



Agenda and Business Paper

Ordinary Meeting of Council

To be held on
Monday 7 September 2026
at 5.30 PM

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Peter Thompson
General Manager

WAGGA WAGGA CITY COUNCILLORS



**Councillor Dallas Tout
(Mayor)**

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



**Councillor 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 Mick Henderson

Councillor Michael Henderson was elected to Council in 2021 and 2026.



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.

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL AGENDA AND BUSINESS PAPER

MONDAY 7 SEPTEMBER 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 - 24 AUGUST 2026

Recommendation

That the Minutes of the proceedings of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 24 August 2026 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

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DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

REPORTS FROM STAFF

RP-1 ELECTION OF MAYOR AND DEPUTY MAYOR

Author: Scott Gray

Summary:

The purpose of this report is to facilitate the election of the Mayor and Deputy Mayor.

In accordance with section 227 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (the Act), where the Mayor is elected by the Councillors, the Mayor is to be elected by the Councillors from among their number.

Where more than one Councillor is nominated for the position of Mayor or Deputy Mayor, Council is required to resolve whether the election is to proceed by preferential ballot, ordinary ballot or open voting.

The Office of Local Government identifies open voting as the preferred method of voting for the election of the Mayor and Deputy Mayor.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a conduct the election of the Mayor by open voting in accordance with Schedule 7 of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021*
- b determine that the term of office of the Deputy Mayor be the same as the Mayoral term, being until September 2028
- c conduct the election of the Deputy Mayor by open voting in accordance with Schedule 7 of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021*

Report

Section 225 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (the Act) requires Council to have a Mayor who is elected in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

Council currently elects the Mayor on a biennial basis, from among its Councillors, as provided for under section 227 of the Act. The current Mayoral term expires in September 2026 and Council is therefore required to conduct a mid-term Mayoral election.

The election of the Mayor and Deputy Mayor will be conducted at the Ordinary Meeting of Council to be held on Monday, 7 September 2026.

Role of the Mayor

Section 226 of the Act prescribes the role of the Mayor, which includes the following functions

- *to exercise, in cases of necessity, the policy-making functions of the governing body of the Council between meetings of the Council*
- *to exercise such other functions of the Council as the Council determines*

- *to preside at meetings of the Council*
- *to carry out the civic and ceremonial functions of the mayoral office*

Term of Office

Councils that elect their Mayor are required under section 290(1)(b) of the Act to hold a mid-term Mayoral election in the month of September.

Accordingly, Council will conduct its mid-term Mayoral election on 7 September 2026. The Councillor elected as Mayor will hold office until the day of Council's next ordinary election in September 2028, when their civic office as a Councillor and Mayor will expire.

In accordance with section 231(2) of the Act, Council may also elect one of its members to act as Deputy Mayor for the Mayoral term or for a shorter term as determined by Council.

The Deputy Mayor may exercise any function of the Mayor at the request of the Mayor, or if the Mayor is prevented by illness, absence or otherwise from exercising the function, or if there is a casual vacancy in the office of Mayor.

A Deputy Mayor holds office for the term specified in Council's resolution. While Council has previously aligned the Deputy Mayoral term with the Mayoral term, Council has elected the Deputy Mayor for successive 12-month terms over the past two years. Council is therefore required to determine the term of office for the Deputy Mayor as part of the current election process. The recommendation in this report proposes that the Deputy Mayoral term be aligned with the Mayoral term, being until September 2028.

Election of Mayor – September 2026 to September 2028

The procedure to be followed for the election of the Mayor is prescribed by Schedule 7 of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021*.

Schedule 7 provides for three methods for the election of a Mayor:

1. open voting
2. ordinary ballot
3. preferential ballot.

Where more than one Councillor is nominated, Council is required to resolve which of these methods will be used to conduct the election.

The Office of Local Government Fact Sheet, *Election of Mayor and Deputy Mayor by Councillors*, identifies open voting as the most transparent method of voting and reflects the normal method of voting at Council meetings. Open voting is therefore recommended for the election of the Mayor and Deputy Mayor.

The election provisions contained in Schedule 7 of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021* also apply to the election of the Deputy Mayor.

Part 1 - Preliminary

Returning Officer

1. The General Manager, Mr Peter Thompson will be the returning officer for the election to be held on 7 September 2026.

Nomination

2.
 - (1) A Councillor may be nominated without notice for election as Mayor or Deputy Mayor.
 - (2) The nomination is to be made in writing by two or more Councillors, one of whom may be the nominee. The nomination is not valid unless the nominee has indicated consent to the nomination in writing.
 - (3) The nomination is to be delivered or sent to the Returning Officer prior to the start of the 7 September 2026 Council Meeting.
 - (4) The Returning Officer is to announce the names of the nominees at the council meeting at which the election is to be held.

Election

3.
 - (1) If only one Councillor is nominated, that Councillor is elected.
 - (2) If more than one Councillor is nominated, the council is to resolve whether the election is to proceed by preferential ballot, by ordinary ballot or by open voting.
 - (3) The election is to be held at the council meeting at which the council resolves on the method of voting.
 - (4) In this clause:
"ordinary ballot" has its normal meaning of secret ballot.
"open voting" means voting by a show of hands or similar means.

The Office of Local Government [Circular 26-15](#) confirms that Councillors may participate in an election conducted by open voting by audio visual link. Where an election is conducted by ordinary or preferential ballot, Councillors must attend the meeting in person to vote, as these methods require a secret ballot.

Part 2 - Ordinary ballot or open voting

Application of Part

4. This Part applies if the election proceeds by ordinary ballot or by open voting.

Marking of ballot-papers

5.
 - (1) If the election proceeds by ordinary ballot, the Returning Officer is to decide the manner in which votes are to be marked on the ballot-papers.
 - (2) The formality of a ballot-paper under this Part must be determined in accordance with clause 345 of the Regulation as if it were a ballot-paper referred to in that clause.

- (3) An informal ballot-paper must be rejected at the count.

Count-2 candidates

6. (1) If there are only two candidates, the candidate with the higher number of votes is elected.
- (2) If there are only two candidates and the votes are tied, the one elected is to be chosen by lot.

Count-3 or more candidates

7. (1) If there are three or more candidates, the one with the lowest number of votes is to be excluded.
- (2) If three or more candidates then remain, a further vote is to be taken of those candidates and the one with the lowest number of votes from that further vote is to be excluded.
- (3) If, after that, three or more candidates still remain, the procedure set out in subclause (2) is to be repeated until only two candidates remain.
- (4) A further vote is to be taken of the two remaining candidates.
- (5) Clause 6 of the Schedule then applies to the determination of the election as if the two remaining candidates had been the only candidates.
- (6) If at any stage during a count under subclause (1) or (2), two or more candidates are tied on the lowest number of votes, the one excluded is to be chosen by lot.

Part 3 - Preferential Ballot

Application of Part

8. This Part applies if the election proceeds by preferential ballot.

Ballot-papers and voting

9. (1) The ballot-papers are to contain the names of all the candidates. The councillors are to mark their votes by placing the numbers “1”, “2” and so on against the various names so as to indicate the order of their preference for all the candidates.
- (2) The formality of a ballot-paper under this Part is to be determined in accordance with clause 345 of the Regulation as if it were a ballot-paper referred to in that clause.
- (3) An informal ballot-paper must be rejected at the count.

Count

10. (1) If a candidate has an absolute majority of first preference votes, that candidate is elected.
- (2) If not, the candidate with the lowest number of first preference votes is excluded and the votes on the unexhausted ballot-papers counted to him or

her are transferred to the candidates with second preferences on those ballot-papers.

- (3) A candidate who then has an absolute majority of votes is elected, but, if no candidate then has an absolute majority of votes, the process of excluding the candidate who has the lowest number of votes and counting each of his or her unexhausted ballot-papers to the candidates remaining in the election next in order of the voter's preference is repeated until one candidate has received an absolute majority of votes. The latter is elected.
- (4) In this clause, "absolute majority", in relation to votes, means a number that is more than one-half of the number of unexhausted formal ballot-papers.

Tied candidates

11. (1) If, on any count of votes, there are two candidates in, or remaining in, the election and the numbers of votes cast for the two candidates are equal-the candidate whose name is first chosen by lot is taken to have received an absolute majority of votes and is therefore taken to be elected.
- (2) If, on any count of votes, there are three or more candidates in, or remaining in, the election and the numbers of votes cast for two or more candidates are equal and those candidates are the ones with the lowest number of votes on the count of the votes-the candidate whose name is first chosen by lot is taken to have the lowest number of votes and is therefore excluded.

Part 4 - General

Choosing by lot

12. To choose a candidate by lot, the names of the candidates who have equal numbers of votes are written on similar slips of paper by the Returning Officer, the slips are folded by the Returning Officer so as to prevent the names being seen, the slips are mixed and one is drawn at random by the Returning Officer and the candidate whose name is on the drawn slip is chosen.

Result

13. The result of the election (including the name of the candidate elected as Mayor or Deputy Mayor) is:
 - (a) to be declared to the Councillors at the council meeting at which the election is held by the Returning Officer, and
 - (b) to be delivered or sent to the Secretary and the Chief Executive Officer of Local Government NSW.

Election of Deputy Mayor

In accordance with section 231 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, Council may elect a Councillor to the office of Deputy Mayor. The Deputy Mayor may be elected for the Mayoral term or for a shorter term as determined by Council.

Council is therefore required to determine the term of office for the Deputy Mayor as part of the election process.

In 2024 and 2025, Council elected the Deputy Mayor for 12-month terms. The recommendation in this report proposes returning to a Deputy Mayoral term aligned with the Mayoral term.

Nomination papers for the positions of Mayor and Deputy Mayor will be distributed to Councillors in hard copy and through the online Councillor portal. Completed nomination papers are to be delivered or sent to the Returning Officer, Mr Peter Thompson, prior to the commencement of the Ordinary Meeting of Council to be held on Monday, 7 September 2026.

Financial Implications

N/A

Policy and Legislation

Local Government Act 1993 (NSW) – sections 225, 226, 227, 230, 231 and 290

Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 – section 394 and Schedule 7

Office of Local Government Circular 26-15 – Elections for mayors and elections for chairpersons of joint organisations and county councils

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

N/A

Internal / External Consultation

N/A

RP-2 OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE REPORT - JANUARY TO JUNE 2026

Author: Bradley Ristivojevic
Executive: Scott Gray

Summary: | This report provides details of Council's performance against the Operational Plan 2025-2026 as of 30 June 2026.

Recommendation

That Council receive and note the Operational Performance Report for the period 1 January 2026 to 30 June 2026.

Report

Background

Progress reports are required to be provided to the Council with respect to the principal activities detailed in the Delivery Program, at least every six (6) months.

This report is the second six-monthly report under the recently adopted Delivery Program 2025-2029 and Operational Plan 2025-2026. To retain consistency with the Delivery Program 2025-2029 and Operational Plan 2025-2026, reporting is presented by service area. There are 36 service areas within the report.

Performance has been reported using the same structure as the Delivery Program 2025-2029 and Operational Plan 2025-2026:

- Principal Activities – reflect the key functions a service performs and respond to any specific action identified by strategic objectives of the Community Strategic Plan.
- Service Delivery – the ongoing services and actions that comprise the business-as-usual work of a service area.
- Implementation of plan and strategies – reports the progress of scheduled delivery actions contained within plans and strategies. Not all plans and strategies contain reportable actions (e.g. Engineering Design Guidelines). Where this is the case, the plan/strategy has not been included in the reporting.
- Capital Projects – include one-off actions that either result in the development or acquisition of a new asset and recurrent (annual) programs which are usually maintenance activities or ongoing renewal of assets (e.g. library and art collections).
- Operational Projects – include actions that are not ongoing and funded by a service's operating budget. These actions include the review and development of plans and strategies.

Performance Overview

Progress of actions is reported using the following criteria to communicate their level of completion against expected outcomes.

Table 1: Action Status

Status	Description
N/A	Indicates a deliverable is reported for transparency and does not have a performance measure status.
Not due to commence	Indicates that an action was not due to commence during the reporting period.
Off track	Indicates that an action is behind schedule or has not been met in the reporting period.
At risk	Indicates that an action may not be achieved if issues are not addressed.
On track	Indicates that an action / measure is on track for completion / achievement by the due date. Actions may span over multiple years depending on their nature (e.g. projects).
Completed	Indicates that an action has been finished and delivered to the intended service level and objective.
Closed	Indicates all retentions and administrative processes related to the project have been finalised. (capital projects only)

On pages 6-8 of the report for each of the categories discussed above. A total of 780 actions are included in the report. 2.1% of total actions have been reported as at risk and 10.1% as off track. Off track actions are most prevalent in plan and strategy implementation (20% off track) and operational projects (17%). A summary of status by deliverable is provided in Table Two (2).

Table 2: Deliverables

Deliverable Category	Completed/ Closed	On track	At risk	Off track	N/A & Not due to commence	Total
Principal Activities	3	120	2	13	27	165
Service Delivery Performance	146	89	6	23	67	331
Plans and Strategy implementation	1	38	1	11	5	56
Capital Projects	47	47	0	13	11	118
Operational Projects	23	45	7	19	16	110
Total	220	339	16	79	126	780

A listing of measures reported as off track or at risk is included as Attachment Two (2).

Financial Implications

N/A

Policy and Legislation

Local Government Act 1993 - section 406

- (1) *The regulations may make provision for or with respect to integrated planning and reporting guidelines (referred to in this Chapter as the guidelines) to be complied with by councils.*
- (2) *Without limiting subsection (1), the regulations may impose requirements in connection with the preparation, development, consultation on and review of, and the contents of, the community strategic plan, resourcing strategy, delivery program, operational plan, community engagement strategy, annual report and environment reporting of a council.*

Local Government Act (General) Regulation 2021 - regulation 196A

“A council must comply with the integrated planning and reporting guidelines in the document entitled Integrated Planning and Reporting Guidelines for Local Government in NSW, published on the website of the Department, as in force from time to time.”

Section 4.9 of the Integrated Planning and Reporting Guidelines for Local Government in NSW requires that *“the general manager must ensure that progress reports are provided to the council, with respect to the principal activities detailed in the Delivery Program, at least every 6 months”*.

Link to Strategic Plan

Regional Leadership

Good governance

Provide professional, innovative, accessible and efficient services.

Risk Management Issues for Council

The presentation of the Operational Performance Report to Council supports Council's compliance with its Integrated Planning and Reporting obligations.

Of the 780 deliverables reported, 12% are identified as either 'at risk' or 'off track'. In considering these results, it is important to recognise that Council's work program is not static. New legislative requirements, emerging risks, audit and improvement actions, grant opportunities and other organisational priorities can arise during the year and require existing resources to be redirected.

The actions identified as 'at risk' or 'off track' will be further reviewed through upcoming service planning processes to determine whether changes to priorities, timeframes or resourcing are required to support delivery of Council's adopted work program.

Internal / External Consultation

Internal collaboration with responsible officers, managers and directors was completed for the drafting, review and approval of the Operational Performance 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																☒
Consult																
Involve																
Collaborate																
Other methods (please list specific details below)																

Attachments

1. Attachment 1 - Operational Performance Report H2 - January to June 2026 - Provided under separate cover.
2. Attachment 2 - Off track and at risk actions by directorate - Provided under separate cover.

**RP-3 2026 LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW ANNUAL CONFERENCE -
ELECTION OF DELEGATES AND MOTIONS****Author:** Nicole Johnson**Executive:** Scott Gray**Summary:**

The Local Government NSW (LGNSW) Annual Conference will be held from 22 to 24 November 2026 at the WIN Sports & Entertainment Centres, Wollongong.

The purpose of this report is to elect Council's delegates to attend the Conference and to consider and endorse motions for submission to the Conference.

Recommendation

That Council

- a endorse the Mayor and three (3) Councillors to attend the Local Government NSW Annual Conference to be held from Sunday 22 to Tuesday 24 November 2026
- b elect three (3) Councillor delegates referred to in (a) above to attend the Conference
- c note that the Mayor and the three (3) Councillors appointed to attend the Conference will be Council's voting delegates for any Local Government NSW elections for the following twelve months
- d endorse submitting the following motions as outlined in the body of this report for consideration at the Conference:
 - i Motion 1 - Community Benefit Sharing for Data Centres and Transmission Infrastructure
 - ii Motion 2 - Guidance on Fully-Funded Advocacy Conferences for Councillors

Report

The Local Government NSW (LGNSW) Annual Conference will be held at the WIN Sports & Entertainment Centres, Wollongong, from 22 to 24 November 2026, with the support of Wollongong City Council as Destination Partner.

The [Annual Conference](#) is LGNSW's key policy-making forum and provides an opportunity for councillors and local government representatives from across New South Wales to consider and debate strategic issues affecting the sector. Resolutions of the Conference establish LGNSW's policy positions and inform its advocacy priorities for the year ahead.

The [Conference program](#) also includes keynote presentations, professional development workshops, panel discussions, networking opportunities and a trade exhibition, providing delegates with opportunities to share knowledge and consider emerging issues and initiatives relevant to local government.

In accordance with Council's membership of LGNSW, Council is entitled to four (4) voting delegates at the Annual Conference. It is therefore recommended that the Mayor and three (3) Councillors attend the 2026 LGNSW Annual Conference as Council's voting delegates.

Motions

Each year, Local Government NSW (LGNSW) members are invited to submit motions for consideration at the LGNSW Annual Conference. Motions focus on strategic local government matters of state-wide significance, as well as new and emerging policy issues.

Motions are debated and determined by Conference delegates, with successful resolutions establishing LGNSW policy positions and helping to guide its advocacy priorities for the year ahead.

All LGNSW member councils are invited to submit motions for consideration. The [Conference Motions Submission Guide](#) is provided for further information.

The following Motions have been submitted by Councillor Richard Foley.

Motion 1

Title	Community Benefit Sharing for Data Centres and Transmission Infrastructure
Motion	That Local Government NSW advocate to the NSW Government for a consistent, mandatory State-wide community benefit-sharing framework for large-scale data centres and electricity transmission infrastructure, incorporating sector-appropriate benchmark contribution methodologies, including consideration of ongoing contributions linked to approved maximum power consumption for data centres. Motion 1
Background	Large-scale data centres and electricity transmission infrastructure are increasingly being developed across New South Wales, including in regional communities. These projects can involve substantial capital investment, operate for several decades and create significant change within host communities. While the NSW Government's Data Centre Planning Guideline recognises the importance of community benefits and local outcomes from major data centre developments, it does not establish a consistent contribution methodology or benchmark rates. Similarly, while the NSW Government is progressing reforms relating to community benefit sharing for renewable energy development, there remains a need for clear and consistent arrangements applying to large-scale data centres and transmission infrastructure. In the absence of sector-wide benchmark methodologies, councils are left to negotiate community benefit arrangements individually with major proponents, creating inconsistent outcomes and placing smaller and regional councils at a negotiating disadvantage.

	A State-wide framework should establish appropriate methodologies for different infrastructure types, while retaining sufficient flexibility to reflect local circumstances and ensuring host communities receive enduring benefits from major developments occurring within their local government areas
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Motion 2

Title	Guidance on Fully-Funded Advocacy Conferences for Councillors
Motion	That Local Government NSW advocate to the Office of Local Government for clear guidance on the application of the Model Code of Conduct gifts and benefits provisions to fully-funded conferences and similar events offered to councillors by external advocacy organisations.
Background	Councillors across New South Wales may receive invitations to attend conferences, forums and other events where some or all costs are funded by an external organisation. In some cases, the organisation may also have an established advocacy or policy agenda relevant to local government. The Model Code of Conduct contains requirements governing the acceptance and disclosure of gifts and benefits, including benefits that may create a sense of obligation or give rise to a perception that a council official could be influenced in the performance of their public duties. However, there is limited specific guidance available to councils on how these provisions should be applied to fully-funded conferences and advocacy events. This can result in differing approaches between councils and uncertainty for councillors and council staff when assessing invitations involving funded registration, travel, accommodation or hospitality. Clear State-wide guidance would support consistent decision-making, transparency and public confidence while allowing legitimate professional development, information sharing and advocacy activities to continue. The proposed guidance should apply irrespective of the organisation involved or the particular policy or advocacy position being promoted.

Financial Implications

The estimated cost per delegate to attend the conference is \$3,059.00 per person including registration at the early bird rate, accommodation and the conference dinner as below (all GST exclusive costs):

Estimated Cost per Delegate	Estimated Amount (GST Excl)
Registration	\$1,312.50
Conference Dinner Ticket	\$245.00
Workshop Session	\$100.00
ALGWA	\$92.50
Three Nights' Accommodation (Booked: 21 – 24 November 2026)	\$1,059.00
Estimated Car Hire	\$250.00
Total Estimated Cost per Delegate	\$3,059.00

This conference will be funded from the Councillors' Development, Conference and Travel budget, which has a total allocation of \$8,000 per Councillor for the 2026/27 financial year.

The expenditure and remaining budget for each Councillor is detailed in the table below in committed amounts.

Councillor	Amount spent/committed YTD 2026/27 (GST Excl)	Remaining budget 2026/27 (GST Excl)
Allana Condron	\$0	\$8,000.00
Georgie Davies	\$0	\$8,000.00
Richard Foley	\$0	\$8,000.00
Michael Henderson	\$420.00	\$7,580.00
Jenny McKinnon	\$1,349.09	\$6,650.91
Amelia Parkins	\$2,495.60	\$5,504.40
Karissa Subedi	\$1,892.31	\$6,107.69
Lindsay Tanner	\$0	\$8,000.00
Dallas Tout	\$0	\$8,000.00

Job number: 12080 – Councillor Development/Conferences/Travelling.

Policy and Legislation

Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy (POL 025)

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

N/A

Internal / External Consultation

Councillors and Executive team

RP-4 NSW PUBLIC LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION (NSWPLA) SWITCH 2026 CONFERENCE AND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**Author:** Nicole Johnson**Executive:** Scott Gray

Summary: Endorse Councillor attendance at the NSW Public Libraries Association (NSWPLA) SWITCH 2026 Conference being held at the Bathurst Memorial Entertainment Centre from 10 - 13 November 2026.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a endorse Councillor attendance at the NSW Public Libraries Association (NSWPLA) SWITCH 2026 Conference being held in Bathurst Memorial Entertainment Centre 10 – 13 November 2026
- b appoint any Councillor who wishes to attend the NSW Public Libraries Association (NSWPLA) SWITCH 2026 Conference as a Council representative, subject to the availability of funds within the Councillor's adopted conference and travel budget

Report

The NSW Public Libraries Association (NSWPLA) will hold its annual SWITCH 2026 Conference in Bathurst from 10 to 13 November 2026. SWITCH is the Association's annual conference and provides an important professional development and networking opportunity for Councillors and public library professionals from across NSW.

The conference provides delegates with opportunities to learn about contemporary practices, emerging issues and developments within the public library sector, while sharing knowledge and experiences with representatives from other councils and library services. It also provides an opportunity to establish and strengthen professional networks and partnerships across the NSW public library sector.

The conference program includes a range of presentations, professional development and networking opportunities, together with the announcement of the NSWPLA Scholarships and Awards and the NSWPLA Annual General Meeting. A dedicated Councillor Lunch is also included as part of the conference program.

Attendance at SWITCH provides Council representatives with an opportunity to gain insight into issues and initiatives affecting public libraries across NSW, exchange ideas and examples of good practice, and bring relevant learnings back to Council's library services.

Further information, including the conference program, is available on the [SWITCH 2026 Conference website](#).

Financial Implications

The estimated cost per Councillor to attend the Conference is approximately \$2,500 plus GST (early bird member rate) as outlined below.

Estimated costs	Estimated Amount (GST excl)
Conference Registration (early bird member rate)	\$ 895.00
Car Hire	\$ 400.00
Accommodation: 10 – 14 November 2026 (Conference rate \$200 per night)	\$ 800.00
Additional expected costs (transfers, meals and incidentals)	\$ 400.00
Total (Estimate)	\$ 2,495.00

This conference will be funded from the Councillors' Development, Conference and Travel budget, which has a total allocation of \$8,000 per Councillor for the 2026/27 financial year.

The expenditure and remaining budget for each Councillor is detailed in the table below in committed amounts.

Councillor	Amount spent/committed YTD 2026/27 (GST Excl)	Remaining budget 2026/27 (GST Excl)
Allana Condrón	\$0	\$8,000.00
Georgie Davies	\$0	\$8,000.00
Richard Foley	\$0	\$8,000.00
Michael Henderson	\$420.00	\$7,580.00
Jenny McKinnon	\$1,349.09	\$6,650.91
Amelia Parkins	\$2,495.60	\$5,504.40
Karissa Subedi	\$1,892.31	\$6,107.69
Lindsay Tanner	\$0	\$8,000.00
Dallas Tout	\$0	\$8,000.00

Job number: 12080 – Councillor Development/Conferences/Travelling

Policy and Legislation

POL-025 – Payment of Expenses and Provision of Facilities to Councillors.

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

Failure to appropriately manage councillor attendance at conferences may result in reputational damage, unnecessary expenditure, missed professional development opportunities, reduced advocacy outcomes and diminished governance effectiveness.

Internal / External Consultation

N/A

RP-5 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 R Foley

What does street lighting cost Council each year, and how much of the network is still non-LED?

As at 18 August 2026, there are 7,611 public lighting assets, of which 7,564 are LED. The remaining 47 assets, or 0.6%, are non-LED. Therefore, the remaining amount that are not LED is 47 or 0.6%. Essential Energy is in the process of identifying suitable LED fittings to replace the outstanding lights, as they are non-standard fittings and must be suitable for connection to its network.

For the last 12 months the following charges have been incurred by WWCC for public lighting:

- Capital costs = \$90,221.02
- Maintenance costs = \$367,511.98
- Electricity costs (Iberdrola & Origin Energy) = \$378,777.30
- Total = \$836,510.30

NOTE: These costs are not fixed per annum as assets are being removed, added and upgraded.

Councillor R Foley

Has Council investigated solar street lighting for replacing ageing lights in rural or grid-remote areas like North Wagga, including cost and payback period?

Australian Standards-compliant solar-powered LED street lighting has been investigated and has been installed in some locations where mains power is not available.

If specific areas are identified costings and paybacks could be provided. Specific locations would need to be identified before cost and payback assessments could be undertaken, as the required lighting levels will determine the type and size of the lighting units, solar arrays and batteries.

Also, once areas are identified Council will be able to assess each location to determine if solar lighting could actually be installed due to the following factors:

- adequate solar access without significant shading or other obstructions
- appropriate clearances from Essential Energy network infrastructure
- sufficient spacing to achieve the required Australian Standards
- whether the installation can be accommodated independently of Essential Energy poles, as Essential Energy does not permit solar panels to be installed on its poles due to structural load, sail area and electrical clearance requirements.

Councillor R Foley

Following Murrumbidgee Council's solar street lighting subdivision precedent, does Council's approval process allow this alternative, and who would own and maintain the assets Council or Essential Energy?

Council does not currently have any adopted minimum performance criteria relating to the power supply for street lighting, therefore if a proposal for a new subdivision included solar powered street lighting, Council staff would not support its approval.

Any reduction in solar power could impact illumination levels, resulting in lighting that does not meet the required standards and potentially exposing Council to liability risks. Grid powered street lighting provides a reliable and consistent power source capable of maintaining the required illumination levels regardless of weather conditions.

Should Council wish to consider solar powered street lighting as an alternative in future developments, this would first need to be formally adopted by Council, supported by clear guidelines and minimum performance standards. Consideration would also need to be given to ongoing ownership, monitoring, and maintenance responsibilities, as Essential Energy would no longer own or maintain the lighting assets and this responsibility would sit with Wagga Wagga City Council. In addition, the lifespan of solar components, including batteries and solar panels and the associated replacement costs would need to be assessed as part of the long term asset management implications.

Councillor M Henderson

Advised that he has had various community members reach out to him in relation to the condition of Copland Street and mentioned its deteriorating badly.

Council's Civil Operations team has received multiple customer requests regarding the condition of Copland Street. Council is aware of potholes along the carriageway, and the street is regularly attended by jet patching crews following rain events as required.

Council is currently investigating the condition of the road to identify areas requiring more substantial patching works. It is anticipated that these works will be undertaken during the first half of 2027.

A new wearing course for the road may be required in FY 27/28 and the criticality of this upgrade will be assessed against the condition of other roads and our budget constraints before we are able to firmly commit.

Councillor A Parkins

Is council planning on or is it appropriate to run some kind of community education campaign around the rising impact of bird flu, in terms of symptoms that the community can look out for and the process of reporting anything they see?

Council has developed a dedicated [webpage](#) to provide the community with information about H5 avian influenza (bird flu), including what to look out for and how suspected cases should be reported.

The page directs residents to current NSW Government advice and reinforces the key message to avoid contact with sick or dead birds, record what is observed and report suspected cases to the Emergency Animal Disease Hotline on 1800 675 888.

NSW DPIRD is the lead agency responsible for surveillance and response to H5 bird flu in NSW. Council's role is therefore primarily to support community awareness and direct residents to the appropriate State Government information and reporting channels.

Council will continue to monitor advice from the NSW Government and update its community information as required.

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

CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

CONF-1 WAGGA WAGGA AIRPORT FUNDING

Author: Darryl Woods
General Manager: Peter Thompson

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**CONF-2 RFQ CT2026065 SUPPLY & DELIVER ONE (1) HEAVY RIGID TRUCK
FITTED WITH AN INTEGRATED BULK LIME SPREADER UNIT**

Author: Daniel Davey

Executive: Henry Pavitt

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CONF-3 RFQ CT2026068 SUPPLY & DELIVER ONE (1) SELF-PROPELLED ROAD STABILISER/RECYCLER**Author:** Daniel Davey**Executive:** Henry Pavitt

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PRESENT

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

IN ATTENDANCE

General Manager	(Mr P Thompson)
Chief Financial Officer	(Mrs C Rodney)
Chief Operating Officer	(Mr S Gray)
Director Economy, Business & Workforce	(Mrs F Piltz)
Director Infrastructure Services	(Mr H Pavitt)
Director Planning & Regulatory Services	(Mrs J Costa)
Manager Community Services	(Ms M Scully)
Executive Director Housing & Strategic Planning	(Mrs F Hamilton)
Manager Corporate Governance & Performance	(Mr T Pankhurst)
Manager City Growth & Projects	(Mr B Creighton)
Manager Engineering Design Services	(Mr G Paxton)
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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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

An apology for non-attendance was received and accepted for Director Community, Environment & Partnerships, Mrs C Priest on the Motion of Councillors G Davies and R Foley.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

26/285 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors R Foley and A Parkins

That Council grant a leave of absence to Councillor M Henderson for the Ordinary Council Meeting to be held 21 September 2026.

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	
M Henderson	
J McKinnon	
A Parkins	
K Subedi	
L Tanner	

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CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

CM-1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING - 10 AUGUST 2026

26/286 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors L Tanner and M Henderson

That the Minutes of the proceedings of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 10 August 2026 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

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

Against the Motion

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor L Tanner declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in CONF-2 RFT CT2026064 CONCRETE WORKS & KERB AND GUTTER PANEL CONTRACT, the reason being that he knows one of the respondents and remained in the Chamber during consideration of the matter.

PROCEDURAL MOTION - ENGLOBO

26/287 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors L Tanner and G Davies

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

- **Items where councillors wish to speak**
- **Items where no councillors wish to speak**
- **Confidential**
- **Matter of urgency**
- **Closure of Meeting**

That RP-4, CONF-3 and CONF-4 be adopted as recommended in the business papers.

CARRIED

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RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

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

Against the Motion

PUBLIC DISCUSSION FORUM

RP-5 EXPRESSION OF INTEREST - LEASE/LICENCE OF 54-58 JOHNSTON STREET, WAGGA WAGGA

- Mrs Ashleigh Baxter – Speaking in Favour of the Report

PROCEDURAL MOTION - CHANGE OF STANDING ORDERS

26/288 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors L Tanner and R Foley

That Council move forward consideration of RP-5 EXPRESSION OF INTEREST - LEASE/LICENCE OF 54-58 JOHNSTON STREET, WAGGA WAGGA to follow the Public Discussion Forum.

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

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

Against the Motion

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REPORTS FROM STAFF

RP-5 EXPRESSION OF INTEREST - LEASE/LICENCE OF 54-58 JOHNSTON STREET, WAGGA WAGGA

26/289 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors G Davies and A Parkins

That Council:

- a authorise officers to conduct an Expression of Interest campaign for the lease or licence of property at 54-58 Johnston Street, Wagga Wagga, being Lot 2 in Section 38 in Deposited Plan 759031 (otherwise known as the old Ambulance Station)**
- b receive a further report on the outcome of the Expression of Interest campaign**

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

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

Against the Motion

PROCEDURAL MOTION - SUSPEND STANDING ORDERS

26/290 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors R Foley and J McKinnon

That Council suspend Standing Orders, the time being 5:58pm.

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

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

Against the Motion

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PROCEDURAL MOTION - REINSTATE STANDING ORDERS

26/291 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors G Davies and A Parkins

That Council reinstate Standing Orders the time being 6:11pm.

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

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

Against the Motion

RP-1 LANDFILL CONTRACT - JUNEES SHIRE COUNCIL

A Motion was moved by Councillors L Tanner and A Parkins

That Council:

- a support a Waste Management Agreement between Wagga Wagga City Council and Junee Shire Council for the acceptance and disposal of municipal solid waste at the Gregadoo Waste Management Centre
- b authorise the General Manager or delegate to sign the agreement with Junee Shire Council
- c apply the adopted out of region waste disposal charge to waste received from Junee Shire Council from 1 July 2027

An AMENDMENT was moved by Councillor L Tanner and seconded by Councillor R Foley

That Council:

- a not support a Waste Management Agreement between Wagga Wagga City Council and Junee Shire Council for the acceptance and disposal of municipal solid waste at the Gregadoo Waste Management Centre
- b apply the adopted out of region waste disposal charge to waste received from Junee Shire Council from 1 October 2026

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RECORD OF VOTING ON THE AMENDMENT

For the Amendment

G Davies
A Condrón
L Tanner

Against the Amendment

D Tout
R Foley
M Henderson
J McKinnon
A Parkins
K Subedi

The AMENDMENT on being put to the meeting was LOST.

26/292 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors L Tanner and A Parkins

That Council:

- a support a Waste Management Agreement between Wagga Wagga City Council and Junee Shire Council for the acceptance and disposal of municipal solid waste at the Gregadoo Waste Management Centre**
- b authorise the General Manager or delegate to sign the agreement with Junee Shire Council**
- c apply the adopted out of region waste disposal charge to waste received from Junee Shire Council from 1 July 2027**

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

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

Against the Motion

A Condrón
L Tanner

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RP-2 BOOROOMA STREET UPGRADE - DRAFT ADDENDUMS TO WAGGA WAGGA LOCAL INFRASTRUCTURE CONTRIBUTIONS PLAN AND DEVELOPER SERVICING PLAN - STORMWATER

26/293 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors L Tanner and G Davies

That Council:

- a** endorse the draft amendments to TT28 Boorooma Street Upgrade in the 2019-2034 Wagga Wagga Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan as outlined in the body of this report and in the attached draft addendum being placed on public exhibition for a minimum 28 working days
- b** endorse the draft amendments to the 2007 Wagga Wagga Developer Servicing Plan – Stormwater to include the Boorooma Street Drainage Project as outlined in the body of this report and in the attached draft addendum being placed on public exhibition for a minimum 30 working days
- c** receive a further report following the public exhibition and submission period
 - i** addressing any submission made in respect of the proposed documents
 - ii** proposing adoption of the addendums unless there are any recommended amendments deemed to be substantial and requiring a further public exhibition period
- d** accept the \$1,000,000 in funding through the NSW Government's Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure Faster Assessments and Incentive Program for the construction of a roundabout at the Estella Road and Boorooma Street intersection
 - i** authorise the General Manager or their delegate to negotiate and enter into a funding agreement with the NSW Government
 - ii** authorise the affixing of Council's Common Seal to all relevant documents as required
- e** approve the budget variation as detailed in the financial implications section of this report

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

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

Against the Motion

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For the Motion

A Parkins
K Subedi
L Tanner

Against the Motion

RP-3 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE REPORT AS AT 31 JULY 2026

26/294 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors M Henderson and R Foley

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 note the Responsible Accounting Officer's reports, in accordance with the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 (Part 9 Division 3: Clause 203) that the financial position of Council is satisfactory having regard to the original estimates of income and expenditure and the recommendations made above**
- d note the details of the external investments as at 31 July 2026 in accordance with section 625 of the Local Government Act 1993**
- e accept the grant funding offers as presented in this report**

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

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

Against the Motion

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RP-4 RAILWAY STREET (LOT 1 DP 324533) - DEDICATION OF LAND AS PUBLIC ROAD

26/295 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors L Tanner and G Davies

That Council authorise the General Manager or their delegate to publish a gazettal notice in the NSW Government Gazette dedicating Lot 1 DP 324533 as public road in accordance with Section 10 of the Roads Act 1993.

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

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

Against the Motion

RP-5 EXPRESSION OF INTEREST - LEASE/LICENCE OF 54-58 JOHNSTON STREET, WAGGA WAGGA was moved forward to follow the public discussion forum.

RP-6 DRAFT COMMUNITY BENEFIT SHARING POLICY - POL 114

26/296 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors J McKinnon and A Parkins

That Council:

- a endorse the draft Community Benefit Sharing Policy (POL 114) for the purpose of public exhibition**
- b place the draft Community Benefit Sharing Policy (POL 114) on public exhibition for a period of 28 days from 29 August 2026 to 25 September 2026 and invite public submissions until 9 October 2026**
- c receive a further report following the public exhibition period that:**
 - i summarises and responds to submissions received; and**

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- ii addresses the case for an ongoing annual contribution for data centres, tied to approved power consumption, in addition to the existing one-off contribution of 1% of capital investment; and
- iii addresses appropriate benchmark figures for transmission line contributions and the loading applicable to projects not located within a designated Renewable Energy Zone, having regard to submissions received during exhibition; and
- iv recommends whether the Policy should be adopted, amended, or re-exhibited if any proposed changes are considered substantial

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

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

Against the Motion

RP-7 QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

26/297 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors J McKinnon and R Foley

That Council receive and note the report.

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

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

Against the Motion

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COMMITTEE MINUTES

M-1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - LOCAL TRANSPORT FORUM - 16 JULY 2026

26/298 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors M Henderson and L Tanner

That Council receive the minutes of the Local Transport Forum Meeting held on 16 July 2026.

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

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

Against the Motion

CLOSED COUNCIL

26/299 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors L Tanner and G Davies

That the Council now resolve itself into a Closed Council, the time being 7.21pm.

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

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

Against the Motion

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

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CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

CONF-1 JUBILEE HOCKEY NOONAN TURF REPLACEMENT

26/300 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors J McKinnon and A Parkins

That Council:

- a** in accordance with section 55(3)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993, resolve not to invite tenders for the proposed project delivery agreement with Wagga Wagga Combined Hockey Association for the replacement of the synthetic surface and shock pad at Noonan Field, Jubilee Park, as Council is satisfied that, due to extenuating circumstances, a satisfactory result would not be achieved by inviting tenders, noting that:
 - i** Wagga Wagga Combined Hockey Association has successfully delivered previous synthetic surface renewal projects at the Jubilee Park Hockey Complex in partnership with Council
 - ii** the Association has undertaken market testing of the specialist synthetic hockey surface market and obtained quotations from three reputable suppliers
 - iii** the proposed delivery model enables the Association to directly manage the specialist procurement and installation process, with Council retaining project oversight and supervision; and
 - iv** undertaking a separate Council tender process would duplicate the market testing already undertaken and is not considered likely to provide a better project outcome or improved value for money
- b** authorise the General Manager or their delegate to enter into a project delivery agreement with Wagga Wagga Combined Hockey Association for the full replacement of the synthetic surface and shock pad at Noonan Field using the Polytan H2Oz GT system, to a maximum project value of \$603,297 excluding GST
- c** authorise a Council contribution of \$310,297 towards the project
- d** note the Wagga Wagga Combined Hockey Association cash contribution of \$183,000
- e** approve a loan of \$110,000 to Wagga Wagga Combined Hockey Association in accordance with POL 010 – Loans to Community Organisations Management Policy, on the terms outlined in this report
- f** approve the associated budget variations detailed in the Financial Implications section of this report; and
- g** authorise the affixing of Council's Common Seal to all relevant documents as required

CARRIED

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.....MAYORGENERAL MANAGER

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RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

D Tout
G Davies
A Condrón
R Foley
M Henderson
A Parkins
K Subedi
L Tanner

Against the Motion

J McKinnon

CONF-2 RFT CT2026064 CONCRETE WORKS & KERB AND GUTTER PANEL CONTRACT

26/301 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors G Davies and L Tanner

That Council:

- a accept the schedule of rates offers of DE Richardson (ABN: 73 982 468 037), Elliott's Concreting Pty Ltd (ABN: 84 651 449 571), JSC Pty Ltd (ABN: 73 138 025 260), Ladex Construction Group (ABN: 18 082 076 784) and NSW Building and Civil Pty Ltd (ABN: 82 630 836 234) for the Concrete Works & Kerb and Gutter Panel Contract**
- b authorise the General Manager or their delegate to enter contracts with DE Richardson (ABN: 73 982 468 037), Elliott's Concreting Pty Ltd (ABN: 84 651 449 571), JSC Pty Ltd (ABN: 73 138 025 260), Ladex Construction Group (ABN: 18 082 076 784) and NSW Building and Civil Pty Ltd (ABN: 82 630 836 234) for the Concrete Works & Kerb and Gutter Panel Contract, for a two-year term**
- c authorise the General Manager or their delegate to extend the contracts for 3 x 12-month periods as allowed for in the contract and at the sole discretion of Council**
- d authorise the affixing of Council's Common Seal to all relevant documents as required**

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

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

Against the Motion

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CONF-3 RFT CT2026062 NORTH WAGGA LEVEE UPGRADE - ELECTRICAL CLEARANCE ASSESSMENT & RECTIFICATION WORKS

26/302 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors L Tanner and G Davies

That Council:

- a accept the tender of Inland Power Solutions Pty Ltd (ABN 15 603 034 297) for the North Wagga Levee Upgrade - Electrical Clearance Assessment & Rectification Works**
- b authorise the General Manager or their delegate to enter into a contract with Inland Power Solutions Pty Ltd for the North Wagga Levee Upgrade – Electrical Clearance Assessment & Rectification Works for the lump sum amount of \$403,246.70 (excluding GST)**
- c authorise the affixing of Council's Common Seal to all relevant documents as required**

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

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

Against the Motion

CONF-4 CONSENT FOR THE REGISTRATION OF AN EASEMENT ACROSS COUNCIL LAND WITHIN THE LIVESTOCK MARKETING CENTRE

26/303 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors L Tanner and G Davies

That Council:

- a endorse in-principle the granting of an easement for the purposes of high voltage electrical supply mains across Council land within the Livestock Marketing Centre for the benefit of Essential Energy or related entity**
- b authorise the General Manager or their delegate to negotiate the location for the easement as outlined in the body of the report**

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- c** authorise the General Manager or their delegate to sign all documents necessary to facilitate the granting of the easements
 - d** authorise the affixing of Council's Common Seal to all documents that may be required
 - e** note the financial implications identified within the body of the report
- CARRIED**

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

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

Against the Motion

CONF-5 PURCHASE OF AN ALL TERRAIN WATER CART FOR GREGADOO WASTE MANAGEMENT CENTRE

26/304 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors M Henderson and L Tanner

That Council:

- a** in accordance with section 55(3)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993, resolve not to invite tenders for the purchase of the all-terrain water cart, as Council is satisfied that a satisfactory result would not be achieved by inviting tenders for the reasons outlined in this report, including the limited availability of suitable specialised second-hand units, the immediate availability of the proposed vehicle and the need to address the identified operational and fire risk
- b** purchase the used Caterpillar 730C2 Artic Water Truck for Gregadoo Waste Management Centre for the lump sum of \$435,000, excluding GST, pending confirmation of warranty of at least 12 months
- c** authorise the General Manager or their delegate to enter into a contract with Colemans Equipment Pty Ltd (ABN: 49 131 568 717) for the supply, delivery servicing, inspection and commissioning works for the Caterpillar 730C2 Artic Water Truck
- d** authorise the affixing of Council's Common Seal to all relevant documents as required
- e** approve the budget variations as detailed in the financial implications section of this report

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 Condrón	
R Foley	
M Henderson	
J McKinnon	
A Parkins	
K Subedi	
L Tanner	

REVERSION TO OPEN COUNCIL

26/305 RESOLVED:
On the Motion of Councillors J McKinnon and M Henderson

That this meeting of the Closed Council revert to an open meeting of the Council, the time being 7.46pm.

CARRIED

THIS COMPLETED THE BUSINESS OF THE COUNCIL MEETING WHICH ROSE AT 7.48pm.

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MAYOR

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