773,128)	28,439,412	(16,333,716)	(103,929,757)	10,660,172	(93,269,585)	
Net Operating Result Before Capital (Profit)/Loss	10,486,521	15,766,583	26,253,104	(30,381,124)	10,660,172	(19,720,952)	
Cap/Reserve Movements							
Capital Expenditure - One Off	87,100,363	(23,363,461)	63,736,902	17,616,238	56,482,776	74,099,014	116%
Capital Expenditure - Recurrent	26,147,587	12,064,016	38,211,603	11,128,391	6,920,634	18,049,025	47%
Loan Repayments	6,224,419	0	6,224,419	3,630,911	0	3,630,911	58%
New Loan Borrowings	(8,936,775)	4,512,188	(4,424,587)	0	0	0	0%
Sale of Assets	(1,427,375)	(2,281,157)	(3,708,532)	(909,525)	0	(909,525)	25%
Net Movements Reserves	(13,409,878)	(19,370,998)	(32,780,877)	0	0	0	0%
Total Cap/Res Movements	95,698,341	(28,439,412)	67,258,929	31,466,015	63,403,410	94,869,425	
Net Result after Depreciation	50,925,214	(0)	50,925,213	(72,463,742)	74,063,582	1,599,840	
Add back Depreciation Expense	50,925,213	0	50,925,213	29,706,375	0	29,706,375	58%
Cash Budget (Surplus)/Deficit	0	(0)	(0)	(102,170,116)	74,063,582	(28,106,534)	

Council's 10 year General Purpose Revenue (GPR) Bottom Line

Description	Budget 2025/26	Budget 2026/27	Budget 2027/28	Budget 2028/29	Budget 2029/30	Budget 2030/31	Budget 2031/32	Budget 2032/33	Budget 2033/34	Budget 2034/35
Adopted Bottom Line (Surplus)/Deficit	0	614,465	(125,802)	323,574	1,570,849	(8,490)	652,439	188,451	786,886	686,373
Adopted Bottom Line Adjustments	0	0	0	0	(30,000)	0	0	0	0	0
Revised Bottom Line (Surplus)/Deficit	0	614,465	(125,802)	323,574	1,540,849	(8,490)	652,439	188,451	786,886	686,373

*This table does not include any proposed draft 2026/27 LTFF budget adjustments.

2025/26 Revised Budget Result – (Surplus) / Deficit	\$'000s
Original 2025/26 Budget Result as adopted by Council	\$0K
Total Budget Variations approved to date	\$0K
Budget Variations for January 2026	\$0K
Proposed Revised Budget result for 31 January 2026 - (Surplus) / Deficit	\$0K

The proposed Operating and Capital Budget Variations for 31 January 2026 which affect the current 2025/26 financial year are listed below.

Budget Variation	Amount	Funding Source	Net Impact (Fav)/ Unfav
1 – Regional Leadership			
ICT Connectivity and Network Review	\$50K	Information Services Reserve (\$50K)	Nil
<p>Council's ICT division has commissioned a comprehensive connectivity and network review of Council's core infrastructure. The review will provide an independent current-state assessment and a forward-looking roadmap to support planned growth, increased digital services, and evolving technology requirements. This work will inform a structured network improvement and hardware replacement program over the next four years, ensuring Council's network infrastructure remains resilient, scalable, and fit for purpose. It is proposed to fund the variation from the Information Services Reserve.</p> <p>Estimated Completion: 30 June 2026 Job Consolidation: 12317</p>			
3 - Growing			
Illegal Dumping Prevention Program	\$94K	NSW EPA Grant (\$94K)	Nil
<p>Council has been successful in securing State Government grant funding under the NSW EPA Illegal Dumping Prevention Program. This will allow Council to continue their illegal dumping prevention program within the LGA.</p> <p>Estimated Completion: 30 June 2027 Job Consolidation: 70210</p>			
GWMC Cell Extension	\$635K	Solid Waste Reserve (\$635K)	Nil
<p>Cell 2.4 at the Gregadoo Waste Management Facility was originally constructed in 2016, with the northern side intentionally left open to allow for future expansion. Council approved works on 5 August 2024 to extend the cell, with an original budget of \$1.26 million to construct the northern wall and extend the liner so the site could continue accepting waste.</p> <p>Once construction commenced, a number of significant defects were identified within the existing cell that had not been previously known. These included an incorrectly installed liner that caused water build-up and damage to the underlying ground, unsuitable agricultural pipe used for leachate drainage,</p>			

Budget Variation	Amount	Funding Source	Net Impact (Fav)/ Unfav
<p>poor-quality and incorrectly placed drainage layers, liner damage caused by oversized aggregate, misaligned anchor trenches and waste encroaching into the extension area.</p> <p>These defects resulted in leachate migrating beneath both the existing and new liners, requiring additional excavation, redesign, temporary leachate management, replacement of drainage infrastructure and increased engineering oversight to ensure the works meet approved designs and EPA licence requirements.</p> <p>As a result, an additional \$635,000 is required to complete the project. These works will deliver both the approved cell extension and rectification of the identified construction defects. The Solid Waste Reserve has sufficient capacity to fund the additional cost without the need for borrowings or impacts on existing Council services.</p> <p>Estimated Completion: 30 June 2026 Job Consolidation: 70195</p>			
Workout Cardio Equipment Lease	\$11K	Additional Workout Income (\$11K)	Nil
<p>Funds are required for the lease of 16 pieces of cardio equipment for Workout including treadmills, ellipticals and exercise bikes. The lease includes the supply and maintenance of the equipment for 48 months. The budget required for the leasing costs for the 48 months are:</p> <p>2025/26 \$11,302 2026/27 \$33,907 2027/28 \$33,907 2028/29 \$33,907 2029/30 \$22,605</p> <p>It is proposed to fund the lease expense from additional Workout Income.</p> <p>Estimated Completion: 31 January 2030 Job Number: 24316</p>			

2025/26 Capital Works Summary

Capital Works	Approved Budget	Proposed Movement	Proposed Budget
One-off	\$63,736,902	\$635,000	\$64,371,902
Recurrent	\$38,211,602	\$0	\$38,211,602
Total Capital Works	\$101,948,504	\$635,000	\$102,583,504

Council have been advised by the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts of an adjustment to future Roads to Recovery funding. There is no reduction in the total amount of funds being received over the three (3) financial years, but rather a redistribution of when the funds will be received across the years.

Job No	Project Title	2026/27 Current Budget	2026/27 Proposed Budget	2027/28 Current Budget	2027/28 Proposed Budget	2028/29 Current Budget	2028/29 Proposed Budget
16532	Pavement Rehab Program	\$6,883,072	\$6,121,448	\$7,532,347	\$8,342,971	\$7,676,363	\$7,627,363

Current Restrictions

RESERVES SUMMARY					
31 JANUARY 2026					
	CLOSING BALANCE 2024/25	ADOPTED RESERVE TRANSFERS 2025/26	BUDGET VARIATIONS APPROVED UP TO COUNCIL MEETING 19.01.2026	PROPOSED CHANGES for Council Resolution*	BALANCE AS AT 31 JANUARY 2026
Externally Restricted					
Developer Contributions - Section 7.11	(34,255,170)	240,743	1,853,473		(32,160,955)
Developer Contributions - Section 7.12	(1,249,835)	(28,052)	20,000		(1,257,887)
Developer Contributions - Stormwater Section 64	(10,009,058)	(802,931)	31,000		(10,780,989)
Sewer Fund	(61,473,248)	(299,197)	3,892,130		(57,880,315)
Solid Waste	(35,184,093)	2,571,122	3,431,559	635,000	(28,546,413)
Specific Purpose Unexpended Grants & Contributions	(64,727,816)	0	64,727,816		0
SRV Levee Reserve	(6,230,711)	0	50,000		(6,180,711)
Stormwater Levy	(5,711,474)	2,343,245	(1,757,647)		(5,125,876)
Total Externally Restricted	(218,841,407)	4,024,930	72,248,331	635,000	(141,933,146)
Internally Restricted					
Airport	0	(246,893)	(728,747)		(975,641)
Art Gallery	(22,548)	0	0		(22,548)
Bridge Replacement	(1,272,343)	0	75,000		(1,197,343)
Buildings	(3,872,876)	306,774	601,070		(2,965,032)
CCTV	(16,374)	0	0		(16,374)
Cemetery	(1,405,926)	(205,658)	(13,923)		(1,625,507)
Civic Theatre	(95,013)	(57,388)	30,000		(122,401)
Civil Infrastructure	(13,477,978)	2,580,634	728,627		(10,168,717)
Council Election	(27,411)	(127,418)	0		(154,829)
Economic Development	(718,754)	0	(627,513)		(1,346,268)
Emergency Events Reserve	(337,706)	(82,188)	0		(419,894)
Employee Leave Entitlements Gen Fund	(3,986,868)	0	0		(3,986,868)
Environmental Conservation	(116,578)	0	0		(116,578)
Event Attraction	(490,685)	32,500	56,000		(402,185)
Financial Assistance Grants in Advance	(6,769,742)	0	6,769,742		0
Grant Co-Funding	(313,076)	180,000	133,076		0
Gravel Pit Restoration	(647,804)	3,333	57,863		(586,608)
Information Services	(3,722,935)	136,696	335,689	50,000	(3,200,550)
Insurance Variations	(50,000)	0	0		(50,000)
Internal Loans	(9,200,817)	1,441,477	(713,098)		(8,472,438)
Lake Albert Improvements	(727,876)	601,887	85,713		(40,276)
Library	(632,518)	(191,447)	0		(823,965)
Livestock Marketing Centre	(8,155,294)	3,181,495	(3,270,503)		(8,244,302)
Museum Acquisitions	(67,114)	0	0		(67,114)

	CLOSING BALANCE 2024/25	ADOPTED RESERVE TRANSFERS 2025/26	BUDGET VARIATIONS APPROVED UP TO COUNCIL MEETING 19.01.2026	PROPOSED CHANGES for Council Resolution*	BALANCE AS AT 31 JANUARY 2026
Net Zero Emissions	(337,227)	65,202	(173,823)		(445,848)
Oasis Reserve	(1,215,960)	852,154	(459,661)		(823,467)
Parks & Recreation Projects	(2,754,108)	48,771	1,416,270		(1,289,067)
Parks Water	(9,407)	(3,103)	0		(12,510)
Planning Legals	(41,747)	(20,000)	0		(61,747)
Plant Replacement	(7,234,600)	32,001	4,105,481		(3,097,117)
Project Carryovers	(4,294,961)	40,025	4,254,936		0
Public Art	(187,777)	30,000	149,432		(8,345)
Service Reviews	(200,000)	0	0		(200,000)
Sister Cities	(29,520)	0	0		(29,520)
Stormwater Drainage	(110,178)	0	0		(110,178)
Strategic Real Property	(1,943,643)	0	(2,088,647)		(4,032,290)
Subdivision Tree Planting	(637,504)	(20,000)	0		(657,504)
Unexpended External Loans	(505,756)	0	54,041		(451,715)
Visitors Economy	(33,394)	(33,572)	0		(66,966)
Workers Compensation	(137,879)	(19,282)	0		(157,161)
Total Internally Restricted	(75,801,895)	8,526,000	10,777,025	50,000	(56,448,870)
Total Restricted	(294,643,301)	12,550,929	83,025,355	685,000	(198,382,017)
Total Unrestricted	(14,444,000)	0	0	0	(14,444,000)
Total Cash, Cash Equivalents, and Investments	(309,087,301)	12,550,929	83,025,355	685,000	(212,826,017)

Investment Summary as at 31 January 2026

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

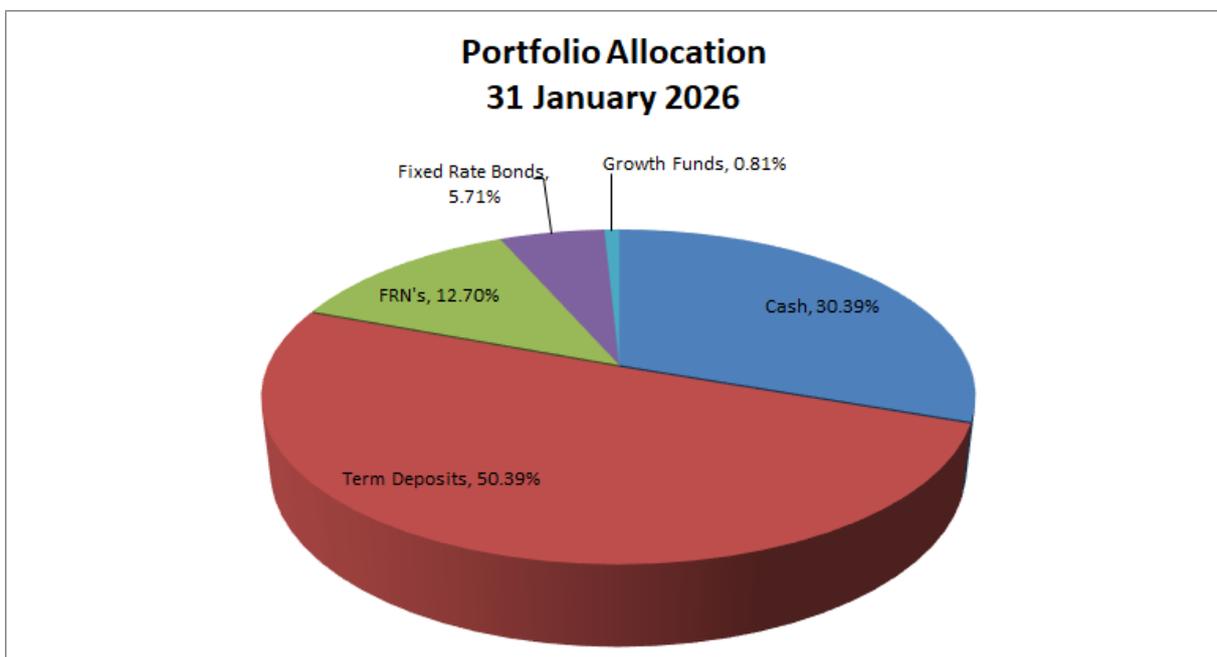
Institution	Rating	Closing Balance Invested 31/12/2025 \$	Closing Balance Invested 31/01/2026 \$	January EOM Current Yield %	January EOM % of Portfolio	Investment Date	Maturity Date	Term (months)
At Call Accounts								
NAB	AA-	54,385	0	0.00%	0.00%	N/A	N/A	N/A
CBA	AA-	7,166,868	3,690,330	3.60%	1.20%	N/A	N/A	N/A
CBA	AA-	29,314,632	29,399,508	3.65%	9.56%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Macquarie Bank	A+	10,306,741	10,336,075	3.40%	3.36%	N/A	N/A	N/A
CBA	AA-	49,988,875	50,046,473	3.60%	16.27%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total At Call Accounts		96,831,501	93,472,386	3.59%	30.39%			
Short Term Deposits								
Bank of Sydney	NR	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.22%	0.65%	30/06/2025	30/06/2026	12
ING Bank	A	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.80%	0.33%	26/02/2025	26/02/2026	12
State Bank of India	BBB-	1,000,000	1,000,000	5.10%	0.33%	7/03/2025	9/03/2026	12
State Bank of India	BBB-	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.00%	0.65%	10/03/2025	10/03/2026	12
State Bank of India	BBB-	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.00%	0.65%	17/03/2025	17/03/2026	12
State Bank of India	BBB-	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.50%	0.33%	2/06/2025	2/06/2026	12
State Bank of India	BBB-	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.30%	0.65%	25/06/2025	25/06/2026	12
ICBC	A	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.24%	0.33%	10/07/2025	10/07/2026	12
Bank of Sydney	NR	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.17%	0.65%	18/08/2025	18/08/2026	12
ICBC	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.50%	0.65%	28/11/2025	30/11/2026	12
Police Credit Union	NR	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.50%	0.33%	28/11/2025	30/11/2026	12
P&N Bank	BBB+	3,000,000	3,000,000	4.80%	0.98%	15/12/2025	15/12/2026	12
Total Short Term Deposits		20,000,000	20,000,000	4.60%	6.50%			
Medium Term Deposits								
Westpac	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.32%	0.65%	28/06/2021	29/06/2026	60
ICBC	A	3,000,000	3,000,000	5.07%	0.98%	30/06/2022	30/06/2027	60
NAB	AA-	2,000,000	0	0.00%	0.00%	29/01/2021	29/01/2026	60
NAB	AA-	1,000,000	1,000,000	1.08%	0.33%	22/02/2021	20/02/2026	60
NAB	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.25%	0.65%	3/03/2021	2/03/2026	60
NAB	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.40%	0.65%	21/06/2021	19/06/2026	60
Westpac	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.32%	0.65%	25/06/2021	25/06/2026	60
ICBC	A	1,000,000	1,000,000	1.32%	0.33%	25/08/2021	25/08/2026	60
P&N Bank	BBB+	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.90%	0.65%	11/03/2024	11/03/2026	24
ING Bank	A	1,000,000	1,000,000	5.11%	0.33%	23/05/2024	25/05/2026	24
Australian Military Bank	BBB+	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.06%	0.65%	2/09/2025	4/09/2028	36
P&N Bank	BBB+	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.85%	0.65%	16/12/2024	16/12/2026	24
Police Credit Union	NR	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.75%	0.65%	17/02/2025	17/02/2027	24
P&N Bank	BBB+	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.00%	0.65%	14/03/2023	15/03/2027	48
Auswide	BBB	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.95%	0.65%	13/04/2023	13/04/2026	36
P&N Bank	BBB+	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.20%	0.65%	20/04/2023	20/04/2027	48
P&N Bank	BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000	5.20%	0.33%	26/05/2023	26/05/2026	36
ING Bank	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.38%	0.65%	28/06/2024	28/06/2029	60
ING Bank	A	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.90%	0.33%	29/11/2024	29/11/2026	24
ING Bank	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.93%	0.65%	5/01/2026	5/01/2029	36
P&N Bank	BBB+	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.10%	0.65%	4/01/2024	4/01/2027	36

Institution	Rating	Closing Balance Invested 31/12/2025 \$	Closing Balance Invested 31/01/2026 \$	January EOM Current Yield %	January EOM % of Portfolio	Investment Date	Maturity Date	Term (months)
Suncorp	AA-	1,000,000	0	0.00%	0.00%	8/01/2024	8/01/2026	24
Australian Unity	BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.93%	0.33%	7/03/2024	9/03/2026	24
ING Bank	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.10%	0.65%	23/04/2024	24/04/2028	48
NAB	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.10%	0.65%	6/05/2024	6/05/2026	24
ING Bank	A	1,000,000	1,000,000	5.12%	0.33%	24/05/2024	24/05/2027	36
ING Bank	A	1,000,000	1,000,000	5.26%	0.33%	31/05/2024	31/05/2028	48
ING Bank	A	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.24%	0.33%	3/06/2025	4/06/2029	48
ING Bank	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.26%	0.65%	6/06/2024	6/06/2028	48
Australian Military Bank	BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000	5.20%	0.33%	11/06/2024	11/06/2026	24
Australian Military Bank	BBB+	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.20%	0.65%	11/06/2024	11/06/2026	24
BankVic	BBB+	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.00%	0.65%	26/06/2025	26/06/2028	36
BankVic	BBB+	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.65%	0.65%	27/08/2024	27/08/2026	24
ING Bank	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.63%	0.65%	30/08/2024	30/08/2026	24
ING Bank	A	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.51%	0.33%	16/09/2024	18/09/2028	48
Westpac	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.45%	0.65%	27/09/2024	28/09/2026	24
ING Bank	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.79%	0.65%	17/10/2024	19/10/2026	24
Westpac	AA-	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.70%	0.33%	8/10/2024	8/10/2026	24
Westpac	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.73%	0.65%	21/10/2024	21/10/2027	36
Hume Bank	BBB+	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.95%	0.65%	7/11/2024	7/11/2026	24
ING Bank	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.02%	0.65%	14/11/2024	16/11/2026	24
ING Bank	A	1,000,000	1,000,000	5.00%	0.33%	27/11/2024	27/11/2026	24
ING Bank	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	5.07%	0.65%	28/11/2024	28/11/2028	48
P&N Bank	BBB+	3,000,000	3,000,000	4.85%	0.98%	16/12/2024	16/12/2027	36
ING Bank	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.80%	0.65%	21/01/2025	21/01/2028	36
Australian Military Bank	BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.82%	0.33%	30/01/2025	29/01/2027	24
Australian Military Bank	BBB+	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.73%	0.65%	10/02/2025	10/02/2028	36
Australian Military Bank	BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.79%	0.33%	4/02/2025	4/02/2028	36
Regional Australia Bank	BBB+	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.71%	0.65%	12/02/2025	12/02/2027	24
Hume Bank	BBB+	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.75%	0.65%	12/02/2025	12/02/2029	48
Westpac	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.70%	0.65%	12/02/2025	14/02/2028	36
ING Bank	A	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.77%	0.33%	26/02/2025	28/02/2028	36
ING Bank	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.62%	0.65%	3/03/2025	3/03/2028	36
State Bank of India	BBB-	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.65%	0.65%	14/03/2025	15/03/2027	24
State Bank of India	BBB-	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.65%	0.65%	31/03/2025	31/03/2027	24
ING Bank	A	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.81%	0.33%	1/04/2025	1/04/2030	60
State Bank of India	BBB-	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.25%	0.65%	5/05/2025	5/05/2027	24
State Bank of India	BBB-	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.25%	0.33%	29/05/2025	31/05/2027	24
State Bank of India	BBB-	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.15%	0.65%	25/06/2025	25/06/2027	24
State Bank of India	BBB-	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.15%	0.65%	2/07/2025	2/07/2027	24
State Bank of India	BBB-	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.05%	0.33%	7/07/2025	7/07/2027	24
ING Bank	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.18%	0.65%	8/07/2025	9/07/2029	48
Regional Australia Bank	BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.00%	0.33%	30/07/2025	30/07/2027	24
Westpac	AA-	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.00%	0.33%	12/08/2025	14/08/2028	36
Arab Bank Australia	NR	2,000,000	2,000,000	3.95%	0.65%	22/08/2025	24/08/2027	24
Australian Military Bank	BBB+	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.05%	0.65%	27/08/2025	27/08/2027	24

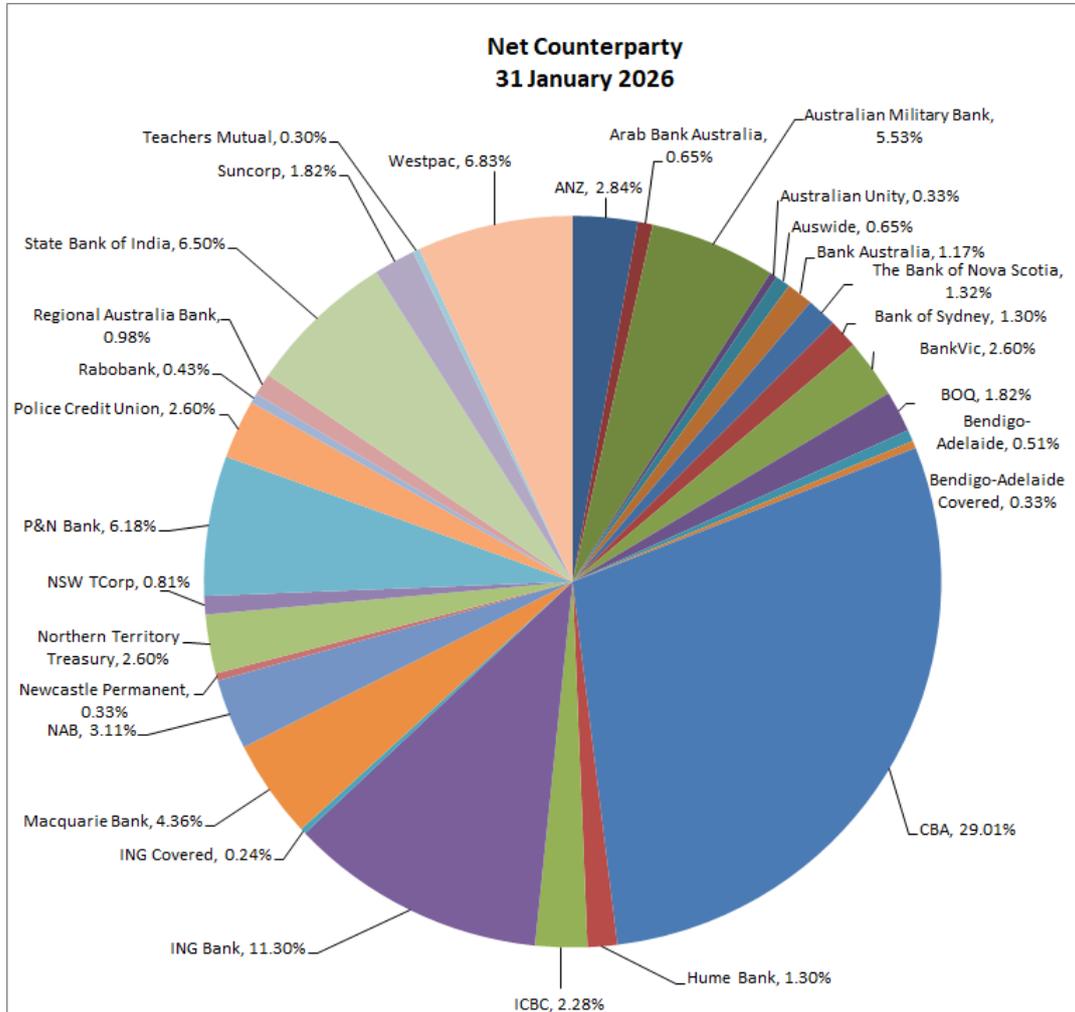
Institution	Rating	Closing Balance Invested 31/12/2025 \$	Closing Balance Invested 31/01/2026 \$	January EOM Current Yield %	January EOM % of Portfolio	Investment Date	Maturity Date	Term (months)
Australian Military Bank	BBB+	3,000,000	3,000,000	4.07%	0.98%	29/08/2025	29/08/2028	36
Police Credit Union	NR	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.06%	0.33%	8/09/2025	8/09/2027	24
Australian Military Bank	BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.08%	0.33%	9/09/2025	11/09/2028	36
BankVic	BBB+	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.09%	0.65%	15/09/2025	15/09/2028	36
Australian Military Bank	BBB+	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.05%	0.65%	16/09/2025	16/09/2027	24
BankVic	BBB+	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.15%	0.65%	21/10/2025	21/10/2027	24
Police Credit Union	NR	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.55%	0.33%	14/11/2025	15/11/2027	24
Police Credit Union	NR	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.56%	0.65%	17/11/2025	17/11/2028	36
Westpac	AA-	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.45%	0.33%	20/11/2025	20/11/2028	36
Westpac	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.53%	0.65%	28/11/2025	28/11/2028	36
Westpac	AA-	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.66%	0.33%	4/12/2025	4/12/2028	36
Westpac	AA-	1,000,000	1,000,000	4.64%	0.33%	8/12/2025	8/12/2027	24
P&N Bank	BBB+	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.90%	0.65%	15/12/2025	15/12/2027	24
Westpac	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	4.79%	0.65%	15/12/2025	15/12/2028	36
Police Credit Union	NR	0	1,000,000	4.76%	0.33%	8/01/2026	10/01/2028	24
Westpac	AA-	0	2,000,000	4.82%	0.65%	29/01/2026	31/01/2028	24
Total Medium Term Deposits		135,000,000	135,000,000	4.42%	43.89%			
Floating Rate Notes								
Newcastle Permanent	BBB+	1,009,238	1,013,541	BBSW + 100	0.33%	10/02/2022	10/02/2027	60
NAB	AA-	2,542,974	2,554,145	BBSW + 120	0.83%	25/11/2022	25/11/2027	60
Suncorp	AA-	1,116,217	1,121,349	BBSW + 125	0.36%	14/12/2022	14/12/2027	60
CBA	AA-	2,044,524	2,030,155	BBSW + 115	0.66%	13/01/2023	13/01/2028	60
Bank Australia	BBB+	1,925,527	1,933,425	BBSW + 155	0.63%	22/02/2023	22/02/2027	48
Bendigo-Adelaide Covered	AAA	1,014,514	1,019,435	BBSW + 115	0.33%	16/06/2023	16/06/2028	60
CBA	AA-	2,536,466	2,548,896	BBSW + 95	0.83%	17/08/2023	17/08/2028	60
ANZ	AA-	2,123,086	2,133,958	BBSW + 93	0.69%	11/09/2023	11/09/2028	60
Bank Australia	BBB+	1,674,363	1,659,818	BBSW + 150	0.54%	30/10/2023	30/10/2026	36
ANZ	AA-	2,541,466	2,555,011	BBSW + 96	0.83%	5/02/2024	5/02/2029	60
Suncorp	AA-	1,010,015	1,015,308	BBSW + 98	0.33%	19/03/2024	19/03/2029	60
ING Bank	A	503,037	505,077	BBSW + 95	0.16%	22/03/2024	22/03/2027	36
BoQ	A-	1,687,583	1,675,581	BBSW + 128	0.54%	30/04/2024	30/04/2029	60
Bendigo-Adelaide	A-	809,104	812,538	BBSW + 100	0.26%	14/05/2024	14/05/2027	36
ANZ	AA-	1,512,179	1,520,550	BBSW + 86	0.49%	18/06/2024	18/06/2029	60
Teachers Mutual	BBB+	908,693	912,192	BBSW + 130	0.30%	21/06/2024	21/06/2027	36
ING Bank	A	2,230,489	2,242,032	BBSW + 102	0.73%	20/08/2024	20/08/2029	60
CBA	AA-	1,517,185	1,525,537	BBSW + 87	0.50%	22/08/2024	22/08/2029	60
Suncorp	AA-	2,415,855	2,429,072	BBSW + 92	0.79%	27/09/2024	27/09/2029	60
Bendigo-Adelaide	A-	760,370	755,449	BBSW + 96	0.25%	24/10/2024	24/10/2028	48
ANZ	AA-	1,312,190	1,319,191	BBSW + 81	0.43%	18/02/2025	18/02/2030	60
Rabobank	A+	1,311,913	1,319,945	BBSW + 85	0.43%	20/02/2025	20/02/2030	60
The Bank of Nova Scotia	A+	2,019,306	2,033,855	BBSW + 140	0.66%	21/03/2025	21/03/2030	60
Suncorp	AA-	1,011,310	1,017,152	BBSW + 93	0.33%	21/05/2025	21/05/2030	60
Macquarie Bank	A+	1,415,608	1,407,621	BBSW + 82	0.46%	17/07/2025	17/07/2030	60
Total Floating Rate Notes		38,953,213	39,060,831		12.70%			

Institution	Rating	Closing Balance Invested 31/12/2025 \$	Closing Balance Invested 31/01/2026 \$	January EOM Current Yield %	January EOM % of Portfolio	Investment Date	Maturity Date	Term (months)
Fixed Rate Bonds								
ING Covered	AAA	738,338	740,650	1.10%	0.24%	19/08/2021	19/08/2026	60
Northern Territory Treasury	AA-	3,000,000	3,000,000	1.50%	0.98%	24/08/2021	15/12/2026	64
BoQ	A-	1,870,674	1,876,139	2.10%	0.61%	27/10/2021	27/10/2026	60
BoQ	A-	2,034,730	2,037,769	5.30%	0.66%	30/04/2024	30/04/2029	60
ANZ	AA-	1,211,587	1,212,132	4.65%	0.39%	18/02/2025	18/02/2030	60
The Bank of Nova Scotia	A+	2,017,434	2,025,056	5.23%	0.66%	21/03/2025	21/03/2030	60
Macquarie Bank	A+	1,695,065	1,659,199	4.37%	0.54%	17/07/2025	17/07/2030	60
Northern Territory Treasury	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.50%	0.65%	6/08/2021	15/12/2026	64
Northern Territory Treasury	AA-	1,000,000	1,000,000	1.50%	0.33%	14/07/2021	15/12/2026	65
Northern Territory Treasury	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.30%	0.65%	29/04/2021	15/06/2026	61
Total Fixed Rate Bonds		17,567,828	17,550,946	2.88%	5.71%			
Managed Funds								
NSW Tcorp	NR	2,469,672	2,490,015	0.82%	0.81%	17/03/2014	1/01/2032	213
Total Managed Funds		2,469,672	2,490,015	0.82%	0.81%			
TOTAL CASH ASSETS, CASH EQUIVALENTS & INVESTMENTS		310,822,214	307,574,178		100.00%			

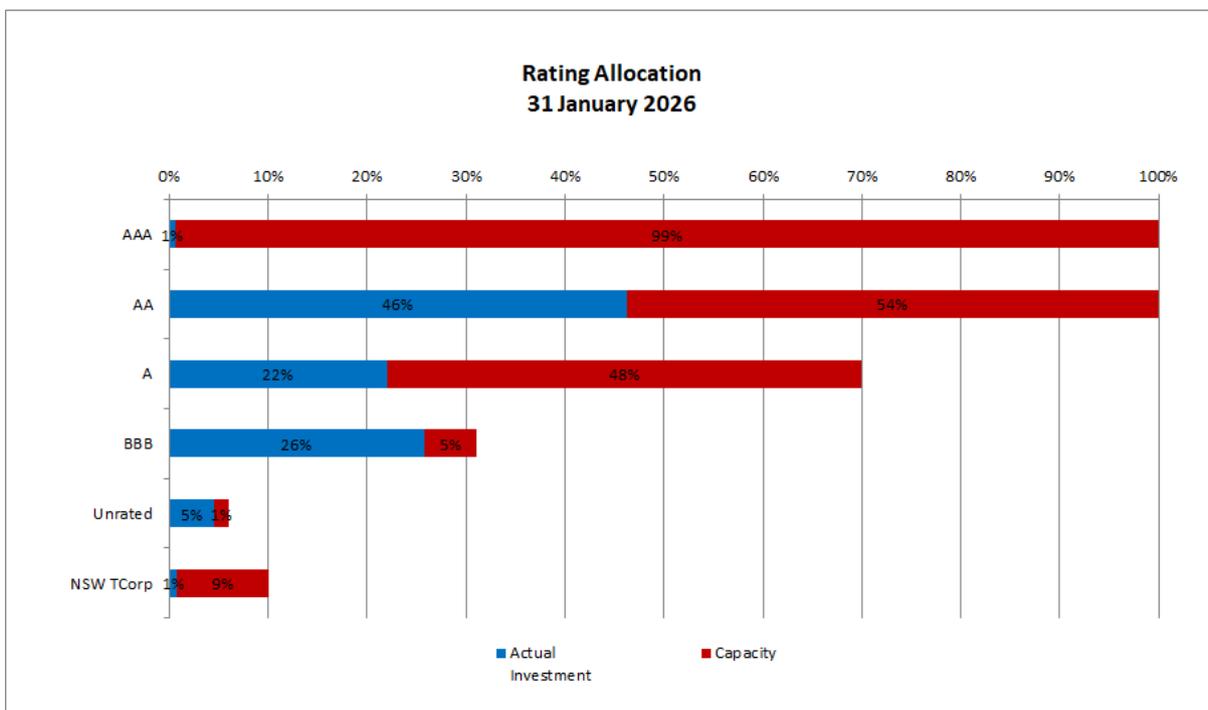
Council’s investment portfolio is dominated by Term Deposits, equating to approximately 50% of the portfolio across a broad range of counterparties. Cash equates to 30%, with Floating Rate Notes (FRNs) around 13%, fixed rate bonds around 6% and growth funds around 1% of the portfolio.



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



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



Investment Portfolio Balance

Council’s investment portfolio balance decreased over the past month, down from \$310.82M to \$307.57M. This decrease in portfolio balance is reflective of a number of capital works contract payments being made for works completed late in the 2025 calendar year.

	Closing Balance Invested 30/11/2025 \$	Closing Balance Invested 31/12/2025 \$	Closing Balance Invested 31/01/2026 \$
TOTAL WWCC CASH ASSETS, CASH EQUIVALENTS & INVESTMENTS	311,403,918	310,822,214	307,574,178

Monthly Investment Movements

Redemptions/Sales – Council redeemed/sold the following investment securities during January 2026:

Institution and Type	Amount	Investment Term	Interest Rate	Comments
Suncorp Bank (AA-) Term Deposit	\$1M	2 years	5.08%	This term deposit was redeemed on maturity and these funds were reinvested in a new 2-year Police Credit Union term deposit (as below).
NAB (AA-) Term Deposit	\$2M	5 years	0.95%	This term deposit was redeemed on maturity and these funds were reinvested in a new 2-year Westpac Bank term deposit (as below).

New Investments – Council purchased the following investment securities during January 2026:

Institution and Type	Amount	Investment Term	Interest Rate	Comments
Police Credit Union (Unrated) Term Deposit	\$1M	2 years	4.76%	The Police Credit Union rate of 4.76% compared favourably to the rest of the market for this term. The next best rate for this term was 4.75%.
Westpac (AA-) Term Deposit	\$2M	2 years	4.82%	The Westpac rate of 4.82% compared favourably to the rest of the market for this term. The next best rate for this term was 4.80%.

Rollovers – Council rolled over the following investment security during January 2026:

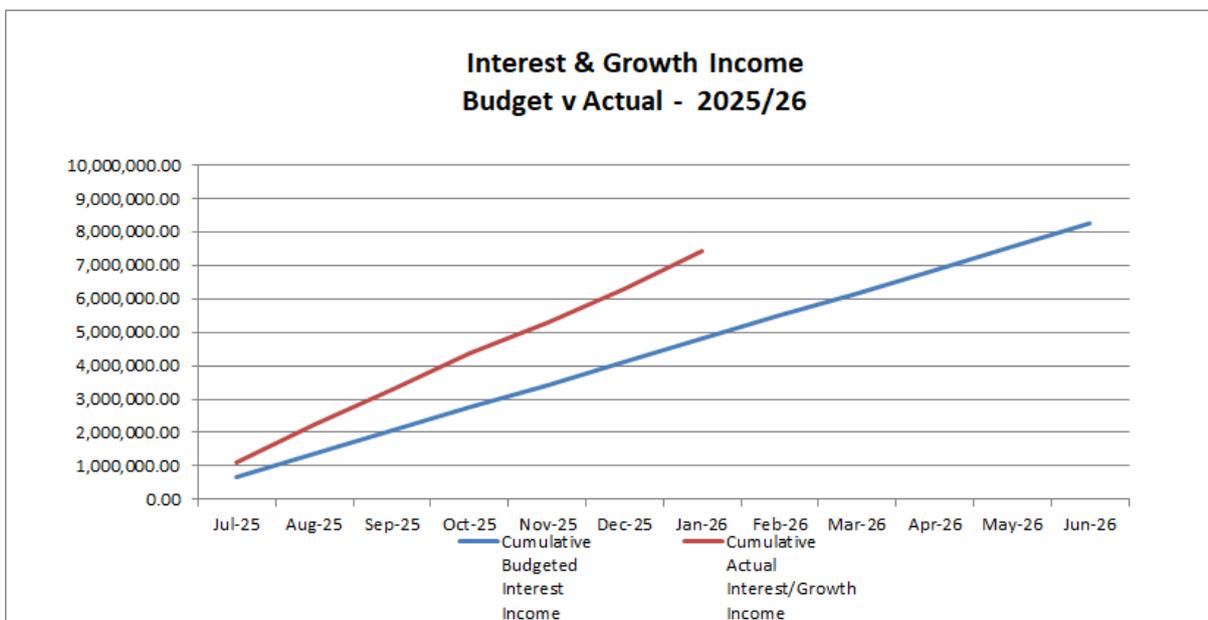
Institution and Type	Amount	Investment Term	Interest Rate	Comments
ING Bank (A) Term Deposit	\$2M	2 years	5.14%	This term deposit was a 2-year investment earning 5.14% and was rolled at maturity into a new 3-year term deposit at 4.93%.

Monthly Investment Performance

Interest/growth/capital gains/(losses) for the month totalled \$1,119,206, which compares favourably with the budget for the period of \$686,282 - outperforming budget for the month by \$432,924.

Council's outperformance to budget for January is mainly due to better than budgeted returns on Council's investment portfolio as well as a higher than anticipated investment portfolio balance – which is partly due to Council receiving upfront payment of \$48.5M in AIF funding in June 2024. For the 2025/26 financial year to date, Council has accrued \$1,073,602 on this AIF funding received. As the project commences and the funding is spent, the monthly interest will reduce.

Council experienced a positive return on its NSW T-Corp Managed Fund for the month of January, with the fund returning +0.82% (or \$20,343) with domestic (+1.78%) and international (+2.19%) shares being the main contributors to this month's performance.



In comparison to the AusBond Bank Bill Index* of 3.64% (annualised), Council’s investment portfolio returned approximately 4.10% (annualised) for the month of January – outperforming the benchmark for the month.

Over the past year, Council’s investment portfolio has returned 4.16%, outperforming the AusBond Bank Bill index by 0.27%. Council’s investment portfolio has continued to perform in line with the AusBond Bank Bill Index* over the longer-term time period, returning 3.96% per annum over the past 3 years – slightly underperforming the benchmark by -0.16% over this time.

Performance	1 month	3 months	6 months	FYTD	1 year	2 years	3 years
Official Cash Rate	0.30%	0.90%	1.80%	2.13%	3.78%	4.07%	4.05%
AusBond Bank Bill Index	0.30%	0.91%	1.83%	2.14%	3.89%	4.18%	4.12%
Council’s Cash	0.30%	0.89%	1.79%	2.12%	3.77%	4.05%	4.03%
Council’s T/D	0.38%	1.12%	2.25%	2.63%	4.49%	4.25%	3.91%
Council’s FRN	0.41%	1.21%	2.42%	2.94%	5.22%	5.41%	5.29%
Council’s Bonds	0.25%	0.68%	1.32%	1.53%	2.47%	2.07%	1.82%
Council’s TCorp LTGF	0.82%	0.85%	5.90%	7.21%	10.33%	12.16%	11.32%
Council’s Portfolio	0.34%	1.00%	2.04%	2.40%	4.16%	4.17%	3.96%
Relative Performance	0.04%	0.09%	0.21%	0.26%	0.27%	-0.02%	-0.16%

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

Report by Responsible Accounting Officer

I hereby certify that all of the above investments have been made in accordance with the provision of Section 625 of the *Local Government Act 1993* and the regulations there under, and in accordance with the Investment Policy adopted by Council on 24 June 2024.

Carolyn Rodney
Responsible Accounting Officer

Policy and Legislation

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

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

Local Government Act 1993

Section 625 - How may councils invest?

Local Government (General) Regulation 2021

Section 212 - Reports on council investments

Link to Strategic Plan

Community leadership and collaboration

Objective: 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

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

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

Internal / External Consultation

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

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

Attachments

1. [Capital Works Program 2025/26 to 2034/35.](#)
2. [Quarterly Budget Review Statement - December 2025.](#)

LONG TERM FINANCIAL PLAN ONE-OFF CAPITAL PROJECTS - 2025/26 - 2034/35 AS AT 31 JANUARY 2026													
				63,736,902	110,904,297	21,809,635	16,647,506	87,230,430	33,370,527	15,000,059	5,161,623	4,933,184	2,034,544
Ref	Job No.	Project Title	Funding Source	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31	2031/32	2032/33	2033/34	2034/35
1	24377	12 Blake St Works In Kind Agreement	57.12		171,785								
2	24721	Active Travel Pathway - Plumpton Road	Grant (Transport for NSW)		4,892,415								
3	18812	Active Travel Plan - Stage 1 - TT26	Grant (Crown Finance Restart) \$549,693 + 57.11 \$1,488,929+ Parks & Recreation Reserve \$1,199,898 + Stormwater Levy Reserve \$755,301	3,993,821									
4	23935	Active Travel Plan - Stage 3 - Koorringal Road Link	Grant (Get Active NSW)	1,258,638									
5	47288	Airport - Bays 1-3 Upgrade	External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments funded from Airport Reserve)						500,000				
6	47328	Airport - Light Aircraft Precinct Required Works	Airport Reserve						56,877				
7	47192	Airport - Redevelop terminal - Internal Baggage Claim and Retail Section	Grant (TBC) \$8,523,197 + Airport Reserve \$27,763						8,550,960				
8	47335	Airport - Remedial Works	Airport Reserve	43,660									
9	47283	Airport - Runway Lighting Upgrade	External Borrowings \$1,583,518 (Future Years Loan Repayments funded from Airport Reserve) + Airport Reserve \$3,988,982						5,572,500				
10	47323	Airport Ancillary Land Acquisition	Internal Loans Reserve (payback from Airport Reserve)						303,712				
11	24939	Alan Turner Depot Emulsion Tank Safety Upgrade	Plant Replacement Reserve	67,000									
12	24938	Alan Turner Depot Main Office Amenities Upgrade	Plant Replacement Reserve	77,000									
13	24936	Alan Turner Depot Main Office Kitchen & Lunchroom Refurbishment	Plant Replacement Reserve	21,000									

Ref	Job No.	Project Title	Funding Source	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31	2031/32	2032/33	2033/34	2034/35
14	24937	Alan Turner Depot Stores Amenities Upgrade	Plant Replacement Reserve	47,000									
15	24461	Alan Turner Depot Stores Upgrade	Plant Replacement Reserve	154,944									
16	22138	Alan Turner Depot Washbay Waste/Oil Separator & Pit	Plant Replacement Reserve	22,769									
17	22222	Alan Turner Depot Worker on Foot Upgrade	Civil Infrastructure Reserve					305,335					
18	15082	Amundsen Bridge Construction - TT6	S7.11			1,114,547							
19	23074	Art Gallery Cabinetry Work	Buildings Reserve \$24,285 + Grant (Responsible Gambling) \$20,880	45,165									
20	17760	Bolton Park Precinct Upgrade - ROS15	External Borrowings \$1,496,581 (Future Years Loan Repayments funded from GPR) + S7.11 \$4,118,117 + Grant (TBC) \$25,902,307					9,912,756	10,000,000	11,604,249			
21	19628	Boorooma St Upgrade - TT28	S7.11			200,000		4,202,816					
22	15083	Boorooma Street Slip Lane into Boorooma West - (2006-19 Plan)	S7.11			289,341							
23	22825	Bus Shelter Installations (CPTIGS - Fernleigh Rd x 2, Fay Ave)	Grant (Transport for NSW - CPTIGS)	2,354									
24	24463	Bus Shelter Installation (CPTIGS - Estella)	Grant (Transport for NSW - CPTIGS)	38,158									
25	23103	Chapel Refurbishment	Cemetery Reserve	57,475									
26	24934	Civic Centre Roof Gutter Renewal	Buildings Reserve	60,000									
27	24427	Civic Centre Safety Lights	Buildings Reserve	151,925									
28	24432	Civic Theatre - Orchestra Pit Upgrade	Buildings Reserve		277,898								
29	17749	Community Amenities - Gissing Oval	GPR \$232,864 + Grant (NSW Government Office of Sport) \$453,861 + Buildings Reserve \$345,881	1,032,607									
30	38639	Copland St Industrial Area - Stormwater Drainage Upgrade	Old S94 \$85,262 + Contribution \$92,358 + Stormwater DSP S64 \$481,369	107,040	551,949								

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31	24439	Currawarna Community Centre Roof Replacement	Buildings Reserve	4,263									
32	19647	Estella New Local Park (west Rainbow Drive) Embellishment - ROS1 + LA1 (Land Acquisition)	S7.11		1,363,837	1,363,838							
33	22330	Estella Road Upgrade	Grant (TBC)					700,000					
34	24440	Eternal Flame & Honour Roll Memorial	Grant (Office of Veteran Affairs)	115,909									
35	24456	Equex Filter Replacement	GPR	40,828									
36	22232	Farrer Road Upgrade - TT4	S7.11								3,481,529	700,000	
37	19617	Footpaths - Ashmont & Glenfield - TT16	S7.11 \$430,691 + Grant (TBC) \$1,841,950									2,272,641	
38	19618	Footpaths - Boorooma, Estella & Gobbagombalin - TT17	S7.11 \$155,319 + Grant (TBC) \$1,146,999					1,302,318					
39	19619	Footpaths - Bourkelands & Lloyd - TT18	S7.11 \$352,763 + Grant (TBC) \$1,738,250						2,091,013				
40	19620	Footpaths - Central & North Wagga - TT19	S7.11 \$36,304 + Grant (TBC) \$329,180						365,484				
41	19621	Footpaths - East Wagga - TT20	S7.11 \$61,350 + Grant (TBC) \$347,650									409,000	
42	19622	Footpaths - Forest Hill - TT21	S7.11 \$88,725 + Grant (TBC) \$936,160								1,024,885		
43	19623	Footpaths - Kooringal - TT22	S7.11 \$22,835 + Grant (TBC) \$587,374								610,209		
44	19624	Footpaths - Lake Albert & Tatton - TT23	S7.11 \$129,050 + Grant (TBC) \$1,297,950									1,427,000	
45	19625	Footpaths - Mount Austin, Tolland & Turvey Park - TT24	S7.11 \$232,210 + Grant (TBC) \$1,234,135						1,466,345				
46	19678	Forest Hill Upgrade Local Park - ROS16	S7.11					216,200					
47	24430	Glass Gallery Toilet	Buildings Reserve		137,099								
48	12922	Glenfield Road Corridor Works - TT1	S7.11 \$9,906,055 + External Borrowings \$9,220,794 (Future year repayments funded from S7.11)		88,681			19,038,168					
49	18738	Glenfield Road Drain Remediation	Stormwater DSP s64 \$993,792 + Stormwater Levy \$420,047		78,792	1,335,047							

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50	19649	Gobbagombalin - 2 Local Parks ROS3 + LA3 (Land Acquisition)	S7.11			308,859							
51	19604	Gregadoo Road Corridor Works - TT7	S7.11 \$3,237,490 + Civil Infrastructure Reserve \$719,610		2,412,650	765,100	772,225						
52	70195	GWMC - Cell Extension	Solid Waste Reserve	239,964									
53	70164	GWMC - Construction of a new Waste Cell	Solid Waste Reserve	200,000	3,075,196								
54	70041	GWMC - Construction of a new Waste Cell	Solid Waste Reserve				6,352,942						
55	70147	GWMC - Domestic Precinct (Transfer Station, Office Relocation, Roadworks)	Solid Waste Reserve	200,000			7,302,199						
56	70135	GWMC - Flare Upgrade & Gas Capture Network Expansion & Gas Powered Evaporator	Solid Waste Reserve	400,000				2,349,164					
57	70178	GWMC - Construction of a new Monocell	Solid Waste Reserve	200,000	3,423,697				2,600,000				
58	70197	GWMC - Land Acquisition	Solid Waste Reserve (To be paid back from the Transgrid Community Project Initiative Funding)	3,632,445									
59	70101	GWMC - Road Rehabilitation	Solid Waste Reserve	801,373									
60	70168	GWMC Plant Shed	Solid Waste Reserve	2,326,750									
61	70200	GWMC Purchase of Polystyrene Machine	Grant (NSW EPA) \$82,105 + Solid Waste Reserve \$40,000	122,105									
62	70203	GWMC Tower Installation	Solid Waste Reserve				200,000						
63	70169	GWMC Waste to Energy (Solution)	Solid Waste Reserve					5,000,000					
64	24348	Harris Park Amenities Upgrade	Grant (NSW Office of Sport) \$955,000 + GPR \$318,790 + Contribution (Wagga Rugby League) \$30,000	1,303,790									
65	19668	Harris Road to Open Space - ROS13	External Borrowings (Future Years Loans Repayments less 50% LCU Subsidy funded from S7.11)										
66	24426	Historic Council Chambers Building Upgrades	Buildings Reserve	123,146									
67	24741	Jim Elphick Aluminium Seating	Contribution (Wagga Wagga Tennis Association)	78,565									

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68	19669	Jubilee Oval - Community Meeting Space - ROS14	S7.11					384,750					
69	12941	Jubilee Oval to Red Hill Rd - Wagga West DSP Area - Implement Stormwater Drainage Improvements	Stormwater DSP S64			295,946							
70	24933	Jubilee Park Amenities Security Upgrade	Buildings Reserve	35,000									
71	19382	Jubilee Park - Replace existing synthetic surfaces at the Jubilee Park Hockey Complex	Contribution (Hockey Association) \$205,000 + External Borrowings \$195,000 (Future Years Loan Repayments funded from GPR)		400,000								
72	22317	Lake Albert Water Sports and Event Precinct	Lake Albert Reserve \$672,807 + Grant Co-Funding Reserve \$133,076 + Civil Infrastructure Reserve \$3,465,964 + Grant (Australian Government's Growing Regions Program) \$4,271,847	4,274,607	4,269,087								
73	24824	Land Acquisition - Part Lot B DP 152366 - Part 82 Forsyth Street, Wagga Wagga	Civil Infrastructure Reserve	161,780									
74	14048	Lawn Cemetery & Crematorium Office Refurbishment	Cemetery Reserve		500,000								
75	21273	Lawn Cemetery Master Plan Stage 2A Works - New burial area, outdoor chapel and water feature	External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments funded from Cemetery Reserve)	100,000	578,601								
76	19661	Lloyd Establish 3 Local Parks - RO55 + LA4 (Deakin Ave) + LA5 (Barton Ave) + LA6 (Central Lloyd) - Land Acquisitions	S7.11 \$2,101,940 + External Borrowings \$2,401,850 (Future Years Loan repayments funded from S7.11)	50,000	749,774			3,704,016					
77	45131	LMC - Cattle Delivery Yard Rehabilitation	LMC Reserve	9,458									
78	45089	LMC - CCTV & security (partial)	LMC Reserve					41,734					
79	45121	LMC - Clean, fill and landscape all new works areas	LMC Reserve	30,000	53,825								
80	45138	LMC - Hardstand	LMC Reserve					2,250,000					

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81	45096	LMC - New circulating road (partial)	LMC Reserve	500,000				2,229,010					
82	45141	LMC - Pump Replacement	LMC Reserve	40,000									
83	45133	LMC - Realign Sheep and Cattle Draft Ramps	LMC Reserve	855,296									
84	45125	LMC - Refurbish agents offices and canteen	LMC Reserve	55,110				350,000					
85	45124	LMC - Replace existing cattle/sheep delivery ramps	LMC Reserve					1,300,000					
86	45126	LMC - Road Train facilities	LMC Reserve							1,800,000			
87	45128	LMC - Sheep & Goat Electronic (EiD) System Feasibility Study	LMC Reserve	140,757									
88	45049	LMC - Treatment of Re-use Water	LMC Reserve					353,912					
89	22379	Local Government Recovery Grant	Grant (NSW Government) \$187,609 + GPR \$20,832	208,440									
90	24446	Mates Gully Road Upgrade	Contribution (Transgrid)	3,769,137									
91	19662	Geohex Park - Establish 2nd Rugby League Field - ROS6	S7.11		939,550								
92	21797	MPS Sports Court Recoat	GPR			40,000							
93	23961	Museum Rectification Works	Buildings Reserve	14,693									
94	24932	Netball Clubhouse Security Upgrade	Buildings Reserve	35,000									
95	50447	Northern Growth Area - Sewer Upgrades	Grant (Accelerated Infrastructure Fund - AIF) \$20,850,562 + Sewer Reserve \$6,950,186	5,955,326	21,845,422								
96	18796	Northern Sporting Precinct - Sports grounds and play equipment (Peter Hastie Oval Works) - ROS11 + LA4 (Land Acquisition)	External Borrowings \$263,336 (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCLU Subsidy funded from S7.11 + Building Reserve + GPR) + S7.11 \$5,258,854		50,000	213,336		5,258,854					
97	17866	North Wagga Levee Stage 2 (Detailed Design & Floodgate Relining)	Grant (Community Development Grants Programme - CDG0789 - Department of Infrastructure) \$825,716	825,716									

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98	24923	North Wagga Levee Upgrade (Construction)	Grant (NSW Reconstruction Authority) \$9,100,775 + SRV Reserve \$6,230,711 + External Borrowings \$2,870,064	100,000	10,000,000	8,101,550							
99	28174	Oasis - 25m & Program Pool Covers & Rollers Replacement	GPR			70,000							
100	28183	Oasis - 25m, Program & Leisure Pool Expansion Joints Replacement	GPR					125,000					
101	28190	Oasis - 25m Pool Dive Starting Blocks	GPR						48,000				
102	28150	Oasis - 25m Pool Lane Ropes & Lane Storage Rollers Replacement	GPR	34,441									
103	28181	Oasis - 50m Pool & Grandstand Concourse Resurfacing	GPR			175,000							
104	28154	Oasis - 50m & Dive Pool Bulkhead Tiles Upgrade	GPR	40,025									
105	28153	Oasis - 50m & Dive Pool Expansion Joints Replacement	GPR		79,790								
106	28147	Oasis - 50m Pool Covers & Rollers Replacement	GPR							85,992			
107	28177	Oasis - 50m Pool Dive Starting Blocks	GPR		42,000								
108	28172	Oasis - 50m Pool Lane Ropes & Lane Storage Rollers Replacement	GPR		85,000								
109	28179	Oasis - 50m Pool Shade covers deep end of pool	GPR		290,000								
110	28185	Oasis - 50m Pool Shade covers western side	Oasis Reserve					390,000					
111	28072	Oasis - Automatic Pool Cleaners	Oasis Reserve					60,000					
112	20840	Oasis - BBQ's	Oasis Reserve						70,000				
113	28158	Oasis - Change Rooms Upgrade	GPR	353,500									
114	28148	Oasis - Dive Pool Covers & Rollers Replacement	Oasis Reserve							45,000			
115	28076	Oasis - Diving Board Replacements	GPR							85,000			

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116	28173	Oasis - Disable/ Mixed Access Equipment / Steps - Wheel Chairs - Hoist & Extras	GPR			71,003							
117	28198	Oasis Energy Efficiency Upgrade (CEUF)	GPR \$2,878,600 + Oasis Reserve \$729,121 + S7.11 Recoupment \$828,805 + NZE Reserve \$391,772 + Grant \$2,500,000 (CEUF) + Internal Loans Reserve \$358,095 (GPR Future Year Loan Repayments) + Internal Loans Reserve \$663,540 (Oasis Reserve Future Year Loan Repayments)	1,224,933	3,000,000	4,125,000							
118	28195	Oasis - Sand Filters	GPR									79,543	
119	16393	Oasis - Floor Carpet - Entrance Pool Hall, Offices Stairs & Meeting Room	Oasis Reserve						64,000				
120	28182	Oasis - Irrigation/ Sprinkler System to Mixed Areas	Oasis Reserve			85,000							
121	28188	Oasis -Mixed Air Conditioning	GPR							125,000			
122	15143	Oasis - Point of Sale System & Entry Gates	GPR		115,000								
123	28184	Oasis - Pool Balance Tanks Service	GPR						105,000				
124	28149	Oasis - Pool Cover Winch Replacement	GPR							35,150			
125	28139	Oasis - Pool Deck Grating Replacement	Oasis Reserve	31,005									
126	28156	Oasis - Pool Hall Skylights Repair & Replacement	Oasis Reserve	233,534									
127	28176	Oasis - Public Address System Repair & Replacement	Oasis Reserve					85,000					
128	28157	Oasis - Security Lockers Replacement	Oasis Reserve	30,300									
129	28151	Oasis - Two Pool Inflatables Replacement	Oasis Reserve \$28,280 + GPR \$100,000	28,280					100,000				
130	28180	Oasis - Water Drinking Fountains	GPR					30,000					
131	28145	Oasis - Water Features Project	Grant (TBC) \$834,085 + Oasis S7.11 Recoupment \$854,173			199,135	1,489,022						

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132	19601	Pine Gully Road Corridor Works - TT2	\$7.11 \$5,408,909 + GPR \$625,000	1,902,139				4,131,771					
133	24256	Pominalarna Shed Construction	Parks & Recreation Reserve	10,669									
134	18792	Public Art - River Life	Public Art Reserve	106,695									
135	17075	Public Art Projects - TBA	Public Art Reserve		45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000
136	19667	Rawlings Park North - Construct a synthetic soccer facility - ROS12	\$7.11 \$699,125+ Grant (TBC) \$3,177,112	9,125				3,867,112					
137	19627	Red Hill Rd/Dalman Parkway Intersection Treatment - TT27	\$7.11	1,876,142									
138	19681	Red Hill Road Upgrade - TT3	External Borrowings \$31,596 (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCLI Subsidy funded from \$7.11) + \$7.11 \$4,539,227			109,813		2,134,706	1,151,636	1,174,668			
139	21903	RIFL Stage 1A Subdivision Works	Contribution (Regional Growth Development Corporation)	1,012,825									
140	24381	Riverside Fencing Project	Grant (NSW Government LSCA Program) \$7,313 + GPR \$6,120	13,433									
141	24942	Senior Citizens Centre Upgrade	GPR	16,500									
142	50224	Sewer Ashmont SPS (Lloyd to Ashmont Gravity Main Upgrade)	Sewer Reserve	3,116,614									
143	50439	Sewer Augmentation & Upgrade Forest Hill	Sewer Reserve					10,000,000					
144	50199	Sewer - Elizabeth Avenue Forest Hill SPS22 - New Assets	Sewer Reserve										1,204,724
145	50060	Sewer - Forsyth St Pump Station - SPS02 - Renewals - Refurbishment of current wells	Sewer Reserve										784,820
146	50384	Sewer - Install Flowmeters	Sewer Reserve	73,976									
147	50221	Sewer - Narrung St Treatment Plant Flood Protection Infrastructure	Sewer Reserve	627,193									

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148	50245	Sewer - Olympic Highway - SPS13 New Assets	Sewer Reserve	8,838	874,822								
149	50274	Sewer - Pump Station - SPS06 Shaw Street - Renewals	Sewer Reserve						280,000				
150	50261	Sewer - Springvale Pump Station - SPS36 - New Assets - New pump station	Sewer Reserve					596,138					
151	50441	Sewer Telemetry Hardware Upgrades	Sewer Reserve	944,836									
152	50440	Sewer Treatment Plant Upgrade Koorngal	Sewer Reserve	250,000									
153	50438	Sewer Treatment Ponds Augmentation Collingullie	Sewer Reserve	200,000	800,000								
154	50291	Sewer - Uranquinty Pump Station - SPS31 - Renewals	Sewer Reserve		520,000								
155	50277	Sewer - Wiradjuri Sewer Pump Station - SPS10 Renewal	Sewer Reserve					88,518					
156	50266	Sewer Treatment Works - Forest Hill Plant - New Assets	External Borrowings \$21,683 (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCL subsidy funded from Sewer Reserve) + Sewer Reserve \$2,305,184					2,326,867					
157	50444	Sewer Treatment Works - Narrung Street - Plant Shed Construction	Sewer Reserve	9,076									
158	19609	Shared path - Boorooma to Estella & Gobba TT9	\$7.11 \$60,044 + Grant (TBC) \$1,309,850					1,369,894					
159	19610	Shared path - Bourkelands to Lloyd - TT10	Grant (TBC)					56,950					
160	19612	Shared path - CBD to Forest Hill - TT12	Grant (TBC)					990,250					
161	19613	Shared path - Forest Hill - TT13	Grant (TBC)					727,600					
162	24871	Soil Bay Construction	Parks & Recreation Reserve	25,000									
163	23126	Southern Growth Area - Plumpton Road North	Grant (Accelerated Infrastructure Fund - AIF) \$2,553,217 + (NSW Treasury Restart) \$21,712,446 + External Borrowings \$8,300,122	7,957,570	24,608,215								

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164	23127	Southern Growth Area - Plumpton Road South	Grant (Accelerated Infrastructure Fund - AIF) \$24,267,690 + External Borrowings \$8,223,428	7,883,688	24,473,232								
165	50418	Southern Growth Area Sewer Augmentation	Grant (Dept Planning & Environment)	330,289									
166	20799	Stores - Barcoding System/ Shelving	Plant Replacement Reserve		30,979								
167	13673	Stormwater - Day, Higgins, Tarcutta St - Wagga West DSP Area Drainage Upgrade	Stormwater DSP s64 \$308,458 + Stormwater Drainage Reserve \$20,000				328,458						
168	12758	Stormwater - Kincaid St end to Flowerdale pumping station drainage - Wagga West DSP Area	Stormwater DSP s64 \$782,980 + Civil Infrastructure Reserve \$27,955					810,935					
169	13674	Stormwater - Lloyd Contour Ridge approx 5 km - Wagga West DSP Area Drainage Upgrade	Stormwater DSP s64 \$148,060 + Stormwater Drainage Reserve \$9,600				157,660						
170	17742	Stormwater - Murray St Project	Stormwater Levy	200,000		2,902,121							
171	12916	Stormwater - Tarcoola Drainage Extension	Stormwater DSP s64					495,657					
172	18524	Stormwater - Tarcutta Drainage Upgrade & Supplementary Levee	Contribution (Transport for NSW)	386,817									
173	22157	Stronger Country Communities Fund Round 5 Grant	Grant (NSW Stronger Country Communities Round 5)	266,404									
174	24425	Top Dressing Machine Purchase	Internal Loans Reserve (Payback from External Plant Hire over 5 years)		80,000								
175	20846	Venue Technical Events Kit	GPR	8,000									
176	24445	Visitor Information Centre - Commercial Fridge Purchase	Visitor Information Centre Reserve	10,000									
177	24870	Washout Bay Construction	Sewer Reserve \$75,000 + GPR \$75,000	150,000									
178	21777	Wiradjuri Walking Track Upgrade	Grant (Crown Reserve Improvement Fund)	235,043									
		TOTAL LTFP CAPITAL PROGRAM		63,736,902	110,904,297	21,809,635	16,647,506	87,230,430	33,370,527	15,000,059	5,161,623	4,933,184	2,034,544

LONG TERM FINANCIAL PLAN RECURRENT CAPITAL PROJECTS - 2025/26 - 2034/35 AS AT 31 JANUARY 2026

Summary				38,211,602	28,214,572	29,458,751	31,103,969	30,071,019	28,775,533	28,333,896	30,566,636	31,868,873	35,434,522
Ref	Job No.	Project Title	Funding Source	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31	2031/32	2032/33	2033/34	2034/35
1	19504	Art Gallery - Acquire pieces for the Australian Print Collection	GPR	10,362	10,776	11,207	11,638	12,143	12,670	13,219	13,748	14,298	14,870
2	19505	Art Gallery - Acquire pieces for the National Art Glass Collection	GPR	25,904	26,940	28,018	29,096	30,359	31,677	33,053	34,375	35,750	37,180
3	12498	Bus Shelters Upgrade (existing)	GPR	39,720		20,000		20,000		20,000		20,000	
4	19503	Civic Theatre - Backstage Equipment Upgrade	GPR	14,802	15,394	16,010	16,626	17,291	17,983	18,703	19,451	21,007	21,847
5	17986	Community Amenities - Apex Park	GPR			30,000	242,031						
6	16459	Community Amenities - Forest Hill Oval	GPR \$201,446 + Buildings Reserve \$23,641	225,087									
7	24404	Community Amenities - Forest Hill Community Hall	GPR	13,650						312,903			
8	17748	Community Amenities - Jubilee/Connolly Park	GPR	248,858									
9	19484	Community Amenities - McPherson Oval	GPR				30,000	250,192					
10	17985	Community Amenities - Tarcutta Public Convenience	GPR		30,000	234,332							
11	17039	Community Amenities - TBC	GPR								338,204	351,732	365,801
12	16583	Corporate Hardware Purchases	GPR	1,206,872	548,000	743,000	283,000	428,000	283,000	778,000	450,000	450,000	450,000
13	15230	Culverts - Renew and Replace	GPR	788,094	819,119	849,884	880,649	913,875	948,430	984,367	1,021,742	1,060,612	1,100,915
14	32514	Footpath Renewals	GPR + Internal Loans Reserve + Civil Infrastructure Reserve (for Future Years)	200,000	208,000	216,320	224,973	233,972	243,331	253,064	263,186	273,714	284,662
15	24218	Gravel Resheets	GPR	2,067,981	2,154,476	2,240,655	2,326,834	2,419,907	2,516,703	2,617,371	2,722,066	2,830,949	2,944,187

Ref	Job No.	Project Title	Funding Source	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31	2031/32	2032/33	2033/34	2034/35
16	16531	Heavy Patching Program	GPR	1,179,312	1,176,493	1,222,697	1,268,901	1,319,657	1,372,443	1,427,341	1,484,435	1,543,812	1,605,564
17	22107	Horticulture Upgrades & Renewals	Parks & Recreation Reserve \$44,000 2025/26 + Remaining & Future Years \$50,000 GPR	94,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
18	39868	Kerb and Gutter Replacement	GPR	0	628,622	653,767	678,912	706,068	734,310	763,682	794,229	825,998	859,038
19	23110	Library Acquisitions	GPR	349,153	358,043	365,540	373,186	380,986	388,942	397,057	405,335	414,667	422,960
20	24343	Open Space Upgrades & Renewals	Parks & Recreation Reserve	20,000									
21	20959	Parks Smart Irrigation	Internal Loans Reserve (Water savings payback - 2 Year Loan Repayments)	25,000	25,000								
22	16532	Pavement Rehabilitation Program	25/26 Grant (Roads to recovery - R2R) \$4,469,757 + Grant (Regional Roads Block) \$656,242 + GPR \$3,283,579 + Civil Infrastructure Reserve \$102,344 + 2026/27 ongoing (R2R 3% + Block 2% each year + GPR Balance)	8,511,923	6,883,072	7,532,347	7,676,363	5,782,147	6,004,564	6,235,613	6,475,628	6,686,809	6,887,414
23	39042	Pedestrian Access and Mobility Program (PAMP)	GPR	94,142	42,000	42,000	42,000	42,000	42,000	42,000	42,000	42,000	42,000
24	21900	Plant and Equipment Replacement	Plant Reserve	9,392,915	5,837,539	5,960,000	5,981,500	7,692,000	6,069,000	4,130,500	5,805,500	5,989,500	8,838,500
25	12231	Playground Equipment Renewal	GPR + Grant (TBC) - varies each year	423,880	536,000	387,000	1,406,000	574,000	631,000	500,000	696,000	696,000	696,000
26	21930	Playground Shade Sail Installation	Grant (TBC)	71,328	71,328	71,328							
27	21926	Public Art - Creative Light Spaces	Public Art Reserve	76,154									
28	21924	Public Art - Neighbourhood Engagement	Public Art Reserve	20,000									
29	21925	Public Art - Suburbs & Villages	Public Art Reserve	27,737									

Ref	Job No.	Project Title	Funding Source	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31	2031/32	2032/33	2033/34	2034/35
30	70209	Purchase 216 Ashfords Road Gregadoo	Solid Waste Reserve	1,325,000									
31	21091	Recreational Assets Renewal	GPR	380,848	396,082	411,925	427,769	444,878	462,672	481,178	500,425	520,442	541,260
32	23816	Regional Roads Repair Block Grant - project TBA (\$240K reallocated to Pavement Rehab in 2025/26)	2025/26 to 2026/27 GPR + 2027/28 and onwards Grant (TfNSW - Repair Block)	110,000	350,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000
33	15883	Regional Roads Supplementary Block Grant - project TBA (\$94K reallocated to Reseal Program in 2025/26)	Grant (TfNSW - Block Grant Supp)	104,830	199,000	199,000	199,000	199,000	199,000	199,000	199,000	199,000	199,000
34	16529	Reseal program (renewal)	25/26 Civil Infrastructure Reserve \$1,072,851 + 25/26 ongoing (RMS Block \$386,047 incrementing 3% each year + GPR balance)	4,002,531	2,960,301	3,078,713	3,197,125	3,325,011	3,458,011	3,596,331	3,740,184	3,889,791	4,045,382
35	21671	Sale of Bomen Land	Land Sales	38,117									
36	51390	Sewer Joint Connections Elimination	Sewer Reserve	56,325	57,169	58,027	58,885	59,768	60,665	61,575	62,498	64,061	65,022
37	50018	Sewer Mains Rehabilitation Program	Sewer Reserve	3,293,394	1,740,437	1,792,650	1,844,863	1,900,208	1,957,213	2,015,929	2,076,407	2,138,699	2,202,860
38	50445	Sewer Manhole Relining	Sewer Reserve	900,541	926,409	953,036	980,444	1,008,656	1,037,697	1,067,590	1,098,362	1,130,889	1,162,554
39	50024	Sewer Plant & Pumps Replacement and Renewal	Sewer Reserve	1,594,201	739,073	422,705	980,293	320,265	264,961	295,590	181,437	472,023	393,499
40	17042	Sportsground Lighting Program - Venue TBC	GPR		250,000	250,000	250,000	250,000	250,000	250,000	250,000	250,000	250,000
41	12786	Street Lighting Improvements Program - Roads and Traffic Facilities (as per schedule)	GPR	173,901	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
42	15181	Traffic Committee - Implement unfunded Resolutions as adopted by Council	GPR	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
43	30044	Urban Asphalt Program	GPR	1,040,041	1,082,297	1,125,589	1,168,881	1,215,636	1,264,261	1,314,831	1,367,424	1,422,121	1,479,006

Ref	Job No.	Project Title	Funding Source	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31	2031/32	2032/33	2033/34	2034/35
44	12894	Village Community Priorities - S94A3	57.12	40,000	18,000	18,000							
		TOTAL LTFP CAPITAL PROGRAM		38,211,602	28,214,572	29,458,751	31,103,969	30,071,019	28,775,533	28,333,896	30,566,636	31,868,873	35,434,522

QBRS FINANCIAL OVERVIEW											
Wagga Wagga City Council											
Budget review for the quarter ended 31/12/25											
DESCRIPTION	Previous Year	Current Year Original	Approved Changes	Approved Changes	Approved Changes	Revised	Recommended changes	Projected Year End (PYE)	VARIANCE	ACTUAL YTD	
	Actual	Budget	Review	Review	Review	Budget	for council resolution	Result	ORIGINAL budget v PYE		
	2024/25 \$000's	2025/26 \$000's	Q 1 \$000's	Q 2 \$000's	Q 3 \$000's	\$000's	\$000's	2025/26 \$000's	2025/26 \$000's	2025/26 \$000's	
Net Operating Result before grants and contributions provided for capital purposes	General Fund	-20,633	-13,712	-6,720	0	0	-20,432	-7,878	-28,310	-14,598	27,247
	Water Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	Sewer Fund	3,426	3,225	-855	0	0	2,370	-250	2,120	-1,105	9,252
	Consolidated	-17,207	-10,487	-7,575	0	0	-18,062	-8,128	-26,190	-15,703	36,499
Operating Result from continuing operations (with capital grants and contributions) excluding depreciation, amortisation and impairment of non financial assets	Consolidated										
		80,866	95,698	901	0	0	96,599	-29,000	67,599	-28,099	130,434
Borrowings	Total borrowings	6,453	-2,713	-1,066			-3,779	5,579	1,800	4,513	3,112
	External restrictions	218,841	-4,025	-15,503	0	0	-19,528	11,058	-8,470	-4,445	0
Liquidity	Internal Allocations	75,802	-8,526	-10,170	0	0	-18,696	-121	-18,817	-10,291	0
	Unallocated	14,444	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Total Cash, Cash Equivalents and Inv	309,087	-12,551	-25,673	0	0	-38,224	10,937	-27,287	-14,736	0
Capital	Capital Funding	78,195	113,248	30,995	0	0	144,243	-45,516	98,727	-14,521	69,255
	Capital Expenditure	78,195	113,248	30,995	0	0	144,243	-45,516	98,727	-14,521	25,426
	Net Capital	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	43,829

	Opening Balance	Total Cash Contributions Received	Total Interest Earned	Total Expended	Total Internal Borrowings (to)/from	Held as Restricted Asset	Cumulative balance of internal borrowings (to)/from
	As at 1 July 2025 \$000's	As at this Q \$000's	As at this Q \$000's	As at this Q \$000's	As at this Q \$000's	As at this Q \$000's	As at this Q \$000's
Developer Contribution							
Total Developer Contributions	45,515	4,017	0	0	0	49,532	0

Wagga Wagga City Council Notes:

- Please refer to individual tables for further detail on the figures provided in the Overview table (other than the 'Total Borrowings' line detailed below)
- Total Borrowings includes both Loan Principal Repayments for existing loans and New Borrowings required for project funding
 - o 2024/25 actuals included Loan Principal Repayments only and no New Borrowings
 - o 2025/26 budgets included more New Borrowings than Principal Repayments resulting in a credit budget.
 - o 2025/26 actuals includes Loan Principal Repayments only as New Loan Borrowings are drawn down if required at the end of the financial year based on the expenditure incurred

Income and Expenses Budget Review Statement
Wagga Wagga City Council
Budget review for the quarter ended 31/12/2025
Consolidated Fund

Description	Previous Year	Current Year Original	Approved Changes	Approved Changes	Approved Changes	Revised	Recommended changes	Projected Year End (PYE)	VARIANCE	ACTUAL YTD
	Actual	Budget	Review	Review	Review	Budget	For council resolution	Result	ORIGINAL budget v PYE	
	2024/25 \$000's	2025/26 \$000's	Q 1 \$000's	Q 2 \$000's	Q 3 \$000's	\$000's	\$000's	2025/26 \$000's	2025/26 \$000's	2025/26 \$000's
INCOME										
Rates and Annual Charges	82,801	87,771	0			87,771	0	87,771	0	87,305
User Charges and Fees	36,975	36,431	90			36,521	-2,122	34,399	-2,032	18,963
Other Revenue	5,190	3,709	-311			3,398	0	3,398	-311	2,154
Grants and Contributions - Operating	16,079	15,212	3,155			18,367	-6,513	11,854	-3,358	6,464
Grants and Contributions - Capital	46,031	55,260	8,476			63,736	-20,872	42,864	-12,396	68,472
Interest and Investment Income	12,754	8,514	0			8,514	0	8,514	0	6,467
Other Income	2,913	1,726	0			1,726	12	1,738	12	1,053
Net gain from disposal of assets	0	0	0			0	0	0	0	0
Total Income from continuing operations	202,743	208,623	11,410	0	0	220,033	-29,495	190,538	-18,085	190,878
EXPENSES										
Employee benefits and on-costs	55,968	62,134	0			62,134	163	62,297	163	30,221
Materials & Services	50,611	45,965	10,491			56,456	-650	55,806	9,841	27,560
Borrowing Costs	3,219	2,678	0			2,678	0	2,678	0	1,478
Other Expenses	1,998	2,148	18			2,166	-8	2,158	10	1,185
Net Loss from Disposal of Assets	10,081	0	0			0	0	0	0	0
Total Expenses from continuing operations excluding depreciation, amortisation and impairment of non financial assets	121,877	112,925	10,509	0	0	123,434	-495	122,939	10,014	60,444
Operating Result from continuing operations excluding depreciation, amortisation and impairment of non financial assets	80,866	95,698	901	0	0	96,599	-29,000	67,599	-28,099	130,434
Depreciation, amortisation and impairment of non financial assets	52,042	50,925	0			50,925	0	50,925	0	25,463
Operating result from continuing Operations	28,824	44,773	901	0	0	45,674	-29,000	16,674	-28,099	104,971
Net Operating Result before grants and contributions provided for capital purposes	-17,207	-10,487	-7,575	0	0	-18,062	-8,128	-26,190	-15,703	36,499

Wagga Wagga City Council Notes:

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Income and Expenses Budget Review Statement
Wagga Wagga City Council
Budget review for the quarter ended 31/12/2025
General Fund

Description	Previous Year	Current Year Original	Approved Changes	Approved Changes	Approved Changes	Revised	Recommended changes	Projected Year End (PYE)	VARIANCE	ACTUAL YTD
	Actual	Budget	Review	Review	Review	Budget	for council resolution	Result	ORIGINAL budget v PYE	
	2024/25 \$000's	2025/26 \$000's	Q 1 \$000's	Q 2 \$000's	Q 3 \$000's	\$000's	\$000's	2025/26 \$000's	2025/26 \$000's	2025/26 \$000's
INCOME										
Rates and Annual Charges	64,682	68,739	0			68,739	0	68,739	0	68,671
User Charges and Fees	31,480	30,630	90			30,720	-2,122	28,598	-2,032	17,335
Other Revenue	5,190	3,709	-311			3,398	0	3,398	-311	2,154
Grants and Contributions - Operating	16,034	15,202	3,155			18,357	-6,513	11,844	-3,358	6,440
Grants and Contributions - Capital	37,595	45,899	7,941			53,840	-17,122	36,718	-9,181	46,471
Interest and Investment Income	9,992	7,280	0			7,280	0	7,280	0	6,459
Other Income	2,059	1,720	0			1,720	12	1,732	12	1,050
Net gain from disposal of assets	0	0	0			0	0	0	0	0
Total Income from continuing operations	167,032	173,179	10,875	0	0	184,054	-25,745	158,309	-14,870	148,580
EXPENSES										
Employee benefits and on-costs	51,582	57,772	0			57,772	163	57,935	163	28,229
Materials & Services	40,396	36,302	9,636			45,938	-900	45,038	8,736	22,803
Borrowing Costs	1,304	857	0			857	0	857	0	690
Other Expenses	1,991	2,144	18			2,162	-8	2,154	10	1,182
Net Loss from Disposal of Assets	10,033	0	0			0	0	0	0	0
Total Expenses from continuing operations excluding depreciation, amortisation and impairment of non financial assets	105,306	97,075	9,654	0	0	106,729	-745	105,984	8,909	52,904
Operating Result from continuing operations excluding depreciation, amortisation and impairment of non financial assets	61,726	76,104	1,221	0	0	77,325	-25,000	52,325	-23,779	95,676
Depreciation, amortisation and impairment of non financial assets	44,764	43,917	0			43,917	0	43,917	0	21,958
Operating result from continuing Operations	16,962	32,187	1,221	0	0	33,408	-25,000	8,408	-23,779	73,718
Net Operating Result before grants and contributions provided for capital purposes	-20,633	-13,712	-6,720	0	0	-20,432	-7,878	-28,310	-14,598	27,247

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Income and Expenses Budget Review Statement										
Wagga Wagga City Council										
Budget review for the quarter ended 31/12/2025										
Sewer Fund										
Description	Previous Year	Current Year	Approved Changes	Approved Changes	Approved Changes	Revised	Recommended changes	Projected Year End (PYE)	VARIANCE	ACTUAL YTD
	Actual	Budget	Review	Review	Review	Budget	for council resolution	Result	ORIGINAL budget v PYE	2025/26
	2024/25 \$000's	2025/26 \$000's	Q 1 \$000's	Q 2 \$000's	Q 3 \$000's	\$000's	\$000's	2025/26 \$000's	2025/26 \$000's	2025/26 \$000's
INCOME										
Access charges	18,119	19,032	0			19,032	0	19,032	0	18,504
User charges	5,495	5,801	0			5,801	0	5,801	0	1,758
Liquid trade-waste charges	0	0	0			0	0	0	0	0
Fees	0	0	0			0	0	0	0	0
Grants and contributions - Operating	45	9	0			9	0	9	0	24
Interest and Investment Income	2,762	1,234	0			1,234	0	1,234	0	7
Other Income	854	8	0			8	0	8	0	4
Net gain from disposal of assets	0	0	0			0	0	0	0	0
Total Income from continuing operations	27,275	26,084	0	0	0	26,084	0	26,084	0	20,297
EXPENSES										
Employee benefits and on-costs	4,385	4,362	0			4,362	0	4,362	0	1,993
Materials & Services	10,095	9,663	855			10,518	250	10,768	1,105	4,757
Borrowing Costs	1,916	1,821	0			1,821	0	1,821	0	788
Calculated taxation equivalents	120	0	0			0	0	0	0	0
Debt Guarantee fee	0	0	0			0	0	0	0	0
Other Expenses	7	5	0			5	0	5	0	3
Net Loss from Disposal of Assets	48	0	0			0	0	0	0	0
Total Expenses from continuing operations excluding depreciation, amortisation and impairment of non financial assets	16,571	15,851	855	0	0	16,706	250	16,956	1,105	7,541
Operating Result from continuing operations excluding depreciation, amortisation and impairment of non financial assets	10,704	10,233	-855	0	0	9,378	-250	9,128	-1,105	12,756
Depreciation, amortisation and impairment of non financial assets	7,278	7,008	0			7,008	0	7,008	0	3,504
Surplus / (Deficit) from continuing operations before capital amounts	3,426	3,225	-855	0	0	2,370	-250	2,120	-1,105	9,252
Grants and Contributions - Capital	8,436	9,361	535			9,896	-3,750	6,146	-3,215	22,000
Surplus / (Deficit) from continuing operations after capital amounts	11,862	12,586	-320	0	0	12,266	-4,000	8,266	-4,320	31,252

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Capital Budget Review Statement										
Wagga Wagga City Council										
Budget review for the quarter ended 31/12/2025										
Description	Previous Year	Current Year Original	Approved Changes	Approved Changes	Approved Changes	Revised	Recommended changes	Projected Year End (PYE)	VARIANCE	ACTUAL YTD
	Actual	Budget	Review	Review	Review	Budget	for council resolution	Result	ORIGINAL budget v PYE	
	2024/25 \$'000's	2025/26 \$'000's	Q 1 \$'000's	Q 2 \$'000's	Q 3 \$'000's	\$'000's	\$'000's	2025/26 \$'000's	2025/26 \$'000's	2025/26 \$'000's
CAPITAL FUNDING										
Rates & other untied funding	15,587	14,789	-37			14,752	91	14,843	54	0
Capital Grants & Contributions	46,031	55,260	8,476			63,736	-20,872	42,864	-12,396	68,472
Reserves - External Restrictions	-152	17,407	12,527			29,934	-12,419	17,515	108	0
Reserves - Internally Allocated	16,729	15,428	6,682			22,110	-6,737	15,373	-55	0
New Loans	0	8,937	1,066			10,003	-5,579	4,424	-4,513	0
Proceeds from sale of assets	0	1,427	2,281			3,708	0	3,708	2,281	783
Other	0	0	0			0	0	0	0	0
Total Capital Funding	78,195	113,248	30,995	0	0	144,243	-45,516	98,727	-14,521	69,255
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE										
WIP	0	0	0			0	0	0	0	0
New Assets	34,478	43,198	13,714			56,912	-4,983	51,929	8,731	13,455
Asset Renewal	43,717	70,050	17,281			87,331	-40,533	46,798	-23,252	11,971
Other	0	0	0			0	0	0	0	0
Total Capital Expenditure	78,195	113,248	30,995	0	0	144,243	-45,516	98,727	-14,521	25,426
Net Capital Funding - Surplus/(Deficit)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	43,829

Wagga Wagga City Council Notes:

- The significant surplus result reported for the December 2025 quarter actuals is due to the capital grants that were carried over from 2024/25 (relating to the grant funding received for the Southern and Northern Growth projects of \$53M) with minimal expenditure incurred to date for these projects
- The Works in Progress (WIP) Capital Expenditure figure is zero as these amounts are incorporated in the 'New Assets' and 'Asset Renewal' categories
- The 2024/25 Carry Over budgets have been included in the previously adopted Q1 Approved changes
- All recommended budget changes for the December 2025 quarter have already been resolved by Council via the monthly financial performance reports and any other reports adopted in the last 3 months of Council that included a budget variation
- Any impact as a result of the recommended budget changes have been addressed previously in the individual adopted Council reports

Notes

Original Budget +/- approved budget changes in previous quarters = REVISED Budget

Revised Budget +/- recommended changes this quarter = PROJECTED year results

Where the Total Capital Funding and the Total Capital Expenditure values do not match an explanation is to be provided.

Carry over funding from previous year should be identified and any proposed carry forwards into next financial year are to be explained.

The quarterly recommended changes to the revised budget are to include:

- 1) an explanation for the recommended changes and any impact this will have on the Operational Plan, Delivery Program and Lon
- 2) any impacts of year to date expenditure on recommended changes to budget

Explanations are to be in plain English and in a style that is easily understood by readers of non-financial information.

The narrative is important in understanding why budget changes are necessary.

Cash and Investments Budget Review Statement										
Wagga Wagga City Council										
Budget review for the quarter ended 31/12/2025										
Description	Previous Year	Current Year Original	Approved Changes	Approved Changes	Approved Changes	Revised	Recommended changes	Projected Year End (PYE)	VARIANCE	ACTUAL YTD
	Actual	Budget	Review	Review	Review	Budget	for council resolution	Result	ORIGINAL budget v PYE	
	2024/25 \$000's	2025/26 \$000's	Q 1 \$000's	Q 2 \$000's	Q 3 \$000's	\$000's	\$000's	2025/26 \$000's	2025/26 \$000's	2025/26 \$000's
Total Cash, Cash Equivalents & Inves	309,087	-12,551	-25,673			-38,224	10,937	-27,287	-14,736	0
EXTERNALLY RESTRICTED										
Water Fund	0	0	0			0		0	0	0
Sewer Fund	61,473	299	-5,202			-4,903	1,310	-3,593	-3,892	0
Developer contributions - General	45,514	590	-2,062			-1,472	1,908	436	-154	0
Developer contributions - Water	0	0	0			0	0	0	0	0
Developer contributions - Sewer	0	0	0			0	0	0	0	0
Transport for NSW Contributions	0	0	0			0	0	0	0	0
Domestic waste management	35,184	-2,571	-7,095			-9,666	4,988	-4,678	-2,107	0
Stormwater management	5,711	-2,343	-1,144			-3,487	2,902	-585	1,758	0
Other	70,959	0	0			0	-50	-50	-50	0
Total Externally Restricted	218,841	-4,025	-15,503	0	0	-19,528	11,058	-8,470	-4,445	0
Cash, cash equivalents & investments not subject to external restrictions	90,246	-8,526	-10,170	0	0	-18,696	-121	-18,817	-10,291	0
INTERNAL ALLOCATIONS										
Employee entitlements	3,987	0	0			0	0	0	0	0
Civil Infrastructure Reserve	13,478	-2,581	-273			-2,854	-456	-3,310	-729	0
Internal Loans Reserve	9,201	-1,441	-528			-1,969	1,241	-728	713	0
Plant Replacement Reserve	7,235	-32	-3,924			-3,956	31	-3,925	-3,893	0
Livestock Marketing Reserve	8,155	-3,181	-959			-4,140	4,309	169	3,350	0
Airport Reserve	0	247	728			975	0	975	728	0
Other	33,746	-1,538	-5,214			-6,752	-5,246	-11,998	-10,460	0
Total Internally Allocated	75,802	-8,526	-10,170	0	0	-18,696	-121	-18,817	-10,291	0
Unallocated	14,444	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Wagga Wagga City Council Notes:

- There are no actuals recorded for 2025/26 as these amounts are calculated at the end of the financial year based on the expenditure incurred for projects/programs that are funded from External Restrictions and Internal Reserve allocations. The budget is adjusted if required and reported to Council on a monthly basis for each restriction/allocation which shows this proposed balance for each of these reserves throughout the financial year.
- All recommended budget changes for the December 2025 quarter have already been resolved by Council via the monthly financial performance reports and any other reports adopted in the last 3 months of Council that included a budget variation

External Restrictions - must be used for a specific purpose and not to be used for general operations. The funds are bound by legislation or third party agreement that restricts their use.

Internal Allocations - Council have allocated by resolution or policy to identified programs of work and any forward plans identified by Council. These allocations are at the discretion of Council.

Developer Contributions Summary																					
Wagga Wagga City Council																					
Budget review for the quarter ended 31/12/2025																					
Purpose	Opening Balance As at 1 July 2025 \$000's	Developer Contributions Received									Interest Earned Q1 \$000's	Interest Earned Q2 \$000's	Interest Earned Q3 \$000's	Monetary Amounts Expended Q1 \$000's	Monetary Amounts Expended Q2 \$000's	Monetary Amounts Expended Q3 \$000's	Internal Borrowings (to)/from Q1 \$000's	Internal Borrowings (to)/from Q2 \$000's	Internal Borrowings (to)/from Q3 \$000's	Held as Restricted Asset As at this Q \$000's	Cumulative balance of internal borrowings (to)/from As at this Q \$000's
		Cash			Non-Cash Land			Non-Cash Other													
		Q1 \$000's	Q2 \$000's	Q3 \$000's	Q1 \$000's	Q2 \$000's	Q3 \$000's	Q1 \$000's	Q2 \$000's	Q3 \$000's											
Drainage	101	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	101	0
Roads	19,051	839	237	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20,127	0
Traffic facilities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Parking	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Open space	11,276	259	75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11,610	0
Community facilities	776	226	74	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,076	0
Other	3,052	297	96	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,445	0
Total S7.11 Under plans	34,256	1,621	482	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	36,359	0
S7.11 Not under plans	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
S7.12 Levies	1,250	243	227	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,720	0
S7.4 Planning agreements	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
S64 Contributions	10,009	972	472	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11,453	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Developer Contributions	45,515	2,836	1,181	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	49,532	0

Notes
 All developer contributions received are to be disclosed, and distinguished as cash or non cash. Recognition occurs when council gains control over the asset (cash or non cash).
 Councils have obligations to provide facilities from contribution revenue levied on developers under the provisions of s7.4,s7.11 and s7.12 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.
 Developer contributions may only be expended for the purpose for which the contributions were required, however council may apply contributions according to the priorities established in work schedules for the contribution p
 "Monetary Amounts Expended" should only include monetary expenditure. Enter positive value when expended. The amounts recorded under "Non-cash Land" and "Non-cash Other" are not included in "Monetary Amounts Expended", as

Wagga Wagga City Council Notes:

- There are no actuals recorded for 2025/26 as these amounts are calculated at the end of the financial year based on the interest received and the expenditure incurred for projects/programs that are funded from Developer Contributions
- The budget is revised and adjusted if required and reported to Council on a monthly basis which shows the proposed balance for Developer Contributions throughout the financial year, with these net movements included in the Cash & Investments table

RP-5 GRANT FUNDING FOR THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF A BRIDGE REPLACEMENT AT HUMULA

Author: Jacqueline Collins

Executive: Fiona Piltz

Summary: Council has been successful in securing \$2,021,880 in funding through the Federal Government Safer Local Roads Infrastructure Program – Tranche 3 to replace the Humula Bridge at Eight Mile Road.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a authorise the General Manager or their delegate to negotiate to enter into a funding agreement with the Australian Government Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts to replace the Humula Bridge at Eight Mile Road
- b approve the budget variations as detailed in the financial implications section of this report
- c authorise the affixing of Council's Common Seal to all relevant documents as required

Report

Council has been successful in securing \$2,021,880 in funding through the Federal Government Safer Local Roads Infrastructure Program – Tranche 3 to for the design and replacement of the Humula Bridge at Eight Mile Road. The current Humula Bridge is a three span, one lane bridge with steel guardrails on both sides of the bridge. The exact date of construction is unknown, but based on the bridge's appearance and materials, it can be estimated that the structure was constructed in mid to late 1900s. The proposed project will replace the existing bridge with a two span, two lane bridge rated SM1600 built from steel and concrete.

The project budget submitted at the time of application was based on current m2 rates with contingencies as there has been no detailed design work undertaken. Upon completion of Council's procurement processes, if more than the approved funding is required a variation for additional funding must be submitted to the funding body as soon as practicable and prior to commencement of construction.

The project will be delivered over a maximum three-year period with the initial twelve months allocated for pre-construction design.

The construction phase will result in significant detours, depending on the alternate routes determined. The construction of an SM1600 rated steel and concrete bridge with a useful life of 100 years at Eight Mile Road Humula will deliver a bridge designed to the national standard with the ability to carry general traffic, freight vehicles, B-double trucks, emergency services and high productivity freight movements.

Replacing the Humula Bridge will deliver social benefits by addressing critical future safety risks identified in the latest inspection, including timber deterioration, rotting deck planks, and damaged guardrails.

The project will restore reliable access along Humula Eight Mile Road, essential for residents, emergency services, school transport, and freight. It will reduce isolation, particularly during floods, and ensure consistent connectivity for daily needs.

Importantly, the bridge serves a rural area with a notable Aboriginal population. Its replacement will support transport equity, enhance access to services, and contribute to Closing the Gap outcomes for Indigenous Australians and vulnerable communities.

Overall, the project will improve quality of life, community safety, and regional resilience. The replacement of the Humula Bridge will deliver key economic benefits across multiple areas:

- **Productivity and Efficiency:** The current bridge is in poor condition with multiple structural defects, limiting freight capacity and posing a risk of unplanned closure. Replacing it will ensure uninterrupted access for agricultural vehicles, freight operators, and essential services, improving transport efficiency and supply chain reliability in this productive rural area.
- **Employment:** The construction phase will create local job opportunities and support regional contractors and suppliers, boosting the local economy during delivery
- **Regional Significance:** The bridge is a vital link on Humula Eight Mile Road, serving farming communities and supporting access to larger centres like Wagga Wagga. Its replacement will protect regional connectivity, reduce detour costs in the event of closure particularly during flooding, and support long-term economic resilience.

The project will enhance regional transport infrastructure, supporting growth, efficiency, and local employment.

The Humula Bridge replacement project is expected to have minimal long-term environmental impact. However, as with any construction near a waterway (Carrabost Creek), short-term risks such as sediment runoff, vegetation disturbance, and noise will be managed through a comprehensive environmental management plan.

This plan will include:

- Erosion and sediment control measures
- Protection of water quality and aquatic habitats
- Responsible vegetation clearing and reinstatement
- Waste management protocols
- Compliance with relevant environmental approvals and guidelines

The project will also seek opportunities to minimise its carbon footprint by using local materials and sustainable construction practices where feasible. Overall, environmental impacts will be carefully managed to ensure the protection of the local ecosystem.

Financial Implications

The total estimated project budget for Design and Construction of the Humula Bridge is \$2,527,350. The grant program will contribute up to 80% of the total project cost - \$2,021,880, leaving a 20% Council contribution required of \$505,470. It is proposed to

fund Council’s \$505,470 required contribution from the Bridge Replacement Reserves, which currently has an uncommitted balance of \$1.2M. Funding this 20% required contribution will leave \$691,873 available in the bridge reserve for future bridge works/grant co contributions.

Policy and Legislation

Community Strategic Plan 2050

Link to Strategic Plan

Growing

Enabling infrastructure

Provide essential infrastructure; including sewer, roads, key housing enabling infrastructure to support growth.

Risk Management Issues for Council

Risk Management Issues for council has been outlined in the BR 302 Humula Bridge Renewal - Project Management Plan and will ensure all identified risks are monitored and actioned appropriately. The Project Steering Committee will meet regularly to mitigate identified risks and new risks can be captured in the risk and issues log during the execution phase.

The risks associated with implementing this project relate to process, cost, environmental, WHS and contractor performance. These risks are addressed as part of the Council’s project management and contractor performance management systems.

Internal / External Consultation

Community consultation will be undertaken with assistance from Council’s Communication and Engagement Team, the Infrastructure Services Directorate and additional staff under the guidance of the project team.

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

RP-6 RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS REGISTERS

Author: Nicole Johnson

Executive: Scott Gray

Summary: | This report provides Councillors with an update on the status of all resolutions of Council including Notices of Motion.

Recommendation

That Council receive and note the following registers:

- a Active Resolutions as of 6 February 2026
- b Active Notice of Motions as of 6 February 2026
- c Resolutions including Notice of Motions completed from 11 October 2025 to 6 February 2026

Report

This report provides Council with an overview of all active Council Resolutions and Notices of Motion as at 6 February 2026. This is supported by monthly reporting to Councillors, quarterly reporting to Council, ongoing review and adjustment of target dates, and clear identification of next actions to assist with resolution completion.

At this date, Council has:

- 12 active Notices of Motion
- 78 active Council Resolutions
- 81 resolutions completed between 11 October 2025 and 6 February 2026

During this reporting period, resolutions due in both the current and upcoming quarters were reviewed with responsible staff to confirm that adopted target dates remain realistic and achievable. Status updates of Notices of Motion, active resolutions and completed resolutions are also provided for noting.

This is the third reporting period under the revised monitoring and reporting process introduced in 2025. Ongoing refinement of this process has resulted in:

- Target dates that more accurately reflect project stages, operational priorities and available resources
- Early review of resolutions due in upcoming quarters to reduce the occurrence of overdue items
- Improved consultation with operational areas before target dates are set or revised
- Clear identification of matters influenced by external dependencies such as State Government processes, third-party negotiations, legal matters and stakeholder responses
- More accurate alignment of timeframes for complex property, land and lease matters, which represent a significant portion of longer-term resolutions

Financial Implications

N/A

Policy and Legislation

Section 335 – Functions of the General Manager
(b) to implement, without undue delay, the lawful decisions of the council

Council's Code of Meeting Practice

Link to Strategic Plan

Regional Leadership

Ethical Leadership

Deliver accountable and transparent leadership.

Risk Management Issues for Council

Council must maintain a transparent and efficient system for tracking progress and implementing council decisions.

Failure to implement council decisions in a timely manner is a legislative compliance risk that could lead to reputational damage for Council.

Internal / External Consultation

Manager and Executive review and endorsement

Attachments

1. Active Resolutions as of 6 February 2026. - Provided under separate cover
2. Active Notice of Motions as of 6 February 2026. - Provided under separate cover
3. Completed resolution from 11 October 2025 to 6 February 2026. - Provided under separate cover

RP-7 NSW ELECTORAL COMMISSION COUNT BACK PROCESS AND TIMEFRAME

Author: Nicole Johnson

Executive: Scott Gray

Summary:

A casual vacancy has arisen following the resignation of Councillor Tim Koschel, effective 31 January 2026.

In accordance with Council's resolution of 14 October 2024 to use the countback method for any vacancy occurring within the first 18 months of the Council term, and the requirements of the Local Government Act 1993 and Schedule 9A of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021, the vacancy is to be filled by the NSW Electoral Commission (NSWEC).

NSWEC has provided Council with a formal Countback Election Calendar outlining the legislated process, required actions and key dates for completing the countback.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a note the casual vacancy created by the resignation of Councillor Tim Koschel effective from 31 January 2026
- b note the legislated process and NSW Electoral Commission timetable for the countback election to fill the casual vacancy
- c approve the budget variation/s as detailed in the Financial Implications section of the report

Report

Background

The casual vacancy occurred on 31 January 2026 when the resignation of Councillor Tim Koschel took effect. In accordance with section 291A(1)(b) of the Local Government Act 1993, the General Manager is required to notify the Electoral Commissioner within seven days of the vacancy occurring. This notification has been completed.

As the 2024 Local Government election was administered by NSWEC, responsibility for conducting the countback sits with the Commission and its appointed Returning Officer. Council's role in this process is administrative only and limited to complying with notification and publication requirements.

NSWEC has provided Council with the attached Countback Election Calendar which demonstrates how the statutory process will occur. The NSWEC calendar outlines the following legislated sequence of events.

Date	NSWEC Calendar Event	What this means in the process
31 January 2026	Casual vacancy occurred	The resignation of Councillor Tim Koschel takes effect and the vacancy legally occurs. This triggers the statutory timeframes under the Regulation.
2 February 2026	NSWEC notified of vacancy	The General Manager has notified the Electoral Commissioner within the required 7 days under s291A(1)(b) of the Local Government Act 1993.
11 February 2026	Notice to substitute Returning Officer	NSWEC appoints or confirms the Returning Officer who will conduct the countback.
23 February 2026	Casual vacancy notices issued and Candidate applications open	The Returning Officer publishes the public notice on the NSWEC and Council websites and writes to all eligible former candidates from the 2024 election advising they may apply to participate. This is the first day applications can be lodged.
5 March 2026 (12noon)	Candidate applications close and Close of Rolls	This is the final time eligible candidates can lodge an application to participate. The electoral roll for the purposes of the countback also closes at 12noon.
9 March 2026 (10am)	Declare eligible candidates	The Returning Officer formally declares which applicants are eligible to participate in the countback.
10 March 2026 (10am)	Countback election day – Count starts	The Returning Officer re-runs the 2024 election count using original ballot papers and preference data, treating the vacating councillor as ineligible.
10 March 2026	Results published	The Returning Officer publishes the result and issues the formal declaration of the elected candidate.

Following the declaration of the result, the General Manager is required to display the declaration at Council's offices, and the NSW Electoral Commission will publish the result on its website for a minimum period of one month.

Following the declaration of the result, contact will be made with the successful candidate to arrange induction and onboarding to occur between the formal declaration and the next available Council meeting on 23 March 2026.

Financial Implications

The NSW Electoral Commission has quoted a total cost of \$9,850 GST exclusive to conduct the countback election to fill the casual vacancy. The estimate covers the full scope of the process, including:

- Preparation and initialisation
- Application process
- Result publishing
- Project tracking and administration
- Conducting the countback

It is proposed to fund this \$9,850 from the Council Election Reserve, that currently has a \$455K balance in our Long-Term Financial Plan at the end of the 10-year period.

Policy and Legislation

Local Government Act 1993 - 291A(1)(b) of the Local Government Act 1993
Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 – Schedule 9A
Council Code of Meeting Practice

Link to Strategic Plan

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Risk Management Issues for Council

The casual vacancy and countback election results in temporary gaps in Council representation, financial implications due to the unbudgeted cost, and public perception issues. These risks can be mitigated through clear communication with the community and managing expectations regarding the process and timing.

Internal / External Consultation

Council has formally notified the NSW Electoral Commission of the casual vacancy in accordance with section 291A(1)(b) of the Local Government Act 1993.

Attachments

1. [Countback Election Calendar](#).



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Countback election calendar

COUNCIL	Wagga Wagga City
WARD (if applicable)	N/A
Vacancy - seat vacated by:	Tim Koschel

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
25-Jan	26-Jan	27-Jan	28-Jan	29-Jan	30-Jan	31-Jan
						Casual vacancy occurred
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1-Feb	2-Feb	3-Feb	4-Feb	5-Feb	6-Feb	7-Feb
	NSWEC notified of vacancy					
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
8-Feb	9-Feb	10-Feb	11-Feb	12-Feb	13-Feb	14-Feb
			Notice to substitute Returning Officer			
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
15-Feb	16-Feb	17-Feb	18-Feb	19-Feb	20-Feb	21-Feb
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
22-Feb	23-Feb	24-Feb	25-Feb	26-Feb	27-Feb	28-Feb
	Casual vacancy notices issued Candidate Applications open					
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1-Mar	2-Mar	3-Mar	4-Mar	5-Mar	6-Mar	7-Mar
				12noon: Candidate Applications close & Close of Rolls		
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
8-Mar	9-Mar	10-Mar	11-Mar	12-Mar	13-Mar	14-Mar
	10am: Declare eligible candidates	Countback Election day 10am: Count starts Results published				

RP-8 SUBMISSION OF MOTIONS - 2026 NATIONAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Author: Nicole Johnson

Executive: Scott Gray

Summary:

At its meeting of 9 February 2026, Council resolved to attend the National General Assembly (NGA) to be held at the National Convention Centre in Canberra from 23 - 25 June 2026 and noted the requirement for any motions to be resolved and submitted by 27 February 2026.

In line with this resolution, Councillors were invited to provide proposed motions for submission. The motions received are outlined in this report for Council's consideration and endorsement and submission to NGA for inclusion in the Conference Business Paper.

Recommendation

That Council submit the motions outlined in the report to the 2026 National General Assembly.

Report

The 2026 National General Assembly of Local Government (NGA) will be held in Canberra from 23 to 25 June 2026 under the theme "*Stronger Together: Resilient. Productive. United.*" The [2026 NGA Discussion Paper](#) was previously provided to Councillors to assist in considering potential motions for submission.

At the Council meeting held on 9 February 2026, Councillors were invited to review the Discussion Paper and consider potential motions for Council's endorsement. At that time, no motions had been received.

This report follows that advice and presents the motions subsequently provided by Councillors for Council's consideration and endorsement prior to submission to the 2026 NGA.

To be eligible for inclusion in the NGA Business Papers and for debate on the floor of the Assembly, proposed motions must meet the criteria set by the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA). Motions must be new and not debated at an NGA within the previous two years, be nationally relevant to the work of local government, align with state and territory local government policy positions, and propose a clear action on a single issue calling on the Australian Government to act. Motions must not seek to advantage individual councils and should avoid being overly prescriptive.

The motions received are presented below for Council's endorsement.

Motion

This National General Assembly calls on the Australian Government to recognise access to face-to-face banking, postal services and cash as essential services and to implement national policy and funding mechanisms that ensure equitable service provision for regional, rural and remote communities, including sustaining the national post office network as critical service infrastructure and considering government-supported delivery models operating through it.

National Objective

To ensure all Australians (regardless of location) retain equitable access to essential financial and postal services by establishing a coordinated national framework that supports regional service delivery, protects access to cash and addresses the cumulative social and economic impacts of branch and service closures across regional Australia.

Key Arguments

Regional bank and post office closures are occurring across Australia, often leaving communities without access to essential financial and postal services. This disproportionately affects older residents, small businesses and people without reliable digital access.

The 2023–24 Senate Inquiry into Bank Closures identified the need to recognise access to banking and cash as an essential service and to investigate alternative service delivery models, including government-supported arrangements through post office networks.

Without coordinated national intervention, regional communities will continue to experience economic decline, financial exclusion and reduced resilience.

A national response led by the Australian Government is required to ensure continuity of essential services, support regional economies and maintain equitable access for all Australians.

Financial Implications

N/A

Policy and Legislation

Code of Conduct
Local Government Act 1993

Link to Strategic Plan

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Risk Management Issues for Council

N/A

Internal / External Consultation

Councillors and Executive Staff

RP-9 QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE**Author:** Scott Gray

Summary: This report is to respond to 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 L Tanner

Please provide an itemised list of the following for FY26:

- Line Marking renewal program
- Footpath renewal program
- Sealed road network renewal/reseal
- Unsealed road network resheet and grading program

Please also provide advice on when each program will be delivered.

Line Marking Renewal Program

Council has allocated \$79,000 in FY2025/26 for end-of-life line marking renewal to improve traffic safety and bring markings up to current TfNSW standards.

The program is focused on repainting and renewal of existing line marking at:

- Roundabouts
- Intersections
- bus stops
- stop and hold lines

Three (3) roundabouts have already been identified, with additional priority intersections and bus stop locations currently being confirmed.

Final itemisation of sites will be dependent on:

- confirmation of road surface suitability, and
- contractor quotations and availability.

Works are expected to commence in March–April 2026, subject to procurement and contractor capacity.

Footpath Renewal Program

Council has allocated \$200,000 in FY2025/26 for footpath renewal.

Staff have developed a program prioritising high-risk locations, including:

- areas near schools
- aged-care facilities
- locations with higher pedestrian vulnerability.

Potential sites have been identified; however, final locations are yet to be confirmed.

Final itemisation will depend on:

- refined cost estimates from contractor quotations, and
- contractor availability, noting concreting contractors are heavily committed to the current kerb-reconstruction program.

Delivery timeframes will be confirmed once quotations are received and contractor capacity is secured, with works expected to occur during the last quarter of FY2025/26.

Sealed Road Network Renewal / Reseal Program

Council is delivering a structured reseal and pavement preservation program across the sealed road network, incorporating:

- preparation works (stabilisation, correctional works, hotmix patching),
- kerb replacement, and
- contracted resealing.

The FY2025/26 program includes works across multiple suburbs and road sections within Wagga Wagga and surrounding areas, delivered as a single coordinated reseal schedule.

Program budget: approximately \$3.5M

Scope includes: 59 road sections

Works include prep, kerb replacement and resealing.

Delivery timing:

Preparation works commenced in 2025.

Contracted resealing commenced early 2026.

The overall program is currently scheduled to continue through 2026, with completion expected progressively across the financial year and into the delivery window aligned with contractor availability and weather conditions.

A detailed itemised list of road segments forms part of Council's operational reseal schedule.

Unsealed Road Network – Resheeting and Grading Program

Council is delivering an ongoing maintenance program for the unsealed road network, including:

- grading
- resheeting

- stabilisation (where required).

The FY2025/26 program includes:

- approximately 355 km of unsealed roads
- delivered across two primary schedules supported by multiple grader crews.

Works are prioritised based on:

- condition
- safety
- traffic demand
- deterioration following weather events.

Ongoing grading and resheeting works are being delivered progressively across the financial year.

Current scheduling indicates completion extending into early 2026, subject to weather, customer requests and competing capital works.

A detailed itemised list of roads and treatments is maintained within Council's unsealed road works schedule.

Council's roadwork program is available to be viewed on the [council's website](#), and any traffic disruptions relating to the works are posted on the [live traffic website](#).

Councillor R Foley

How many financial institutions does Council hold cash deposits under term deposits?

The last financial report stated \$207 Million in term deposits is this true?

Given that the council's primary protection for its \$207 million in term deposits is diversification across banks, a strategy that fails in a systemic crisis like another GFC, what specific contingency plan is in place if the Australian government does not repeat its 2008 blanket guarantee, exposing the council to losses beyond the \$250,000 per bank guarantee?

As at 31 January 2026, Council held \$155 million in term deposits across 15 different financial institutions.

Since the Global Financial Crisis (GFC), all central banks and financial regulators around the world (including Australia - Federal Government, RBA and APRA) have forced financial institutions to be more prudent, not only on their lending standards but also the capital buffers they have in place to withstand another GFC and/or pandemic. The financial regulators always undergo stress tests on our banking institutions, and they always have sufficient capital buffers to withstand unexpected shocks. The chances of any APRA regulated Authorised Deposit-taking Institution (ADI) defaulting on term deposits would be extremely unlikely. That would really mean a 'doomsday' scenario where all common shareholders of the major banks

have lost their money, superannuation balances of all Australian's are down to single digit percentages or close to zero.

Term Deposits are senior-ranked and are top of the capital structure. Wagga City Council has never invested and is also now unable to invest in the complex structured products like Collateralised Debt Obligations (CDO's) which caused the GFC. In January 2011, the NSW Government altered the Minister's Investment Order to largely minimise the changes of Councils losing money on investments by mostly restricting investments to senior-ranked assets issued by either the Commonwealth or State Government, as well as APRA regulated ADI's.

Australia's banks remain highly capitalised with strong balance sheets and our major banks are part of an elite group of just 11 global banks that share a AA credit rating. While un-guaranteed exposures represent some risk, this risk is minimised by the strong capital position and robust prudential regulatory framework of Australia's banks.

Councillor L Tanner

Requested an update on the status of the report regarding the relocation of the Visitor Information Centre.

A draft proposal is currently being prepared for Councillor consideration in March/April 2026. The proposal is focused on a co-location model at the Tarcutta Street site, incorporating the VIC alongside a new Investment and Attraction (economic hub), this approach aims to address safety concerns, restore VIC presence at the site, and support broader business and investment outcomes for the city.

The review of options has taken into account issues raised by staff, Councillors, and the community including workplace safety, precinct amenity, visitor servicing needs, site activation, and long-term strategic benefits. At this time the co-location approach appears to provide an option that will address the concerns raised and meet the needs of the community and visitors.

Until a final decision on permanent location is made, VIC services will continue to operate from the Museum's Historic Council Chambers. Staff remain committed to ensuring a balanced, well-considered solution that responds to the concerns and priorities of all parties.

Financial Implications

N/A

Policy and Legislation

Code of Meeting Practice

Link to Strategic Plan

Regional Leadership

Good governance

Provide professional, innovative, accessible and efficient services.

Risk Management Issues for Council

N/A

Internal / External Consultation

N/A

COMMITTEE MINUTES

M-1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - WAGGA WAGGA AIRPORT SPECIAL PURPOSE COMMITTEE - 11 FEBRUARY 2026

Author: Scott Gray

Summary: | This report presents the minutes of the Wagga Airport Special Purpose Committee meeting held on 11 February 2026.

Recommendation

That Council receive and note the minutes of the Wagga Airport Special Purpose Committee meeting held on 11 February 2026.

Report

The Minutes of the Wagga Airport Special Purpose Committee meeting held on 11 February 2026 are presented to Council for consideration. A summary of the matters considered, and resolutions made is outlined below.

RP-1 SENATE INQUIRY INTO REGIONAL AVIATION

The Committee noted that Wagga Wagga City Council provided the Wagga Wagga Airport Special Purpose Committee with a copy of the final submission prepared for the Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee inquiry into regional aviation services.

The submission has been finalised, endorsed by Council at the 9 February 2026 Ordinary Meeting and formally lodged with the Senate Committee in accordance with the inquiry timetable.

RP-2 LEASE UPDATE

The Committee reviewed draft lease documentation received from the Commonwealth Department of Defence in relation to the ongoing operation of Wagga Wagga Airport.

The Committee reviewed the documentation and provided feedback, which will inform future advice to Council as the lease process progresses.

RP-3 QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

The Committee noted information provided by Council regarding access to key airport documents and operational matters.

Financial Implications

N/A

Policy and Legislation

Wagga Wagga City Council Code of Meeting Practice

Link to Strategic Plan

Regional Leadership

Engaged Community

Establish partnerships and relationships with community and foster opportunities for collaboration and action.

Risk Management Issues for Council

No specific risks are identified in noting the minutes. Adoption of the updated Terms of Reference will strengthen governance clarity and reduce the risk of role ambiguity.

Internal / External Consultation

The Wagga Airport Special Purpose Committee comprises Councillors, independent members and senior Council staff. Relevant internal and external stakeholders will continue to be consulted as required in relation to airport operations, strategic planning and future development.

Attachments

1. [Wagga Wagga Airport Special Purpose Committee - Minutes - 11 February 2026.](#)

MINUTES of the **WAGGA AIRPORT SPECIAL PURPOSE COMMITTEE** held on **Wednesday 11 February 2026**.

PRESENT

Councillor Richard Foley (Chairperson)
The Mayor, Councillor Dallas Tout
Councillor Jenny McKinnon
Geoff Breust
Rodney Cecchini
Suraj Mohamed

IN ATTENDANCE

Mr Peter Thompson	General Manager
Mr Scott Gray	Chief Operating Officer
Mrs Nicole Johnson	Corporate Governance Coordinator
Ms Ruby Brodin	Business Support Officer (Minute taker)

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

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

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

APOLOGIES

An apology for non-attendance was received and accepted for Councillor Amelia Parkins, Rod Kendall and Daniel Logan.

The meeting of the Wagga Airport Special Purpose Committee commenced at 12:33pm

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

**CM-1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - WAGGA WAGGA AIRPORT
SPECIAL PURPOSE COMMITTEE - 28 JANUARY 2026**

Recommendation

That the Minutes of the proceedings of the Wagga Wagga Airport Special Purpose Committee Meeting held on 28 January 2026 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

MINUTES of the **WAGGA AIRPORT SPECIAL PURPOSE COMMITTEE** held on **Wednesday 11 February 2026**.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Rodney Cecchini declared a general declaration of interest due to his role as Director of Oz Airports, his background as a commercial pilot, aircraft ownership, regular use of Wagga Wagga Airport, and his business supporting airport operators.

Geoff Breust declared a general declaration of interest due to his hangar lease at the Wagga Wagga Airport, aircraft ownership and operation and his role as a Director of the Wagga City Aero Club.

Suraj Mohamed declared a general interest in relation to his employment with Virgin Australia, effective from January 2026.

REPORTS FROM STAFF

RP-1 SENATE INQUIRY INTO REGIONAL AVIATION

Recommendation

That the Wagga Wagga Airport Special Purpose Committee receive and note the final submission to the Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee inquiry into regional aviation services.

RP-2 LEASE UPDATE

Recommendation

That the Committee receive and note the lease update and provide any comments or observations on the draft lease documentation for consideration in future advice to Council.

RP-3 QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

Recommendation

That Wagga Wagga Airport Special Purpose members receive and note the report.

QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

There were no questions with notice received.

The Wagga Airport Special Purpose Committee rose at 1:39pm.

CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

**CONF-1 MAJOR EVENTS, FESTIVALS AND FILMS SPONSORSHIP
ADVISORY PANEL MEMBERSHIP**

Author: Nicole Johnson

Executive: Scott Gray

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

- (a) personnel matters concerning particular individuals.

CONF-2 PROPOSED WRITE OFF OF UNCOLLECTABLE RATES

Author: Craig Katsoolis

Executive: Carolyn Rodney

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CONF-3 FIRE SAFETY INSPECTION REPORTS - NSW FIRE COMMISSIONER

Author: Cameron Collins
General Manager: Peter Thompson

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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-4 REQUEST TO WAIVE RATES AND CHARGES

Author: Carolyn Rodney

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MINUTES of the **ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL** held on **Monday 9 February 2026.**

PRESENT

The Mayor Dallas Tout
Councillor Allana Condron
Councillor Georgie Davies
Councillor Richard Foley
Councillor Jenny McKinnon
Councillor Amelia Parkins
Councillor Karissa Subedi
Councillor Lindsay Tanner

IN ATTENDANCE

General Manager	(Mr P Thompson)
Director Community (Acting)	(Ms C Hood)
Director Infrastructure Services	(Mr H Pavitt)
Chief Financial Officer	(Mrs C Rodney)
Chief Operating Officer	(Mr S Gray)
Director Economy, Business & Workforce	(Mrs F Piltz)
Executive Director Housing & Strategic Planning	(Mrs F Hamilton)
Manager Corporate Governance & Performance	(Mr D Galloway)
Manager Development Assessment & Building Certification	(Mr C Collins)
Senior Town Planner	(Mr S Cook)
Property Coordinator	(Mr M Dombrovski)
Corporate Governance Coordinator	(Mrs N Johnson)
Communications & Engagement Coordinator	(Mr M Casey)
Corporate Governance Officer	(Ms K West)

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.....**MAYOR****GENERAL MANAGER**

MINUTES of the **ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL** held on **Monday 9 February 2026**.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

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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

No apologies were received.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

CM-1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING - 19 JANUARY 2026

26/014 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors G Davies and J McKinnon

That the Minutes of the proceedings of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 19 January 2026 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

- D Tout
- G Davies
- A Condron
- R Foley
- J McKinnon
- A Parkins
- K Subedi
- L Tanner

Against the Motion

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.....**MAYOR****GENERAL MANAGER**

MINUTES of the **ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL** held on **Monday 9 February 2026**.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor G Davies declared a Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in M-2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - WAGGA WAGGA AIRPORT SPECIAL PURPOSE COMMITTEE - 28 JANUARY 2026 the reason being that a family member has a sub-lease on a hangar at the airport and vacated the chamber during its consideration.

Councillor R Foley declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in NOM-3 NOTICE OF MOTION – WAGGA WAGGA - KUNMING SISTER CITY INDUSTRY COOPERATION & INVESTMENT DELEGATION - REQUEST FOR REPORT the reason being that he is familiar with a person mentioned in the report and remained in the chamber during its consideration.

Councillor L Tanner declared a Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in NOM-1 NOTICE OF MOTION - INCREASE PAEDIATRIC SERVICES IN WAGGA WAGGA the reason being that he has a family member working in the specific area and vacated the chamber during its consideration.

Councillor J McKinnon declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in RP-2 INITIAL CLASSIFICATION OF LAND - LOTS 281, 282, 283 & 284 IN PLAN OF SUBDIVISION, BEING LAND DEDICATED TO COUNCIL UNDER PLAN OF SUBDIVISION the reason being that a friend was involved in surveying the land mentioned in the report and remained in the chamber during its consideration.

Councillor J McKinnon declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in RP-3 INITIAL CLASSIFICATION OF LAND - LOT 574 IN PLAN OF SUBDIVISION, 1 WATERHOUSE AVE LLOYD, BEING LAND DEDICATED TO COUNCIL UNDER PLAN OF SUBDIVISION the reason being that a friend was involved in surveying the land mentioned in the report and remained in the chamber during its consideration.

PROCEDURAL MOTION - ENGLOBO

26/015 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors G Davies 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-2, RP-3, RP-8 and M-1 be adopted as recommended in the business papers.

CARRIED

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.....**MAYOR****GENERAL MANAGER**

MINUTES of the ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL held on Monday 9 February 2026.

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

Against the Motion

D Tout
G Davies
A Condron
R Foley
J McKinnon
A Parkins
K Subedi
L Tanner

PROCEDURAL MOTION - CHANGE STANDARD ORDERS

26/016 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors L Tanner and G Davies

That Council move forward the following reports to the start of the meeting to allow consideration of matters heard in the Public Forum:

- **NOM-1 NOTICE OF MOTION - INCREASE PAEDIATRIC SERVICES IN WAGGA WAGGA**
- **NOM-3 NOTICE OF MOTION – WAGGA WAGGA - KUNMING SISTER CITY INDUSTRY COOPERATION & INVESTMENT DELEGATION - REQUEST FOR REPORT**
- **RP-1 DA25/0067 - MOBILE TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITY, INCLUDING MONOPOLE AND COMPOUND**

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

Against the Motion

D Tout
G Davies
A Condron
R Foley
J McKinnon
A Parkins
K Subedi
L Tanner

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.....MAYORGENERAL MANAGER

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MOTIONS OF WHICH DUE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

NOM-1 NOTICE OF MOTION - INCREASE PAEDIATRIC SERVICES IN WAGGA WAGGA

Councillor L Tanner declared a Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest and vacated the chamber, the time being 6:36pm.

26/017 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors K Subedi and R Foley

That Council:

- a acknowledges the growing demand of paediatric services in Wagga Wagga, across both physical and mental health, and recognises the profound impacts this gap has on carers, families and the wider community**
- b writes to the NSW Minister for Health, the Hon. Ryan Park MP, with a copy to the Member for Wagga Wagga, Dr Joe McGirr MP:**
 - i requesting advice on any current or planned initiatives to expand paediatric emergency and specialist outpatient services in Wagga Wagga, including service scope and indicative timeframes; and**
 - ii advocating for consideration of the establishment of a dedicated Paediatric Emergency Department (ED) and Specialist Out Patient Services (SOPS) in Wagga Wagga as a first step toward addressing these needs**

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

<u>For the Motion</u>	<u>Against the Motion</u>
D Tout	
G Davies	
A Condron	
R Foley	
J McKinnon	
A Parkins	
K Subedi	

Councillor L Tanner re-entered the chamber, the time being 6:49pm.

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.....MAYORGENERAL MANAGER

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NOM-3 NOTICE OF MOTION – WAGGA WAGGA - KUNMING SISTER CITY INDUSTRY COOPERATION & INVESTMENT DELEGATION - REQUEST FOR REPORT

26/018 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors R Foley and L Tanner

That Council:

- a note the attached six-day proposal for a Wagga Wagga–Kunming Sister City Industry Cooperation & Investment Delegation proposed for April 2026**
- b request the General Manager prepare a report for Council consideration addressing:**
 - i advice from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) regarding foreign policy alignment, travel advisories, security considerations, and appropriate engagement protocols with Chinese government entities**
 - ii the strategic merit of the proposed delegation in the context of the Wagga Wagga–Kunming sister city relationship and Council’s economic development objectives**
 - iii the financial, logistical, and resourcing implications for Council, including any estimated costs associated with Councillor and/or staff participation, cost-sharing arrangements, and potential external funding opportunities**
 - iv a risk assessment covering governance, financial, and travel risks, including due diligence on proposed hosts, facilitators, and counterpart organisations**
 - v the outcomes of consultation with relevant local industry groups, educational and vocational institutions, and business chambers to assess interest and their potential participation**
 - vi any legal, governance, or policy considerations associated with proposed memoranda of understanding or letters of intent, noting that any such documents would be non-binding and subject to Council approval**
- c request that the report be presented to Council at the earliest practicable meeting, and no later than 28 February 2026, to enable Council to consider whether to proceed with participation in a proposed April 2026 delegation**

CARRIED

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.....MAYORGENERAL MANAGER

MINUTES of the **ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL** held on **Monday 9 February 2026**.

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

A Condron
 R Foley
 J McKinnon
 A Parkins
 K Subedi
 L Tanner

Against the Motion

D Tout
 G Davies

REPORTS FROM STAFF

RP-1 DA25/0067 - MOBILE TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITY, INCLUDING MONOPOLE AND COMPOUND

A Motion was moved by Councillors A Parkins and L Tanner

That Council defer determination of DA25/0067 'Mobile Telecommunications Facility, including Monopole and Compound' at Lot 2 DP 731292, 20 Kapooka Road, San Isidore, pending a site inspection by available councillors.

An AMENDMENT was moved by Councillor G Davies and seconded by Councillor L Tanner

That the Council refuse DA25/0067 'Mobile Telecommunications Facility, Including Monopole and Compound' at Lot 2 DP 731292, 20 Kapooka Road, San Isidore for the following reasons:

- Issues have been raised about contamination of uncontaminated land by PFAS through stormwater flows. With knowledge that stormwater will be displaced by the structure it is not appropriate to approve the structure without the decision makers having the technical information that the environmental impact will be managed in a way that leads to approve the development.
- Unacceptable visual impact also forms part of the refusal.

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

For the Amendment

D Tout
 G Davies
 A Condron
 R Foley
 K Subedi
 L Tanner

Against the Amendment

J McKinnon
 A Parkins

The AMENDMENT on being put to the meeting was CARRIED and became the MOTION.

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.....MAYORGENERAL MANAGER

MINUTES of the ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL held on Monday 9 February 2026.

26/019 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors G Davies and L Tanner

That the Council refuse DA25/0067 'Mobile Telecommunications Facility, Including Monopole and Compound' at Lot 2 DP 731292, 20 Kapooka Road, San Isidore for the following reasons:

- Issues have been raised about contamination of uncontaminated land by PFAS through stormwater flows. With knowledge that stormwater will be displaced by the structure it is not appropriate to approve the structure without the decision makers having the technical information that the environmental impact will be managed in a way that leads to approve the development.
- Unacceptable visual impact also forms part of the refusal.

CARRIED

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

For the Motion

D Tout
G Davies
A Condron
R Foley
K Subedi
L Tanner

Against the Motion

J McKinnon
A Parkins

NOM-2 NOTICE OF MOTION - MANAGED SHORT-STAY AND TRANSITIONAL CAMPING SOLUTIONS AT WILKS PARK

26/020 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors R Foley and L Tanner

That Council receive a report by 9 March 2026 on the current arrangements for the use and management of Wilks Park, including:

- a the rules, regulatory framework and restrictions that apply to the use of Wilks Park, including its operation as a 72-hour short-stay primitive camping area;
- b how the site is monitored, patrolled and regulated, including the roles and responsibilities of Council staff and any partner agencies;
- c Council's current approach to managing stays that exceed the 72-hour limit, including compliance processes and escalation pathways;
- d how waste and rubbish are currently managed, including collection arrangements, service frequency, costs and any constraints or issues identified;

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.....MAYORGENERAL MANAGER

MINUTES of the ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL held on Monday 9 February 2026.

- e existing engagement and coordination with the NSW Government and relevant agencies in relation to people experiencing homelessness at or around Wilks Park; and
- f any identified operational, financial, legal or risk considerations arising from the current arrangements;
- g a draft letter to the Hon. Rose Jackson, MLC expressing Council's concerns

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

- D Tout
- G Davies
- A Condron
- R Foley
- J McKinnon
- A Parkins
- K Subedi
- L Tanner

Against the Motion

REPORTS FROM STAFF

RP-1 DA25/0067 - MOBILE TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITY, INCLUDING MONOPOLE AND COMPOUND was brought forward to the start of the meeting to allow consideration of matters heard in the Public Forum.

RP-2 INITIAL CLASSIFICATION OF LAND - LOTS 281, 282, 283 & 284 IN PLAN OF SUBDIVISION, BEING LAND DEDICATED TO COUNCIL UNDER PLAN OF SUBDIVISION

26/021 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors G Davies and J McKinnon

That Council:

- a agree in principle to classify the land described as Lots 281, 282, 283 and 284 in a plan of subdivision as operational land in accordance with section 31(2) of the Local Government Act 1993 upon registration of the plan
- b authorise the General Manager or their delegate to place the proposed resolution on public exhibition for a period of 28 days and invite public submissions
- c receive a further report following the exhibition and submission period addressing any submission made in respect of the proposed classification

CARRIED

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.....MAYORGENERAL MANAGER

MINUTES of the ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL held on Monday 9 February 2026.

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

- D Tout
- G Davies
- A Condrón
- R Foley
- J McKinnon
- A Parkins
- K Subedi
- L Tanner

Against the Motion

RP-3 INITIAL CLASSIFICATION OF LAND - LOT 574 IN PLAN OF SUBDIVISION, 1 WATERHOUSE AVE LLOYD, BEING LAND DEDICATED TO COUNCIL UNDER PLAN OF SUBDIVISION

26/022 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors G Davies and J McKinnon

That Council:

- a agree in principle to classify the land described as Lot 574 in a plan of subdivision of 1 Waterhouse Ave Lloyd, as operational land in accordance with section 31(2) of the Local Government Act on its dedication to Council**
- b authorise the General Manager or their delegate to place the proposed resolution on public exhibition for a period of 28 days and invite public submissions**
- c receive a further report following the exhibition and submission period addressing any submission made in respect of the proposed classification**

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

- D Tout
- G Davies
- A Condrón
- R Foley
- J McKinnon
- A Parkins
- K Subedi
- L Tanner

Against the Motion

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RP-4 KERBSIDE COLLECTION CONTRACT - RURAL/VILLAGE CONSULTATION OUTCOME REPORT

26/023 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors L Tanner and G Davies

That Council:

- a note the results of the Community Consultation for the rural residential premises located within Councils LGA as outlined in this report**
- b support the residents of Collingullie, Currawarna, Galore, Humula, Downside and San Isidore with an opt in service for kerbside collection under the new contract**
- c note the requirement for improvements in service delivery options at all existing rural transfer stations including additional options for residents with regards to separation of waste and greater resource recovery**
- d note that the Resource Recovery and Waste Management Strategy will consider the option of a future potential site (transfer station) to the north of the city that may accept some waste types to accommodate the growing population**
- e note that through Council planning processes whereby new subdivisions are constructed in the future, kerbside services are considered as part of the development process**

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

Against the Motion

- D Tout
- G Davies
- A Condron
- R Foley
- J McKinnon
- A Parkins
- K Subedi
- L Tanner

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RP-5 REVALUATION OF PROPERTY LAND VALUES AND RATING PURPOSES - BASE DATE - 01/07/2025

26/024 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors L Tanner and R Foley

That Council:

- a note that NSW Valuer General has conducted a general revaluation of all parcels of land within the Wagga Wagga Local Government Area - Base Date 01/07/2025**
- b note that the new land values will be applied for all properties for the 2026/27 rating year**
- c note that Council is only permitted to increase the total rates income received by the IPART allowable rate peg percentage, which is 3.2% for the 2026/27 rating year**

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

Against the Motion

D Tout
G Davies
A Condron
R Foley
J McKinnon
A Parkins
K Subedi
L Tanner

RP-6 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT STRATEGY AND COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION PLAN

26/025 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors L Tanner and G Davies

That Council:

- a note public submissions received on the draft Community Engagement Strategy and draft Community Participation Plan during the public exhibition**
- b note and accept recommended amendments to the draft Community Engagement Strategy and draft Community Participation Plan**
- c adopt the draft Community Engagement Strategy and draft Community Participation Plan**

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	
A Condron	
R Foley	
J McKinnon	
A Parkins	
K Subedi	
L Tanner	

RP-7 2026 NATIONAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT ANNUAL CONFERENCE

26/026 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors L Tanner and A Parkins

That Council:

- a attend the National General Assembly (NGA) to be held at the National Convention Centre in Canberra from 23 - 25 June 2026**
- b appoint one (1) Councillor and one (1) alternate Councillor to attend the 2026 National General Assembly of Local Government Annual Conference with the Mayor in Canberra from 23 - 25 June 2026**
- c consider submitting motion/s to the 2026 National General Assembly of Local Government Annual Conference as outlined in the report**

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

<u>For the Motion</u>	<u>Against the Motion</u>
D Tout	
G Davies	
A Condron	
R Foley	
J McKinnon	
A Parkins	
K Subedi	
L Tanner	

Councillor L Tanner self-nominated.

No nominations for the alternate position were received.

Councillor L Tanner was duly appointed to represent Council at the 2026 National General Assembly of Local Government Annual Conference with the Mayor in Canberra from 23 - 25 June 2026.

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RP-8 REVISED TIME OF 2026 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETINGS

26/027 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors G Davies and J McKinnon

That Council approve the amendment to the Ordinary Council Meeting commencement time to 6.00pm for the period February 2026 to December 2026.

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

Against the Motion

- D Tout
- G Davies
- A Condron
- R Foley
- J McKinnon
- A Parkins
- K Subedi
- L Tanner

RP-9 QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

26/028 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors G Davies and R Foley

That Council receive and note the report.

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

Against the Motion

- D Tout
- G Davies
- A Condron
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COMMITTEE MINUTES

M-1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - LOCAL TRANSPORT FORUM - 22 JANUARY 2026

26/029 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors G Davies and J McKinnon

That Council receive the minutes of the Local Transport Forum Meeting held on 22 January 2026.

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

- D Tout
- G Davies
- A Condron
- R Foley
- J McKinnon
- A Parkins
- K Subedi
- L Tanner

Against the Motion

M-2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - WAGGA WAGGA AIRPORT SPECIAL PURPOSE COMMITTEE - 28 JANUARY 2026

Councillor G Davies declared a Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest and vacated the chamber, and did not return to the chamber the time being 8:29pm.

26/030 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors A Parkins and L Tanner

That Council:

- a receive and note the minutes of the Wagga Airport Special Purpose Committee meeting held on 28 January 2026**
- b endorse Council's submission to the Senate Inquiry into Regional Aviation**

CARRIED

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RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

D Tout
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Against the Motion

THIS COMPLETED THE BUSINESS OF THE COUNCIL MEETING WHICH ROSE AT 8.30pm.

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MAYOR

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