



Agenda and Business Paper

Ordinary Meeting of Council

To be held on
Monday 30 May 2022
at 6:00pm

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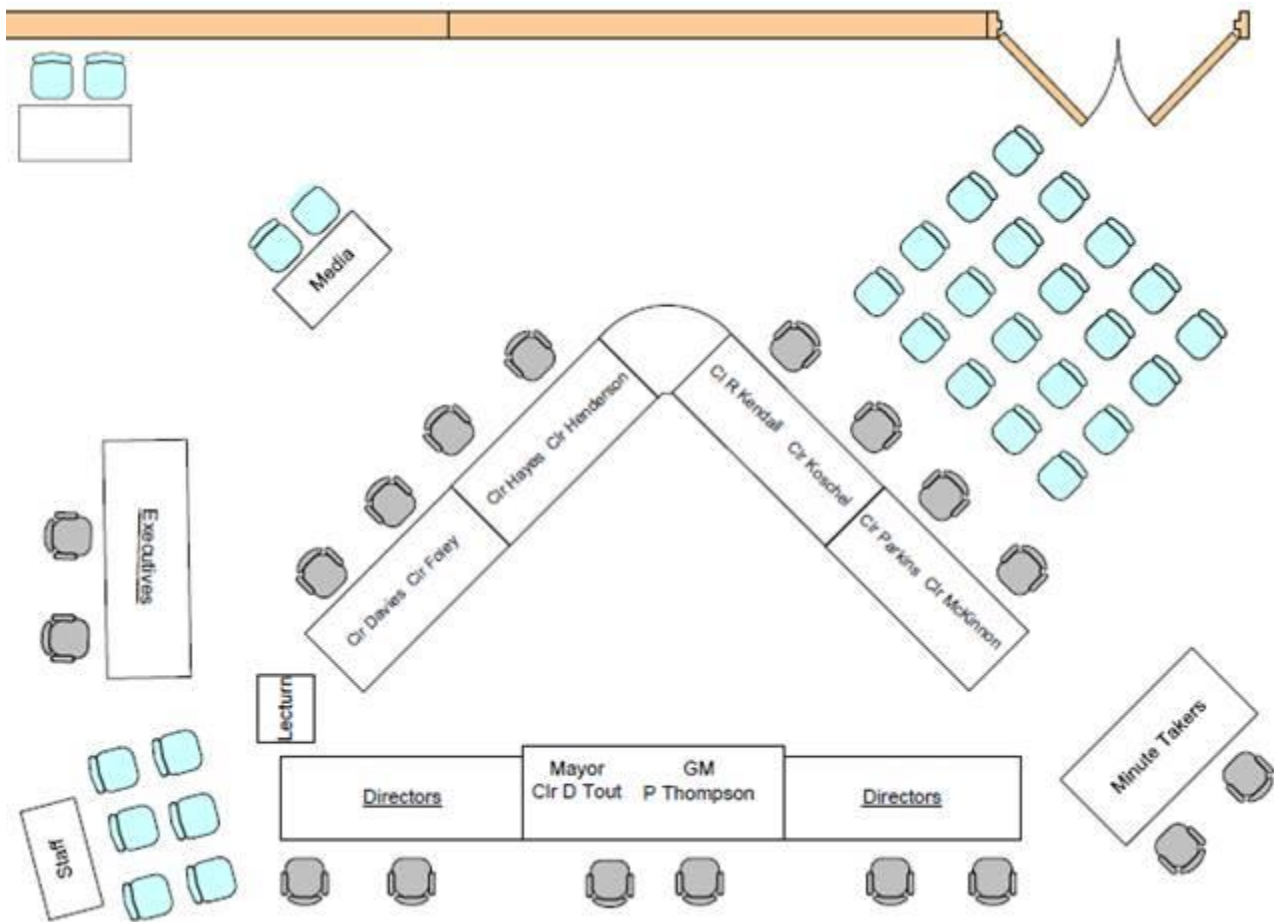


**Councillor Amelia
Parkins**

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.

COUNCIL MEETING ROOM



ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL AGENDA AND BUSINESS PAPER

MONDAY 30 MAY 2022

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PRAYER

Almighty God,

Help protect our Mayor, elected Councillors and staff.

Help Councillors to govern with justice, integrity, and respect for equality, to preserve rights and liberties, to be guided by wisdom when making decisions and settling priorities, and not least of all to preserve harmony.

Amen.

WELCOME TO COUNTRY

Aunty Dorothy Wyman, a respected Local Wiradjuri Elder, will perform the Welcome to Country in recognition of National Reconciliation Week 2022.

APOLOGIES



CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

CM-1 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING - 16 MAY 2022

Recommendation

That the Minutes of the proceedings of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 16 May 2022 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

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DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

MAYORAL MINUTE

MM-1 PERFORMANCE AUDIT ON THE PLANNING AND MANAGING OF BUSHFIRE EQUIPMENT - RURAL FIRE SERVICE ASSETS

Recommendation

That Council writes to the Riverina Joint Organisation (Riverina JO), the Canberra Region Joint Organisation (CRJO) and the Riverina & Murray Joint Organisation (RAMJO) regarding the following:

- a noting the performance audit currently being undertaken by the NSW Audit Office on Planning and managing bushfire equipment
- b supports Wagga Wagga City Council's position that Rural Fire Service (RFS) assets are not owned, nor controlled by councils, and should not be accounted for in council's annual financial statements
- c supports Wagga Wagga City Council's position that RFS assets are owned and controlled by RFS, and should be included in RFS annual financial statements

Report

Margaret Crawford, the Auditor-General for New South Wales has recently advised Wagga Wagga City Council (WWCC) that the NSW Audit Office will be undertaking a performance audit on the Planning and managing of bushfire equipment, with WWCC being selected as one of three NSW councils to be included in the audit, in addition to the NSW Rural Fire Service (RFS).

In 2017, the Auditor General was appointed as the auditor of local government in New South Wales. The Auditor-General engaged the NSW Audit Office (Audit Office) to undertake all the audits on their behalf.

The Auditor-General's *Report on Local Government 2020*, notes the following:

“Sixty-eight councils did not record rural firefighting equipment worth \$119 million in their financial statements. The NSW Government has confirmed these assets are not controlled by the NSW Rural Fire Service and are not recognised in the financial records of the NSW Government”.

As noted above, 68 of 128 local councils in NSW (which equates to 53%), do not consider the RFS assets under their ownership or control, and therefore do not recognise these assets in their financial statements.


The RFS asset recognition issue has been included in Wagga Wagga City Council's annual Management letter as a listed issue since the Audit Office commenced auditing local government in 2017.

An extract from Council's latest Management letter for the year ended 30 June 2021 is shown below, which notes the Audit Office's position, together with Council's Management Response:

Extract from Management Letter on the Final Phase of the Audit for the Year Ended 30 June 2021 – Wagga Wagga City Council:

Current year matters

Issue 2: Rural Fire-fighting equipment not recognised in the financial statements

Likelihood	Consequence	Systemic issue	Category	Risk assessment
Almost Certain	High	Yes	Reporting	 High

Observation

Council did not record rural fire-fighting equipment in the financial statements.

Rural fire-fighting equipment, specifically the red fleet vehicles, is controlled by the Council and should be recognised in their financial statements. This is supported by the requirements of the *Rural Fires Act 1997* and service agreements between councils and the RFS.

The following are indicators of 'control' by Council:

- the *Rural Fires Act 1997* vests rural fire-fighting equipment to council, giving Council the legal ownership
- the service agreement governs how the RFS can use these assets for fire mitigation and safety works in a council area
- as land owner, Council has responsibility for fire mitigation and safety works under the *Rural Fires Act 1997*
- Council is responsible for maintaining the assets but has transferred this responsibility to the RFS through the service agreement
- in the event of the loss of an asset, the insurance proceeds are used to reacquire or build a similar asset, which is again vested in Council.

The Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (inclusive of the Office of Local Government) confirmed in the 'Report on Local Government 2020' (tabled in Parliament on 27 May 2021) their view that rural firefighting equipment is not controlled by the NSW Rural Fire Service.

Implications

The financial statements are misstated as rural fire-fighting equipment is not recorded.

Recommendation

We recommend that council should:

- perform a full asset stocktake of rural fire-fighting equipment that it controls, including assessing the condition of these assets
- record the rural fire-fighting equipment in the asset register and the financial statements.

Management response

Disagree

Council currently recognises Rural Fire Service (RFS) buildings constructed on Council owned and/or managed land (such as Crown Land). Council does not recognise rural fire-fighting equipment as it does not believe that it controls these assets under the Australian Accounting Standards. Council will continue to not recognise these assets in its financial statements, until there has been a review of the RFS Service Agreements.

Wagga Wagga City Council is in the Riverina Zone, together with Coolamon, Junee and Lockhart Shire Councils. Each member council pays an annual contribution to their respective fire zones, with the total zone contribution required determined by the NSW RFS.

The annual contributions paid to the RFS allow the RFS to purchase and maintain their assets.

Given the Audit Office has only selected three (3) local councils to be included in this performance audit, it is critical that Council gains the support of Riverina JO, CRJO and RAMJO to ensure the local government sector is correctly represented on the issue.

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications with resolving this Mayoral Minute as presented.

There would however be financial implications if all councils were mandated to include RFS assets in their financial statements.

Policy and Legislation

Rural Fires Act 1997 (NSW) Section 119

Link to Strategic Plan

Community Leadership and Collaboration

Objective: We have strong leadership

Outcome: We are accountable and transparent


Risk Management Issues for Council

N/A

Internal / External Consultation

The NSW Audit Office have made contact Council staff with further meetings to follow.

Attachments

- 1  Auditor-General: 10.03.2022 - Commencement letter - Performance Audit - Planning and managing bushfire equipment



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Our ref: D2202875/PA6697

10 March 2022

Dear Mr Thompson

Performance Audit – Planning and managing bushfire equipment

The purpose of this letter is to advise you that I have decided to commence a performance audit on how effectively the NSW Rural Fire Service and local councils plan and manage the equipment needed to prevent, mitigate, and suppress bushfires. I have selected your council as one of three councils to be included in the audit, in addition to the NSW Rural Fire Service.

I have written to the Minister for Local Government, the Secretary of the Department of Planning and Environment, the Commissioner of the NSW Rural Fire Service and the Mayors and General Managers of the other selected councils informing them of my interest in this topic.

Performance audits assess whether certain activities are carried out efficiently, effectively and economically, and in accordance with all relevant laws. The Audit Office is provided with funding from the NSW Government to conduct two or three local government performance audits each year.

As this will be a new process for your organisation, I would be happy to meet with you to discuss the scope of the audit and to explain the steps in the process. Please contact my office on 02 9275 7101 to arrange a suitable time should you wish to meet with me. I have also enclosed our Performance Audit Guide for auditees with this letter for your information.

The Audit Office contact for this audit is Fabienne Baldan, Audit Leader. They would be pleased to liaise with a representative from your council to assist with information gathering and to keep you informed of the progress of the audit. Please ask your nominated representative to contact Fabienne Baldan at fabienne.baldan@audit.nsw.gov.au or 02 9275 7159 to arrange a suitable time to meet.

Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me on 02 9275 7101 or Claudia Migotto, Assistant Auditor-General, Performance Audit on 02 9275 7109.

Yours sincerely

Margaret Crawford
Auditor-General for New South Wales

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REPORTS FROM STAFF

RP-1 WAGGA WAGGA BUSINESS CHAMBER MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) - 2022-2025

Author: Scott Gray
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Summary: Council has provided funding support over the past two years to The Wagga Wagga Business Chamber by way of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). The MOU ended on 31 December 2021 and was subsequently extended until 30 June 2022.

The Business Chamber has effectively met its undertakings under the MOU. Accordingly, taking into account the Chamber's beneficial role in supporting and fostering business activity in our City, it is recommended that Council support renewal of the MOU on suitable terms.

The new MOU takes into account the Business Chamber's new long-term strategic plan, and changes in the general and wider business climate in Wagga Wagga.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a endorse the attached draft Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) – 2022 to 2025 between Wagga Wagga City Council and the Wagga Wagga Business Chamber
- b delegate authority to the Mayor to sign the MOU on behalf of Council

Report

Background

Council and the Wagga Wagga Business Chamber entered a two-year MOU in January 2020. Under the MOU, Council provided funding of \$65,000 a year inclusive of GST to the Business Chamber.

The MOU had five objectives:

- 1.Promotion of the Wagga Wagga business sector at regional state and national levels
- 2.Collaboration between Council and the business sector to seek external funding for major projects in our area
- 3.Engagement of the business sector in revitalising commercial and industrial areas of our area e.g. Wagga Wagga City Centre
- 4.Attraction of business & government services to our area and creation of new businesses within our area
- 5.Building the capacity of the Business Chamber through increased revenue & membership

Funding provided by Council has helped the Business Chamber to enhance Council's standing within the business community. Council funding has also assisted the

Chamber to participate actively in initiatives hosted by Council such as the Business Round Table.

Overall, the Business Chamber has met the expectations set out in the MOU, including undertaking specific activities such as events and promotions, despite the challenges and changes of COVID-19.

The Chamber prepared a detailed performance report covering activities over the past two years. A copy of the performance report was provided to Council at the 7 March 2022 Council Meeting and is again attached for the information of Councillors.

Key benefits of Council's support for the Business Chamber include:

- Direct collaboration and co-ordination of activities with the small business network.
- Support, assistance and guidance for small and medium businesses
- Access to regional, state and national business chamber network resources, lobbying and support.

Council could not provide the same support, representation and resources on behalf of the Wagga Wagga business community without a substantial increase in resources and associated expenditure. This is even more relevant in the current climate due to recent departures of key employees within the Economic Development area of Council. In summary, the Business Chamber offers a high level of value for money for the services provided and on offer.

New Draft MOU

The key objectives of the new draft MOU are to:

- promote, lobby and advocate for the Wagga Wagga business sector broadly at the regional, state and federal levels;
- jointly seek, promote and advocate for major funding (from all levels of government) and projects within the LGA;
- engage the local business sector in revitalising the commercial and industrial areas of the Wagga Wagga region through increased commercial activity;
- advocate for the creation of new businesses in the LGA, the relocation of existing businesses to the LGA and the attraction of government services to the LGA;
- build the economic development capacity of the Chamber through increased funding and membership.

A strong and effective Business Chamber provides a mix of advocacy and direct services on behalf of the Wagga Wagga business community. This can contribute significantly to the overall economic development in our area, both overall business activity and jobs creation. The Business Chamber has also contributed to development and delivery of Council's objectives.

Funding for relevant activities assists the Chamber to be more effective and strategic. Funding also fosters a positive relationship between Council and business community. Accordingly, it is desirable to maintain funding support at an appropriate level.

The Business Chamber has indicated the desirability of aligning funding support with its longer-term planning horizon. This will enable the Chamber to take on extra

activities that will improve the spread & productivity of our local workforce e.g. participation in school-to-work transition initiatives. Such activities play a part in addressing ongoing workforce shortages.

It is proposed that a new funding agreement ("the new MOU") be for three years as outlined below.

Year One (July 2022 - June 2023)	\$68,250 (inclusive of GST)
Year Two (July 2023 - June 2024)	\$68,250 (inclusive of GST)
Year Three (July 2024 - June 2025)	\$68,250 (inclusive of GST)

The benefit of extending the term of the new MOU to three years is two-fold.

1. Funding continuity can be managed over a longer term, while retaining Council's prerogative to withdraw from the MOU if there is a deterioration in performance.
2. Future decisions about funding can be better aligned with the timing of the next Council election cycle.

The new MOU will incorporate a requirement for annual reporting on progress.

Two key themes drove negotiations over the new MOU:

1. The first is addressing the recovery process from COVID. Wagga Wagga has fared better than many other areas, but it is evident that there has been a significant impact on shopfront retail activity and like businesses, which are important to overall activation.
2. The second is building capacity for the coming infrastructure boom. This has the potential to divert key elements of the local labour market to large-scale construction projects. Initiatives that can help local businesses to retain and enhance their own workforces need to have high priority.

The Business Chamber has indicated that it would like for members of the business community to be able to meet with councillors on an annual basis during the term of the next MOU. This event would be hosted by the Business Chamber.

Financial Implications

The current level of funding provided to the Business Chamber is considered sufficient in the medium term, subject to a modest adjustment (5%) at the start of the new MOU to take account of inflation.

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Year Two (July 2023 - June 2024)	\$68,250 (inclusive of GST)
Year Three (July 2024 - June 2025)	\$68,250 (inclusive of GST)

There is currently a \$59,000 annual budget in the draft 2022/23 long term financial plan for this line item. If approved, the amount required exclusive of GST, is \$62,045.45 – a \$3,045.45 budget funding gap. It is proposed that this \$3,045.45 for the 2022/23 financial year is to be funded from within the cost centre and will be amended for future financial years during the compilation of the 2023/24 long term financial plan.

Job number: 20597 – Wagga Business Chamber MOU

Policy and Legislation

N/A

Link to Strategic Plan

Growing Economy

Objective: We are a Regional Capital

Outcome: We attract and support local businesses and industry

Risk Management Issues for Council

The MOU includes provision for annual reporting on activities by the Business Chamber. In the event of expectations not being met, funding may be curtailed or suspended.

Council currently has limited resources in the Economic Development area. Partnerships such as this are critical in providing an ongoing service to the community.

Internal / External Consultation

Discussions were held with representatives of the Business Chamber on progress to date and on the key themes for the future MOU (recovery from COVID, preparing for the coming infrastructure boom) prior to the preparation of this report.

A Councillor Workshop was held on 9 May 2022, where the Business Chamber presented their case for renewal.

Attachments

1  MOU between WWCC and WWBC - Performance Report - 2020 to 2022



2  MOU between WWCC and WWBC - Draft 2022 to 2025



3  MOU between WWCC and WWBC - Draft 2022 to 2025 - Schedule of Activities





WAGGA WAGGA
BUSINESS
CHAMBER



PERFORMANCE REPORT

2020-2022



Acknowledgement of Country

The Wagga Wagga Business Chamber acknowledges the Wiradjuri people who are the traditional custodians of the land and pays respect to Elders both past and present.

INTRODUCTION

The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Council and the Wagga Wagga Business Chamber was signed in February 2020. The two-year agreement had been development to support the local economy through business development, education, advocacy and, recognition and advice for business.

A month after the agreement was signed COVID 19 hit our business community. There was a lot of uncertainty and restrictions soon came into play. Whilst this might seem untimely, we would argue that the Council support of the business community could not have come at a better time. The funding from Council has allowed us to increase our resourcing to a full-time position allowing us to provide more advocacy, communicate more information and support more businesses than before.

Council's support has also allowed us to deliver programs such as Shop Local Wagga Wagga to support local business. Shop Local Wagga Wagga is gift card program for locally owned businesses designed to keep money in our local economy. We have sold \$44,989 in gift cards having a local economic impact of around \$80,000.

While we have been assisting businesses navigate COVID and creating initiatives to aid recovery, we have remained focused on meeting the outcomes of the MOU. While restrictions have prevented events and have challenged tourist initiatives, we are proud to have met the majority of outcomes set out in the agreement with 44 being complete and the remaining four partially complete or in progress.

One of our first goals under the MOU was to develop a four-year Strategic Plan, which the Chamber board adopted in September 2020. This document set our vision and mission as a Chamber as well as our values as an organisation and priorities. One of our values as an organisation is inclusive. While we are a member based organisation we provide a free newsletter available to all businesses, we have made all of our events and programs available to non-members and engage with all businesses for our advocacy and consultation efforts. Our activities are not only focused on helping members but the Wagga Wagga economy.

We believe this public private partnership is key to ensuring that we continue to have a thriving economy as we partner with Council to not only promote the City as a regional capital but to leverage all the opportunities that are coming our way and capitalise on them.

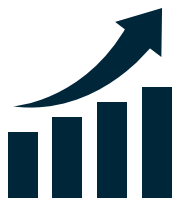
HIGHLIGHTS



We have seen
40% growth in our audience



We have met
44/48 objectives in the MOU with the remaining four in progress



We have seen
20% growth in our membership



We have sold
\$44,987 worth of Shop Local Wagga Wagga Gift cards



We have secured grants funding to host events for Small Business Month and SafeWork NSW to help build capacity and capability in our local businesses



We have held
60 Events



We were announced as a finalist for
Outstanding Local Chamber in the Murray Riverina Awards



We received
90 applications for the Golden Crow Awards 2021.
With winners representing Wagga at the Regional and State Awards.



OUR VISION

The Wagga Wagga Business Chamber is recognised as an energetic and entrepreneurial Chamber. We are a proactive Chamber that gets results.

Business people want to be a part of the Chamber community not only for the benefits that we offer but also so they can contribute to the future of the business community in Wagga Wagga.

OUR MISSION

To empower local businesses, impacting positively on the economy by connecting, educating, recognising, and advocating to ensure a stronger future for Wagga Wagga.

OUR VALUES

INCLUSIVE

Our community is open to all businesses and those individuals passionate about business.

INNOVATIVE

Coming up with new ideas on how we can best service our community.

COLLABORATIVE

We take a combined approach to sustaining successful outcomes for our business community and our region.



Our Board and Staff



Jennifer Hand
President



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Vice President



Charles Talbot
Treasurer



Megan Lawrence
Secretary



Michael Phelan
Director



Caleb Richards
Director



Sam Miles
Director



Lara Tritton
Director






Serena Hardwick
Business Manager

OBJECTIVE 1

Support all endeavours of Council to communicate and consult with the business community

PERFORMANCE AGAINST TASKS

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| 1.1 | Ensure Council is properly informed about and connected to the Wagga Wagga business community |  |
| 1.2 | Provide communication opportunities for Council through the Chamber network of members and key stakeholders so that Council are able to effectively communicate their message to the business community |  |
| 1.3 | Promote Government programs that support the business community |  |
| 1.4 | With the assistance of Council coordinate and hold at least two workshops annually on specific Council issues |  |
| 1.5 | Assist in consulting with the business community regarding Council business related activities |  |

OBJECTIVE 1

SUMMARY OF PERFORMANCE

One of the key roles that the Chamber plays within the business community is ensuring businesses are well informed. Our investment into sharing relevant information as well as creating content has been acknowledged with 40% growth of our social channels over the period.

We ensure Council is connected and informed by meeting on a regular basis to provide information and insights into what is happening within the local business community and inform Council of local issues when they occur. We are also connectors, introducing and organising meetings with businesses tendering for significant projects, those looking at operating or delivering services here and our local businesses identifying their ideas and challenges.

Recently we hosted representatives of Council for site tours of some of our Golden Crow Award winners where they were able to take a closer look at the operations of these businesses who went on to represent our City at a regional and state level.

As part of our partnership, the Chamber offers all of our communication channels for Council to utilise to inform and consult with the business community including our fortnightly newsletter, social media channels, networking events, the Central Activity District committee meetings and the opportunity to host events.

Over the MOU period our channels have been used to promote the public exhibition period for key documents and relevant policies and what they mean for the community, promotion of different projects and events Council has undertaken. These have included:

- Shared posts from Wagga Events for dining options during lockdown
- City Centre Master Plan
- Consultation period for changes to planning instruments with the introduction of artisan food terminology
- Local Strategic Planning Statement Consultation
- Lost Lanes
- Wagga Christmas
- CBD Master Plan consultation
- Food Truck trial and policy
- Tourism Partner Program
- Small Business Grants
- RiFL project

Whilst we did not deliver the two workshops annually on specific Council issues, we were able to deliver a Business After Hours event hosted by Council as part of the public exhibition period for the Local Strategic Planning Statement. To further promote this key planning document, a short video was created for our socials on the document answering a few key questions.

We also partnered with Council to host the 'We Do Respect' Campaign launch in January 2021 which received media coverage and had a sellout attendance. This campaign received positive engagement from our members with businesses implementing training, sharing content on socials and more importantly having open discussions. The success and engagement with this campaign saw the Chamber develop and deliver a further event, which was a lunch with The Hon. Bronnie Taylor MLC then Minister for Women and Steph Cooke MP, Parliamentary Secretary to the Deputy Premier and Member for Cootamundra. The event discussed the We do Respect campaign, the work Steph Cooke MP had been doing on coercive control and other government initiatives to promote equity.








We invited Council to our Central Activity District (CAD) Committee meetings on several occasions to cover topics such as current issues and challenges with the main street precinct, events to be held and Christmas trading and activations.

We have promoted other State and Federal government initiatives that support business, which has been particularly important throughout COVID. These have included helping businesses access funding for training and business planning, information about grants and subsidies, rent relief and linking them to local contacts for the Service NSW Business Concierge service, Training Services NSW and the Rural Financial Counselling Service.

OBJECTIVE 2

Work collaboratively with Council to make Wagga Wagga the regional capital of Australia

PERFORMANCE AGAINST TASKS

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| 2.1 | With Council, advocate to the Federal Government and NSW Government to make our community a priority |  |
| 2.2 | Promote the Bomen Special Activation Precinct and continue to work with Council and key stakeholders to communicate the advantages |  |
| 2.3 | Promote the Health & Knowledge Precinct and continue to work with Council and key stakeholders to communicate the advantages |  |
| 2.4 | Continue to work with the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet to provide insights from the business community to help inform their strategies |  |
| 2.5 | Contribute to regular media coverage promoting the City |  |
| 2.6 | Promote Council attraction initiatives through Chamber communications |  |
| 2.7 | Attend meetings as required by local, state and federal governments |  |

OBJECTIVE 2

SUMMARY OF PERFORMANCE

As ambassadors of the City, the Chamber actively meets with businesses looking to invest and expand in the City and promotes what the City has to offer.

In August 2020, the Chamber partnered with The Business Council of Australia for a live webinar as part of the Stronger Australia series to showcase the opportunities Wagga Wagga offers as we emerged from COVID-19 including the Special Activation Precinct and the Health and Knowledge Precinct. The webinar saw us collaborate with Council and Committee4Wagga to promote Wagga Wagga. Feedback from the Business Council indicated that the Wagga Wagga webinar had the most online registrations to date, an achievement we are very proud of.

The Chamber communicated the public exhibition of the Bomen Special Activation Precinct through our communication channels. To ensure that businesses were aware and understood the significance of the draft project, we caught up with the Department of Planning to record a short video on the project and the outcomes planned to achieve. This was used to encourage businesses to review the plans and make submissions during the exhibition period.

The Chamber continues to support opportunities for funding and investment for our community and have provided written letters of support for;

- RIFL Intermodal Hub Interface Improvement Program Proposal
- Wagga Wagga City Council High Street grant application
- Charles Sturt University next stage development of the AgriPark
- Charles Sturt University Southern Drought Hub submission
- Department of Planning – Bomen Special Activation Precinct
- Charles Sturt University Food and Beverage Manufacturing Ecosystem
- NSW State Government RiFL Hub Grain Terminal and Rail infrastructure proposal
- Wagga Wagga City Council Winter Festival
- Wagga Wagga City Council Lost Lanes Festival
- Wagga Wagga City Council Night Economy grant application
- Charles Sturt University Resilience Project
- Private Business applications for grant funding
- Support for Commercial Development Applications
- Support for key Council Strategic documents

The Chamber proactively engages with all levels of Government to ensure our community is a priority. Interactions have included:

- Meeting with Margaret Beazely, Governor of NSW regarding the Regional Outreach Program
- Meeting with the Hon. Damien Tudehope, Minister for Finance and Small Business regarding expanding the trainee program to cover existing workers, commercial tenancy code of practice, mandating rental reductions
- Meeting with the Hon. Dominic Perrottet MP, Treasurer regarding the impacts of COVID-19
- Meeting with the Hon Dr Geoff Lee Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education regarding skills shortages and encouraging him to visit the City.
- Meeting with the NSW Deputy Premier John Barilaro and Wes Fang MLC
- Regular meetings with the Business Roundtable including Council, Dr Joe McGirr MP and Department of Premier and Cabinet
- Regular meetings with Council's Economic Development team.

We have also participated in Government Roundtables including:

- TAFE Roundtable with the Hon Dr Geoff Lee Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education
- Business Fibre Roundtable- Connectivity in Wagga Wagga with the Hon Paul Fletcher MP, Minister for Communications
- Special online address with The Hon Josh Frydenberg MP Treasurer of Australia

The Chamber regularly participate in local media covering local topics, advocacy and promoting the City. We have covered topics such as supporting local business, activation of the Central Activity District, connectivity, impacts of COVID-19, decentralisation, skills and workforce shortages.

Our partnership with Southern Cross Austereo allows us to promote the City monthly. Not only do we discuss initiatives of the Chamber we also discuss investment in the area and items of interest such as Wagga Wagga being part of the NBN Business Fibre roll out and connectivity within the City.

Some additional items that the Chamber has worked on to promote the City as a regional capital have been the design of a project concept and brief for a Decentralisation event that showcases the City and the region. The event concept included businesses from different industries and different sizes to discuss the benefits of operating within the City and share lessons learnt. The event also included promoting key assets of the City including the Special Activation Precinct, RiFL, the Health and Knowledge precinct as well as the city access to key utilities and connectivity. Whilst the concept hasn't received funding as yet we will continue to apply for relevant grants for the project.

We have also started posting on our social channels 'Meet our Members' posts. We are proud of our diverse membership and want to promote the local businesses that support us in supporting the local economy. These posts are also to showcase the variety and scope of businesses that operate here in Wagga Wagga.

OBJECTIVE 3

Promote Wagga Wagga as a destination for tourists and residents

PERFORMANCE AGAINST TASKS

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| 3.1 | Work with Chamber members to encourage investment to keep and create accommodation opportunities |  |
| 3.2 | Work with the Tourism group to develop and grow a "Tourism Friendly Business" program |  |
| 3.3 | Support current stakeholders by connecting them with local businesses interested in becoming a Tourist Friendly Business. |  |
| 3.4 | Accommodate visitors and welcome people through the Chamber's support of the Tourism group and communications. |  |
| 3.5 | Showcase the capacity and variety of event facilities our city has to offer |  |
| 3.6 | Develop a Welcome to Wagga program to provide advice and guidance on family relocations |  |

OBJECTIVE 3

SUMMARY OF PERFORMANCE

While the last two years have been tough for tourism the Chamber has worked on several campaigns to help support local businesses during and after the impacts of COVID by creating and developing initiatives to engage resident. Over this period we have also spent time gaining feedback from the industry to advocate for the sector in terms of support needed.

As part of the virtual Golden Crow Awards 2.0 in September 2020 we ran the #throwacrow campaign. The purpose of this campaign was not only to celebrate our finalists but also to celebrate and support our local businesses. We encouraged finalists, businesses and the wider community to participate by registering what businesses they were supporting on the Crow Award night for their chance to win prizes. The #throwacrow campaign had 155 individuals register their support, and 19 donations from local business to be used as prizes. The real success were the number of booking made across the City from reservations at pubs and local restaurants, caterers and musicians. The feedback and vibe was sensational.

We replicated the #throwacrow for our 2021 Golden Crow Awards also, after having to move our event online due to lock down, encouraging people to tune in online and get takeaway from a local businesses

One of the hardest hit businesses during COVID have been our pubs and clubs. To encourage people to support them we partnered with Council, Southern Cross Austereo and Wagga Eats to bring the competition for Wagga's best Schnitty. The competition ran over two weeks with the community voting on what they thought was Wagga's best. The judges were none other than the Schnitty Committee, a podcast with a cult following.

The Union Club Hotel took out first place in the competition and the Koorngal Hotel came a close second. They both went on to take out the top two Schnitty's in NSW, granting Wagga Wagga as the place of great Schnitzel.

The Chamber runs on average of 30 events a year, using different venues all the time to show the different facilities and spaces we have on offer in the City.

We acknowledge that one of our roles as an organisation is to introduce and welcome people to our City whether it be those looking to tender for projects, those considering to relocate or start a business in the area or those just looking for an introduction to the Wagga Wagga Business community. We are able to meet these enquiries by organising a meeting, providing relevant information and resources on the City, as well as connecting them with at least one other relevant stakeholder.

We work with Council's visitor economy team to not only promote and refer businesses to the established Tourism Partner program and events, but we also promote initiatives of the partner program as well. We look forward to collaborating further with the team on how we can support the program further through networking opportunities, events and education.

We have seen more people from outside of the City attending our events in the last 12 months despite COVID restrictions and we believe that business tourism is something we are able to offer and promote and have now become a Tourism Partner ourselves and registered with the Australian Tourism Data Warehouse.

While we haven't developed a 'welcome to Wagga' program as such we have considered how we can better promote ways for people to get introduced to the business community of Wagga. We have registered with the Wagga Wagga Community Directory, designed to help new residents navigate the City and find support. We have also reached out to Soldier On to discuss how we might assist Defence families relocating to the area, specifically spouses with skills sets looking for work or those exiting the Defence Force. We were able to provide some helpful contacts, and suggested our monthly networking events be promoted through the Soldier on channels.

We have heavily promoted the Dine & Discover vouchers to ensure these are being redeemed and have assisted businesses to register and have their eligibility reviewed for the program to maximise the benefits of the program for our community.

OBJECTIVE 4

Work collaboratively with other organisations and promote shared value

PERFORMANCE AGAINST TASKS

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| 4.1 | Work collaboratively with other organisations such as the Business Enterprise Centre (BEC), Committee 4 Wagga, Women in Business and education providers |  |
| 4.2 | Collaborate with other local business organisations on at least 2 events per year with topics that show the benefits of shared value outcomes for business. |  |
| 4.3 | Promote the concepts of shared value to members through Chamber communications |  |
| 4.4 | Seek out businesses that have implemented shared value principles and tell their story to educate business |  |

OBJECTIVE 4

SUMMARY OF PERFORMANCE

As part of the Chamber's endorsed Strategic Plan, engaging and collaborating with stakeholders is one of our key priorities. We acknowledge that when we collaborate with others the outcome is far greater.

We partnered with Women in Business Wagga Wagga to deliver a webinar on mental health in June 2020. This was a successful collaboration that brought the business community information on an important topic during COVID-19. In response to the successful webinar a second webinar again partnering with Women in Business was delivered on Mental Health in the workplace in September 2020.

For Small Business Month 2020, we partnered with Council, the Business Enterprise Centre and NSW Government to deliver a Small Business Month event. This collaboration allowed us to combine resources to run our first hybrid event, where 80 small business representatives attended an event either online or one of five physical locations on 'how a small business can build a big brand'. We will again be partnering with Council and the NSW State Government for Small Business month which was postponed from September 2021 to March 2022. We assisted Council in preparing the grant application with both organisations being successful in acquiring funds for the event.

During the 2021 lockdown we partnered with North Sydney Chamber and several other Chambers from across the state to host an online event. The guest speaker was Jeremy Fleming, founder of Stagekings and IsoKing. Jeremy spoke about the impacts of Covid on his event business and discussed how IsoKing was born. This collaboration provided our community with access to a great guest speaker and the chance to network with other business owners across the state.

Through our communication channels we regularly promote education opportunities, programs and initiatives from other organisations including the Business Enterprise Centre, Charles Sturt University Agritech Incubator, Women in Business Wagga Wagga and Regional Development Australia Riverina.

In December 2020, we were able to demonstrate the principles of shared value with our member event Lunch with Baptist Care Watermark and Riverina Community College. The event showcased the mutually beneficial relationship between the two organisations where residents were provided an opportunity to socialise weekly with the opening of their community restaurant and the Riverina Community College Certificate III Hospitality students gained work experience.

We also promoted the concept of shared value when we shared the benefits for employers and employees undertaking the PaTH Internships program run by the Personnel Group promoting the employment of people with mental health disabilities.

OBJECTIVE 5

Create and enhance partnerships with education providers

PERFORMANCE AGAINST TASKS

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| 5.1 | Actively promote education opportunities for business as they arise |  |
| 5.2 | Collaborate and encourage discussion with business and education providers to ascertain needs |  |
| 5.3 | Complete a gap analysis on the training and skills needs of local businesses and the current education and training programs currently being provided |  |
| 5.4 | Inspire local business people to further their education through formal course and training opportunities |  |
| 5.5 | Promote service provider opportunities that support the employment of people with a disability. |  |
| 5.6 | Connect businesses to members that can help them access apprentices/trainees and are able to assist with the required documentation |  |

- 5.7 Support members looking for apprentices to connect with service providers and offer one annual event that helps promote pathways for businesses to connect
- 5.8 Promote opportunities that retain talent in the region and provide a platform for graduates to connect via networking events



OBJECTIVE 5

SUMMARY OF PERFORMANCE

One of the priorities of the Chamber is to provide educational opportunities for our local businesses to assist with developing capacity and capability.

During early 2021, we worked closely with Training Services NSW to promote the funding available to businesses for skills and training and hosted a Business After Hours event to find out more about the different program funds available. This provided businesses the opportunity to ask questions about eligibility for funding and discuss some of the skills shortages they were facing. This was also an opportunity for businesses to engage with Local Skills Brokers.

In partnership with Training Services, we developed a survey to help identify training needs, and business maturity in workforce planning. Although we had low participation in the survey, with further consultation with businesses across a number of industries we were able to gather information around training and skills needs.

We constantly refer businesses to contact Training Service NSW Skills brokers prior to organising training and through this we have saved businesses thousands of dollars in training that has allowed them to expand or diversify their business.

On a regular basis we promote training opportunities through our communication channels which have included:

- Training and employment opportunities for people with a disability
- Incentives around trainees and apprenticeships
- Free Infection Control training
- Start up courses
- Business Skills courses
- Leadership training
- Fee Free training through Registered Training Organisations such as Riverina Community College and TAFE Riverina,
- Mental Health First Aid courses

Not only do we promote educational opportunities for business we also collaborate with industry leaders to develop events that are relevant. Events have included the development of a Business Growth Series launched by Dr Joe McGirr which provided businesses an overview of the number of projects coming to town and the opportunities for local business. The rest of the series will focus on business growth with topics like financing new equipment and expansion, workforce planning and goal setting.

At the end of 2021, the Chamber received notification that we were successful in acquiring funds on behalf of SafeWork NSW to host two events focused on building awareness and maturity in safe work practices. The Chamber applied for this funding to facilitate these events based on feedback that this was an area for improvement for local businesses when participating in procurement processes.

We have also hosted events in the past to showcase education providers including a Before Hours with TAFE Riverina in early 2020, which included a tour of the campus and presentation on course offerings





In late 2020 we formed a partnership with Riverina Community College who joined the Chamber as sponsors. In February 2021 they hosted a Lunch and Learn event showcasing their facility, fee free training, apprenticeships, and professional development courses available.

While we support our members by connecting them with service providers for the apprentice and traineeship needs and have also hosted an event on funding and pathways for businesses, we have only hosted one event over the two year period focused on this. In the absence of hosting a second event we have discussed concepts of showcasing career paths available in Wagga Wagga and connecting business to students in the region. We have met with Koorringal High School to discuss such concepts and will be working on future concepts during 2022.

OBJECTIVE 6

Encourage growth in our Central Activity District

PERFORMANCE AGAINST TASKS

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| 6.1 | Establish a Central Activity District Committee to connect with members in the area |  |
| 6.2 | Provide input into Council's projects such as the Economic Development Strategy and CBD Masterplan, |  |
| 6.3 | Support the implementation of any strategies developed through Council's projects |  |
| 6.4 | Encourage and support businesses in the Central Activity District to nominate for the Golden Crow Awards (both member & non-member) |  |

OBJECTIVE 6

SUMMARY OF PERFORMANCE

The Chamber have established a Central Activity District Committee to connect members representing both Fitzmaurice Street and Baylis Street. The purpose of this group is to facilitate the collaboration of main street businesses as well as come up with ideas and initiatives to support the CAD. This group has been used to assist Council with consultation regarding functionality and issues, ideas for further activation of the precinct and event concepts such as Lost Lanes and Christmas trading and displays.

Feedback from the CAD committee was used to inform the Friday night shopping trial. Local businesses identified the desire to have a Christmas on main type event. With restrictions still in place the concept of Friday night shopping was developed. While the Friday night trial was not overly successful, we demonstrated our ability to collaborate with Council and respond to feedback from local business.

The Chamber has been supportive of the development of key strategies to support the economic growth of our City and has been an active participants of relevant consultation. We provided two members of the board and Business Manager to participate in the consultation undertaken for the Regional Activation Strategy and more recently, worked with Council to promote the consultation for the CBD master plan.

We have also supported projects through writing letters of support for Council's High Street grant application that Council applied for upgrades to Fitzmaurice Street, Lost Lanes Festival and night activation event.




At the end of October 2021, the Chamber launched the Shop Local Wagga Wagga gift card program. Whilst the program is open to all locally owned businesses, the program did specifically target the CAD and currently over 70% of the redemption stores are located within the CAD. We have selected six locations where the card can be purchased, which have been located throughout the CBD area and include Council's Visitor Information Centre.

To encourage businesses in the CAD to nominate for the Crow Awards, flyers were delivered down Baylis and Fitzmaurice streets with information on how to apply. This approach along with direct messaging businesses via social media and a strong social campaign saw the Chamber receive 90 applications for the 2021 Business Awards. A third of our finalists were representative of the CAD businesses.

OBJECTIVE 7

Provide strong leadership and advocacy for the business community

PERFORMANCE AGAINST TASKS

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| 7.1 | Seek out a diverse group of local business leaders (to ensure the WWBC board stays at capacity) to volunteer their time to ensure that Wagga Wagga continues to enjoy a vibrant and thriving local economy |  |
| 7.2 | Chamber Board members will be the first line of support and advocacy for business |  |
| 7.3 | Provide representation on committees such as the Airport Advisory Committee and other non-government related boards |  |
| 7.4 | Grow local leaders through the Crow Awards through the following categories: Outstanding Young Employee & Outstanding Business Leader, Outstanding Young Entrepreneur |  |

OBJECTIVE 7

SUMMARY OF PERFORMANCE

Our volunteer Board represent a diverse range of industries, volunteering their time to advocate and support local businesses and the wider Wagga Wagga economy. Our Board members also contribute to other community organisations and groups, support services, recreational groups and industry groups.

The Chamber represent the Wagga Wagga business communities' interest in several capacities including:

- Representation on the Business NSW Murray Riverina Local Advisory Council
- Consultative Committee Member on the Hume Link Consultative Committee
- Consultative Committee Member on the Inland Rail Consultative Committee
- Participants in the Riverina Economic Development Officers Forum

We have also organised and participated in meetings with State and Federal government representatives to ensure the needs of our community are understood which have included:

- Meeting with Margaret Beazely Governor of NSW regarding the Regional Outreach Program
- Meeting with the Hon. Damien Tudehope, Minister for Finance and Small Business regarding expanding the trainee program to cover existing workers, commercial tenancy code of practice, mandating rental reductions
- Meeting with the Hon. Dominic Perrottet MP, Treasurer regarding the impacts of COVID-19
- Meeting with the Hon Dr Geoff Lee Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education regarding skills shortages and encouraging him to visit the City.

- Meeting with the NSW Deputy Premier John Barilaro and Wes Fang MLC
- TAFE Roundtable with the Hon Dr Geoff Lee Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education
- Business Fibre Roundtable- Connectivity in Wagga Wagga with the Hon Paul Fletcher MP, Minister for Communications
- Special online address with The Hon Josh Frydenberg MP Treasurer of Australia

Over the last two years we have provided strong support and advocacy for our business community. We are in contact with businesses of all industries daily, ensuring that we are well informed of current issues and impacts. Throughout COVID this has allowed us to provide timely and accurate feedback to Government, supported by examples on the impacts of COVID, restrictions and current conditions. We strongly advocated for better processes for lockdowns and roadmaps out and eligibility of grants and support.




We recognised the efforts of business leaders in the community in the 2021 Golden Crow Awards running Outstanding Business Leader and Outstanding Young Business Leader categories. Our Outstanding Young Business Leader category was one of our most popular categories receiving one of the highest number of applications. Judges for the category said that two of the finalists were inseparable and we announced two young business leaders Joshua Paul and Damon Schmetzer. Emma Grant took out the Outstanding Business Leader category. Emma Grant and Joshua Paul both went on to become finalists at the Murray Riverina Regional Business Awards.

We are proud of what we offer as a Chamber and our accomplishments over the last few years and in 2021 we were recognised as a finalist for Outstanding Local Chamber at the Murray Riverina Regional Business Awards also.

OBJECTIVE 8

Provide networking opportunities to meet and collaborate with other local businesses

PERFORMANCE AGAINST TASKS

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| 8.1 | Chamber to coordinate events open to all businesses to attend |  |
| 8.2 | Roll out targeted retail education events / workshops to increase retail growth and digital capacity |  |
| 8.3 | Deliver the following calendar of Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• New Member Welcome Breakfast• Drop in Drinks• Business Before Hours• Business After Hours• Golden Crow Awards Cocktail Party• Golden Crow Awards• Christmas Party |  |

OBJECTIVE 8

SUMMARY OF PERFORMANCE

Despite the interruptions over the last two years due to COVID we have still run 60 events over the last two years, with over half of these delivered face-to-face. All events are open to the wider community to ensure everyone has an opportunity to network, collaborate, learn and be informed.

The Golden Crow Awards is the biggest event that we hold annually. This event is designed to recognise the achievements of business and business leaders in our community. Not only do the awards provide recognition for applicants we also see several businesses go on to represent Wagga Wagga in the Murray Riverina Regional Awards and even on to the State Awards.

In 2020, due to the restriction in place we made the decision to host our annual Golden Crow Awards online hosting an abbreviated version. The streamed event saw celebratory functions being held across the City, with venues, caterers and musicians being booked. The online streaming reached over 60,000 people watching either live or over the proceeding weeks. For the first time we let the community vote receiving over 14,000 votes.

In 2021 we planned for the return of our Golden Crow Awards live. We sold over 300 tickets to the events, our largest attendance to date. Despite all efforts and after postponing our event once we went into lockdown and once again hosted the event online. We streamed the event live on Facebook reaching over 23,500 people on the day.

Our New Member Welcome breakfast continue to be a valuable way for our members to engage and meet other like-minded businesses. It is a great opportunity for them to get to meet representatives of the Chamber and hear about what we are working on.

Our Drop in Drinks are held once a month and are a great networking opportunity for anyone who wants to engage and network with the community. The event is becoming increasingly popular attracting non-members, new businesses and businesses from outside of the City.

We are still in the process of returning to our regular Business Breakfasts and Business After Hours events post COVID, however the ones we have been able to host over the past two years have featured a variety of businesses and topics featuring education providers, recreational services, business services and infrastructure and government services.

In the absence of being able to host events due to restrictions, we have run webinars covering topics such as transitioning to work from Home, business planning, operating online, mental health, job keeper and accounting software and Commonwealth Business Support.

Whilst we have a calendar of regular events, we have also run events to focus on specific topics, our Small Business Month event which focused on helping businesses in digital marketing providing them with tips and tricks they could use to build their brand. We also partnered with the Murrumbidgee Primary Health Network to deliver Suicide Prevention training within the community.

OBJECTIVE 9

Promote activities and opportunities that showcase opportunities for start-ups in the region

PERFORMANCE AGAINST TASKS

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| 9.1 | Support and actively participate on any innovation or entrepreneurial committees or initiatives |  |
| 9.2 | Promote the Chamber as "start-up friendly" |  |
| 9.3 | Develop at least four case studies that showcase local startups |  |
| 9.4 | Have a Golden Crow Award especially dedicated to those that have recently started a business: "Startup Superstar". |  |

OBJECTIVE 9

SUMMARY OF PERFORMANCE

As an inclusive organisation we actively promote the Chamber as being open to all businesses of all industries and size and we have a diverse membership that supports this.

Our alliance with Business NSW means that we are able to offer our members free legal, workplace relations and marketing advice which has helped members with activities such as commercial leases and hiring staff.

In March 2020 we partnered with AgriTech Incubator, Pointer Remote Roles, Sauce Communications and Spaces by Working Spaces HQ to host the Riverina Innovation Ecosystem Meetup. This online event for start-ups and SMEs in the Riverina was designed to provide support, resources, tools and opportunities for these businesses during COVID.

In September 2020 we partnered with the Australian Tax office to run a series of webinars for people wanting to set up a business and wanting to run a business from home.

We have partnered with the Charles Sturt University Agritech incubator and promote programs such as Ready to Launch, helping individuals to take their business ideas into execution using Lean start-up initiatives.

Charles Sturt University Agritech Incubator sponsored the Golden Crow Awards category of Outstanding Start-up for the last two years. With Visual Dreaming taking out the Award in 2020 and Prefabulous taking out the Award in 2021. Prefabulous went on to becoming a finalist in the Murray Riverina Business Awards and winning their category and further becoming a finalist at the NSW Business Awards. These awards have not only provided recognition local but provided them opportunities for collaboration and growth as well as presenting Wagga Wagga as a place for Start-ups at a regional and state level.

The Outstanding Start Up category was one of the highest subscribed categories in terms of applications with feedback from the judges being that it was a highly competitive field.

While we are lucky enough to have a lot of great support for start-up locally and we connect businesses to these frequently we acknowledge that there are still gaps in support and last year the Chamber auctioned off a painting at the Christmas part with the proceeds to go towards a new initiative for Start-ups to be launched in 2022. The painting directly supported local start-up and artist Maggie Deall who is part of the Eastern Riverina Arts Renew Wagga initiative and the painting was sold for \$4,000.

OBJECTIVE 10

Create a sustainable environment
for future generations

PERFORMANCE AGAINST TASKS

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| 10.1 | Actively demonstrate sustainable practices |  |
| 10.2 | Promote energy saving initiatives through the Crow Awards program by giving the business community the opportunity to participate in the "excellence in sustainability" award category. This allows leaders in this field to showcase their initiatives and act as an example to the business community. |  |
| 10.3 | Through the NSW Business Chamber, offer businesses and consumers the opportunity to conduct a free energy comparison through programs such as "Make it Cheaper" |  |

OBJECTIVE 10

SUMMARY OF PERFORMANCE

The Chamber considers itself leaders in the business community and promote the quadruple bottom line to businesses for consideration, acknowledging that all businesses have a social, environmental, economic and leadership role to play within our community. This transfers to our own decision-making including procurement.

In early 2020 the Chamber partnered with Pitt & Sherry for an event to promote the NSW DPIE Bin Trim program, demonstrating to businesses how they can improve waste management in their business. The program provides free help to support businesses assisting them to maximise their recycling and minimising waste to landfill.

Due to COVID restrictions the 2020 Crow Awards did not proceed as planned with a reduction in the number of award categories, however in 2021 the Excellence in Sustainability Award categories was award to St Vincent de Paul for their 'Return and Earn' Container Deposit Scheme.

During November and December 2020, the Chamber commissioned an Energy comparison campaign to our members via Business Australia. It is estimated that the campaign has saved local businesses approximately \$11,000 from the comparisons.

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

Wagga Wagga City Council and
Wagga Wagga Business Chamber

Original approval date: XX May 2022

Statement of Intent: The purpose of this MOU is to define the key objectives, funding, administration and management of the Partnership between Wagga Wagga City Council (Council) and Wagga Wagga Business Chamber (Chamber).



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Memorandum of Understanding

Wagga Wagga City Council and Wagga Wagga Business Chamber

Key Objectives

The key objectives of this MOU are to:

- promote, lobby and advocate for the Wagga Wagga business sector broadly at the regional, state and federal levels;
- jointly seek, promote and advocate for major funding (from all levels of government) and projects within the LGA;
- engage the local business sector in revitalising the commercial and industrial areas of the Wagga Wagga region through increased commercial activity;
- advocate for the creation of new businesses in the LGA, the relocation of existing businesses to the LGA and the attraction of government services to the LGA;
- build the economic development capacity of the Chamber through increased funding and membership.

Responsibilities

The Chamber shall use its best endeavours to:

- build strong, robust relationships with key industry groups and strive to become a connected voice for the region
- continue to be a critical link between Council and the business community
- provide opportunities for Council to connect with the business community (including members and non-members)
- provide Council with access to business sector information and contacts to facilitate activities that complement and support the development of an economic development strategy
- provide communication opportunities through the network of Chamber members and key stakeholders so that Council is able to effectively communicate and engage with the business community
- assist Council in coordinating and facilitating stakeholder sessions for businesses in the region on key Council related topics
- participate in relevant committee meetings and represent the interests of the broader business community regarding their expectations ~~—e.g. Airport Advisory Committee~~
- provide naming rights sponsorship to Council for one of the categories in the annual Crow Awards



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Council shall:

- provide a strategic framework to stimulate economic development across the LGA
- continue to play a role as a critical link between the Chamber, the broader business community and all levels of government
- work collaboratively with the business community to ensure all stakeholders are well informed about key strategies, projects, business issues and trends within the region
- provide access to statistical information which is of particular interest to the business community
- form strategic relationships with government and community-based departments and organisations, in conjunction with the Chamber to facilitate implementation of key objectives
- provide information to the Chamber in a timely manner for inclusion in Chamber communications
- use its best endeavours to attend Chamber related events

Public Statements

If either party has any genuine issues surrounding the other party's processes or plans, then they will first be raised in good faith with the other party to seek a positive outcome before making any public statements.

Duration

The duration of this MOU is for three years from 01 July 2022 to 30 June 2025, subject to annual review. To assist with this review, the Chamber is to provide a status report detailing how it is progressing with the activities listed in Schedule A.

The Agreement will be reviewed in the third quarter of Year 3, prior to a recommendation being made to Council regarding the renewal or otherwise of this MOU.

Financial Arrangements

In order for the Chamber to perform its obligations pursuant to the terms of this MOU, Council agrees to provide financial assistance to the Chamber during the term of the MOU.

Year One (July 2022 - June 2023)	\$68,250
Year Two (July 2023 - June 2024)	\$68,250
Year Three (July 2024 - June 2025)	\$68,250

Payments shall be made in equal instalments at the start of each quarter by Council on receipt of a tax invoice from the Chamber.

The Chamber shall be an incorporated body, registered for GST, prior to receipt of any payment from Council.



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Dispute Resolution

Any dispute arising over the implementation of this Agreement should be resolved by the following representatives on behalf of the parties.

Council: Peter Thompson
General Manager

Chamber: Jennifer Hand
President

Termination

Either party may notify the other party that does not wish to continue with this MOU provided that:

- (i) such notice is given in writing at least 3 months prior; and
- (ii) each party has first used its best endeavours to resolve any issues leading to the issue of the notice, including dispute resolution.

No Legal Partnership

Notwithstanding any provisions set out herein, the parties agree that the relationship between the parties created by entering into this MOU is not a partnership at law and neither party has the right to act as legal agent for the other or to enter into any binding legal agreements on behalf of the other with any third party.

Release And Indemnity

Both parties shall release and fully indemnify the other party (indemnified party) in relation to any claims brought against the indemnified party as a direct result of the other party's act, neglect, default or omission.



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Signatories

This MOU was agreed between:

Wagga Wagga City Council

Signature:

Name:

Cr Dallas Tout

Position:

Mayor

Date:

Wagga Wagga Business Chamber

Signature:

Name:

Jennifer Hand

Position:

President

Date:



Memorandum of Understanding 2022-2025 - Schedule A
Wagga Wagga City Council and Wagga Wagga Business Chamber

DRAFT Schedule A – 2022 – 2025 Activities

No.	Objective	Task
1	Assist Council to communicate and consult with the Business Community	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Host a Business After Hours Event with Council annually • Meet with Council monthly to ensure Council is properly informed about and connected to the Wagga Wagga business community • Provide opportunities for Council to connect with local businesses through events, site tours and referrals • Promote projects, services and initiatives of Council relevant to the business community • Assist Council with consultation relevant to the business community • Support projects and initiatives of Council that have positive economic impacts
2	Promote Wagga Wagga and the economic opportunities it offers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop and promote Business Tourism opportunities • Promote the Tourism Partner Program • Utilise the Chambers website to provide resources that promote the City • Promote the benefits of major projects such as the Special Activation Precinct, RIFL and the Health and Knowledge Precinct • Showcase the businesses that operate in Wagga Wagga and their successes and experiences
3	Assist with the activation of the CBD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to facilitate the CBD committee • Consult with businesses to develop initiatives to activate the CBD • Contribute to the development of the CBD Masterplan • Support initiatives that provide activation of the CBD
4	Provide strong leadership and advocacy for the business community	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide representation on relevant committees • Assist Council in its advocacy for key infrastructure and funding • Develop an advocacy plan based on feedback from local businesses • Proactively work with Council to resolve local issues impacting business

Memorandum of Understanding 2022-2025 - Schedule A

Wagga Wagga City Council and Wagga Wagga Business Chamber

5	Provide opportunities to develop capacity and capability in local businesses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inform businesses of relevant training and educational opportunities • Develop and facilitate events that provide information and education to businesses • Inform businesses of procurement processes and opportunities • Partner with Council annually for Small Business Month
6	Develop initiatives to address skills and workforce shortages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote career opportunities available locally • Inform businesses of funding and support available for training and developing current workforce • Promote initiatives for business to become employers of choice
7	Support businesses in the recovery from COVID 19 impacts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote Government programs, grants and subsidies • Connect businesses with relevant services and supports • Develop initiatives the support and promote shopping locally
8	Actively seek and support grants and investment opportunities to support local businesses and the local economy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apply for grants that support local businesses and the local economy • Leverage opportunities for private investment • Promote grant and subsidies available to local business • Connect businesses with services and programs to assist expansion

**RP-2 DA22/0128 - DWELLING, LOT 1 SECTION 16 DP 759024, 4
CONNORTON ST, URANQUINTY**

Author: Steven Cook
General Manager: Peter Thompson

Summary:

The report is for a Development Application and is presented to Council for determination. The Application has been referred to Council as the development is proposed within the identified Flood Planning Area (FPA) for Uranquinty, and planning controls for the FPA in Uranquinty have not yet been adopted in the Wagga Wagga Development Control 2010 following the adoption of the Village Overland Flow Floodplain Risk Management Studies (VOFFS) in October 2021.

The determination of this Development Application affords Council the opportunity to provide guidance for the assessment and determination of future Development Applications on flood prone land at Uranquinty during the interim period until planning controls are adopted.

The proposed development is for a four-bedroom dwelling house with attached garage. Filling of the site up to a maximum 700mm is proposed to enable the dwelling to be constructed with a finished floor level of 200.70m AHD which is 500mm above the modelled 1% Annual Exceedance Probability (AEP) flood level on the site of 200.20m AHD.

The proposed dwelling is located on a lot that has a hydraulic category of "floodway". Whilst floodways are not ordinarily suitable for development, it is considered that a range of factors make the proposed development suitable with regard to the hydraulic category.

The subject site has been identified in the VOFFS as being predominantly within hazard category H2 (second lowest hazard on the H1-H6 scale), with small parts H1 and H3. The hazard category is considered appropriate for the proposed development

The merits assessment of the proposal has determined that the development is generally consistent with the Wagga Wagga Local Environmental Plan 2010 and the Wagga Wagga Development Control Plan 2010, that the impacts of the development are acceptable, that the site is suitable for the proposed development, and that subject to conditions, the development is acceptable in this location.

No public submissions were received into the development.

A full assessment of the Development Application is contained within the attached Section 4.15 Assessment Report.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a approve DA22/0128 subject to the conditions outlined in the Section 4.15 Assessment Report
- b notes that development controls have not yet been adopted in the Wagga Wagga Development Control Plan 2010 for the Flood Planning Area for Uranquinty, as identified in the Village Overland Flow Floodplain Risk Management Studies (VOFFS)
- c supports in the interim, the ongoing assessment and determination of Development Applications within the Flood Planning Area of Uranquinty, taking into account:
 - i The 'Flood Risk Mitigation Measures' recommendations of the adopted VOFFS, including the high priority recommendation for the upgrading of the levee system for Uranquinty to provide protection against a 1% AEP riverine flood of Sandy Creek
 - ii The Uranquinty Community Safety Group flood warning system
 - iii The flood hazard category of the particular land, and the proximity of flood free land to land

Development Application Details

Applicant	Matt Jenkins Builder Pty Ltd
Owner	Adam Fisher and Kirra Fisher
Development Cost	\$485,364
Development Description	Four-bedroom dwelling house with attached garage. Filling of the site up to a maximum 700mm is proposed to enable the dwelling to be constructed with a finished floor level of 200.7m AHD.

Report

Key Issues

- Flooding, and absence of related controls in the Wagga Wagga Development Control Plan 2010.

Site Location

The site subject to the Development Application is Lot 1 Section 16 DP 759024, 4 Connorton Street, Uranquinty.

The site is located on the south-eastern side of Connorton Street, opposite the intersection of Ben Street and Connorton Street. An unnamed lane runs along the northern boundary of the site.

The subject site is 885.2m² in size.

The site is within, but near the edge of, the urban area of Uranquinty and the area broadly is village in character. Dwellings are situated predominantly on larger (greater than 1000m²) blocks set out in a consistent subdivision pattern. The subject site itself, is smaller and is located in a small part of the village where lot pattern is less regular.

This is a relic of the original subdivision pattern of the village, where the north-east to south-west running streets meet Bridge St that runs east westerly. The subject lot is an original village portion.

Almost all blocks in the vicinity of the site have been built on, with the subject lot one of the few remaining undeveloped. Unlike a number of streets in Uranquinty, Connorton Street has been constructed with kerb and guttering.



Assessment

- The site is zoned RU5 Village under the provisions of the WWLEP 2010. Dwelling houses are permitted with consent in the RU5 zone.
- The development generally complies with the controls of the WWLEP 2010 and the WWDCP 2010.
- The site is within the FPA for Uranquinty as it is subject to flooding during a 1% AEP riverine flood event in Sandy Creek.
- Clause 5.21 of the WWLEP 2010 applies to development within the FPA. Clause 5.21 requires that Council consider and be satisfied of a range of factors when assessing a Development Application on land within the FPA. This includes whether the development is compatible with the flood function and behaviour on the land, and whether the development incorporates appropriate measures to manage risk to life in the event of a flood.
- In consideration of Clause 5.21, the attached 4.15 report considers that the matters listed are satisfied. This assessment includes consideration of the following:

- The VOFFS identifies that the site is located within the hydraulic category of 'floodway'. Whilst floodways are not ordinarily suitable for development, it is considered that a range of factors make the proposed development suitable with regard to the hydraulic category. These include:
 - VOFFS adopts a high priority recommendation for upgrade of the Uranquinty Levee System to provide protection against a 1% AEP event. Implementation of this recommendation will mean that the site will no longer flood in a 1% event. Progress towards implementing the recommendation is occurring. Council has received a grant from the Department of Planning and Environment and is in the process of obtaining a feasibility study and detail design for levee.
 - Subsequent to the carrying out of the flood modelling, but prior to their exhibition and adoption, a large shed was approved and has since been constructed on land immediately to the east (upstream) of the site that is now identified as floodway. It is considered that the existing shed would have a much greater effect (if any effect does indeed exist) on dispersing floodwater than the proposed dwelling would.
 - The proposed dwelling in most part is only 12m wide, which leaves space around the dwelling for floodwaters to pass. The laneway immediately adjacent to the site is also unobstructed and would allow the free passage of water.
 - Much of the site is only subject to flooding in the order of 250-500mm (with small sections in the front setback area closer to the road increasing to around 1m). Flooding on surrounding properties is similar. Therefore, the volume of water being displaced by a relatively minor structure is unlikely to be significant and result in substantial changes in flood affectation of surrounding properties. It is further noted that most of these properties already flood and any change in flood affectation will not alter this.
- The VOFFS identified that for the majority of the site the hydraulic hazard is classified as H2 (on the H1-H6 hazard scale), with small parts at the rear H1, and the front, south-western corner H3. Hazard categories are derived from depth and velocity and are described as follows:
 - H1 Generally safe for people, vehicles and buildings (corresponding to very shallow and slow flow)
 - H2 Unsafe for small vehicles
 - H3 Unsafe for vehicles, children and the elderly
 - H4 Unsafe for people and vehicles
 - H5 Unsafe for vehicles and people. All buildings vulnerable to structural damage. Some less robust building types vulnerable to failure.
 - H6 Unsafe for vehicles and people. All building types considered vulnerable to failure (corresponding to very deep and fast flow)

The hazard categories on the site are considered acceptable for the construction of dwellings. The parts of the site categorised as H3 are not safe for vehicles, children and the elderly to pass through, however,

the proposed dwelling is essentially clear of these areas. Evacuation, if necessary, from the site is possible via the laneway, travelling east and then north along Deane Street to flood free land without leaving land categorised H1 and H2.

- The Uranquinty Progress Association, in association with the State Emergency Service together have formed the Uranquinty Community Safety Group which has developed a flood warning system that alerts the community of potential impending flooding. The early warning system incorporates a village evacuation plan and communication network and won the inaugural 'Get Ready' community award granted by the NSW Government in 2015. This warning system facilitates the early evacuation of dwellings, which helps lower the risk to life in the event of a flood.
- Flood free land is located in close proximity to the site.
- The dwelling is proposed to be built on an elevated pad, 500mm above the 1% AEP level modelled for the site.
- There are no adopted flood controls in the WWDCP 2010 for development within the FPA for Uranquinty.
- Impacts of the proposed development are considered acceptable and the site is considered suitable.

Having regard for the information contained in the attached Section 4.15 assessment report, it is considered that the development is acceptable for the following reasons and recommended for approval.

Reasons for Approval

1. The proposed development is generally consistent with the provisions and controls of the Wagga Wagga Local Environmental Plan 2010 and the Wagga Wagga Development Control Plan 2010, including Clause 5.21 of the WWLEP 2010.
2. Impacts on the proposed development, and from the proposed development on other developments are considered acceptable, including flooding impacts.
3. The site is considered suitable for the proposed development.

Financial Implications

N/A

Policy

Wagga Wagga Local Environmental Plan 2010
Wagga Wagga Development Control Plan 2010
Village Overland Flow Floodplain Risk Management Studies

Link to Strategic Plan

The Environment

Objective: We plan for the growth of the city

Outcome: We have housing that suits our needs

Risk Management Issues for Council

Refusal of the application may result in an appeal process to the Land and Environment Court which will have to be defended by Council. The reasons for refusal will have to be justified and withstand scrutiny and cross examination in Court.




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

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Attachments

1. DA22/0128 - Section 4.15 Assessment Report - Provided under separate cover

2. DA22/0128 - Site Plan and Elevations - Provided under separate cover

3. DA22/0128 - Statement of Environmental Effects - Provided under separate cover


RP-3 PLANNING PROPOSAL - LEP21/0003 - 20 HELY AVENUE - AMENDMENT TO LAND ZONING OF THE WAGGA WAGGA LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN 2010

Author: Crystal Atkinson

Director: Peter Thompson

Summary:

Council is in receipt of a planning proposal to amend Wagga Wagga Local Environmental Plan to rezone land from SP2 Education to R1 General Residential.

The purpose of the planning proposal is to facilitate residential development on a large, underutilised parcel of land within proximity to the city centre.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a support planning proposal LEP21/0003 to amend the Wagga Wagga Local Environmental Plan 2010 land zoning provisions
- b prepare an addendum to the planning proposal to address statutory requirements and site-specific matters
- c submit the planning proposal with Council's addendum to the NSW Department of Planning and Environment for gateway determination
- d prepare an amendment to the Wagga Wagga Development Control Plan 2010 to incorporate site-specific controls relevant to the site to be exhibited alongside the planning proposal
- e receive a further report after the exhibition period addressing any submissions made in respect of the planning proposal and amendment to the development control plan

Application Details

Submitted planning proposal	Council is in receipt of planning proposal (LEP21/0003) to amend the land zoning from SP2 Education to R1 General Residential.
Applicant	Signature Care Holdings Pty Ltd
Landowners	Signature Care Holdings Pty Ltd Directors: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ramsay James Croft ▪ Amal Maree Witnish ▪ Stephen David Pollock ▪ Graeme Ramsay Croft

Proposal

Council is in receipt of a planning proposal to amend the Wagga Wagga Local Environmental Plan 2010 (LEP) to amend the land zoning from SP2 Education to R1 General Residential.

The purpose of the planning proposal is to facilitate residential development on a large underutilised site within proximity to the city centre.

Changes proposed in the application would be achieved by amending the land zoning map rezone the subject areas shown in figure 1 to R1 General Residential.

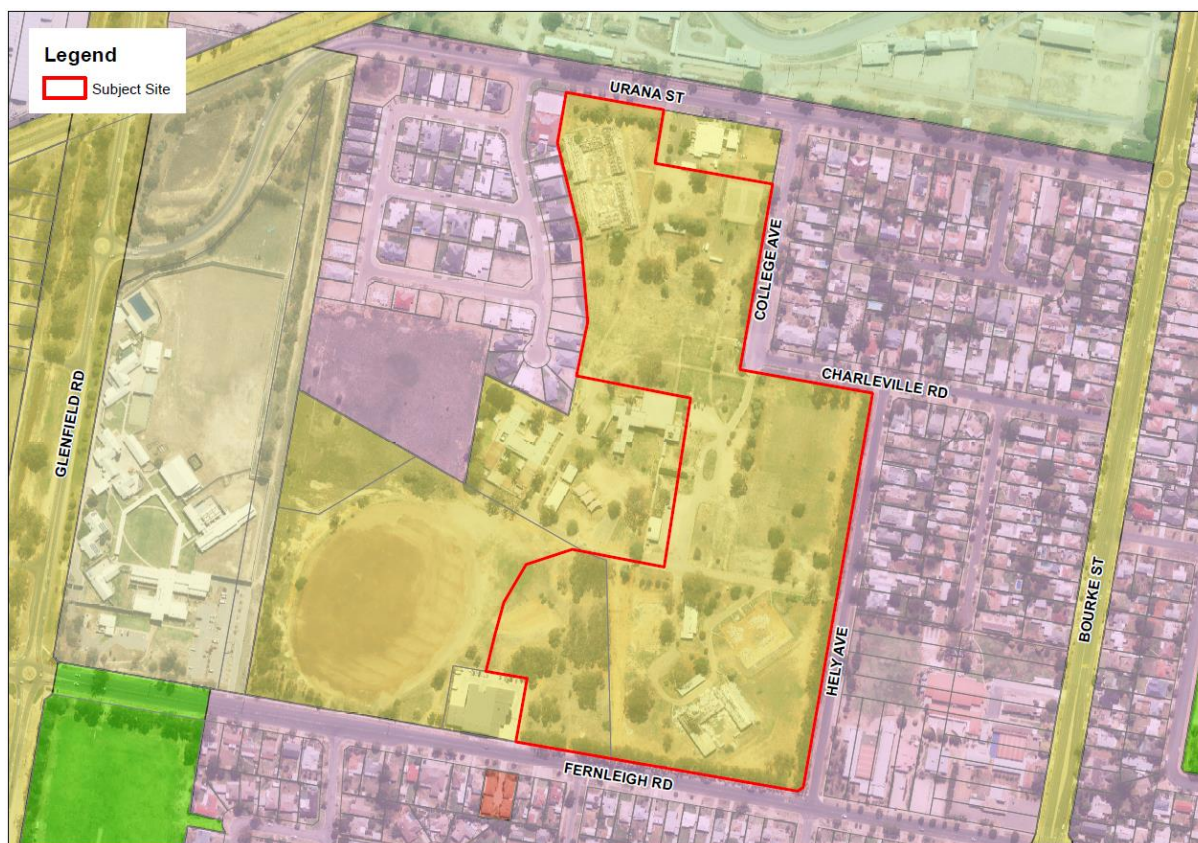


Figure 1: Subject land

Site and Location

The site was formerly part of the Charles Sturt University (CSU) Campus and is currently occupied by Saint Mary Mackillop, CSU Archives and Riverina Conservatorium of Music. The site is located within Turvey Park and bound by Fernleigh Road to the south, Urana Street to the north and Hely and College Avenues to the east. The Saint Mary Mackillop College and Juvenile Justice Centre are located on the Western Boundary.

Key Considerations

A review of the planning proposal indicates that the site has strategic merit with a number of key matters addressed as part of pre-lodgement discussions.

It is considered the site has strategic merit based on the following:

1. The site can be developed to provide residential accommodation to meet the projected population growth identified in Council's adopted Local Strategic Planning Statement (LSPS).
2. The site is a key underutilised site within proximity to the city.
3. The site will utilise existing infrastructure in the area.

Key considerations for the planning proposal are detailed below:

1. Council's Vision or Strategic Intent

There is a strong commitment through local and regional policy to find a balance between growth, the natural environment, sustainability, and liveability whilst enabling Wagga Wagga to emerge as the southern capital of NSW.

- Riverina Murray Regional Plan 2036

The Riverina Murray Regional Plan 2036 outlines a vision to promote the growth of regional cities and local centres and identifies the significance of aligning infrastructure planning with development. Key actions from the Regional Plan include:

Action 25.2 – Facilitate increased housing choice, including town houses, villas and apartments in regional cities and locations close to exiting services and jobs.

The subject site is a large infill site close to the city centre. It will provide additional housing choice for the city close to existing services.

Development

Action 25.3 - Align infrastructure planning with land release areas to provide adequate infrastructure

Development of the subject site will utilise existing infrastructure available in the area. Previous infrastructure planning for stormwater for residential development north of the site was planned to accommodate further development on this site.

- Wagga Wagga Local Strategic Planning Statement – Wagga Wagga 2040

The Wagga Wagga Local Strategic Planning Statement – Wagga Wagga 2040 (LSPS) provides a balance between growth, the natural environment, sustainability, and liveability.

Principle 3: Manage growth sustainably

The LSPS identifies the importance of infill development in planning for a long-term population of 100,000 people, particularly in areas where existing infrastructure can be utilised. Encouraging infill across existing areas provides an opportunity to deliver sustainable outcomes. Utilising existing services and infrastructure reduces demand to expand and extend services to greenfield areas and maximises efficiencies of service provision.

The planning proposal will facilitate residential development on an

underutilised site where existing services are available.

Principle 6: Connected and accessible city

The LSPS aims to achieve a 15-minute city where employment, services and recreation are readily accessible. This will be achieved by enabling infill development in proximity to the key locations of the city.

The planning proposal provides for infill development immediately north of the Health Precinct and close to the central business district.

Principle 7: Growth is supported by sustainable infrastructure

Providing a mix of greenfield and infill development will help to achieve a mix of affordable, well designed and adaptive housing to support the future population and will provide a balance between growth and infrastructure demand. Utilising and underutilised infill site will make efficient use of existing infrastructure provision.

Principle 8: Our city promotes a healthy lifestyle

The LSPS identifies the need to provide additional housing on infill sites is identified to ensure growth occurs within 15-minutes of the central business district. Infill development will provide a greater diversification where urban sites present an opportunity for liveable, attractive, and well-connected communities.

The planning proposal will facilitate residential development in an established area where existing services and facilities are available.

Principle 10: Provide for a diversity of housing that meets our needs

A key element of future growth is ensuring that appropriate housing is available while maintaining liveability, sense of community and local identity. While most new housing is occurring in greenfield locations on bigger lots which is more suited to families, opportunity and demand exist to balance this growth with urban infill and renewal to better accommodate the needs of our growing population and to facilitate growth to 100,000.

Additional residential development on this site will provide additional growth opportunities within the city.

2. Infrastructure

One of the key issues to consider in the rezoning and future urban development of the site is the impact on existing infrastructure and the ability of existing networks to service the future projected population.

The applicant has submitted the following supporting documents:

- Hydrogeological assessment
- Stormwater Management Plan
- Traffic and Transport assessment report

The reports provided have been developed after extensive pre-lodgement consultation across Council with the developer.

Stormwater:

A key outcome of the stormwater management was to ensure that stormwater assets are provided in an efficient and sustainable manner that doesn't place unnecessary cost on the community. The former CSU South Campus has been transitioning to a residential estate and part of this planning has included a stormwater pipe network that was intended to cater for the upslope catchment to assist in realising the full residential development potential of the site. The development has been required to connect directly to this network rather than providing an additional connection point.

Traffic:

The planning proposal is accompanied by a traffic and transport assessment report prepared by Cardno. Based on the analysis, the report concludes that:

- The development will access the external road network via a north-south road with connection to College Avenue / Charleville Avenue via a proposed roundabout and at the south with a new intersection with Fernleigh Road with a short channelised right-turn lane.
- The development is anticipated to generate approximately 88 peak hour vehicle movements.
- Residential traffic is expected to distribute north-south similarly to the distribution recorded on Bourke Street. East-west traffic is expected to be similar to the distribution of vehicles on Urana Street. Key origin destination points have been determined based on likely attractors and the most probable journey.
- Given the traffic generation rates and anticipated traffic distribution, it is expected that all trips to/from the proposed development will be accommodated within the existing capacity of the surrounding road network. It is not expected that the development will have discernible impact on the operation of the road network and nearby intersections.
- To manage traffic impact and amenity in local streets, Local Area Traffic Management treatments have been considered throughout the plan.

3. Contamination

To accompany the Planning Proposal, the applicant has provided a Detailed Site Investigation (DSI) and Remediation Action Plan (RAP). The DSI has found bonded fragments of asbestos containing material (ACM) and fibrous asbestos. The stormwater pipes were found not to contain asbestos, but the decommissioned telecommunication box does.

In addition, all 72 previous structures and open space sites sampled for heavy metals, Organochlorine Pesticides (OCP) and Organophosphate Pesticides (OPP) and phenoxy herbicide analysis returned results below Method Detection Limits and/or the Health Investigation Level criteria for Residential 'A' land use.

The enquires, research, investigation and assessment conducted as part of the DSI are considered adequate for the purpose of the planning proposal. The

potential contamination sources, pathways and receptors have been identified along with the areas of concern, if unexpected findings occur in these areas then further assessment will be required.

The Remediation Action Plan (RAP) provides details on remediation works that will be undertaken prior to construction works being completed. Once remediation works are complete, construction will continue with defined validation sampling, asbestos clearance inspections and certificates, management of unexpected finds protocol, and underground services and pit removal processes focussed on detecting asbestos containing material and asbestos impacted spoils as defined in the RAP.

The remediation program is considered to meet the objectives of the RAP by remediating the asbestos impacted site soils which are above assessment criteria through offsite disposal, so they do not pose a risk to human health of future site users. Following implementation of remediation works, fibrous asbestos materials will be removed, with pathways between asbestos materials and site users removed. As such, the site will be considered to have been made suitable with regard to the future residential land use.

4. Biodiversity

In addition to having biodiversity values, vegetation within this location contributes to salinity management with trees and deep-rooted plants being an effective mechanism for reducing groundwater. Urban Salinity Management is identified in the Wagga Wagga Local Strategic Planning Statement (LSPS) as a land degradation and the need to work with the community to adapt management practices to mitigate impacts on infrastructure and water quality. Salinity results from the accumulation of salt in the upper layer of soil that is brought to the surface by a rising water table. Factors that contribute to a rising water table include increased water run-off from hard surfaces, removal of vegetation, and leaking underground pipes. For this site, it is important to ensure existing and proposed vegetation contributes to salinity management.

The Planning Proposal is accompanied by an Ecological Assessment which provides details on which vegetation will be retained and what is proposed to be removed. A total amount of vegetation clearing proposed is calculated at 0.16 hectares with mitigation measures identified to avoid any impact from future dwellings and associated infrastructure. From this assessment, a Biodiversity Development Assessment Report (BDAR) is not required for the proposed development.

In consideration of the proposed tree retention map (figure 2), the proponent has been required to update the removal plan to include trees that will required to be removed to enable a dwelling. This will be provided prior to submission to for Gateway Determination. It is also proposed to implement development control plan provisions that ensure any further clearing proposed as part of the subdivision and future dwellings is considered to be in addition to the clearing already completed. Whilst it is not anticipated that additional clearing will exceed the clearing and trigger the BDAR requirements, it will enable Council to implement offset conditions at development application stage to ensure ongoing biodiversity retention and salinity management. The proposed controls will provide offset provisions and species selections.

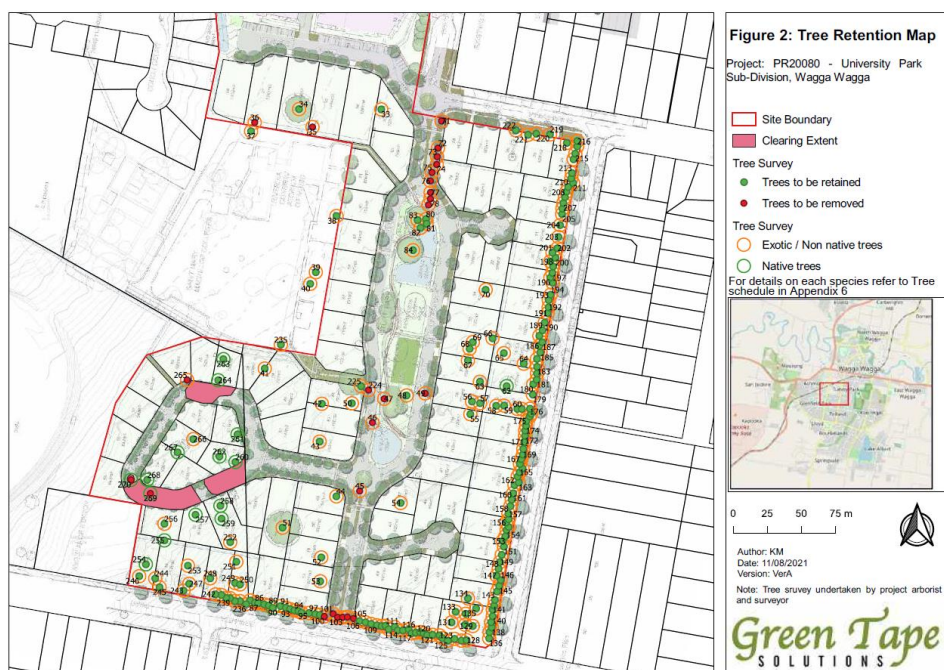


Figure 2: Tree Retention Map **Source:** Ecological Assessment, Green Tape Solutions

Financial Implications

In accordance with Council's 2021/2022 Fees and Charges, a Complex LEP Amendment fee of \$46,000 applied at the time of the application being submitted. The proponent has paid these fees.

It is anticipated that the LEP amendment will result in development applications for residential development in the future. Council's contribution plans and development servicing plans enable Council to levy contributions and developer charges based on the likely increased demands that the new development will have.

Policy and Legislation

Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979
 Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000
 Wagga Wagga Local Strategic Planning Statement – Wagga Wagga 2040
 Wagga Wagga Local Environmental Plan 2010
 Wagga Wagga Development Control Plan 2010

Link to Strategic Plan

The Environment

Objective: We plan for the growth of the city

Outcome: We have sustainable urban development

Risk Management Issues for Council

The planning proposal has been assessed and it is recommended it be submitted to NSW Department of Planning and Environment for Gateway Determination. If issued the determination will require public and agency consultation. Consultation may highlight issues not evident during the assessment.

Mitigating salinity through offset provisions and retention of trees and deep-rooted plants will assist in managing salinity risks within the area. Whilst offset plantings, once established, will contribute to reducing ground water, establishing vegetation can take time and clearing within this area has risks of exacerbating salinity issues.















Internal / External Consultation

Formal public consultation with agencies, adjoining landowners, and the general public will occur if Gateway Determination is received.

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Attachments

1.  LEP21/0003 – Planning Proposal - Provided under separate cover
2.  Ecological Assessment - Provided under separate cover
3.  Detailed Site Investigation - Provided under separate cover
4.  Remediation Action Plan - Provided under separate cover
5.  Site Audit Report - Provided under separate cover
6.  Site Audit Statement - Provided under separate cover
7.  Arboriculture Assessment Report - Provided under separate cover
8.  Site Investigation and Pavement Design - Provided under separate cover
9.  Hydrogeological Assessment - Provided under separate cover
10.  Statement of Heritage Impact - Provided under separate cover
11.  Stormwater Management Plan - Provided under separate cover
12.  Traffic and Transport Assessment Report - Provided under separate cover
13.  Traffic Noise Assessment - Provided under separate cover
14.  Waste Management Plan - Provided under separate cover

RP-4 COUNCILLOR REMUNERATION

Author: Carolyn Rodney

General Manager: Peter Thompson

Summary:

The Remuneration Tribunal completes an annual report setting the minimum and maximum amounts Councils can pay their elected representatives. Each Council is allocated a category, with Wagga Wagga City Council currently assigned the Regional Centre category.

In 2020 due to the pandemic and budget constraints, Council resolved to continue to be paid the maximum amount in the Regional Rural category for the remainder of the term of Council – its previous category prior to being reclassified in the new Regional Centre category.

This report recommends for Council to determine to pay the maximum amount contained in Wagga Wagga City Council's currently assigned category – Regional Centre.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a determine to pay the Councillors' allowance and Mayoral allowance at the maximum allowable level for its assigned category determined by the NSW Local Government Remuneration Tribunal
- b fund the total additional allowance amount from the budget as noted in the financial implications section of this report, with the budget variation to be processed in the new financial year
- c commence the new Councillors allowance for the next pay period following the date of this resolution with the cost for the remaining part of this financial year to be transferred from elections savings noted in the report

Report

Section 248 of the Local Government Act 1993 requires the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal to report to the Minister for Local Government by 1 May each year on its determination of categories of councils and the minimum and maximum amounts of fees to be paid to mayors and councillors.

The Tribunal found the allocation of councils into the current categories appropriate, with Wagga Wagga City Council assigned in the Regional Centre category.

For the information of new Councillors, the Regional Centre was a new category introduced in 2020, with Wagga Wagga City Council being included in this category from its commencement. A summary of the characteristics of a Council categorised as a Regional Centre is shown below:

Regional Centre Category

Councils categorised as Regional Centre will typically have a minimum residential population of 40,000.

Other features may include:

- a large city or town providing a significant proportion of the region's housing and employment
- health services, tertiary education services and major regional airports which service the surrounding and wider regional community
- a full range of high-order services including business, office and retail uses with arts, culture, recreation and entertainment centres
- total operating revenue exceeding \$100M per annum
- the highest rates of population growth in regional NSW
- significant visitor numbers to established tourism ventures and major events that attract state and national attention
- a proximity to Sydney which generates economic opportunities.

Councils in the category of Regional Centre are often considered the geographic centre of the region providing services to their immediate and wider catchment communities.

Due to the commencement of the global pandemic at the time, and the economic and social impacts facing all individuals and businesses and the budget constraints of Council, Councillors resolved the following at the 13 July 2020 Council meeting:

20/253 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors D Tout and T Koschel

That Council :

- a confirm the reclassification by the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal of Wagga Wagga City Council from the Regional Rural category to the new Regional Centre category**
- b confirm that the reclassification was not as a result of a submission by Wagga Wagga City Council but was actioned by the Tribunal separately**
- c confirm that due to budget constraints and the current adopted budget deficit for 2020/21 that the full maximum allowance under the tribunal ruling not be adopted**
- d as representatives of the community agree to adopt for the 2020/21 year the maximum Regional Rural category that Councillors have received to date during this term for both councillor fee and mayoral additional fee the 20/21 fee being:

 - i. \$20280 for Councillors, and**
 - ii. \$44250 additional fee for the Mayor****
- e acknowledge that the action in (d) will represent a saving of \$52,190 in total when compared to what the amount would be if the maximum allowances in the Regional Centre category be adopted**

CARRIED

Since this time, Councillors have continued to be paid at the maximum amount assigned to the Regional Rural Category, Wagga Wagga City Council's previously assigned category.

It is now appropriate for Wagga Wagga City Council to consider resolving to pay Councillors and Mayoral allowance at the maximum allowable level determined in its currently assigned category - the Regional Centre category.

Table 4 in the attached *Local Government Remuneration Tribunal Annual Report and Determination – 20 April 2022* report outlines the minimum and maximum fees for each category, and is also shown below:

Table 4: Fees for General Purpose and County Councils

Category		Councillor/Member Annual Fee (\$) effective 1 July 2022		Mayor/Chairperson Additional Fee* (\$) effective 1 July 2022	
		Minimum	Maximum	Minimum	Maximum
General Purpose Councils - Metropolitan	Principal CBD	28,750	42,170	175,930	231,500
	Major CBD	19,180	35,520	40,740	114,770
	Metropolitan Large	19,180	31,640	40,740	92,180
	Metropolitan Medium	14,380	26,840	30,550	71,300
	Metropolitan Small	9,560	21,100	20,370	46,010
General Purpose Councils - Non-Metropolitan	Major Regional City	19,180	33,330	40,740	103,840
	Major Strategic Area	19,180	33,330	40,740	103,840
	Regional Strategic Area	19,180	31,640	40,740	92,180
	Regional Centre	14,380	25,310	29,920	62,510
	Regional Rural	9,560	21,100	20,370	46,040
	Rural	9,560	12,650	10,180	27,600
County Councils	Water	1,900	10,550	4,080	17,330
	Other	1,900	6,300	4,080	11,510

*This fee must be paid in addition to the fee paid to the Mayor/Chairperson as a Councillor/Member (s.249(2)).

If Councillors resolve as recommended, the Councillor Allowance for the 2022/23 financial year would be \$25,310 and the Mayoral Allowance would be \$62,510.

Financial Implications

The current individual annual allowance to Councillors is \$20,690 and the Mayoral allowance is \$45,140. These amounts reflect the 2021/22 maximum rates for the Regional Rural Category, at a total cost of \$231,350.

The proposed 2022/23 annual allowance is recommended to be the maximum of the Regional Centre category - \$25,310 for Councillors, and \$62,510 for the Mayoral allowance.

Council recently resolved to the payment of superannuation for Councillors commencing from 1 July 2022. The 2022/23 superannuation guarantee rate is 10.5%.

Including superannuation, the total new proposed total allowances for Councillors and Mayor will equate to \$320,782 for the 2022/23 financial year. Council currently has \$271,697 in total budget allowed for Councillors and Mayoral allowance, which leaves a funding gap of \$49,085.

The funding gap is proposed to be funded from savings experienced in the 2021 Council Election process, which is funded from the Council Election Reserve.

As the 2022/23 draft budget is currently on public exhibition, the 2022/23 Councillor and Mayoral Allowance budget is proposed to be increased to \$320,782 at the commencement of the 2022/23 financial year (1 July 2022).

Job numbers – 12051: Mayoral Allowance; 12052: Councillor Allowances

Policy and Legislation

Local Government Act 1993 – Section 239 to 241

Link to Strategic Plan

Community Leadership and Collaboration

Objective: We have strong leadership

Outcome: We are accountable and transparent

Risk Management Issues for Council

N/A

Internal / External Consultation

A discussion with Councillors took place in April 2022.

Attachments

- 1   Local Government Remuneration Tribunal - 2022 Annual Determination

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Annual Report and
Determination

*Annual report and determination under sections
239 and 241 of the Local Government Act 1993*

20 April
2022

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Executive Summary

The *Local Government Act 1993* (LG Act) requires the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal ("the Tribunal") to report to the Minister for Local Government by 1 May each year on its determination of categories of councils and the maximum and minimum amounts of fees to be paid to mayors, councillors, and chairpersons and members of county councils.

Categories

The Tribunal found the allocation of councils into the current categories appropriate. Criteria for each category is published in Appendix 1. These categories have not changed further to the extensive review undertaken as part of the 2020 review.

Fees

The Tribunal determined a 2 per cent per annum increase in the minimum and maximum fees applicable to each category.

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Section 1 Introduction

1. Section 239 of the LG Act provides that the Tribunal determine the categories of councils and mayoral offices and to place each council and mayoral office into one of those categories.
2. Section 241 of the LG Act provides that the Tribunal determine the maximum and minimum amount of fees to be paid to mayors and councillors of councils, as well as chairpersons and members of county councils for each of the categories determined under section 239.
3. Section 242A(1) of the LG Act, requires the Tribunal to give effect to the same policies on increases in remuneration as those of the Industrial Relations Commission.
4. The Tribunal can also determine that a council can be placed in another existing or new category with a higher range of fees without breaching the Government's Wages Policy as per section 242A (3) of the LG Act.
5. The Tribunal's determinations take effect from 1 July each year.

Section 2 2021 Determination

6. The Tribunal received 18 submissions which included 9 requests for re-categorisation. At the time of making its determination, the Tribunal had available to it the Australian Bureau of Statistics 25 March 2020 population data for FY2018-19. The Tribunal noted the requirement of section 239 of the LG Act that it must determine categories for councils and mayoral offices at least once every 3 years. It noted that the Tribunal had conducted an extensive review in 2020 and decided that the categories would next be considered in 2023.
7. The Tribunal found that the current categories and allocation of councils to these categories remained appropriate. The Tribunal's finding had regard to the 2020 review, the current category model and criteria and the evidence put forward in the received submissions.
8. In regard to fees, the Tribunal determined a 2 per cent per annum increase in the minimum and maximum fees applicable to each category.

Section 3 2022 Review

Process

9. In 2020, the categories of general purpose councils were determined as follows:

Metropolitan	Non-Metropolitan
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Principal CBD • Major CBD • Metropolitan Large • Metropolitan Medium • Metropolitan Small 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Major Regional City • Major Strategic Area • Regional Strategic Area • Regional Centre • Regional Rural

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rural
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10. The Tribunal wrote to all mayors or general managers and LGNSW on 14 October 2021 to advise of the commencement of the 2021 review and invited submissions regarding recategorisation, fees and other general matters. The Tribunal's correspondence advised that an extensive review of categories was undertaken in 2020 and, as this was only legislatively required every three years, consideration would be next be given in 2023. The correspondence further advised that submissions requesting to be moved into a different category as part of the 2022 review would require a strong case supported by evidence that substantiates that the criteria for the requested category is met.
11. Seven submissions were received from individual councils and one submission was received from LGNSW. The Tribunal noted that several of the submissions had not been endorsed by their respective councils. The Tribunal also met with the President, Chief Executive and Senior Manager of LGNSW.
12. The Tribunal discussed the submissions at length with the Assessors.
13. The Tribunal acknowledged previous and ongoing difficulties imposed by COVID19 and natural disasters on councils.
14. The Tribunal also acknowledged submissions from councils in regional and remote locations that raised unique challenges, such as travel and connectivity, experienced by mayors and councillors in those areas.
15. A summary of the matters raised in the received submissions and the Tribunal's consideration of those matters is outlined below.

Categorisation

16. Five council submissions requested recategorisation. Three of these requests sought the creation new categories.

Metropolitan Large Councils

17. Penrith City Council acknowledged that categories were not being reviewed until 2023. However, the Council reiterated their previous year's position and contended that their claim for the creation of a new category of "Metropolitan Large – Growth Centre" continues to be enhanced through their leading role in the Western Sydney City Deal. Council's submission further stated that the participation in the Deal demonstrated the exponential growth that will occur in the Penrith Local Government Area.
18. Blacktown City Council requested the creation of a new category "Metropolitan Large – Growth Area". Council stated that the current criteria for "Metropolitan Large" does not reflect the Council's size, rate of growth and economic influence.

Council based its argument for a new category on the following grounds:

- Significant population growth. Current estimated population of 403,000 with an expected population of 640,000 in 2041.
- Blacktown being critical to the success of the Greater Sydney Region Plan while also being part of the fastest growing district for the next 20 years.
- 4th largest economy in NSW – as of 30 June 2020, Gross Regional Product (GRP) was \$21.98 billion, comparatively City of Parramatta was \$31.36 billion.
- Undertaking of several transformational projects to increase economy and services. Examples include the redesign of Riverstone Town Centre, Australian Catholic University establishment of an interim campus for up to 700 undergrads

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with a permanent campus to open by 2024, the \$1 billion Blacktown Brain and Spinal Institute proposal and Blacktown International Sports Park Masterplan to provide a first-class multi-sport venue.

- Expansion in provision of services such as childcare, aquatic and leisure centres.
- Diversity of population.

Non-Metropolitan Major Regional City Councils

19. Newcastle Council requested clarification regarding City of Newcastle's status as either Metropolitan or Regional, noting that while City of Newcastle is classified as a "Major Regional City", the Newcastle Local Government Area is often exempt from both regional and metropolitan grant funding due to inconsistencies in classification. Council sought review on the following grounds:

- Size of council area 187km² (in comparison of Parramatta Council 84km²).
- Physical terrain.
- Population and distribution of population.
- Nature and volume of business dealt with by Council.
- Nature and extent of development of City of Newcastle.
- Diversity of communities served.
- Regional, national and international significance of City of Newcastle.
- Transport hubs.
- Regional services including health, education, smart city services and public administration.
- Cultural and sporting facilities.
- Matters that the Tribunal consider relevant

Regional Centre

20. Tweed Shire Council requested to be reclassified as a "Regional Strategic Area" on the following grounds:

- Proximity to the Gold Coast City and Brisbane.
- Proximity to Sydney via the Gold Coast airport.
- Tweed being the major population and city centre for the Northern Rivers Joint Organisation.
- Tweed being the largest employer and strongest growth area in the Northern Rivers.

Non-Metropolitan Rural Councils

21. Murrumbidgee Council requested recategorisation to "Regional Rural" as they are a product of the merger of the former Jerilderie Shire Council and the former Murrumbidgee Shire Council. Council also suggested that the criteria for "Regional Rural" is amended to:

- Councils categorised as Regional Rural will typically have a minimum residential population of 20,000 or can demonstrate one of the following features...."
 - the product of the 2016 amalgamation where two or more Rural classified Local Governments Areas merged.

Findings - categorisation

22. The Tribunal assessed each Council's submission and found that the current categories and allocation of councils to these categories remained appropriate. The Tribunal's findings had regard to the 2020 review, the current category model and

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criteria and the evidence put forward in the received submissions.

23. Having regard to the requirements of sections 239 and 240 of the LG Act, the Tribunal did not find that any council's submission was strong enough for a change in category or for the creation of a new category.
24. The Tribunal did note, however, that some councils may have a better case for recategorisation at the next major review of categories in 2023.
25. The Tribunal was of the view that the 2023 determination and review of categories as required by s239 (1) of the LG Act will see more requests from councils for recategorisation and possible determination of new categories. The Tribunal and Assessors may benefit from visits to meet regional organisations of councils and direct opportunities for input from Mayors and general managers in this regard.

Fees

26. In determining the maximum and minimum fees payable in each of the categories, the Tribunal is required by section 242A of the LG Act, to give effect to the same policies on increases in remuneration as those that the Industrial Relations Commission is required to give effect to under section 146C of the *Industrial Relations Act 1996* (IR Act), when making or varying awards or orders relating to the conditions of employment of public sector employees.
27. Pursuant to section 146C(1)(a) of the IR Act, the current government policy on wages is expressed in the Industrial Relations (Public Sector Conditions of Employment) Regulation 2014 (IR Reg.). The IR Reg. provides that public sector wages cannot increase by more than 2.5 per cent per annum. The Tribunal therefore has the discretion to determine an increase of up to 2.5 per cent per annum.
28. Submissions that addressed fees sought an increase of a maximum of 2.5 per cent per annum or greater. These submissions raised issues such as comparative remuneration, cost of living and increasing workloads. One submission also suggested that higher fees are required to attract a higher standard of candidates to council roles.
29. The LGNSW submission contained 3 parts. The first part of the submission supported an increase of 2.5 per cent per annum in remuneration, but further argued that the maximum increase is inadequate and does not address the historical undervaluation of work performed by mayors and councillors, and the substantial expansion of their responsibilities and accountability in recent years. LGNSW used the following economic indexes and wage data in support of their argument:
 - Consumer price index (CPI)
 - National and state wages cases
 - Wage increases under the *Local Government (State) Award 2020*.
30. The second part of LGNSW's submission addressed inequity and impacts of low remuneration. It was supported by the research paper "Councillor perspectives on the (in)adequacy of remuneration in NSW local government: Impacts on well-being, diversity and quality of representation" (the "ANU Paper"), written by Associate Professor Jakimow of the Australian National University. A key finding of the ANU Paper was that "current remuneration levels are perceived as inadequately reflecting the extent and nature of council work." The finding was derived from the undertaking of

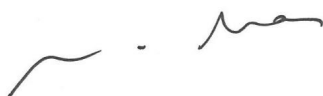
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a survey of councillors and mayors. The paper suggests that there is a disconnect between workload and remuneration and this was identified as the most frequent argument for increasing the current rate.

31. The third and final part of LGNSW's submission compared the minimum and maximum rates of NSW mayor and councillor remuneration to the remuneration of directors and chairpersons of comparable government bodies and not-for-profits, mayors and councillors in Queensland and members of the NSW Parliament. The submission contended that NSW mayor and councillor remuneration is below that of their counterparts.
32. Following the most recent review by the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART) the amount that councils will be able to increase the revenue they can collect from rates will depend on their level of population growth. IPART has set a 2022-23 rate peg for each council, ranging from 0.7 to 5.0 per cent. IPART's rate peg takes into account the annual change in the Local Government Cost Index, which measures the average costs faced by NSW councils, in addition to a population factor based on each council's population growth.
33. Employees under the *Local Government (State) Award 2020* will receive a 2 per cent per annum increase in rates of pay from the first full pay period to commence on or after 1 July 2022.
34. The Tribunal has determined a 2 per cent per annum increase in the minimum and maximum fees applicable to each category.

Conclusion

35. The Tribunal's determinations have been made with the assistance of Assessors Ms Kylie Yates and Ms Melanie Hawyes.
36. It is the expectation of the Tribunal that in the future all submissions have council endorsement.
37. Determination 1 outlines the allocation of councils into each of the categories as per section 239 of the LG Act.
38. Determination 2 outlines the maximum and minimum fees paid to councillors and mayors and members and chairpersons of county councils as per section 241 of the LG Act.



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Section 4 2021 Determinations

Determination No. 1 - Allocation of councils into each of the categories as per section 239 of the LG Act effective from 1 July 2021

Table 1: General Purpose Councils - Metropolitan

Principal CBD (1)	Major CBD (1)
Sydney	Parramatta
Metropolitan Large (12)	Metropolitan Medium (8)
Bayside	Campbelltown
Blacktown	Camden
Canterbury-Bankstown	Georges River
Cumberland	Hornsby
Fairfield	Ku-ring-gai
Inner West	North Sydney
Liverpool	Randwick
Northern Beaches	Willoughby
Penrith	
Ryde	
Sutherland	
The Hills	
Metropolitan Small (8)	
Burwood	
Canada Bay	
Hunters Hill	
Lane Cove	
Mosman	
Strathfield	
Waverley	
Woollahra	

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Table 2: General Purpose Councils - Non-Metropolitan

Major Regional City (2)	Major Strategic Area (1)	Regional Strategic Area (1)
Newcastle	Central Coast	Lake Macquarie
Wollongong		

Regional Centre (24)		Regional Rural (13)	
Albury	Mid-Coast	Bega	
Armidale	Orange	Broken Hill	
Ballina	Port Macquarie-Hastings	Byron	
Bathurst	Port Stephens	Eurobodalla	
Blue Mountains	Queanbeyan-Palerang	Goulburn Mulwaree	
Cessnock	Shellharbour	Griffith	
Clarence Valley	Shoalhaven	Kempsey	
Coffs Harbour	Tamworth	Kiama	
Dubbo	Tweed	Lithgow	
Hawkesbury	Wagga Wagga	Mid-Western	
Lismore	Wingecarribee	Richmond Valley Council	
Maitland	Wollondilly	Singleton	
		Snowy Monaro	

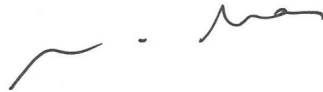
Rural (57)			
Balranald	Cootamundra-Gundagai	Junee	Oberon
Bellingen	Cowra	Kyogle	Parkes
Berrigan	Dungog	Lachlan	Snowy Valleys
Bland	Edward River	Leeton	Temora
Blayney	Federation	Liverpool Plains	Tenterfield
Bogan	Forbes	Lockhart	Upper Hunter
Bourke	Gilgandra	Moree Plains	Upper Lachlan
Brewarrina	Glen Innes Severn	Murray River	Uralla
Cabonne	Greater Hume	Murrumbidgee	Walcha
Carrathool	Gunnedah	Muswellbrook	Walgett
Central Darling	Gwydir	Nambucca	Warren
Cobar	Hay	Narrabri	Warrumbungle
Coolamon	Hilltops	Narrandera	Weddin
Coonamble	Inverell	Narromine	Wentworth

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Rural (57)	
	Yass

Table 3: County Councils

Water (4)	Other (6)
Central Tablelands	Castlereagh-Macquarie
Goldenfields Water	Central Murray
Riverina Water	Hawkesbury River
Rous	New England Tablelands
	Upper Hunter
	Upper Macquarie



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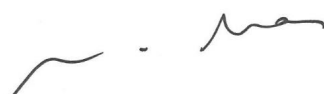
Determination No. 2 - Fees for Councillors and Mayors as per section 241 of the LG Act effective from 1 July 2022

The annual fees to be paid in each of the categories to Councillors, Mayors, Members and Chairpersons of County Councils effective on and from 1 July 2022 as per section 241 of the *Local Government Act 1993* are determined as follows:

Table 4: Fees for General Purpose and County Councils

Category		Councillor/Member Annual Fee (\$) effective 1 July 2022		Mayor/Chairperson Additional Fee* (\$) effective 1 July 2022	
		Minimum	Maximum	Minimum	Maximum
General Purpose Councils - Metropolitan	Principal CBD	28,750	42,170	175,930	231,500
	Major CBD	19,180	35,520	40,740	114,770
	Metropolitan Large	19,180	31,640	40,740	92,180
	Metropolitan Medium	14,380	26,840	30,550	71,300
	Metropolitan Small	9,560	21,100	20,370	46,010
General Purpose Councils - Non-Metropolitan	Major Regional City	19,180	33,330	40,740	103,840
	Major Strategic Area	19,180	33,330	40,740	103,840
	Regional Strategic Area	19,180	31,640	40,740	92,180
	Regional Centre	14,380	25,310	29,920	62,510
	Regional Rural	9,560	21,100	20,370	46,040
	Rural	9,560	12,650	10,180	27,600
County Councils	Water	1,900	10,550	4,080	17,330
	Other	1,900	6,300	4,080	11,510

*This fee must be paid in addition to the fee paid to the Mayor/Chairperson as a Councillor/Member (s.249(2)).



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Appendix 1 Criteria that apply to categories

Principal CBD

The Council of the City of Sydney (the City of Sydney) is the principal central business district (CBD) in the Sydney Metropolitan area. The City of Sydney is home to Sydney's primary commercial office district with the largest concentration of businesses and retailers in Sydney. The City of Sydney's sphere of economic influence is the greatest of any local government area in Australia.

The CBD is also host to some of the city's most significant transport infrastructure including Central Station, Circular Quay and International Overseas Passenger Terminal. Sydney is recognised globally with its iconic harbour setting and the City of Sydney is host to the city's historical, cultural and ceremonial precincts. The City of Sydney attracts significant visitor numbers and is home to 60 per cent of metropolitan Sydney's hotels.

The role of Lord Mayor of the City of Sydney has significant prominence reflecting the CBD's importance as home to the country's major business centres and public facilities of state and national importance. The Lord Mayor's responsibilities in developing and maintaining relationships with stakeholders, including other councils, state and federal governments, community and business groups, and the media are considered greater than other mayoral roles in NSW.

Major CBD

The Council of the City of Parramatta (City of Parramatta) is the economic capital of Greater Western Sydney and the geographic and demographic centre of Greater Sydney. Parramatta is the second largest economy in NSW (after Sydney CBD) and the sixth largest in Australia.

As a secondary CBD to metropolitan Sydney the Parramatta local government area is a major provider of business and government services with a significant number of organisations relocating their head offices to Parramatta. Public administration and safety have been a growth sector for Parramatta as the State Government has promoted a policy of moving government agencies westward to support economic development beyond the Sydney CBD.

The City of Parramatta provides a broad range of regional services across the Sydney Metropolitan area with a significant transport hub and hospital and educational facilities. The City of Parramatta is home to the Westmead Health and Medical Research precinct which represents the largest concentration of hospital and health services in Australia, servicing Western Sydney and providing other specialised services for the rest of NSW.

The City of Parramatta is also home to a significant number of cultural and sporting facilities (including Sydney Olympic Park) which draw significant domestic and international visitors to the region.

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Metropolitan Large

Councils categorised as Metropolitan Large will typically have a minimum residential population of 200,000.

Councils may also be categorised as Metropolitan Large if their residential population combined with their non-resident working population exceeds 200,000. To satisfy this criteria the non-resident working population must exceed 50,000.

Other features may include:

- total operating revenue exceeding \$200M per annum
- the provision of significant regional services to greater Sydney including, but not limited to, major education, health, retail, sports, other recreation and cultural facilities
- significant industrial, commercial and residential centres and development corridors
- high population growth.

Councils categorised as Metropolitan Large will have a sphere of economic influence and provide regional services considered to be greater than those of other metropolitan councils.

Metropolitan Medium

Councils categorised as Metropolitan Medium will typically have a minimum residential population of 100,000.

Councils may also be categorised as Metropolitan Medium if their residential population combined with their non-resident working population exceeds 100,000. To satisfy this criteria the non-resident working population must exceed 50,000

Other features may include:

- total operating revenue exceeding \$100M per annum
- services to greater Sydney including, but not limited to, major education, health, retail, sports, other recreation and cultural facilities
- industrial, commercial and residential centres and development corridors
- high population growth.

The sphere of economic influence, the scale of council operations and the extent of regional servicing would be below that of Metropolitan Large councils.

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Metropolitan Small

Councils categorised as Metropolitan Small will typically have a residential population less than 100,000.

Other features which distinguish them from other metropolitan councils include:

- total operating revenue less than \$150M per annum.

While these councils may include some of the facilities and characteristics of both Metropolitan Large and Metropolitan Medium councils the overall sphere of economic influence, the scale of council operations and the extent of regional servicing would be below that of Metropolitan Medium councils.

Major Regional City

Newcastle City Council and Wollongong City Councils are categorised as Major Regional City. These councils:

- are metropolitan in nature with major residential, commercial and industrial areas
- typically host government departments, major tertiary education and health facilities and incorporate high density commercial and residential development
- provide a full range of higher order services and activities along with arts, culture, recreation, sporting and entertainment facilities to service the wider community and broader region
- have significant transport and freight infrastructure servicing international markets, the capital city and regional areas
- have significant natural and man-made assets to support diverse economic activity, trade and future investment
- typically contain ventures which have a broader State and national focus which impact upon the operations of the council.

Major Strategic Area

Councils categorised as Major Strategic Area will have a minimum population of 300,000.

Other features may include:

- health services, tertiary education services and major regional airports which service the surrounding and wider regional community
- a full range of high-order services including business, office and retail uses with arts, culture, recreation and entertainment centres
- total operating revenue exceeding \$250M per annum
- significant visitor numbers to established tourism ventures and major events that attract state and national attention
- a proximity to Sydney which generates economic opportunities.

Currently, only Central Coast Council meets the criteria to be categorised as a Major Strategic Area. Its population, predicted population growth, and scale of the Council's operations warrant that it be differentiated from other non-metropolitan councils. Central Coast Council is also a

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significant contributor to the regional economy associated with proximity to and connections with Sydney and the Hunter Region.

Regional Strategic Area

Councils categorised as Regional Strategic Area are differentiated from councils in the Regional Centre category on the basis of their significant population and will typically have a residential population above 200,000.

Other features may include:

- health services, tertiary education services and major regional airports which service the surrounding and wider regional community
- a full range of high-order services including business, office and retail uses with arts, culture, recreation and entertainment centres
- total operating revenue exceeding \$250M per annum
- significant visitor numbers to established tourism ventures and major events that attract state and national attention
- a proximity to Sydney which generates economic opportunities.

Currently, only Lake Macquarie Council meets the criteria to be categorised as a Regional Strategic Area. Its population and overall scale of council operations will be greater than Regional Centre councils.

Regional Centre

Councils categorised as Regional Centre will typically have a minimum residential population of 40,000.

Other features may include:

- a large city or town providing a significant proportion of the region's housing and employment
- health services, tertiary education services and major regional airports which service the surrounding and wider regional community
- a full range of high-order services including business, office and retail uses with arts, culture, recreation and entertainment centres
- total operating revenue exceeding \$100M per annum
- the highest rates of population growth in regional NSW
- significant visitor numbers to established tourism ventures and major events that attract state and national attention
- a proximity to Sydney which generates economic opportunities.

Councils in the category of Regional Centre are often considered the geographic centre of the region providing services to their immediate and wider catchment communities.

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Regional Rural

Councils categorised as Regional Rural will typically have a minimum residential population of 20,000.

Other features may include:

- a large urban population existing alongside a traditional farming sector, and are surrounded by smaller towns and villages
- health services, tertiary education services and regional airports which service a regional community
- a broad range of industries including agricultural, educational, health, professional, government and retail services
- large visitor numbers to established tourism ventures and events.

Councils in the category of Regional Rural provide a degree of regional servicing below that of a Regional Centre.

Rural

Councils categorised as Rural will typically have a residential population less than 20,000.

Other features may include:

- one or two significant townships combined with a considerable dispersed population spread over a large area and a long distance from a major regional centre
- a limited range of services, facilities and employment opportunities compared to Regional Rural councils
- local economies based on agricultural/resource industries.

County Councils - Water

County councils that provide water and/or sewerage functions with a joint approach in planning and installing large water reticulation and sewerage systems.

County Councils - Other

County councils that administer, control and eradicate declared noxious weeds as a specified Local Control Authority under the *Biosecurity Act 2015*.

RP-5 2021 SALE OF LAND FOR UNPAID RATES - UPDATE ON PUBLIC AUCTION AND SALE PROCESS

Author: Carolyn Rodney
General Manager: Peter Thompson

Summary: A Sale of Land for Unpaid Rates Auction was held on 30 October 2021 in the Council Chambers. This report details the result of the above public auction and recommends the write off of outstanding rates and charges on one of the properties sold pursuant to the requirements of the *Local Government Act 1993* (NSW) and associated Regulations.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a note the results of the Sale of Land for Unpaid Rates Auction held on 30 October 2021
- b pursuant to the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 – Regs 131 (3) and 4(b), write off rates and charges of \$6,804.38 for the following property:

Legal Description	Address	Name of Registered Owner
Lot C DP 364640	27-29 Gresham Street Tarcutta NSW 2652	Elizabeth S Burgan

Report

The sale of land for unpaid rates is considered the last remaining avenue available to Council to recover outstanding rates and charges.

Council at its Ordinary meeting held the 28 June 2021 resolved in respect of RP-7 Sale of Land for Unpaid rates as follows:

That Council:

- a *continue to discuss and negotiate with property holders whose outstanding rates are greater than five (5) years with the aim to arrange an acceptable payment plan*
- b *if an acceptable payment plan with that ratepayers is not able to be achieved, or is not adhered to, then pursuant to Section 713 of the Local Government Act 1993, authorise the General Manager or their delegate to sell the land and properties detailed in this report to recover unpaid rates, annual charges, interest and extra charges*
- c *authorise the General Manager or their delegate, to set the reserve price for properties put to public auction or sold after public auction*
- d *authorise the affixing of the Council Seal to the transfer documents in order to effect the transfer of ownership for properties sold by Council at or after the public auction for unpaid rates and charges*
- e *receive a further report following the public auction, outlining the outcomes of each property sale*

Three (3) properties were submitted for the Sale of Land for Unpaid Rates Public Auction held on the 30 October 2021. One property sold at public auction, and the remaining two properties were sold by private treaty after the auction - pursuant to Section 716 *Local Government Act* 1993 (NSW), with the settlement date being 24 March 2022.

A summary of each of the properties is shown below:

No.	Property Legal Description and Address	Registered Owner prior to Sale	Rates and Charges Balance as at 30 October 2021 including associated sale costs	Public Auction /Private Treaty Sale amount	Pro Rata – Rates Payable by New Owner for 2021/22	Net write off / (Surplus)*
1	Lot C DP 364640 27-29 Gresham St Tarcutta NSW 2652	Elizabeth S Burgan	\$7,884.39	*(\$1,000.00)	(\$80.01)	\$6,804.38
2	Lot 72 DP 1174117 151 Humula Eight Mile Road Humula NSW 2652	John Edwards	\$6,836.80	(\$13,000.00)	(\$177.78)	(\$6,340.98)
3	Lot 128-DP 757246 6915 Holbrook Road NSW 2650	Keith J Taylor & Vicki Taylor	\$6,644.06	*(\$22,000.00)	(\$91.72)	(\$15,447.66)

* Sold via Private Treaty after Public Auction

All proceeds of sale are paid to the Council and in accordance with Section 718 of the *Local Government Act* 1993 are to be discharged in the following order:

- a) Reimbursement of all Council expenses associated with the sale, then:
- b) Discharge of any rate or charge in respect of the land due to the Council, or any other rating authority, and any debt in respect of the land (being a debt which the Council has notice) due to the Crown.

Should insufficient funds be recovered to satisfy all rates, charges and debts, then a pro-rata of funds to debts occurs with all debts then deemed satisfied, which is ultimately writing off the outstanding balance.

Financial Implications

Pursuant to Section 718 and Section 719 of the *Local Government Act* 1993 (NSW), if the outstanding rates and charges on a sold property is greater than the sale proceeds, the balance is to be written off. The total rates write off for the Tarcutta property sold by Private Treaty is \$6,804.38.

Funding Source for the write off:

Council has applied (as per the approved 2021/22 Fees and Charges) a Sale of Land Administration Charge of \$1,105 per property that reach public auction on all three (3)

properties which will also assist in offsetting the above rate write off costs. Additionally, income for Section 603 Rates Certificates is currently trending higher than the 2021/22 budget and combined with the sale of land administration charges raised, can accommodate the above rates write off cost of \$6,804.38.

Surplus funds:

*Surplus funds are held within Council's Trust Fund (separate bank account) pending discharge to persons having interest in the property. Where no claim is forthcoming for five (5) years, the balance of sale proceeds is remitted to the State Government in accordance with the Unclaimed Money Act 1995.

Policy and Legislation

Local Government Act 1993 (NSW), sections 718, 719
Debt Management Policy
Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 – Reg 131
Unclaimed Money Act 1995

Link to Strategic Plan

Community Leadership and Collaboration

Objective: We are informed and involved in decision making

Outcome: Everyone in our community feels they have been heard and understood

Risk Management Issues for Council

N/A

Internal / External Consultation

The 2021/22 Sale of Land for Unpaid rates process was advertised via a sales campaign in the Daily Advertiser and on the appointed real estate's website. Along with the public notices, each of the adjoining owners of the properties that were presented to public auction on 30 October 2021 were contacted by phone and in writing regarding the Sale of Land for Unpaid Rates Auction.

RP-6 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE REPORT AS AT 30 APRIL 2022**Author:** Carolyn Rodney**General Manager:** Peter Thompson**Summary:**

This report is for Council to consider information presented on the 2021/22 budget and Long-Term Financial Plan, and details Council's external investments and performance as at 30 April 2022.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a approve the proposed 2021/22 budget variations for the month ended 30 April 2022 and note the balanced budget position as presented in this report
- b approve the proposed budget variations to the 2021/22 Long Term Financial Plan Capital Works Program including future year timing adjustments and new projects
- c note the Responsible Accounting Officer's reports, in accordance with the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2005* (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 30 April 2022 in accordance with section 625 of the *Local Government Act 1993*

Report

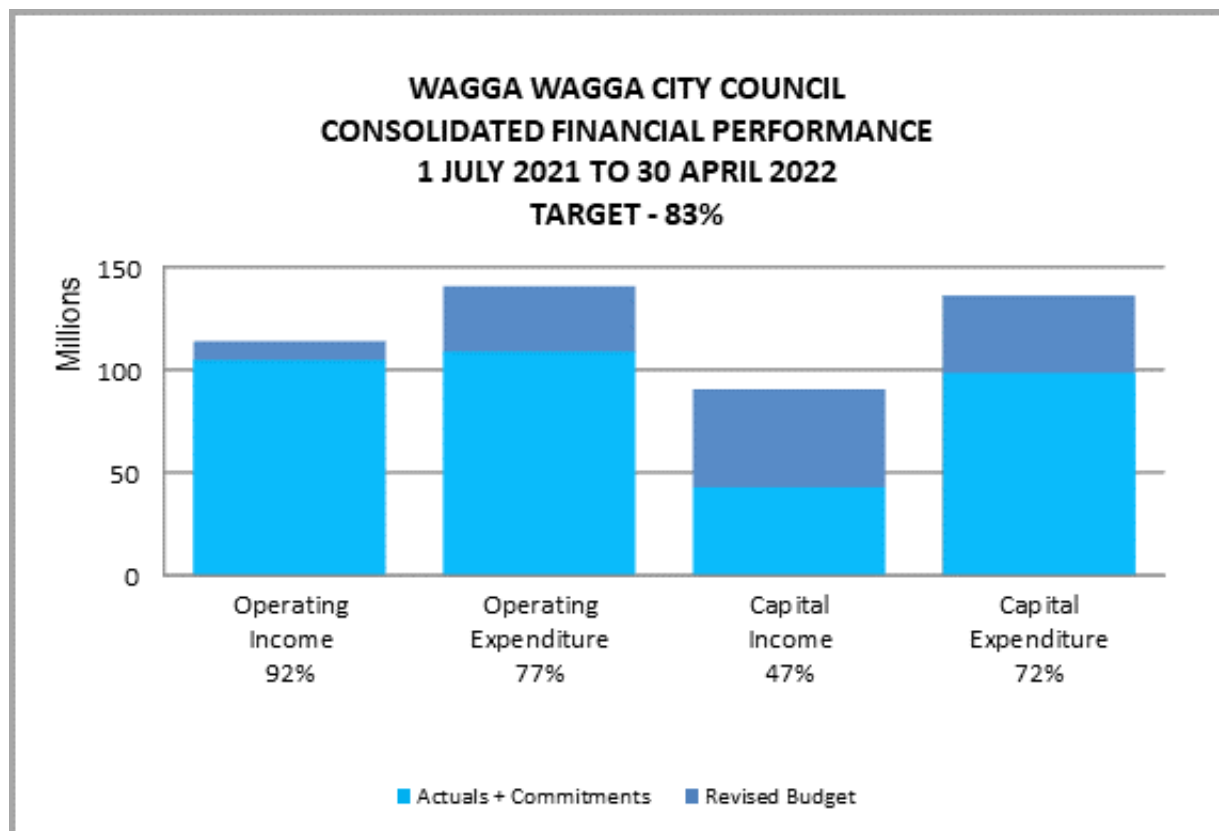
Wagga Wagga City Council (Council) forecasts a balanced budget position as at 30 April 2022. The balanced budget position excludes the Wagga Wagga Airport estimated deficit result for the financial year – as previously reported to Council, any Airport deficit result will be sanctioned, and funded in the interim by General Purpose Revenue (via the Internal Loans Reserve).

The deficit results will be accounted for as a liability in the Airport's end of financial year statements and paid back to General Purpose Revenue (Internal Loans Reserve) by the Airport in future financial years.

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

Council has experienced a positive monthly investment performance for the month of April when compared to budget (\$42,571 up on the monthly budget). This is mainly due to a positive movement in the principal value of Council's Floating Rate Note (FRN) portfolio at 30 April 2022.

Key Performance Indicators



OPERATING INCOME

Total operating income is 92% of approved budget and is trending ahead of budget for the month of April 2022. This is due to Council receiving 75% of the Federal Financial Assistance Grants for 2022/23 in advance. An adjustment has been made to reflect the levy of rates that occurred at the start of the financial year. Excluding this adjustment, operating income received is 102% when compared to budget.

OPERATING EXPENSES

Total operating expenditure is 77% of approved budget so it is tracking below budget at this stage of the financial year, due to significant staff turnover and ongoing vacancies.

CAPITAL INCOME

Total capital income is 47% of approved budget. It is important to note that the actual income from capital is influenced by the timing of the receipt of capital grants and contributions relating to projects. This income also includes the sale of property, plant and equipment.

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

Total capital expenditure including commitments is 72% of approved budget with some purchase orders being raised for the full contract amounts for multi-year projects. Excluding commitments, the total expenditure is 46% when compared to the approved budget.

WAGGA WAGGA CITY COUNCIL STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE 1 JULY 2021 TO 30 APRIL 2022							
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT							
	ORIGINAL BUDGET 2021/22	BUDGET ADJ 2021/22	APPROVED BUDGET 2021/22	YTD ACTUAL EXCL COMMT'S 2021/22	COMMT'S 2021/22	YTD ACTUAL + COMMT'S 2021/22	YTD % OF BUD
Revenue							
Rates & Annual Charges	(73,169,576)	0	(73,169,576)	(61,101,712)	0	(61,101,712)	84%
User Charges & Fees	(25,224,298)	(268,906)	(25,493,204)	(22,160,794)	0	(22,160,794)	87%
Interest & Investment Revenue	(2,014,844)	0	(2,014,844)	(1,081,764)	0	(1,081,764)	54%
Other Revenues	(3,437,263)	(364,722)	(3,801,985)	(4,050,578)	0	(4,050,578)	107%
Operating Grants & Contributions	(12,902,235)	3,401,050	(9,501,185)	(16,282,233)	0	(16,282,233)	171%
Capital Grants & Contributions	(82,436,148)	(5,236,513)	(87,672,661)	(41,730,810)	0	(41,730,810)	48%
Total Revenue	(199,184,362)	(2,469,092)	(201,653,455)	(146,407,891)	0	(146,407,891)	73%
Expenses							
Employee Benefits & On-Costs	49,289,314	(5,559)	49,283,756	36,745,081	0	36,745,081	75%
Borrowing Costs	3,211,705	(85,612)	3,126,094	2,176,490	0	2,176,490	70%
Materials & Services	35,727,106	7,408,046	43,135,151	29,847,035	4,464,282	34,311,317	80%
Depreciation & Amortisation	39,287,050	0	39,287,050	32,739,208	0	32,739,208	83%
Other Expenses	3,708,040	2,176,528	5,884,568	2,922,920	2,534	2,925,454	50%
Total Expenses	131,223,215	9,493,404	140,716,619	104,430,734	4,466,817	108,897,551	77%
Net Operating (Profit)/Loss	(67,961,147)	7,024,311	(60,936,836)	(41,977,157)	4,466,817	(37,510,341)	
Net Operating (Profit)/Loss before Capital Grants & Contributions	14,475,001	12,260,825	26,735,825	(246,347)	4,466,817	4,220,470	
Capital / Reserve Movements							
Capital Expenditure - One Off Confirmed	75,756,060	33,068,701	108,824,761	50,667,825	29,161,237	79,829,062	73%
Capital Expenditure – Recurrent	18,512,675	978,999	19,491,674	7,803,179	6,079,698	13,882,876	71%
Capital Exp – Pending Projects	43,269,470	(43,227,470)	42,000	1,633	0	1,633	0%
Loan Repayments	8,236,502	(372,935)	7,863,567	4,779,618	292	4,779,910	61%
New Loan Borrowings	(17,678,518)	6,999,671	(10,678,847)	0	0	0	0%
Sale of Assets	(804,819)	(2,066,159)	(2,870,978)	(1,140,087)	0	(1,140,087)	40%
Net Movements Reserves	(20,043,173)	(2,405,119)	(22,448,292)	0	55,000	55,000	0%
Total Cap/Res Movements	107,248,197	(7,024,312)	100,223,886	62,112,168	35,296,226	97,408,395	

	ORIGINAL BUDGET 2021/22	BUDGET ADJ 2021/22	APPROVED BUDGET 2021/22	YTD ACTUAL EXCL COMMIT'S 2021/22	COMMIT'S 2021/22	YTD ACTUAL + COMMIT'S 2021/22	YTD % OF BUD
Net Result after Depreciation	39,287,051	0	39,287,050	20,135,011	39,763,043	59,898,054	
Add back Depreciation Expense	39,287,050	0	39,287,050	32,739,208	0	32,739,208	83%
Cash Budget (Surplus) / Deficit	0	0	0	(12,604,197)	39,763,043	27,158,846	

Long Term Financial Plan (Surplus) /Deficit*

Description	Budget 2021/22	Budget 2022/23	Budget 2023/24	Budget 2024/25	Budget 2025/26	Budget 2026/27	Budget 2027/28	Budget 2028/29	Budget 2029/30	Budget 2030/31
Adopted Bottom Line (Surplus) / Deficit	0	860,298	1,751,328	2,469,233	3,928,332	3,831,470	3,259,284	3,494,780	3,511,108	3,930,045
Prior Adopted Bottom Line Adjustments	0	(251,143)	(465,404)	(971,502)	1,045,839	(58,051)	(46,640)	(46,593)	(46,793)	(46,793)
Revised Bottom Line (Surplus) / Deficit	0	609,155	1,285,924	1,497,731	4,974,171	3,773,419	3,212,644	3,448,187	3,464,315	3,883,253

* Note that the Revised Bottom Line (Surplus) / Deficit shown includes adopted future year budget variations but does not include any pending adjustments made in the draft 2022/23 Long Term Financial Plan.

2021/22 Revised Budget Result – (Surplus) / Deficit	\$'000s
Original 2021/22 Budget Result as adopted by Council	\$0K
Total Budget Variations approved to date	\$0K
Budget Variations for April 2022	\$0K
Proposed Revised Budget result for 30 April 2022 - (Surplus) / Deficit	\$0K

The proposed Operating and Capital Budget Variations for 30 April 2022 which affect the current 2021/22 financial year are listed below:

Budget Variation	Amount	Funding Source	Net Impact (Fav)/ Unfav
2 – Safe and Healthy Community			
Regional Events Acceleration – Canberra Raiders vs Melbourne Storm NRL Match	\$100K	NSW Government – Regional Events Acceleration Grant (\$100K)	Nil
<p>Council has been successful in securing State Government grant funds under the Regional Events Acceleration Fund. The grant enabled Council to deliver the NRL game between Canberra Raiders and Melbourne Storm held in Wagga Wagga on 9 April 2022. The NRL game boosted the City's visitor economy and created new jobs through supporting major events in Regional NSW.</p> <p>Estimated Completion: 30 April 2022</p> <p>Job Consolidation: 19316</p>			
4 – Community Place and Identity			
Reconnecting Regional NSW Community Events Program	\$103K	Department of Regional NSW Grant Funding (\$103K)	Nil
<p>The NSW Government have released funding to support regional NSW councils deliver COVID-Safe community events and festivals that are open for the entire community to attend, providing immediate positive outcomes for the community.</p> <p>A dedicated allocation of \$288K is available to WWCC through this fund for events held by 31 March 2023. Projects submitted under this program need to meet the eligibility criteria including: open to all members of the public; free to attend (or very small fee); have the primary purpose of community reconnection and improved social cohesion; and alignment to Council's Disability Inclusion Action Plan and Community Strategic Plan. Projects are assessed based on the event's ability to assist in rebuilding local community cohesion and the delivery of positive social outcomes as well as the engagement and support of local business.</p> <p>The total successful funding of \$288K will be split over 2 financial years: 2021/22 \$103K + 2022/23 \$185K. The listed nominated events were provided in the Councillor Bulletin 15 April 2022.</p> <p>Estimated Completion: 31 March 2023</p> <p>Job Consolidation: 21826</p>			

Budget Variation	Amount	Funding Source	Net Impact (Fav)/Unfav
2022 Festival of W	\$29K	Event Attraction Reserve (\$14K) Events Operational Budgets (\$15K)	Nil
<p>The 2022 Festival of W program will run from the 2nd to 17th July 2022 to coincide with the Winter school holidays. The launch will take place on Saturday 2nd July, from 4pm – 9pm in the Victory Memorial Gardens Precinct and include the following elements: ice rink (15m x 36m) at the Victory Memorial Gardens, winter night markets to be held in Morrow St (adjacent to Council Civic Centre Building), live music program and staging in the O'Reilly St (Morrow St) carpark including local support acts, DJ at the Historic Council Chambers steps and temporary lighting structure and projection by local animator co-located with the ice rink in the Victory Memorial Gardens precinct. The festival has been designed to bring the community together in winter while supporting the local creative, hospitality and event supply industries during what is typically a quieter time of year. The ice rink experience is the only ticketed component, with tickets available to purchase from the 1st June 2022 and will operate throughout the 2 week period.</p> <p>The total budget of \$225K will be split over 2 financial years: 2021/22 \$29K (funded as above) + 2022/23 \$196K (funded from the Event Attraction Reserve)</p> <p>Estimated Completion: 30 July 2022</p> <p><i>Job Consolidation: 21822</i></p>			
Standalone Library Service	\$175K	Internal Loans Reserve (\$175K)	Nil
<p>In preparation for the rollout of the Standalone Library service to commence operation at 1 July 2022 (approved at the 13 September 2021 Council meeting), procurement and vendor contract management of products and services have been actioned.</p> <p>These preparations will include payment to suppliers of RFID, eResources, Shelf ready processing, collections, Book Club and Storytime resources, Library cards, SMS messaging service, data migration, library workroom fit out e.g. shelving, storage, information technology and Trove membership.</p> <p>It is proposed to forward fund the required budget of \$175K in 2021/22 from the Internal Loans Reserve with payback to the Internal Loans Reserve in 2022/23 from the Standalone Library operational budgets, resulting in no overall increase in budgets over the two financial years.</p> <p>Any adjustments to 2022/23 capital budgets will be updated in the Long-Term Financial Plan Capital Works Program after 1 July 2022.</p> <p>Estimated Completion: 30 June 2022</p> <p><i>Jobs: Various</i></p>			
Listen In Public Art Podcast	\$13K	Federal Government Grants (\$13K)	Nil

Budget Variation	Amount	Funding Source	Net Impact (Fav)/ Unfav
<p>Council has been successful in obtaining funds to commence the development of an audio tour of the City's public art collection. Short podcast episodes will include histories, stories and artist interviews and will be accessible to the public through QR codes.</p> <p>The Culture, Heritage and Arts Regional Tourism (CHART) Fund through the Australian Government has provided Council \$3,000 to produce an initial two episodes as a pilot project. A further \$10,000 was obtained through the Cultural Tourism Accelerator Program from the Australian Government as part of the Regional Arts Tourism package.</p> <p>The project will be delivered in two stages; Stage 1 will be the two pilot episodes capturing the stories of the 'Morning Light' mural on Baylis Street and 'Til the Cows Come Home' installation at Uranquinty. Stage 2 will be a further six episodes to be designed as a walking loop, taking in the Wagga Beach and Fitzmaurice Street Precinct artworks.</p> <p>Estimated Completion: 30 June 2022</p> <p>Job Consolidation: 21824</p>			
5 – The Environment			
Scrap Together Project	\$10K	NSW Environmental Protection Authority (\$10K)	Nil
<p>Council has been successful in securing NSW EPA grant funding under the Scrap Together Grants Program. The program involves community education to promote the usage of the FOGO waste service to reduce landfill. This will be undertaken through the Council news, social media, customer service TV's, council website and the local news.</p> <p>Estimated Completion: 30 June 2022</p> <p>Job Consolidation: 70186</p>			
Oasis – Replace Portable Disabled Lift	\$25K	Oasis Reserve (\$10K) Oasis – Replace Pool Cover Winch (\$15K)	Nil
<p>The current Portable Disabled Lift at the Oasis requires urgent replacement as it is beyond repair. The current lift is approximately 8 years old. The lift is a required piece of equipment to ensure Oasis is providing accessibility to all, as per Council's Disability Inclusion Action Plan 2017-21. It is proposed to fund the variation from the Oasis Reserve (\$10K) and the Oasis – Replace Pool Cover Winch Project (\$15K) which has now been confirmed as no longer required.</p> <p>Estimated Completion: 30 June 2022</p> <p>Job Consolidation: 28192</p>			
Former Wiradjuri Landfill Site Contamination	\$52K	Solid Waste Reserve (\$52K)	Nil

Budget Variation	Amount	Funding Source	Net Impact (Fav)/ Unfav
<p>Council has ongoing maintenance requirements for the former landfill site in Narrung Street, which includes ensuring contaminants such as metals are appropriately capped to ensure it remains safe for members of the community to use. An area has been identified as requiring remedial works and this budget variation includes the cost of construction fencing, signage, a Remediation Options Assessment and developing a Remediation Action Plan. The works are to be funded from the from the Solid Waste Reserve.</p> <p>Estimated Completion: 30 June 2022</p> <p>Job Consolidation: 21585</p>			
Road Maintenance Audit	\$30K	Existing Infrastructure Planning Operational Budgets (\$30K)	Nil
<p>Funds are required to engage an external consultant to produce a report that will determine if there is a financial benefit for Council to participate in a Road Maintenance Council Contract (RMCC) with Transport for NSW. It is proposed to fund the variation from existing Infrastructure Planning Operational savings, with the unexpended funds at 30 June 2022 to be carried over into the 2022/23 financial year for completion.</p> <p>Estimated Completion: 31 October 2022</p> <p>Job Consolidation: 21825</p>			
Salinity Pumps Maintenance	\$48K	Stormwater Drainage Reserve (\$48K)	Nil
<p>Since 1998 Council has been operating state licenced pumping infrastructure as de-watering bores to lower groundwater levels associated with salinity impacts in the Calvary Hospital precinct area. There are nine (9) pumps and a number of these need repairs due to age and breakdowns. Two (2) pumps have been repaired with the current annual available Infrastructure budget of \$20K and a further six (6) pumps need repair at a cost of \$8K each. A budget variation of \$48K is requested to repair the remaining six (6) pumps to continue operations in this area. It is proposed to fund the variation from the Stormwater Drainage Reserve.</p> <p>Estimated Completion: 30 June 2022</p> <p>Job Consolidation: 38501</p>			
			\$0K

The Pending Projects list is a list of adopted Capital Works projects which have not been included in the 2021/22 Delivery Program for the following reason(s):

- Capacity and resourcing constraints
- Project description and scope not fully defined
- External funding to be determined

The following projects are now considered to meet the necessary requirements to be included in the Capital Works Delivery Program:

Capital Works Project	2021/22 Budget	Comments
Pedestrian Access and Mobility Program (PAMP) <i>Job Consolidation:39042</i>	\$42,000	Currently \$0 delivery and \$42,000 pending. Proposed to increase budget to \$53,000 delivery and \$0 pending (with the increase of \$11,000 for the Pedestrian Access and Mobility Plan Update to be funded from Civil operational budgets)

2021/22 Capital Works Summary

Capital Works	Approved Budget	Proposed Movement	Proposed Budget
One-off	\$108,824,760	\$52,000	\$108,876,760
Recurrent	\$19,491,673	\$0	\$19,491,673
Pending	\$42,000	(\$42,000)	\$0
Total Capital Works	\$128,358,433	\$10,000	\$128,368,433

Current Restrictions

RESERVES SUMMARY					
30 APRIL 2022					
	CLOSING BALANCE 2020/21	ADOPTED RESERVE TRANSFERS 2021/22	BUDGET VARIATIONS APPROVED UP TO COUNCIL MEETING 11.4.2022	PROPOSED CHANGES for Council Resolution*	BALANCE AS AT 30 APRIL 2022
Externally Restricted					
Developer Contributions - Section 7.11	(27,924,028)	547,854	(1,242,660)		(28,618,834)
Developer Contributions - Section 7.12	462,032	(28,215)	(3)		433,814
Developer Contributions - Stormwater Section 64	(5,936,952)	(617,863)	110,124		(6,444,692)
Sewer Fund	(29,992,670)	3,094,449	(880,201)		(27,778,423)
Solid Waste	(21,429,172)	10,541,347	(9,724,709)	52,000	(20,612,534)
Specific Purpose Unexpended Grants & Contributions	(9,204,765)		9,204,765		0
SRV Levee Reserve	(6,439,536)		139,774		(6,299,762)
Stormwater Levy	(4,588,976)	(352,886)	280,166		(4,661,696)
Total Externally Restricted	(105,054,067)	13,184,685	(2,112,745)	52,000	(93,930,127)
Internally Restricted					
Airport	0	420,584	(420,584)		0
Art Gallery	(1,709)	0	0		(1,709)
Bridge Replacement	(296,805)	0	0		(296,805)
Buildings	(1,046,797)	159,433	(12,885)		(900,249)
CBD Carparking Facilities	(498,295)	498,295	0		0
CCTV	(100,843)	18,000	12,000		(70,843)
Cemetery	(828,348)	(218,116)	210,200		(836,264)
Civic Theatre	(39,666)		5,930		(33,736)
Civil Infrastructure	(9,786,909)	2,236,679	(711,558)		(8,261,788)
Community Works	(171,505)	(40,429)	56,851		(155,083)
Council Election	(542,957)	403,602	0		(139,354)
Economic Development	(436,848)		367,520		(69,328)
Emergency Events Reserve	(231,184)	(50,000)	(328,015)		(609,199)
Employee Leave Entitlements Gen Fund	(3,798,309)		0		(3,798,309)
Environmental Conservation	(116,578)	75,000	0		(41,578)
Event Attraction	(302,414)		122,647	14,052	(165,715)
Grants Commission	(5,382,345)		5,382,345		0
Gravel Pit Restoration	(820,851)	3,333	7,980		(809,537)
Information Services	(1,052,159)	105,305	412,496		(534,358)
Insurance Variations	(50,000)		0		(50,000)
Internal Loans	(3,022,169)	1,158,394	(16,769)	174,715	(1,705,829)
Lake Albert Improvements	(84,423)	(21,417)	0		(105,839)
Livestock Marketing Centre	(4,447,351)	863,862	74,157		(3,509,332)
Museum Acquisitions	(39,378)	15,000	0		(24,378)
Net Zero Emissions	(375,555)	210,165	15,000		(150,390)
Oasis Reserve	(1,266,045)	764,654	80,249	10,000	(411,141)

	CLOSING BALANCE 2020/21	ADOPTED RESERVE TRANSFERS 2021/22	BUDGET VARIATIONS APPROVED UP TO COUNCIL MEETING 11.4.2022	PROPOSED CHANGES for Council Resolution	BALANCE AS AT 30 APRIL 2022
Parks & Recreation Projects	(942,906)	(67,410)	413,285		(597,031)
Planning Legals	(60,000)	(40,000)	0		(100,000)
Plant Replacement	(4,302,142)	21,032	1,829,093		(2,452,017)
Project Carryovers	(3,816,168)	76,000	3,740,168		0
Public Art	(177,324)	138,183	(125,981)		(165,123)
Sister Cities	(40,000)	(10,000)	0		(50,000)
Stormwater Drainage	(158,178)		0	48,000	(110,178)
Strategic Real Property	(800,000)		800,000		0
Subdivision Tree Planting	(486,675)	20,000	0		(466,675)
Unexpended External Loans	(2,004,486)	118,338	1,777,404		(108,745)
Workers Compensation	(190,649)		30,000		(160,649)
Total Internally Restricted	(47,717,970)	6,858,488	13,721,533	246,767	(26,891,182)
Total Restricted	(152,772,037)	20,043,173	11,608,789	298,767	(120,821,308)
Total Unrestricted	(9,818,000)	0	0	0	(9,818,000)
Total Cash, Cash Equivalents, and Investments	(162,590,037)	20,043,173	11,608,789	298,767	(130,639,308)

Investment Summary as at 30 April 2022

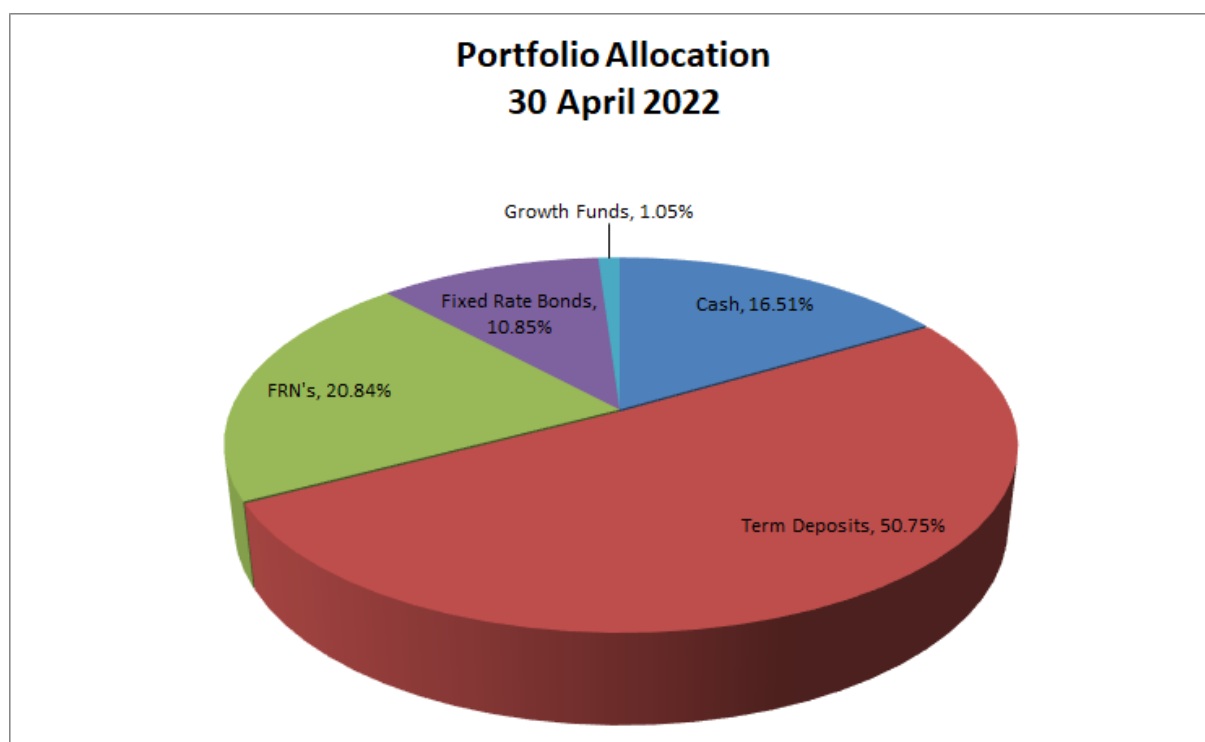
In accordance with Regulation 212 of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2005*, details of Wagga Wagga City Council's external investments are outlined below.

Institution	Rating	Closing Balance Invested 31/03/2022 \$	Closing Balance Invested 30/04/2022 \$	April EOM Current Yield %	April EOM % of Portfolio	Investment Date	Maturity Date	Term (months)
At Call Accounts								
NAB	AA-	299,063	344,234	0.10%	0.20%	N/A	N/A	N/A
CBA	AA-	1,843,324	6,242,949	0.10%	3.68%	N/A	N/A	N/A
CBA	AA-	16,131,570	12,333,870	0.15%	7.28%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Macquarie Bank	A+	9,048,200	9,052,513	0.60%	5.34%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total At Call Accounts		27,322,157	27,973,566	0.28%	16.51%			
Short Term Deposits								
Community First	NR	1,000,000	1,000,000	1.00%	0.59%	7/12/2021	7/07/2022	7
CBA	AA-	0	2,000,000	2.22%	1.18%	20/04/2022	20/04/2023	12
Total Short Term Deposits		1,000,000	3,000,000	1.81%	1.77%			
Medium Term Deposits								
RaboBank	A+	1,000,000	1,000,000	3.16%	0.59%	5/06/2017	6/06/2022	60
AMP	BBB	2,000,000	2,000,000	0.95%	1.18%	30/11/2020	30/05/2022	18
Auswide	BBB	2,000,000	2,000,000	0.85%	1.18%	6/10/2020	6/10/2022	24
BOQ	BBB+	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.20%	1.18%	4/01/2022	4/01/2024	24
BOQ	BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000	3.50%	0.59%	1/06/2018	1/06/2022	48
Westpac	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.32%	1.18%	28/06/2021	29/06/2026	60
BOQ	BBB+	3,000,000	3,000,000	3.25%	1.77%	28/08/2018	29/08/2022	48
Westpac	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.80%	1.18%	15/11/2021	17/11/2025	48
P&N Bank	BBB	1,000,000	1,000,000	3.30%	0.59%	20/11/2018	21/11/2022	48
Bendigo-Adelaide	BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000	3.25%	0.59%	30/11/2018	30/11/2022	48
Newcastle Permanent	BBB	2,000,000	0	0.00%	0.00%	23/04/2019	26/04/2022	36
BoQ	BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000	2.40%	0.59%	22/05/2019	23/05/2022	36
BoQ	BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000	2.15%	0.59%	8/07/2019	10/07/2023	48
Auswide	BBB	1,000,000	1,000,000	1.95%	0.59%	12/08/2019	12/08/2022	36
Judo Bank	BBB-	1,000,000	1,000,000	1.90%	0.59%	10/09/2019	9/09/2022	36
Auswide	BBB	1,000,000	1,000,000	1.72%	0.59%	3/10/2019	4/10/2022	36
ICBC	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	2.03%	1.18%	6/11/2019	6/11/2024	60
ICBC	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.83%	1.18%	28/11/2019	28/11/2024	60
Judo Bank	BBB-	1,000,000	1,000,000	1.30%	0.59%	3/12/2021	4/12/2023	24
ICBC	A	1,000,000	1,000,000	1.75%	0.59%	6/01/2020	8/01/2024	48
BOQ	BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000	2.00%	0.59%	28/02/2020	28/02/2025	60
Police Credit Union	NR	1,000,000	1,000,000	2.20%	0.59%	1/04/2020	1/04/2025	60
ICBC	A	1,000,000	1,000,000	1.85%	0.59%	29/05/2020	29/05/2025	60
ICBC	A	1,000,000	1,000,000	1.86%	0.59%	1/06/2020	2/06/2025	60
ICBC	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.75%	1.18%	25/06/2020	25/06/2025	60
ICBC	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.75%	1.18%	25/06/2020	25/06/2025	60
ICBC	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.60%	1.18%	29/06/2020	28/06/2024	48
ICBC	A	3,000,000	3,000,000	1.25%	1.77%	30/06/2020	30/06/2022	24
ICBC	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.42%	1.18%	7/07/2020	8/07/2024	48
ICBC	A	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.50%	1.18%	17/08/2020	18/08/2025	60
BoQ	BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000	1.25%	0.59%	7/09/2020	8/09/2025	60
BoQ	BBB+	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.25%	1.18%	14/09/2020	15/09/2025	60

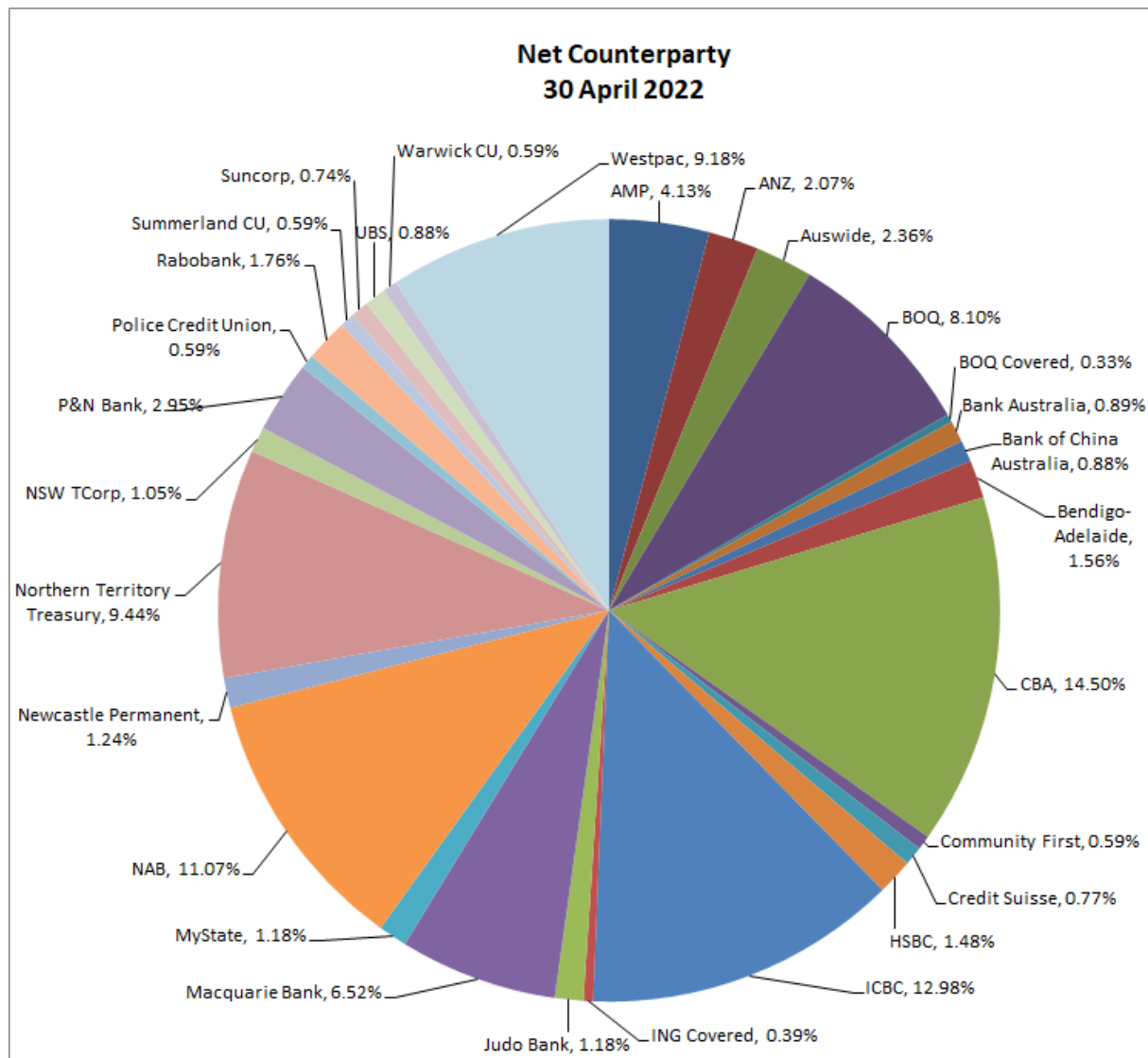
Institution	Rating	Closing Balance Invested 31/03/2022 \$	Closing Balance Invested 30/04/2022 \$	April EOM Current Yield %	April EOM % of Portfolio	Investment Date	Maturity Date	Term (months)
NAB	AA-	1,000,000	1,000,000	0.60%	0.59%	14/09/2021	14/09/2023	24
AMP	BBB	1,000,000	1,000,000	0.95%	0.59%	26/11/2020	25/05/2022	18
AMP	BBB	2,000,000	2,000,000	0.95%	1.18%	7/12/2020	6/06/2022	18
ICBC	A	1,000,000	1,000,000	1.20%	0.59%	7/12/2020	8/12/2025	60
Warwick CU	NR	1,000,000	1,000,000	0.75%	0.59%	29/01/2021	30/01/2023	24
NAB	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	0.95%	1.18%	29/01/2021	29/01/2026	60
NAB	AA-	1,000,000	1,000,000	1.08%	0.59%	22/02/2021	20/02/2026	60
NAB	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.25%	1.18%	3/03/2021	2/03/2026	60
Summerland CU	NR	1,000,000	1,000,000	0.75%	0.59%	29/04/2021	28/04/2023	24
NAB	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.40%	1.18%	21/06/2021	19/06/2026	60
NAB	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	0.65%	1.18%	25/06/2021	26/06/2023	24
Westpac	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.32%	1.18%	25/06/2021	25/06/2026	60
ICBC	A	1,000,000	1,000,000	1.32%	0.59%	25/08/2021	25/08/2026	60
NAB	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	0.65%	1.18%	31/08/2021	31/08/2023	24
AMP	BBB	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.00%	1.18%	18/10/2021	17/10/2024	36
Westpac	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.56%	1.18%	30/11/2021	29/11/2024	36
Westpac	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	2.00%	1.18%	8/02/2022	10/02/2025	36
P&N Bank	BBB	2,000,000	2,000,000	2.40%	1.18%	9/03/2022	10/03/2025	36
P&N Bank	BBB	2,000,000	2,000,000	2.00%	1.18%	10/03/2022	11/03/2024	24
MyState	BBB	2,000,000	2,000,000	2.20%	1.18%	2/03/2022	3/03/2025	36
CBA	AA-	0	2,000,000	3.28%	1.18%	26/04/2022	26/04/2024	24
Total Medium Term Deposits		83,000,000	83,000,000	1.66%	48.98%			
Floating Rate Notes - Senior Debt								
Westpac	AA-	3,033,609	3,031,324	BBSW + 114	1.79%	24/01/2019	24/04/2024	63
NAB	AA-	2,016,343	2,019,950	BBSW + 104	1.19%	26/02/2019	26/02/2024	60
Westpac	AA-	2,509,081	2,517,418	BBSW + 88	1.49%	16/05/2019	16/08/2024	63
Suncorp	AA-	1,249,822	1,251,168	BBSW + 78	0.74%	30/07/2019	30/07/2024	60
ANZ	AA-	2,000,984	2,007,771	BBSW + 77	1.18%	29/08/2019	29/08/2024	60
HSBC	AA-	2,502,159	2,509,069	BBSW + 83	1.48%	27/09/2019	27/09/2024	60
Bank Australia	BBB	1,504,316	1,505,744	BBSW + 90	0.89%	2/12/2019	2/12/2022	36
ANZ	AA-	1,499,696	1,502,880	BBSW + 76	0.89%	16/01/2020	16/01/2025	60
NAB	AA-	1,999,503	2,004,297	BBSW + 77	1.18%	21/01/2020	21/01/2025	60
Newcastle Permanent	BBB	1,100,551	1,104,604	BBSW + 112	0.65%	4/02/2020	4/02/2025	60
Macquarie Bank	A+	1,990,945	2,000,818	BBSW + 84	1.18%	12/02/2020	12/02/2025	60
BOQ Covered	AAA	552,415	554,803	BBSW + 107	0.33%	14/05/2020	14/05/2025	60
Credit Suisse	A+	1,307,557	1,308,385	BBSW + 115	0.77%	26/05/2020	26/05/2023	36
UBS	A+	1,493,923	1,499,115	BBSW + 87	0.88%	30/07/2020	30/07/2025	60
Bank of China Australia	A	1,499,295	1,499,051	BBSW + 78	0.88%	27/10/2020	27/10/2023	36
CBA	AA-	1,970,191	1,984,401	BBSW + 70	1.17%	14/01/2022	14/01/2027	60
Rabobank	A+	1,970,425	1,980,912	BBSW + 73	1.17%	27/01/2022	27/01/2027	60
Newcastle Permanent	BBB	986,564	989,161	BBSW + 100	0.58%	10/02/2022	10/02/2027	60
NAB	AA-	2,377,134	2,386,206	BBSW + 72	1.41%	25/02/2022	25/02/2027	60
Bendigo-Adelaide	BBB+	1,648,893	1,650,843	BBSW + 98	0.97%	17/03/2022	17/03/2025	36
Total Floating Rate Notes - Senior Debt		35,213,406	35,307,920		20.84%			
Fixed Rate Bonds								
ING Covered	AAA	679,094	667,156	1.10%	0.39%	19/08/2021	19/08/2026	60
Northern Territory Treasury	AA-	3,000,000	3,000,000	1.00%	1.77%	24/08/2021	16/12/2024	40

Institution	Rating	Closing Balance Invested 31/03/2022 \$	Closing Balance Invested 30/04/2022 \$	April EOM Current Yield %	April EOM % of Portfolio	Investment Date	Maturity Date	Term (months)
Northern Territory Treasury	AA-	3,000,000	3,000,000	1.50%	1.77%	24/08/2021	15/12/2026	64
BoQ	BBB+	1,773,046	1,723,506	2.10%	1.02%	27/10/2021	27/10/2026	60
Northern Territory Treasury	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.50%	1.18%	6/08/2021	15/12/2026	64
Northern Territory Treasury	AA-	1,000,000	1,000,000	1.50%	0.59%	14/07/2021	15/12/2026	65
Northern Territory Treasury	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.30%	1.18%	29/04/2021	15/06/2026	61
Northern Territory Treasury	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.00%	1.18%	30/11/2020	15/12/2025	60
Northern Territory Treasury	AA-	1,000,000	1,000,000	1.00%	0.59%	20/11/2020	15/12/2025	61
Northern Territory Treasury	AA-	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.00%	1.18%	21/10/2020	15/12/2025	62
Total Fixed Rate Bonds		18,452,140	18,390,662	1.30%	10.85%			
Managed Funds								
NSW Tcorp	NR	1,802,681	1,772,644	-1.67%	1.05%	17/03/2014	1/04/2027	156
Total Managed Funds		1,802,681	1,772,644	-1.67%	1.05%			
TOTAL CASH ASSETS, CASH EQUIVALENTS & INVESTMENTS		166,790,385	169,444,793		100.00%			
LESS: RIVERINA REGIONAL LIBRARY (RRL) CASH AT BANK		4,028,562	3,842,631					
TOTAL WWCC CASH ASSETS, CASH EQUIVALENTS & INVESTMENTS		162,761,823	165,602,162					

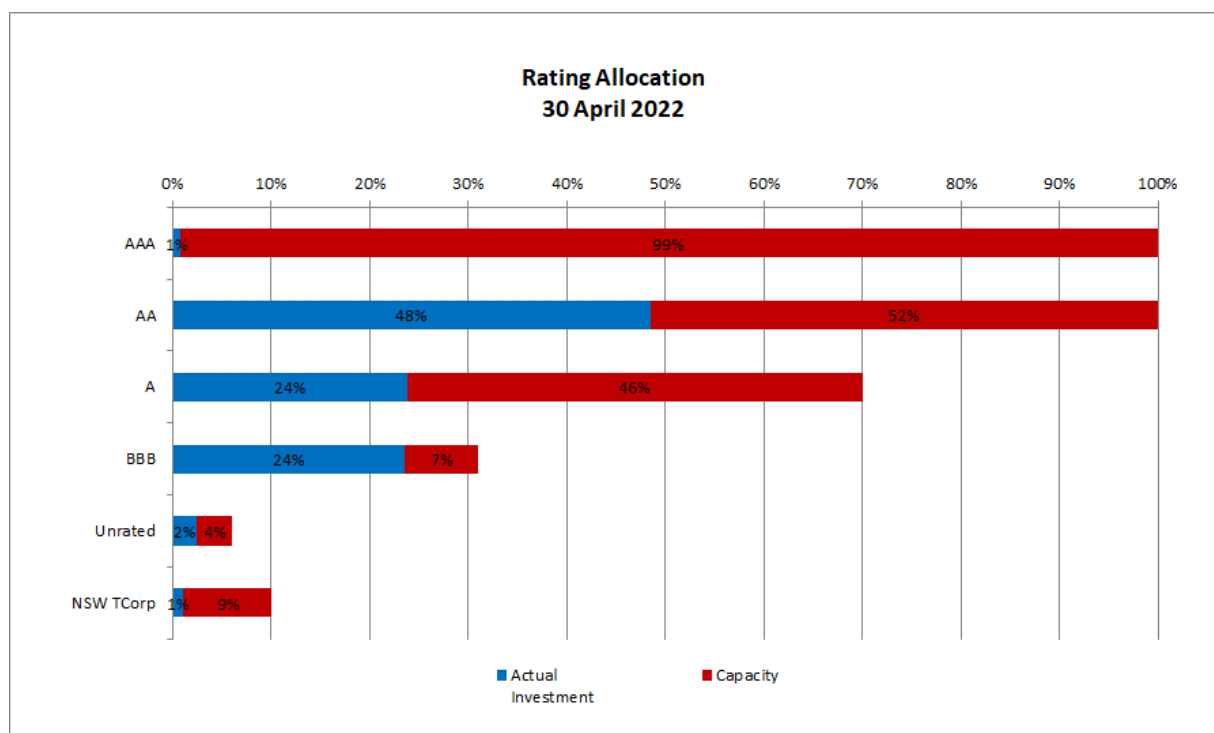
Council's investment portfolio is dominated by Term Deposits, equating to approximately 51% of the portfolio across a broad range of counterparties. Cash equates to 16%, with Floating Rate Notes (FRNs) around 21%, fixed rate bonds around 11% and growth funds around 1% of the portfolio.



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 has increased over the past month, up from \$162.76M to \$165.60M. During the month of April, Council received a pre-payment of 75% (\$8.5M) of its 2022/23 Financial Assistance Grants.

	Closing Balance Invested 28/02/2022 \$	Closing Balance Invested 31/03/2022 \$	Closing Balance Invested 30/04/2022 \$
TOTAL WWCC CASH ASSETS, CASH EQUIVALENTS & INVESTMENTS	162,912,969	162,761,823	165,602,162

Monthly Investment Movements

Redemptions/Sales – Council sold the following investment securities during April 2022:

Institution and Type	Amount	Investment Term	Interest Rate	Comments
Newcastle Permanent Building Society (BBB) Term Deposit	\$2M	3 years	2.70%	This term deposit was redeemed on maturity and funds were used to purchase a new 2-yr CBA term deposit (as below).

New Investments – Council purchased the following investment securities during April 2022:

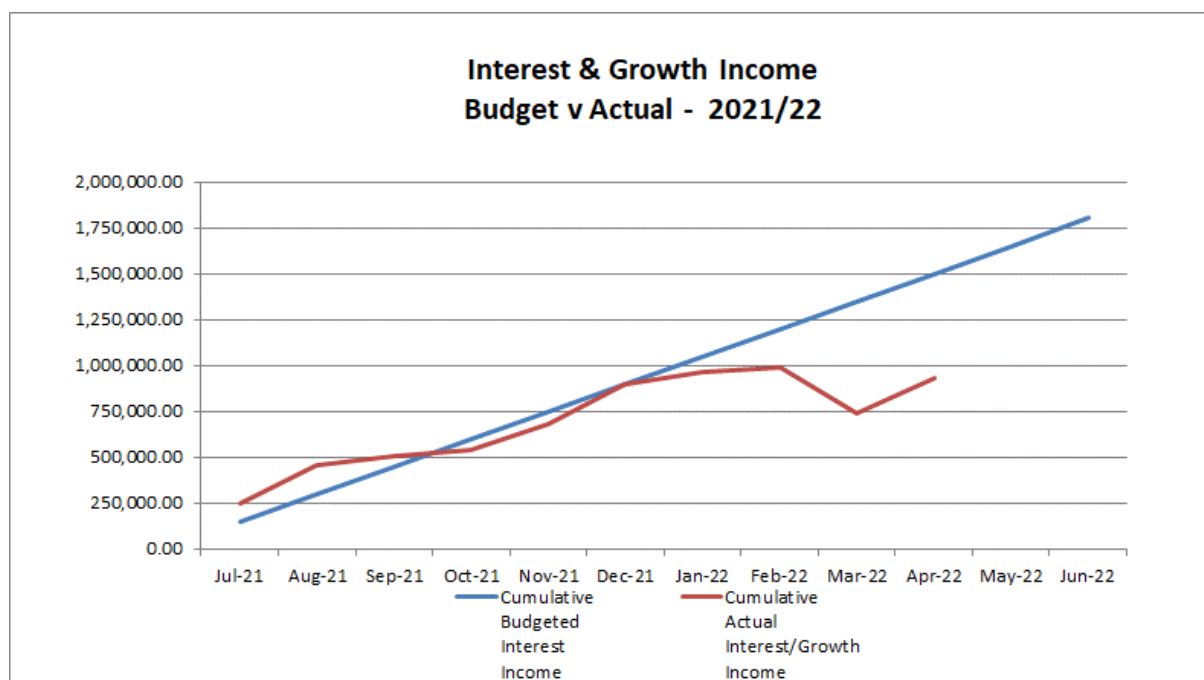
Institution and Type	Amount	Investment Term	Interest Rate	Comments
CBA (BBB) Term Deposit	\$2M	12 months	2.22%	The CBA rate of 2.22% compared favourably to the rest of the market for this term. The next best rate for this term was 1.95%.
CBA (BBB) Term Deposit	\$2M	2 years	3.28%	The CBA rate of 3.28% compared favourably to the rest of the market for this term. The next best rate for this term was 3.20%.

Rollovers – Council did not rollover any investment securities during April 2022.

Monthly Investment Performance

Interest/growth/capital gains/(losses) for the month totalled \$192,610, which compares favourably with the budget for the period of \$150,039 - outperforming budget for the month by \$42,571.

Council's outperformance to budget for March was mainly due to a positive movement in the principal value of its Floating Rate Note (FRN) portfolio. During the month, the principal value of Council's FRN portfolio rose by \$98,771 (or 0.28%).



In comparison to the AusBond Bank Bill Index* of -0.24% (annualised), Council's investment portfolio returned 1.08% (annualised) for the month of April. Cash and At-Call accounts returned 0.24% (annualised) for the month. These funds are utilised for daily cash flow management and need to be available to meet operating and contractual payments as they fall due.

Over the past year, Council's investment portfolio has returned 1.31%, outperforming the AusBond Bank Bill index by 1.30%.

Performance	1 month	3 months	6 months	FYTD	1 year	2 years	3 years
Official Cash Rate	0.01%	0.02%	0.05%	0.08%	0.10%	0.14%	0.37%
AusBond Bank Bill Index	-0.02%	-0.01%	0.01%	0.01%	0.02%	0.04%	0.40%
Council's Cash	0.02%	0.07%	0.12%	0.20%	0.24%	0.36%	0.76%
Council's T/D	0.13%	0.39%	0.81%	1.41%	1.73%	1.95%	2.22%
Council's FRN	0.09%	0.32%	0.69%	1.02%	1.19%	1.21%	1.52%
Council's Bonds	0.11%	0.32%	0.65%	1.05%	1.23%	-	-
Council's TCorp LTGF	-0.88%	-4.33%	-3.33%	-2.05%	1.51%	9.28%	5.71%
TCorp Benchmark	-0.93%	-3.29%	-2.54%	-1.49%	2.10%	9.45%	6.13%
Council's Portfolio	0.09%	0.26%	0.61%	1.05%	1.31%	1.54%	1.82%
Outperformance	0.11%	0.27%	0.61%	1.04%	1.30%	1.50%	1.42%

* 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 Investments Policy adopted by Council on 29 November 2021.

Carolyn Rodney
Responsible Accounting Officer

Policy and Legislation

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

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

Local Government Act 1993

Section 625 - How may councils invest?

Local Government (General) Regulation 2021

Section 212 - Reports on council investments

Link to Strategic Plan

Community Leadership and Collaboration

Objective: We have strong leadership

Outcome: We are accountable and transparent

Risk Management Issues for Council

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

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

Internal / External Consultation

All relevant areas within the 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 2021/22 to 2031/32

LONG TERM FINANCIAL PLAN ONE-OFF CAPITAL PROJECTS - 2021/22 - 2031/32 AS AT 30 APRIL 2022

				108,866,760	42,000	108,824,760	73,409,464	48,782,463	24,814,225	25,224,130	26,745,428	4,718,287	14,488,208	7,268,816	5,369,448
Ref	Job No.	Project Title	Funding Source	2021/22	2021/22 Pending	2021/22 Confirmed	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31
1	21577	54 Johnson Street Property Acquisition	Internal Loans Reserve (Land Sales)	785,000		785,000									
2	18812	Active Travel Plan - Stage 1 - TT26	Grant (Crown Finance Restart) \$5,659,986 + \$7.11 \$725,377	6,385,363		6,385,363									
3	21130	Active Travel Plan - Stage 2	Grant (Transport for NSW)	2,886,871		2,886,871									
4	21620	Active Travel Research Project	Grant (Sydney University)	77,000		77,000									
5	47288	Airport - Bays 1-3 Upgrade	External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments funded from Airport/Internal Loans Reserve)				380,000								
6	47320	Airport - Energy Savings Project (Lighting)	Internal Loans Reserve (Electricity Savings - Future Year Loan Repayments)				178,903								
7	47328	Airport - Light Aircraft Precinct Required Works	Internal Loans Reserve (Future Years Loan Repayments funded from Airport/Internal Loans Reserve)	75,000		75,000									
8	47192	Airport - Redevelop terminal - Internal Baggage Claim and Retail Section	Grant (INSW) \$1,000,000 + Grant (BBRF) \$4,568,158 + \$2,955,039 External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments funded from Airport/Internal Loans Reserve) + \$27,763 Airport/Internal Loans Reserve				8,550,959								
9	47310	Airport - Reseal Don Kendell and Welsh Drives	External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments funded from Airport/Internal Loans Reserve)				166,645								
10	47283	Airport - Runway Lighting Upgrade	External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments funded from Airport/Internal Loans Reserve)				1,411,505								
11	47278 + 47292	Airport - Taxiways A, B, D, E, F Rejuvenation	21/22 \$283,452 Grant (Crown Finance Restart) + \$71,716 Unexp Ext Loans Reserve + 23/24 External Borrowings + 24/25 Internal Loans Reserve (Ext+Int Loans - Future Years Loan Repayments funded from Airport/Internal Loans Reserve)	355,169		355,169		380,000	380,000						
12	47323	Airport Ancillary Land Acquisition	Internal Loans Reserve (payback from Airport/Internal Loans Reserve)	15,000		15,000	291,268								
13	15082	Amundsen Bridge Construction - TT6	External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCL Subsidy funded from \$7.11)					1,116,027							
14	20582	Art Gallery Humidity Control System	Grant (Office Responsible Gambling)	12,875		12,875									
15	21665	Art Gallery Purchase of Equipment for Media Project Lab	Grant (Create NSW)	49,657		49,657									
16	21086	Bagley Drive Land Acquisition	Parks & Recreation Reserve	148,849		148,849									

Ref	Job No.	Project Title	Funding Source	2021/22	2021/22 Pending	2021/22 Confirmed	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31
17	21275	Bakers Lane Widening + Intersection Upgrades - TT5	S7.11	43,501		43,501	412,500								
18	20411	Bolton Park Amenities	GPR	147,155		147,155									
19	21624	Bolton Park Stadium Repairs & upgrades	Parks & Recreation Reserve	130,279		130,279									
20	17760	Bolton Park Precinct Upgrade - ROS15	External Borrowings \$1,496,581 (Future Years Loan Repayments funded from GPR) + S7.11 \$6,244,275 + Grant (TBC) \$32,152,307	209,682		209,682	6,000,000	6,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000	7,683,481				
21	19628	Boorooma St Upgrade - TT28	S7.11							2,812,200					
22	15083	Boorooma Street Slip Lane into Boorooma West - (2006-19 Plan)	S7.11					297,000							
23	21696	Botanic Gardens Dingo Enclosure Fence	GPR	18,770		18,770									
24	18847	Botanic Gardens Museum Site Redevelopment Project	Grant (Dept Premier & Cabinet Create NSW) \$3,937,501 + S7.11 \$193,466 + \$76,000 Project Carryover Reserve	4,206,967		4,206,967									
25	21655	Botanic Gardens Railway Boundary Fence	Civil Infrastructure Reserve \$20K + Model Railway Contribution \$20K	40,000		40,000									
26	19546	Botanic Gardens Zoo - Stage 2 CCTV	GPR	10,028		10,028									
27	21274	Bourke Street and Bourkelands Drive Intersection Upgrade	S7.11	100,102		100,102									
28	21498	CCTV Camera Replacement Baylis Street	GPR	40,000		40,000									
29	21366	Cemetery Outdoor Touch Screen Kiosk	GPR	14,990		14,990									
30	18179	Civic Centre Entrance Canopy - To protect from weather and better identify the building entrance	Civic Centre S94 Recoupment (CR2)				115,243								
31	19567	Civic Theatre - Audio System Upgrade including Sound Desk	Civic Theatre Reserve \$25,000 + Internal Loans Reserve \$55,000 (payback from Civic Theatre Reserve)	80,000		80,000									
32	21308	Civic Theatre - Lift Control Upgrade	GPR	70,254		70,254									
33	19565	Civic Theatre - Replacement of Lighting Desk	Internal Loans Reserve (payback from Civic Theatre Reserve)					65,000							
34	19566	Civic Theatre - Replacement of Overhead Stage Lights with Digital Lights	Internal Loans Reserve (Future Years payback from Civic Theatre Reserve)				70,000								
35	21798	Civic Theatre Resheet Wall Surface Areas on Upper Turret Roof Area	Buildings Reserve				103,500								
36	21666	Civic Theatre Stage Upgrade	Grant (Create NSW)	41,278		41,278									
37	38639	Copland St Industrial Area - Stormwater Drainage Upgrade	Old S94 Reserve \$85,262 + Contribution \$92,358				177,620								

Ref	Job No.	Project Title	Funding Source	2021/22	2021/22 Pending	2021/22 Confirmed	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31
38	21816	Cremator Brickworks Reline	Cemetery Reserve	200,000		200,000									
39	19541	Depot Fuel Tanks & Bowsers Replacement	Plant Replacement Reserve	318,900		318,900									
40	21348	Dobney Avenue & Pearson Street Pavement Rehabilitation	Grant (TfNSW) \$4,193,086 + GPR \$917,488 + GPR Project Carryover Reserve \$8,207 + Civil Infrastructure Reserve \$470,820	5,589,601		5,589,601									
41	21480	Driver Reviver Site Upgrade	Grant (Dept Infrastructure & Regional Dev)	148,090		148,090									
42	21476	Duke of Kent Community Building	Strategic Real Property Reserve	800,000		800,000									
43	13684	Dunns Road - Roads and Traffic Facilities Upgrade	Grant \$5,510,497 (Dept Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Dev & Local Gov) + External Borrowings \$2,374,061 (Future Years Loan Repayments funded from GPR)	3,942,279		3,942,279	3,942,279								
44	15226	Energy Savings Project - Civic Centre Air-Conditioning Upgrade	S7.11	524,662		524,662									
45	21001	Enlighten For Equity Project	Grant (Dept Regional NSW) \$150,600 + GPR Project Carryover Reserve \$71,729 + Parks & Recreation Reserve \$49,621	271,951		271,951									
46	19647	Estella New Local Park (west Rainbow Drive) Embellishment - ROS1 + LA1 (Land Acquisition)	S7.11				1,495,725	1,231,950							
47	18115	Estella Rise Embellishment - ROS4	S7.11	2,993		2,993									
48	19590	Euberta Hall & Sportsground Water Bore & Irrigation System	GPR	42,689		42,689									
49	15084	Farrer Road Widening & Reconstruction	External Borrowings (Future Years Repayments less 50% LCL Subsidy funded from S7.11 + Civil Infrastructure Reserve)	86,083		86,083									
50	18922	Female Change Room Facilities	Grant (Dept Planning, Industry & Environment)	241,113		241,113									
51	21460	Fire Control Centre Refurbishment	Contribution (RFS)	78,724		78,724									
52	21285	Flowerdale Foot Bridge	Grant (NSW Dept Industry Crown Lands)	155,024		155,024									
53	19618	Footpaths - Boorooma, Estella & Gobbagombalin - TT17	S7.11 \$255,319 + Grant (TBC) \$1,286,050						1,286,050	255,319					
54	19619	Footpaths - Bourkelands & Lloyd - TT18	S7.11 \$352,763 + Grant (TBC) \$1,738,250								2,091,013				
55	19620	Footpaths - Central & North Wagga - TT19	S7.11 \$69,694 + Grant (TBC) \$351,050						351,050	69,694					
56	19622	Footpaths - Forest Hill - TT21	S7.11 \$208,725 + Grant (TBC) \$1,028,500								1,237,225				
57	19623	Footpaths - Koorimal - TT22	S7.11 \$152,835 + Grant (TBC) \$753,100								905,935				

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58	19625	Footpaths - Mount Austin, Tolland & Turvey Park - TT24	S7.11 \$282,210 + Grant (TBC) \$1,390,600								1,672,810				
59	19678	Forest Hill Upgrade Local Park - ROS16	S7.11								216,200				
60	20848	Fuel Management System - Council Fuel Trailers	Plant Replacement Reserve	12,236		12,236									
61	21650	Glenfield Road Animal Shelter Concrete Exercise Area with Shade Sails	GPR	51,000		51,000									
62	21651	Glenfield Road Animal Shelter Boom Gate Installation	GPR	19,000		19,000									
63	12922	Glenfield Road Corridor Works - TT1	S7.11 \$9,942,373 + External Borrowings \$9,220,792 funded from (Future year repayments funded from S7.11)	75,000		75,000	3,252,754	7,014,362	1,023,152	4,084,802		2,353,129	1,359,969		
64	18738	Glenfield Road Drainage Remediation (North of Fernleigh Rd)	Stormwater DSP \$1,018,191 + Stormwater Levy \$420,047	103,192		103,192	335,000	1,000,047							
65	19649	Gobbagombalin - 2 local parks - ROS3 + LA3 (Land Acquisition)	S7.11	840,438		840,438									
66	19648	Gobbagombalin Nth (Harris Road) Park Embellishment - ROS2	S7.11				197,400								
67	19534	Gobbagombalin Stormwater Infrastructure	Stormwater DSP	118,804		118,804									
68	19604	Gregadoo Road Corridor Works - TT7	21/22 - 22/23 (External Borrowings \$1,698,506 - Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCL Subsidy funded from S7.11 + Civil Infrastructure Reserve \$1,171,000) + 25/26 - 26/27 \$1,544,450 External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments funded from S7.11)	170,000		170,000	2,699,506			772,225	772,225				
69	70093	GWMC - Asset Renewals (Transfer Stations, Leachate systems)	Solid Waste Reserve				200,000		150,000			163,500			178,215
70	70164 + 70041	GWMC - Construction of a new Waste Cell	Solid Waste Reserve \$9,176,768 + Grant (NSW EPA) \$1,000,000	500,000		500,000	3,323,826						6,352,942		
71	70147	GWMC - Domestic Precinct (Transfer Station, Office Relocation, Roadworks)	Solid Waste Reserve	33,136		33,136	582,263	5,098,900	1,200,000				601,670		
72	70135	GWMC - Gas Capture Network Expansion & Gas Powered Evaporator	Solid Waste Reserve	507,983		507,983	1,330,010		300,000			327,000			356,430
73	70104	GWMC - Hook Truck Bins	Solid Waste Reserve	4,966		4,966	100,671		29,500		31,270		33,146		35,135
74	70143	GWMC - Wheel Washing Facility	Solid Waste Reserve				189,545								
75	70178	GWMC - Construction of a new Monocell	Solid Waste Reserve \$5,500,000 + Grant (NSW EPA) \$1,000,000	318,749		318,749	3,581,251								2,600,000

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76	70146	GWMC - New Cell (Preliminary Works)	Solid Waste Reserve	25,218		25,218									
77	70105	GWMC - Organic Processing Plant	Solid Waste Reserve				200,000								
78	70092	GWMC - Progressive Site Rehabilitation	Solid Waste Reserve	65,153		65,153	386,290	236,034	243,115	250,408	257,920	265,658			
79	70101	GWMC - Road Rehabilitation	Solid Waste Reserve	44,000		44,000		300,000		50,000		53,000		56,180	
80	70163	GWMC - Plant Purchase (auxiliary equipment - proposed new monocell)	Solid Waste Reserve						1,307,677						
81	70168	GWMC Plant Shed	Solid Waste Reserve	63,838		63,838	2,333,822								
82	70169	GWMC Waste to Energy (Solution)	Solid Waste Reserve											5,000,000	
83	19668	Harris Road to Open Space - ROS13	External Borrowings (Future Years Loans Repayments less 50% LCI Subsidy funded from \$7.11)	262,215		262,215									
84	21791	Humula Infrastructure Upgrade	Grant (Dept Industry, Science, Energy & Resources)	42,768		42,768	32,076	32,076							
85	19669	Jubilee Oval - Community Meeting Space - ROS14	\$7.11							384,750					
86	12941	Jubilee Oval to Red Hill Rd - Wagga West DSP Area - Implement Stormwater Drainage Improvements	External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCI Subsidy funded from Stormwater DSP)	100,000		100,000	289,018								
87	19664	Jubilee Park - Athletics Park Upgrade - ROS10	\$7.11 \$1,394,477 + Grant (TBC) \$4,111,885				5,506,362								
88	19382	Jubilee Park - Replace existing synthetic surfaces at the Jubilee Park Hockey Complex	Hockey Assoc Contrib \$205,000 + External Borrowings \$195,000 (Future Years Loan Repayments funded from GPR)							400,000					
89	20991	Koorngal Road - Pavement Rehabilitation	Grant (LRCI Round 1)	1,000,076		1,000,076									
90	18638	Lake Albert - Raising Water Level	Internal Loans Reserve	228,968		228,968									
91	21004	Lake Albert Road Stage 3A Urban Asphalt	GPR \$664,480 (tfr to reserve) + Grant (Fixing Local Roads TFNSW) \$1,993,441	2,657,922		2,657,922									
92	21003	Lake Albert Road Stage 3B Urban Asphalt	GPR \$524,647 + Grant (Fixing Local Roads TFNSW) \$1,573,938	2,098,585		2,098,585									
93	14048	Lawn Cemetery & Crematorium Office Refurbishment	Cemetery Reserve							500,000					
94	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)				750,000								
95	17866	Levee System Upgrade - North Wagga (1 in 20)	Special Rate Variation (SRV) Reserve \$2.604M + Grant (TBC) \$5.816M					8,419,811							

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96	21691	Library Accessible Toilet Upgrade	GPR	44,500		44,500									
97	21446	Library Capital Works Stage 1 - State Library Infrastructure Grant	Grant (Library Council NSW)	255,388		255,388									
98	21195	Library Capital Works Stage 1 - State Library Priority Funding	Grant (Library Council NSW)	14,892		14,892									
99	21481	Library Community Learning Space Tech & Furniture	Grant (NSW Govt Customer Service)	72,380		72,380									
100	19661	Lloyd Establish 3 Local Parks - ROS5 + LA5 (Deakin Ave) + LA6 (Barton Ave) + LA7 (Central Lloyd) - Land Acquisitions	21/22-22/23 \$7.11 \$2,369,900 + 24/25 External Borrowings \$2,401,850 (Future Years Loan repayments funded from \$7.11)	190,251		190,251	2,179,650		2,401,850						
101	45108	LMC - Cattle Yard Capability Upgrade	LMC Reserve	47,072		47,072									
102	45089	LMC - CCTV & security (partial)	LMC Reserve					41,734							
103	45121	LMC - Clean, fill and landscape all new works areas	LMC Reserve					85,000							
104	45109	LMC - Implement Wifi Network	LMC Reserve	218		218	133,766								
105	45120	LMC - Install Shade sales in sheep deliveries	LMC Reserve	723,799		723,799									
106	45106	LMC - Landscaping	LMC Reserve	15,364		15,364									
107	45096	LMC - New circulating road (partial)	LMC Reserve					2,086,693							
108	45123	LMC - Realign cattle draft ramps	LMC Reserve				600,000								
109	45119	LMC - Realign existing Sheep Yard Draft Ramps	LMC Reserve				950,000								
110	45125	LMC - Refurbish agents offices and canteen	LMC Reserve									500,000			
111	45124	LMC - Replace existing cattle/sheep delivery ramps	LMC Reserve								1,300,000				
112	45122	LMC - Reseal existing internal road network	LMC Reserve						650,000						
113	45111	LMC - Resurface Existing Sheep Yards	LMC Reserve	1,000,000		1,000,000									
114	45126	LMC - Road Train facilities	LMC Reserve										1,800,000		
115	45049	LMC - Treatment of Re-use Water	LMC Reserve	45		45		358,985							
116	45127	LMC - Waste to Energy	LMC Reserve								3,500,000				

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117	19736	Lord Baden Powell Drive Redevelopment	Grant (Dept Industry, Science, Energy & Resources)	89,402		89,402	2,480,557								
118	21778	Mangoplah Recreation Reserve Amenities Upgrade	Grant (Crown Reserve Improvement Fund)	119,700		119,700									
119	19662	McDonalds Parks - Establish 2nd Rugby League Field - ROS6	57.11					939,550							
120	21797	MPS Sports Court Recoat	2022/23 Parks & Recreation Reserve \$35,000 + 2027/28 GPR \$40,000				35,000					40,000			
121	18796	Northern Sporting Precinct - Sports grounds and play equipment (Peter Hastie Oval Works) - ROS11 + LA4 (Land Acquisition)	External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCU Subsidy funded from 57.11 + Building Reserve + GPR)	1,288,710		1,288,710	5,258,854								
122	28174	Oasis - 25m & Program Pool Covers & Rollers Replacement	GPR									70,000			
123	28183	Oasis - 25m, Program & Leisure Pool Expansion Joints Replacement	GPR											125,000	
124	28190	Oasis - 25m Pool Dive Starting Blocks	GPR										48,000		
125	28150	Oasis - 25m Pool Lane Ropes & Lane Storage Rollers Replacement	GPR							34,441					
126	28181	Oasis - 50m Pool & Grandstand Concourse Resurfacing	GPR									175,000			
127	28154	Oasis - 50m & Dive Pool Bulkhead Tiles Upgrade	GPR				40,804								
128	28153	Oasis - 50m & Dive Pool Expansion Joints Replacement	GPR							79,790					
129	28147	Oasis - 50m Pool Covers & Rollers Replacement	GPR	79,992		79,992									
130	28177	Oasis - 50m Pool Dive Starting Blocks	GPR								42,000				
131	28170	Oasis - 50m Pool Flood Lights	GPR								80,000				
132	28123	Oasis - 50m Pool Heating System Solar & Gas Boiler	GPR										275,000		
133	28172	Oasis - 50m Pool Lane Ropes & Lane Storage Rollers Replacement	GPR								85,000				
134	28179	Oasis - 50m Pool Shade covers deep end of pool	GPR								290,000				
135	28185	Oasis - 50m Pool Shade covers western side	Oasis Reserve								390,000				
136	28072	Oasis - Automatic Pool Cleaners	Oasis Reserve											60,000	
137	20840	Oasis - BBQ's	Oasis Reserve												70,000

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138	28152	Oasis - CCTV Camera System Upgrade	GPR				75,750								
139	28158	Oasis - Change Rooms Upgrade	GPR							353,500					
140	28121	Oasis - Circulation pumps (All Pools) - Replacement	Oasis Reserve	145,000		145,000									
141	28171	Oasis - Co Generation Energy System or alike	GPR								1,500,000				
142	28148	Oasis - Dive Pool Covers & Rollers Replacement	Oasis Reserve	35,350		35,350									
143	28173	Oasis - Disable/ Mixed Access Equipment / Steps - Wheel Chairs - Hoist & Extras	GPR								95,000				
144	28162	Oasis - Energy Savings Project (Mechanical Air Ventilation System Upgrade)	Internal Loans Reserve \$821,635 (Electricity Savings - Future Year Loan Repayments) + Oasis Reserve \$519,099 + Net Zero Emissions Reserve \$237,773 + \$7.11 \$100,000	1,446,738		1,446,738			231,770						
145	28119	Oasis - Filter Sand for All Pools	GPR								232,300				
146	16393	Oasis - Floor Carpet - Entrance Pool Hall, Offices Stairs & Meeting Room	Oasis Reserve												64,000
147	28182	Oasis - Irrigation/ Sprinkler System to Mixed Areas	Oasis Reserve									85,000			
148	15143	Oasis - Point of Sale System & Entry Gates	GPR										115,000		
149	28184	Oasis - Pool Balance Tanks Service	GPR												105,000
150	28149	Oasis - Pool Cover Winch Replacement	GPR	15,150		15,150									
151	28139	Oasis - Pool Deck Grating Replacement	Oasis Reserve				20,000			31,005					
152	28178	Oasis - Pool Hall Circulation Fans	GPR											45,000	
153	28155	Oasis - Pool Hall Glass Doors Upgrade & Replacement	GPR				136,350								
154	28175	Oasis - Pool Hall Lighting Repair & Replacement	Oasis Reserve										100,000		
155	28156	Oasis - Pool Hall Skylights Repair & Replacement	GPR				237,350								
156	28123	Oasis - Pool Heating Systems (All Pools)	Oasis Reserve						200,000						
157	28159	Oasis - Pool Plant Equipment Upgrade & Replacement	Oasis Reserve \$90,000 + GPR \$778,600							868,600					
158	28176	Oasis - Public Address System Repair & Replacement	Oasis Reserve											85,000	

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159	12202	Oasis - Replace Fibreglass Spring Boards	Oasis Reserve	61,105		61,105									
160	28157	Oasis - Security Lockers Replacement	Oasis Reserve					30,300							
161	28151	Oasis - Two Pool Inflatables Replacement	Oasis Reserve \$28,280 + GPR \$100,000							28,280					100,000
162	28180	Oasis - Water Drinking Fountains	GPR											60,000	
163	28145	Oasis - Water Features Project	Grant (TBC) \$834,085 + Oasis \$7.11 Recoupment \$854,937				1,689,022								
164	21790	Oberne Creek Hall Project	Grant (Dept Industry, Science, Energy & Resources)				34,560	3,840							
165	21598	Old Narrandera Road Sealing	Grant (Transport for NSW)	600,000		600,000	1,068,750								
166	20570	Parks - Smarter Sportsgrounds Systems	Grant (Local Government NSW)	7,000		7,000									
167	39042	Pedestrian Access and Mobility Program (PAMP)	GPR	42,000	42,000		42,000	42,000	42,000	42,000	42,000	42,000	42,000	42,000	42,000
168	15090	Pine Gully Road - Bike Track - (2006-19 Plan)	External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCL) Subsidy funded from \$7.11)	125,048		125,048									
169	19601	Pine Gully Road Corridor Works - TT2	\$7.11 \$2,326,197 + External Borrowings \$4,412,348 (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCL) Subsidy funded from \$7.11)	75,000		75,000	2,117,089			2,999,630	1,546,826				
170	17976	Pomingalarna Reserve Multisport Cycling Complex - ROS8	External Borrowings \$1,403,494 (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCL) Subsidy funded from \$7.11) + Grant (Office of Sport) \$1,598,627 + GPR \$1,944,303	4,946,424		4,946,424									
171	18792	Public Art - River Life	Public Art Reserve	35,532		35,532	106,595								
172	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
173	19667	Rawlings Park North - Construct a synthetic soccer facility - ROS12	\$7.11 \$700,000 + Grant (TBC) \$3,177,112					3,877,112							
174	19627	Red Hill Rd/Dalman Parkway Intersection Treatment - TT27	\$7.11				150,000	1,750,443							
175	19681	Red Hill Road Upgrade - TT3	21/22 External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCL) Subsidy funded from \$7.11) + 24/25 \$7.11 + 28/29 - 29/30 External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments funded from \$7.11)	79,123		79,123			78,217				2,134,706	1,151,636	1,174,668
176	23816	Regional Roads Repair Block Grant - project TBA	Repair Block Grant (TfNSW)				400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000

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177	15883	Regional Roads Supplementary Block Grant - project TBA	Block Grant - Supp (TNSW)				199,000	199,000	199,000	199,000	199,000	199,000	199,000	199,000	199,000
178	19544	RIFL Stage 2A - Rail Siding	Grant (Transport for NSW)	12,052,018		12,052,018									
179	20550	RIFL Stage 2B - Terminal Works	Contribution (VISY) \$3,595,000 + External Borrowings \$4,237,008 (Future Years Loan Repayments funded from Visy under the lease agreement)	7,832,009		7,832,009									
180	19545	RIFL Stage 2C - Industrial Subdivision - Civil Works	Grant (Crown Finance Restart)	18,793,950		18,793,950									
181	21082	RIFL Stage 3D - Relocate Power	Grant (Crown Finance Restart) \$1,024,851 + Contribution (RGDC) \$4,606,244	5,631,095		5,631,095									
182	17744	Riverside - Hampden Bridge Legacy Project	Emergency Events Reserve	30,444		30,444									
183	21367	Riverside Basketball Court Upgrade	GPR	49,955		49,955									
184	18798 + 20574	Riverside Wagga - Wagga Beach Upgrade Stage 2 - ROS9 (including Landscaping, carpark, CCTV, lighting)	\$7.11 \$60,051 + Grant (Crown Finance Restart) \$6,951,961 + External Borrowings \$1,537,067 (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCLJ Subsidy funded from \$7.11)	8,549,080		8,549,080									
185	50112	Sewage Treatment Works Renewal - Tarcutta	Sewer Reserve				249,236								
186	50224	Sewer - Ashmont SPS, Rising Main & Gravity Main Upgrade	External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCLJ subsidy funded from Sewer Reserve)	29,942		29,942	608,596								
187	50375	Sewer - Bomen Infrastructure - New Assets	Sewer Reserve	1,362,010		1,362,010									
188	50256	Sewer - Bomen Pump Station - SPS30 Bomen - New Assets	Sewer Reserve	1,842,839		1,842,839									
189	50276	Sewer - Cartwright's Hill Pump Station - SPS09 - Renewals	Sewer Reserve						50,000	200,000					
190	50258	Sewer - Copland Street Pump Station - SPS39 - New Assets - New pump station	Sewer Reserve (DSP)	65,348		65,348	379,124								
191	50199	Sewer - Elizabeth Avenue Forest Hill SPS22 - New Assets	Sewer Reserve (DSP)	300,000		300,000	975,183								
192	50060	Sewer - Forsyth St Pump Station - SPS02 - Renewals - Refurbishment of current wells	Sewer Reserve				200,000	600,000							
193	50259	Sewer - Glenfield East Pump Station - SPS41 - New Assets - New pump station	Sewer Reserve (DSP)					368,981	2,138,412						
194	50086	Sewer - Hammond Avenue Pump Station - SPS15 - New Assets	External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCLJ subsidy funded from Sewer Reserve)	121,177		121,177									
195	50384	Sewer - Install Flowmeters at Major Pumpstations	Sewer Reserve	34,941		34,941	39,862								

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196	50221	Sewer - Narrung St Treatment Plant Flood Protection Infrastructure	Sewer Reserve				499,591								
197	50245	Sewer - Olympic Highway - SPS13 New Assets	Sewer Reserve (DSP)				138,912	805,910							
198	50403	Sewer - Pressure Rising Main Sturt Highway	Sewer Reserve	65,000		65,000									
199	50274	Sewer - Pump Station - SPS06 Shaw Street - Renewals	Sewer Reserve							280,000					
200	50028	Sewer - Re-use Water - Additional infrastructure to meet quality requirements	Sewer Reserve				1,224,096								
201	50404	Sewer - Shed Upgrade Pump Wash for E1 Pumps	Sewer Reserve	30,000		30,000									
202	50261	Sewer - Springvale Pump Station - SPS36 - New Assets - New pump station	Sewer Reserve				59,646	536,811							
203	50291	Sewer - Uranquinty Pump Station - SPS31 - Renewals	Sewer Reserve (DSP)								520,000				
204	50277	Sewer - Wiradjuri Sewer Pump Station - SPS10 Renewal	Sewer Reserve (DSP)						13,032	75,486					
205	50266	Sewer Treatment Works - Forest Hill Plant - New Assets	External Borrowings \$964,497 (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCLI subsidy funded from Sewer Reserve) + Sewer Reserve \$1,484,467	143,779		143,779	1,573,407	731,778							
206	50250	Sewer Trunk Main - Lloyd to Ashmont SPS23	External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCLI subsidy funded from Sewer Reserve)	13,234		13,234									
207	19609	Shared path - Boorooma to Estella & Gobba - TT9	S7.11 \$260,044 + Grant (TBC) \$1,309,850						1,309,850		260,044				
208	19610	Shared path - Bourkelands to Lloyd - TT10	S7.11 \$11,306 + Grant (TBC) \$56,950						56,950		11,306				
209	19612	Shared path - CBD to Forest Hill - TT12	S7.11 \$200,963 + Grant (TBC) \$990,250								1,191,213				
210	19613	Shared path - Forest Hill - TT13	S7.11 \$147,660 + Grant (TBC) \$727,600						727,600		147,660				
211	15293	Sportsgrounds Lighting Program - McPherson Oval (Nth Wagga)	GPR \$180,000 + Grant (Stronger country Communities) \$365,171	545,171		545,171									
212	19526 + 38639	Stormwater - Copland St Drainage Projects	Stormwater DSP \$374,944 + S7.11 (2006-19 Plan) \$107,500	108,115		108,115		374,329							
213	13673	Stormwater - Day, Higgins, Tarcutta St - Wagga West DSP Area Drainage Upgrade	Stormwater DSP \$308,458 + Stormwater Drainage Reserve \$20,000										328,458		

Ref	Job No.	Project Title	Funding Source	2021/22	2021/22 Pending	2021/22 Confirmed	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31
214	12758	Stormwater - Kincaid St end to Flowerdale pumping station drainage - Wagga West DSP Area	External Borrowings \$782,980 (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCL subsidy funded from Stormwater DSP) + External Borrowings \$27,955 (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCL subsidy funded from Civil Infrastructure Reserve)					810,935							
215	13674	Stormwater - Lloyd Contour Ridge approx 5 km - Wagga West DSP Area Drainage Upgrade	Stormwater DSP \$148,060 + Stormwater Drainage Reserve \$9,600										157,660		
216	17742	Stormwater - Murray St Project	Stormwater Levy	16,527		16,527	222,250	2,952,750							
217	12916	Stormwater - Tarcoola Drainage Extension	Stormwater DSP										495,657		
218	18524 + 18589	Stormwater - Tarcutta Drainage Upgrade & Supplementary Levee	RMS Contribution				411,880								
219	19522	Stormwater - Yanda Lane Drainage	Stormwater Levy					495,763							
220	21792	Tarcutta Memorial Hall Upgrade	Grant (Dept Industry, Science, Energy & Resources)	72,456		72,456	54,342	54,342							
221	21569	Tarcutta Pump Track Construction	Grant (Dept Gaming) \$87,520 & GPR \$40,000	127,520		127,520									
222	21789	Tarcutta Recreation Reserve Infrastructure Upgrade	Grant (Dept Industry, Science, Energy & Resources)	74,358		74,358	173,502								
223	19573	The Gap RFS Shed Construction	Contribution (RFS)	212,778		212,778									
224	19334	Umbango RFS Shed Construction	Contribution (RFS)	234,977		234,977									
225	20846	Venue Technical Events Kit	Community Works Reserve							8,000					
226	18903	Victory Memorial Garden Toilet Block	Buildings Reserve	1,183		1,183	13,800								
227	21776	Wagga Wagga Cricket Ground Roof Replacement	Grant (Crown Reserve Improvement Fund)	32,400		32,400									
228	21497	Wagga Wagga Kart Club Facility Renewal	Grant (Office Sport)	407,407		407,407									
229	20571	Wilga Park - Stronger Communities	Public Art Reserve	11,250		11,250									
230	21777	Wiradjuri Walking Track Upgrade	Grant (Crown Reserve Improvement Fund)	256,668		256,668									
231	16497	Wollundry Lagoon Levee Bank and Pump Out from theatre	594 Civic Building Recoupment	115,190		115,190									
232	21338	Workshop Oil Shed Refurbishment	Plant Reserve	133,614		133,614									
233	21454	Your High Street Grant Program	Grant (Dept Planning, Industry & Environment)	326,000		326,000									
		TOTAL LTFP CAPITAL PROGRAM		108,866,760	42,000	108,824,760	73,409,464	48,782,463	24,814,225	25,224,130	26,745,428	4,718,287	14,488,208	7,268,816	5,369,448

LONG TERM FINANCIAL PLAN RECURRENT CAPITAL PROJECTS - 2021/22 - 2031/32 AS AT 30 APRIL 2022

Summary				19,491,673	18,890,352	20,965,937	19,474,450	22,037,728	20,624,542	23,635,650	22,397,741	22,815,814	24,132,184
Ref	Job No.	Project Title	Funding Source	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31
1	19504	Art Gallery - Acquire pieces for the Australian Print Collection	GPR	8,857	9,212	9,580	9,963	10,362	10,776	11,207	11,638	12,143	12,670
2	19505	Art Gallery - Acquire pieces for the National Art Glass Collection	GPR	15,748	23,029	23,950	24,908	25,904	26,940	28,018	29,096	30,359	31,677
3	12498	Bus Shelters Upgrade (existing)	GPR	20,000		20,000		20,000		20,000		20,000	
4	19503	Civic Theatre - Backstage Equipment Upgrade	GPR	12,653	13,159	13,686	14,233	14,802	15,394	16,010	16,626	17,291	17,983
5	15198	Community Amenities - Anderson Oval	GPR + Community Amenities Reserve (trfd from GPR)	319,775									
6	17986	Community Amenities - Apex Park	GPR							30,000	242,031		
7	16459	Community Amenities - Forest Hill Oval	GPR + Community Amenities Reserve (trfd from GPR)		30,000	204,856							
8	17749	Community Amenities - Gissing Oval	GPR					30,000	226,633				
9	17748	Community Amenities - Jubilee/Connolly Park	GPR				30,000	219,158					
10	16458	Community Amenities - Kessler Park	GPR \$258,016 + Buildings Reserve (trfd from GPR) \$46,812 + Contribution (Tolland FC) \$20,000 + Grant (Stronger Country Communities) \$336,927	30,000	631,755								
11	19484	Community Amenities - McPherson Oval	GPR								30,000	250,192	
12	17985	Community Amenities - Tarcutta Public Convenience	GPR						30,000	234,332			
13	17039	Community Amenities - TBC	GPR									30,000	258,790

Ref	Job No.	Project Title	Funding Source	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31
14	12846	Community Amenities - Uranquinty Sports Ground	GPR			30,000	211,901						
15	16583	Corporate Hardware Purchases	GPR	1,009,984	415,000	395,000	393,000	910,000	732,000	450,000	450,000	450,000	450,000
16	15230	Culverts - Renew and Replace	GPR	625,353	651,911	679,531	708,256	738,094	769,119	799,884	830,649	863,875	898,430
17	32514	Footpath Construction	GPR	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
18	24218	Gravel Resheets	GPR	1,753,709	1,827,738	1,904,728	1,984,797	2,067,981	2,154,476	2,240,655	2,326,834	2,419,907	2,516,703
19	16531	Heavy Patching Program	GPR	23,289	986,854	1,035,127	1,085,858	1,130,289	1,176,493	1,222,697	1,268,901	1,319,657	1,372,443
20	39868	Kerb and Gutter Replacement	GPR	513,973	535,147	557,167	580,067	603,870	628,622	653,767	678,912	706,068	734,310
21	21678	Library Fit-out	GPR		37,000								
22	21679	Library Collection	GPR		200,000	204,000	208,080	212,242	216,486	220,816	225,232	229,737	234,332
23	21680	Library - South-west Zone Digital Library	GPR		35,000	35,700	36,414	37,142	37,885	38,643	39,416	40,204	41,008
24	21681	Library eResources	GPR		50,000	51,000	52,020	53,060	54,122	55,204	56,308	57,434	58,583
25	21682	Library Shelf-Ready Processing	GPR		18,000	18,360	18,727	19,102	19,484	19,873	20,271	20,676	21,090
26	21683	Library Cataloguing	GPR		25,000	25,500	26,010	26,530	27,061	27,602	28,154	28,717	29,291
27	21684	Library RFID Encoding hardware	GPR		10,757								
28	21685	Library RFID Tags	GPR		3,500	3,570	3,641	3,714	3,789	3,864	3,942	4,020	4,101
29	21686	Library - Agile Library Book Collection	GPR		40,000	40,800	41,616	42,448	43,297	44,163	45,046	45,947	46,866
30	21687	Library Book Club Program	GPR		37,125	10,000	10,200	10,404	10,612	10,824	11,041	11,262	11,487
31	21345	Museum Acquisitions	Museum Acquisitions Reserve	15,000	10,000	10,000	4,378						
32	20959	Parks Smart Irrigation	Internal Loans Reserve (Water savings payback - 2 Year Loan Repayments)	96,501	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000				

Ref	Job No.	Project Title	Funding Source	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31
33	16532	Pavement Rehabilitation Program	20/21 -R2R \$1,960K + Reg Rds Block \$1,522K + GPR \$1,246K + S/Water Levy \$370K, 21/22-23/24 - R2R \$2,051K + Reg Rds Block \$606K (Block 2% each year) + GPR Balance, 24/25 onwards - R2R \$1,005K + Reg Rds Block \$643K (R2R 3% + Block 2% each year) + GPR Balance	4,453,867	3,878,211	4,904,075	4,013,831	4,179,946	4,352,750	4,528,934	4,704,931	4,895,328	5,091,141
34	21900	Plant and Equipment Replacement	Plant Reserve \$4.6M + Plant Sales \$1.7M (amounts vary each fin yr)	5,500,571	3,470,920	4,886,000	3,787,200	5,066,500	3,297,600	5,961,500	4,132,400	3,851,500	4,514,500
35	12231	Playground Equipment Renewal	GPR	40,000	20,000	80,000	180,000	340,000	281,000	300,000	313,987	329,093	344,926
36	21091	Recreational Assets Renewal	GPR	260,910	338,572	352,115	366,200	380,848	396,082	411,925	427,769	444,878	462,672
37	16529	Reseal program (renewal)	GPR \$1,906,033 + Regional Roads Block Grant \$333,008 (incrementing 3% each yr)	2,364,013	2,477,136	2,593,666	2,715,989	2,835,510	2,960,301	3,078,713	3,197,125	3,325,011	3,458,011
38	52055	Sewer Gravity Mains Renewal Program	Sewer Reserve	150,706	155,227	159,884	164,680	169,621	174,709	179,950	185,191	190,747	196,469
39	51390	Sewer Joint Connections Elimination	Sewer Reserve	53,068	53,864	54,672	55,492	56,325	57,169	58,027	58,885	59,768	60,665
40	50018	Sewer Mains Rehabilitation Program	Sewer Reserve	1,350,611	1,391,129	1,432,863	1,475,849	1,520,124	1,565,728	1,612,700	1,659,671	1,709,461	1,760,744
41	50052	Sewer Manhole Lids Replacment	Sewer Reserve	72,116	73,197	74,295	75,409	76,540	77,688	78,853	80,036	81,237	82,455
42	50024	Sewer Plant & Pumps Replacement and Renewal	Sewer Reserve	53,864	54,672	55,492	56,325	57,170	58,027	58,897	59,768	60,665	61,576
43	15267	Sportsgrounds Lighting Program - Anderson Oval	GPR \$180,000 + Contrib (TBC) \$144,500	322,104									

Ref	Job No.	Project Title	Funding Source	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31
44	17040	Sportsgrounds Lighting Program - Estella	GPR \$180,000 + Contrib (TBC) \$150,000	330,000									
45	17041	Sportsgrounds Lighting Program - Jack Misson Oval (Ashmont)	GPR \$180,000 + Contrib (TBC) \$144,500		324,500								
46	12786	Street Lighting Improvements Program - Roads and Traffic Facilities (as per schedule)	GPR	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
47	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
48	30044	Urban Asphalt Program	GPR		922,737	960,320	999,406	1,040,041	1,082,297	1,125,589	1,168,881	1,215,636	1,264,261
49	12894 + 20573	Village Community Priorities - S94A3	External Borrowings (Future Years Loan Repayments less 50% LCU subsidy funded from S7.12*)	0	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	18,000	18,000			
		TOTAL LTFP CAPITAL PROGRAM		19,491,673	18,890,352	20,965,937	19,474,450	22,037,728	20,624,542	23,635,650	22,397,741	22,815,814	24,132,184

RP-7 TRANSPORT FOR NSW ACCESS TO WAGGA WAGGA CYCLING COUNTER DATA

Author: Ben Creighton
General Manager: Peter Thompson

Summary: Transport for NSW have recently launched a bicycle counter information website and have requested access to Council's electronic counter data so that it can be included on the website.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a authorise the General Manager or their delegate to enter a deed of licence to provide Transport for NSW access to Wagga Wagga's Active Transport data
- b authorise the affixing of Council's Common Seal to all necessary documents as required

Report

Transport for NSW (TfNSW) have recently released bicycle counter information for around 100 counters on their website: <https://www.transport.nsw.gov.au/atcounts/>

Council has subsequently received a request from TfNSW to include Wagga Wagga's counter data up on this dashboard and on their open data hub. This request is being made of Wagga Wagga and other LGA's with the aim of creating a detailed Active Transport behavioural data set.

To formalise their request TfNSW are proposing that Council enter a deed that would give them a licence to work with the supplier of our electronic counters and staff to gain access to the data.

No risks have been identified if Council's data is included on the web page or data hub. The proposed deed is for non-identifiable data only, it does not restrict Council's use of the data in any way and could be terminated at any time with 30 days' notice.

Financial Implications

N/A

Policy and Legislation

Wagga Wagga Integrated Transport Plan
Wagga Wagga Active Travel Plan

Link to Strategic Plan

Community Leadership and Collaboration

Objective: City of Wagga Wagga services reflect the needs of the community

Outcome: The City of Wagga Wagga has efficient and effective processes

Risk Management Issues for Council

No risks have been identified if Council's data is included on the web page or data hub. The proposed deed is for non-identifiable data only, it does not restrict Council's use of the data in any way and could be terminated at any time with 30 days notice.

Internal / External Consultation

Staff have held discussions with Transport for NSW on this proposal.

RP-8 DRAFT DEVELOPER INFRASTRUCTURE AGREEMENTS POLICY**Author:** Belinda Maclure**General Manager:** Peter Thompson**Summary:**

The residential, commercial and industrial development driving the city's growth will generate additional demand for a range of local infrastructure, including roads, shared paths, open spaces and community facilities.

The majority of this infrastructure is funded by Sections 7.11 and 7.12 contributions levied against developers typically through Conditions of a Development Consent.

Developers either pay monetary contributions and Council provides the required infrastructure set out in the Council's contributions plan, or they can voluntarily offer to enter into a Developer Infrastructure Agreement with the Council and provide infrastructure on behalf of Council and the community.

The draft Policy addresses how Council will manage the process for Developer Infrastructure Agreements. This ensures the process is consistent, transparent and reliable for Council, community and developers.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a notes the draft Developer Infrastructure Agreements Policy was placed on public exhibition and no submissions were received
- b adopt the Developer Infrastructure Agreements Policy
- c rescinds the following Council policies:
 - i POL 003 Works in Kind Policy; and
 - ii POL 096 City of Wagga Wagga Planning Agreement Policy

Report

The Wagga Wagga Local Government Area (LGA) is forecast to grow by 11,800 people over the next 15 years (Wagga Wagga Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan 2019 – 2034 (LICP)). Residential development will be accompanied by new employment generating development. This growth will generate additional demand for a range of local infrastructure, including roads, shared paths, open spaces and community facilities. The majority of this infrastructure is funded by Section 7.11 and 7.12 infrastructure contributions paid by developers.

Developers either make a monetary payment of Section 7.11 or 7.12 infrastructure contributions and Council will provide the required infrastructure, or they can offer to enter into an agreement with Council and construct infrastructure on behalf of Council and therefore the community. These agreements are known as Developer Infrastructure Agreements. A Developer Infrastructure Agreement is a voluntary

agreement between Council and a developer. There are two types of Developer Agreements. There are Planning Agreements (where a developer offers to provide a material public benefit and is not included in the LICP) and Works in Kind Agreements (where the developer offers to construct infrastructure identified in the LICP). The main similarities and differences in Developer Agreements are summarised in the table below.

Works in Kind Agreements	Planning Agreements
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Include infrastructure identified in a contributions plan • Cost of infrastructure is the cost in the contributions plan (indexed as appropriate) • Are not required to go on public exhibition once endorsed by Council • Are not referenced in the Act • Works must be secured by a unconditional bank guarantee • Managed by a Deed of Agreement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are governed by Section 7.4 of the Act • Include infrastructure not identified in a contributions plan • Costs of infrastructure must be provided to Council with designs and this cost will be verified by Council • Negotiation process can be longer as the proposal is not identified as a priority in a contributions plan • Must go on public exhibition • Works must be secured by a unconditional bank guarantee • Managed by a Deed of Agreement

The draft Developer Infrastructure Agreements Policy has been developed to replace the existing separate Council policies of POL 003 Works in Kind Policy and POL 096 City of Wagga Wagga Planning Agreement Policy.

The new draft Policy details how Council will treat offers made by developers for works in kind agreements (where the developer proposes to construct infrastructure listed in a contributions plan) and planning agreements (where the developer proposes an alternative material public benefit) either in lieu of or in addition to the contribution due for the development. The draft Policy aims to:

- provide a simple, consistent, and transparent framework for Developer Infrastructure Agreements
- facilitate timely provision of infrastructure aligned to Council's strategic planning objectives
- enable developers to provide infrastructure contributions both included in, and outside those required by a contributions plan
- support development by providing flexible and innovative solutions
- ensure developers are treated fairly and consistently in their dealings with Council
- ensure developer-provided infrastructure aligns with Council's strategic plans and policies.

The draft Policy has been developed in consultation with stakeholders from across Council. It has also been reviewed by Specialist Contributions Consultant (GLN

Planning) who has a long history of working with Wagga Wagga City Council on the infrastructure contributions framework. During the public exhibition of the draft Policy a number of industry stakeholders also met Council staff to discuss the draft Policy.

Combining works in kind agreements and planning agreements into one policy provides a singular reference point for the community and developers to better understand the options available, as well as supporting consistency and transparency in how the system will be applied. It is considered best practice.

On 7 March 2022 Council resolved to endorse the draft Policy be placed on public exhibition and invited public submissions for a period of 42 days from 11 March 2022 to 22 April 2022. No written submissions were received.

Financial Implications

Developer Agreements enable developers to provide infrastructure contributions outside or in addition to those required under the contributions plan and encourage them to provide flexible and innovative solutions to deliver infrastructure to support development. Most Developer Agreements will have an impact on the Section 7.11 Reserve. For example a developer may construct a project identified in the Contributions Plan in lieu of paying Section 7.11 contributions, they may construct a project in addition to their contributions or they could construct an asset not identified in a contributions plan with a material public benefit to the wider community either in lieu of or in addition to infrastructure contributions. The impact of each proposed Developer Agreement on the Section 7.11 Reserve will be assessed when it is considered by Council.

Every Developer Agreement must be approved by Council and the financial implications of each individual agreement will be reported to Council as part of this process.

Policy and Legislation

Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 Section 7.4

Link to Strategic Plan

The Environment

Objective: We plan for the growth of the city

Outcome: We have sustainable urban development

Risk Management Issues for Council

Planning Agreements and Works in Kind Agreements can provide innovative outcomes which benefit the wider community. However, there is a risk the community will perceive an agreement with a developer as unfair and benefiting the developer and not the community. The draft Policy aims to ensure all developers are treated fairly and consistently when dealing with Council. It aims to ensure transparency of all agreements between developers and Council.

Feedback from the industry indicates developers are uncertain about the options available and are confused about how to propose and enter into an agreement with Council. The draft Policy has been simplified and aims to be easy to understand, it includes diagrams illustrating the steps involved in the process.

It is important that developers propose to provide suitable infrastructure through a Developer Agreement. The draft Policy ensures developer-provided infrastructure aligns with Council's strategic plans and sets out a process to ensure it is constructed to meet Council standards. It provides a framework which will produce consistent and recallable decisions regarding the provision of infrastructure to support development.

Internal / External Consultation

The draft Policy was placed on public exhibition for a period of 42 days from 11 March 2022 to 22 April 2022. A connect Wagga website was developed and promoted for the duration of the public exhibition period.

A total of three development industry stakeholders (including two consulting firms) met with Council staff to discuss the draft Policy.

During the public exhibition period the draft Policy was on Council's website and also had a connect wagga website. Industry stakeholders were directly contacted via email throughout the period and encouraged to make a booking for a one on one meeting, attend a workshop or the drop in session. Two advertisements were placed in the Council news.

	Mail			Media				Community Engagement						Digital			
	Rates notices insert	Direct mail	Letterbox drop	Council news story	Council News advert	Media releases	TV/radio advertising	One-on-one meetings	Your Say website	Community meetings	Stakeholder workshops	Drop-in sessions	Surveys and feedback forms	Social media	Email newsletters	Website	Digital advertising
TIER																	
Consult																	
Involve																	
Collaborate					☆			☆	☆		☆	☆			☆	☆	

Attachments

1  Council Draft Developer Infrastructure Agreement Policy

Developer Infrastructure Agreements Policy

Reference number: <<Enter policy number>>
Approval date: <<Enter original draft date>>
Policy owner: Manager City Strategy
Next review: <<Enter date>>

Section 1 – Introduction

1.1 Preamble

The Wagga Wagga Local Government Area (LGA) population is forecast to grow by around 11,800 people to 2034, as identified in the Council's current infrastructure contributions plan (Wagga Wagga Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan 2019 – 2034 (or LICP)).

Residential, commercial and industrial development driving this growth will generate additional demand for a range of local infrastructure, including roads, shared paths, open spaces and community facilities.

The majority of this infrastructure is funded by Sections 7.11 and 7.12¹ contributions that are levied against developers typically through Conditions of a Development Consent.

Developers either pay monetary contributions and Council provides the required infrastructure that is set out in the council's contributions plan, or they can voluntarily offer to enter into an Agreement – a 'Developer Infrastructure Agreement' - with the Council and provide infrastructure on behalf of Council and the community.

This Policy addresses how Council will treat offers from developers to meet their infrastructure contributions obligations through Developer Infrastructure Agreements to deliver infrastructure in addition to, or instead of, paying monetary contributions.

1.2 Purpose

The main purpose of this policy is to explain how Council will allow or enter into Developer Infrastructure Agreements to support new development and the increasing population.

Other purposes of this policy are to:

- provide a simple, consistent, and transparent framework for Developer Infrastructure Agreements
- facilitate timely provision of infrastructure aligned to Council's strategic planning objectives
- enable developers to provide infrastructure contributions both included in, and outside

¹ S7.11 and s7.12 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (EP&A Act)

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- those required by, a contributions plan
- support development by providing flexible and innovative solutions
- ensure developers are treated fairly and consistently in their dealings with Council
- ensure developer-provided infrastructure aligns with Council's strategic plans and policies.

1.3 Types of Developer Infrastructure Agreements

Developer Infrastructure Agreements is an umbrella term used in this Policy covering the following types of agreements:

- Works in Kind agreements
- Planning Agreements

Key features of Developer Infrastructure Agreements are shown below

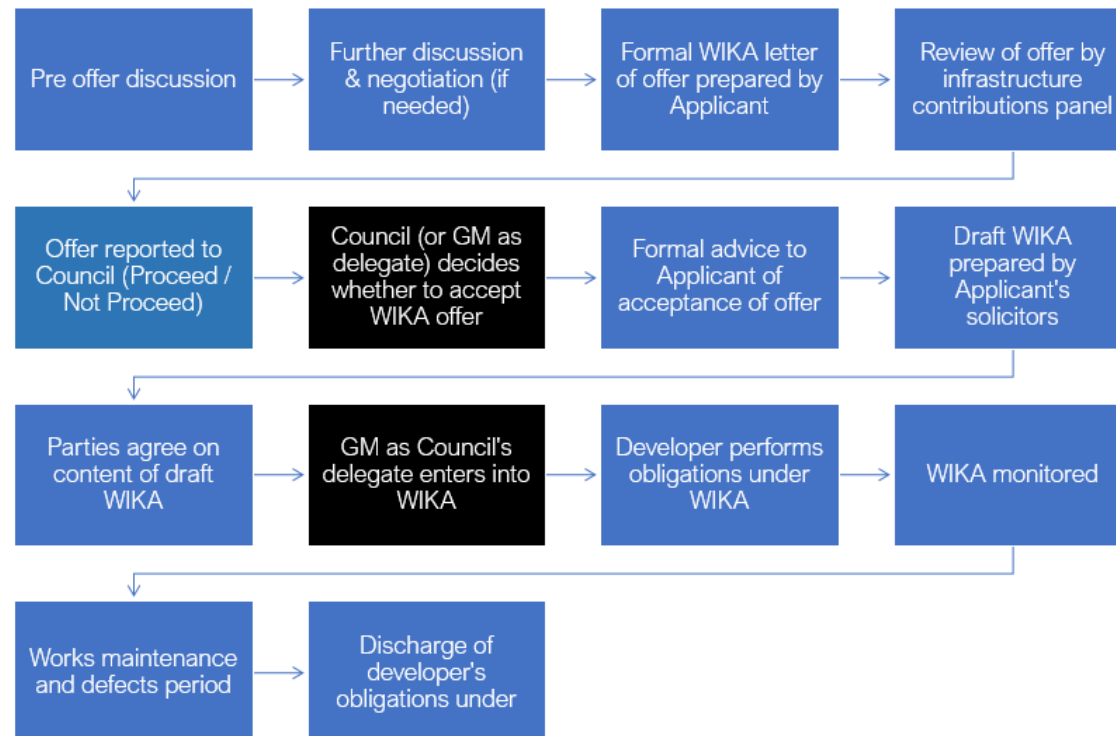
	Works in kind Agreements	Planning Agreements
Authorised by	Section 7.11(5) of the EP&A Act, which allows a developer to settle part or all of a s7.11 obligation in a development consent by providing a material public benefit.	Section 7.4 of the EP&A Act, which allows a developer to voluntarily enter into an agreement with a planning authority to provide public benefits.
They are typically used when	A developer: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • intends to provide works that are included in a council contributions plan, and • the developer is seeking a part or full offset of the s7.11 obligation in the consent. 	A developer intends to provide land, works, money, or a combination of these, as part of a: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • planning proposal, or • development application, or • modification of a development consent, or • a complying development certificate.
Offsets of section 7.11 contributions	S7.11 contribution amounts may be offset (or reduced) by the value of the contributions plan works agreed to be undertaken by the developer.	Planning agreements may include contributions plan items in addition to other public purposes. S7.11 offsets reflecting the value of contributions plan items may be allowed.

Section 2 – Developer Infrastructure Agreement Procedures

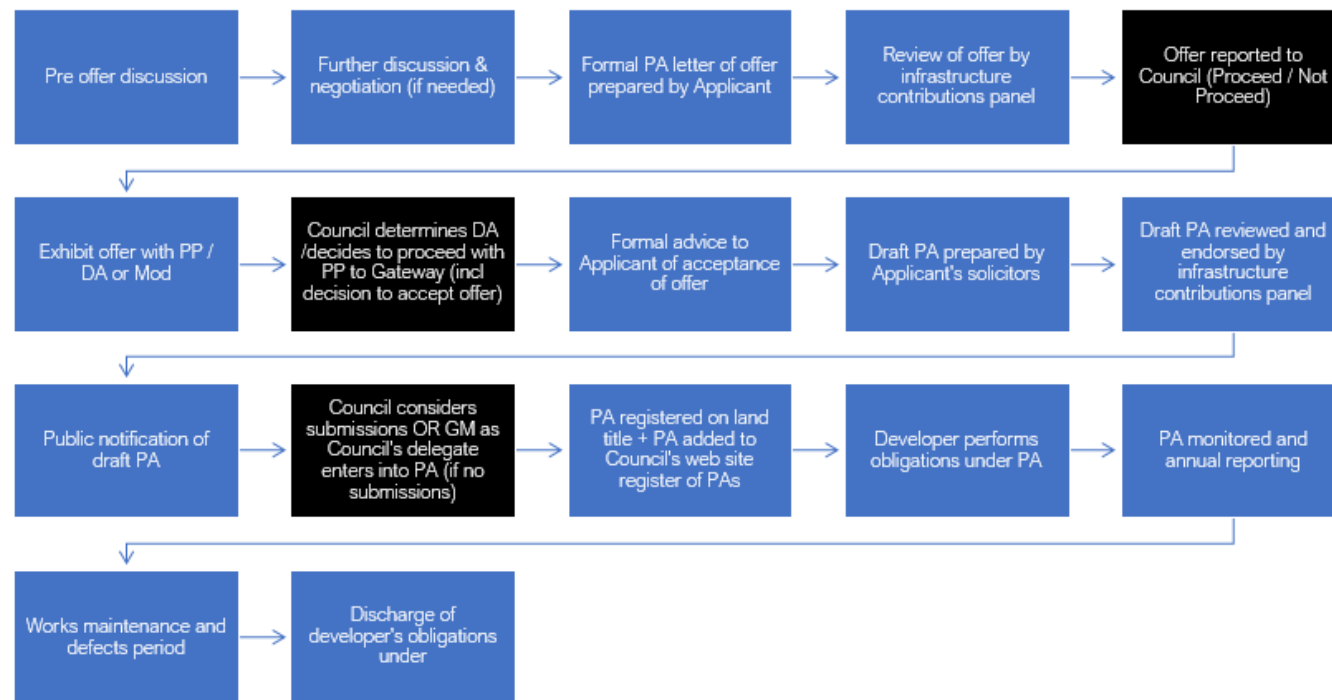
The following diagrams outline the process and procedure that the Council will follow in negotiating, preparing and implementing each type of Developer Infrastructure Agreement.

Sections 3 and 4 address the requirements of Agreements, including more detailed notes on the procedures.

2.1 Works in Kind Agreement



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2.2 Planning Agreement

Section 3 – Requirements for all Agreements

3.1 Probity issues

To maximise transparency and public confidence in Developer Infrastructure Agreements,

(a) Council will:

FOR ALL AGREEMENTS -

- make this Policy available to developers
- ensure that Agreements are voluntary for both Council and developers
- not allow interests of developers, individuals or interest groups to outweigh public interest
- ensure it avoids potential, perceived or actual conflicts of interest between its role as the consent authority and its interest as a developer (if it has an interest in a development)
- ensure Council staff and Councillors are aware of their roles and responsibilities
- ensure Councillors are not involved in negotiations
- ensure all meetings are documented
- work with developers to establish timeframes to progress agreements efficiently
- seek to minimise its financial risk in all agreements
- provide a clear and transparent pathway for proponents to make an offer
- update this Policy from time to time to ensure the Policy is consistent with relevant legislation, practice notes and guidelines.

FOR PLANNING AGREEMENTS -

- not permit unacceptable development because of public benefits offered
- not seek public benefits wholly unrelated to the development
- ensure planning decisions are not bought or sold through agreements
- ensure consideration, negotiation and assessment of developer agreements is separate from the assessment of a development application, complying development certificate or planning proposal
- ensure agreements are underpinned by appropriate strategic land use and infrastructure planning
- not improperly rely on its statutory position in order to extract unreasonable public benefits under a planning agreement.

(b) Council will expect developers to:

- conduct themselves in a professional manner
- request works specifications from Council before preparing a letter of offer
- provide transparent and sound information for the agreement
- not seek to involve Councillors in the negotiation process

3.2 Letter of Offer

Before submitting a proposal to Council to enter into a Developer Infrastructure Agreement, developers are encouraged to meet with Council staff to discuss the proposal.

An offer to enter into a Developer Infrastructure Agreement must be in writing and signed by or on behalf of all parties to the proposed Agreement. The letter should include the following:

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- the land affected
- all parties to the agreement (if one party has the authority to act on behalf of other parties)
- the planning proposal, development application, complying development certificate or modification the agreement relates to
- written consent of all the owners of land affected
- details of the monetary, works, land or other contributions to be provided by the developer
- estimated cost of each item (prepared by a quantity surveyor or suitably qualified person)
- proposed relevant development triggers for the delivery of works
- if the offer is made in lieu of paying Section 7.11 or 7.12 contributions
- the developer's capability to deliver the infrastructure
- identify any risks associated with the offer and which party will bear these risks

3.3 Negotiation and assessment

The negotiation and assessment process for different types of Developer Infrastructure Agreements is shown in the flow charts in Section 2.

When a proposed Developer Infrastructure Agreement is received by Council it will be referred to the Infrastructure Contributions Panel. The Panel will review the draft offer and provide a recommendation to the Director Regional Activation who will also review the proposed draft offer. Feedback will then be provided to the developer.

As Works in Kind Agreements include works identified and endorsed by Council as part of the approval of the LICP, negotiation is often simpler than for a Planning Agreement. The indexed cost identified in the LICP will be the agreed value of the works and the developer and Council must agree on the timing of delivery and specifications of assets required.

As the scope of a Planning Agreement usually includes infrastructure that is not included in a Council contributions plan the negotiation process can be more complex. Proposed projects, including costs, timing and specifications will be assessed by Council and feedback will be provided to the developer. Agreement must be reached between the developer the Director Regional Activation before a Planning Agreement will be reported to Council.

Where the material public benefit or works in kind under a Developer Infrastructure Agreement is the provision of land for public purpose, Council will seek to value the benefit on the basis of the estimated amount of compensation to which the developer would be entitled under the *Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991*.

Council staff may recommend to decline an offer of a planning agreement. A report will be sent to Council advising the Councillors support the recommendation.

3.4 Payment of costs

- Payment of Council's cost in preparing and executing Developer Infrastructure Agreements are to be met by the developer. Payment will be due 30 days from invoice issued by Council.
- All developer agreements will include a monitoring and enforcement charge of 1% of the infrastructure costs. This will be invoiced by Council at the commencement of a developer agreement and will be due 30 days from invoice.
- Developers are required to prepare a deed for Developer Infrastructure Agreements based on the template to be provided by Council.

3.5 Security and insurance

Council will require agreements to make provision for security by the developer of the developer's obligations under the agreement. The form of security will be two unconditional bank guarantees

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from an Australian bank in favour of Council to the full value of the infrastructure works included in the agreement. One guarantee is to be for 90% of the value of the works covered by the bank guarantee and the other for 10% of the value. Security must be provided before a Construction Certificate or Subdivision Construction Certificate is issued.

Upon completion of the agreed works, inspection by Council and receipt of required handover documentation, 90% of the infrastructure value covered by the bank guarantee will be released. In determining the amount to be released the following items will be considered:

- funds expended
- standard of the works
- schedule of payments.

The remaining amount will be kept as a security bond and returned once the 12 month maintenance period has lapsed and following certification by Council that all obligations and works have been undertaken and completed to the standard as detailed in the agreement. If the works covered by the developer agreement are not completed to the satisfaction of Council, Council will call upon the second bank guarantee.

All agreements are required to be registered on the land title prior to the agreement being executed. Council will not execute a Planning Agreement until evidence is provided of the registration on title. The developer (at their own cost) is required to submit documents necessary to enable Council to effect registration of the Planning Agreement. The removal of the registration will occur when a Subdivision Construction Certificate or Construction Certificate is released and the works are completed. The developer is required to submit all documents necessary to remove the affectation from the title. Any costs incurred at this time are to be met by the developer.

All Developer Infrastructure Agreements require the developer to take out and keep current the following insurances in relation to infrastructure provided in the agreement:

- contract works insurance
- public liability insurance
- workers compensation insurances required by law
- any other insurances provided by law.

Council will require a Developer Infrastructure Agreement to contain an acknowledgement by the developer that Council may, in its absolute discretion, make a notation under Section 10.7 (5) of the Act in respect to the agreement on any certificate issued under Section 10.7(2) of the Act relating to the land the subject of the agreement or any other land.

3.6 Offsetting Value of Works against Section 7.11 Contributions

Council will not consider recording any surplus value of works over and above the Section 7.11 contribution due for a development application towards any future development.

3.7 Work Specification

Specifications of all works are required to be determined in consultation with Council. Works plans are to have written approval from Council at the development application stage (as initial designs) and at the construction or subdivision certificate stage (as final designs).

3.8 Entering into a Developer Infrastructure Agreement

A Developer Infrastructure Agreement is entered into when it is signed by both parties.

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All Developer Infrastructure Agreements will contain provisions of the commencement of works, notifications of inspections and allowing Council staff to access the land for inspections. Agreements will establish Council's required approval and handover requirements.

Deferrals of developer agreement contributions could be accepted by Council under the following circumstances:

- Written request has been submitted to Council
- Council has provided their approval in writing
- A bank guarantee 110% of the value of the contribution item has been provided to Council (this will be in addition to the bond in clause 3.5)
- The revised timing has been agreed to by Council.

A deferral approved under the above terms could allow the release of the relevant Construction Certificate or Subdivision Certificate.

3.9 Handover of infrastructure

Council will inspect works constructed under Developer Infrastructure Agreements before a bank guarantee is released and assets are handed over.

Council will not accept the hand-over of assets unless the developer provides Council a report showing the work has been carried out and completed in accordance with the Developer Infrastructure Agreement and any applicable development consent.

Council will require Developer Infrastructure Agreements to provide for a defects and liability period during which any defects must be rectified at the developer's expense. This period will be 12 months unless otherwise stated in the Developer Infrastructure Agreement. The developer will be responsible for maintenance and rectification works during this period.

Works included in an agreement may require assessment and approval under the Act.

Handover of assets will not occur before the developer provides the required documentation as listed above, a full set of works-as-executed plans and a final inspection as approval from Council's relevant asset manager.

3.10 Dispute resolution

Council will require Developer Infrastructure Agreements to provide for a dispute resolution mechanism between the parties to the agreement.

3.11 Monitoring

Council will continuously monitor developer's obligations under Developer Infrastructure Agreements.

Council will require each agreement to contain a mechanism under which the agreement is periodically reviewed with the involvement of all parties. This will include a review of the developer's performance of the delivery of the agreement.

3.12 Modifying agreements

Developer Infrastructure Agreements linked to large scale development may change if there is significant variation to the development. The need to make amendments to an agreement will be assessed on a case by case basis.

Agreements can be modified by arrangement between the parties. Either party can initiate modification. This will occur via a deed of variation to the agreement in a form acceptable to

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Council. The party proposing the modification will bear the modification costs. Modification of an agreement may be required to be re-exhibited to the public, this will be assessed on a case by case basis.

A developer may choose to sell the land associated with a developer agreement. Prior to any sale the developer party to the Developer Infrastructure Agreement must transfer the developer's obligation under the agreement to the incoming party or Council and discharge the agreement in respect of the affected land or development. All such proposals will be considered on a case by case basis. All costs are to be met by the developer. Council's costs will be invoiced by Council and will be due 30 days from invoice.

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Section 4 – Additional Requirements for Planning Agreements

The following additional requirements for Developer Infrastructure Agreements that are Planning Agreements reflect Council's consideration of the matters to be addressed in the Planning Agreements Practice Note – February 2021, prepared the NSW Department Planning, Industry and Environment.

4.1 Principles

Council will apply the following principles in its use of Planning Agreements:

- Council will always consider a development proposal on its merits, not on the basis of a planning agreement.
- Planning Agreements will, as far as practicable, implement strategic land use and infrastructure planning carried out by State and local government and address expected growth and the associated infrastructure demand.
- Strategic planning should ensure that development is supported by the infrastructure needed to meet the needs of the growing population.
- A consent authority cannot refuse to grant development consent on the grounds that a planning agreement has not been entered into in relation to the proposed development or that the developer has not offered to enter into such an agreement.
- Planning agreements should not be used as a means of general revenue raising or to overcome revenue shortfalls.
- Planning agreements must not include public benefits wholly unrelated to the particular development.
- Value capture should not be the primary purpose of a planning agreement.

4.2 Acceptability Test

Planning Agreements will be assessed against the acceptability test below:

- Is the Planning Agreement directed towards legitimate planning purposes, which can be identified in the statutory planning controls and other planning strategies and policies applying to the development?
- Does the Planning Agreement support the Council's strategic land use and infrastructure planning to address growth and infrastructure demands?
- Does the Planning Agreement provide for the delivery of infrastructure or public benefits not wholly unrelated to the development?
- Does the Planning Agreement produce outcomes that meet the general values and expectations of the public and protects the overall public interest?
- Does the Planning Agreement provide a reasonable means of achieving the desired outcomes and securing the benefits?
- Does the Planning Agreement protect the community against adverse planning decisions?

4.3 Alignment of Agreements with Council's strategic land use planning and infrastructure funding and delivery activities

The Wagga Wagga Local Strategic Planning Statement - Wagga Wagga 2040 sets the long-term strategic framework for planning and development in the City of Wagga Wagga local government area over the next 20-years. It addresses issues of strategic significance to the Council, guiding development or introduction of new planning policies, strategies or actions

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related to land use and development. The Local Strategic Planning Statement can be found at <https://wagga.nsw.gov.au/the-council/planning-and-reporting/community-planning/current-community-plans/lsp>.

4.4 Circumstances in which Council would consider entering into a Planning Agreement

- Where the developer wishes to offset their s7.11 of s7.12 contributions obligations by delivering contributions plan infrastructure located on their land.
- Compensate for the loss of or damage to a public amenity, service, resource or asset by development through replacement, substitution, repair or regeneration.
- In major development sites or precincts that are owned by a single landowner or a consortium of landowners.
- Where the developer has a direct incentive, such as bringing forward potential development, to be involved in the delivery of local infrastructure.
- Where the developer wants to provide local infrastructure in addition to, or at a higher standard than, what has been specified under the contributions plan.
- Where the Council and the developer negotiate a different and better or more innovative outcome than can be achieved through paying a monetary contribution or entering into a Works in Kind Agreement.
- Where a proposed development has not been anticipated by council and thus works and facilities to cater for this development have not been identified.
- Where the Council will secure off-site benefits for the community so that development delivers a net community benefit.

4.5 Examples of public benefits sought by Council

The following are examples of public benefits the Council will consider in any Planning Agreement offer. The list is not exhaustive.

Type	Examples
Infrastructure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roads – design and construction • Accessibility improvements – accessible parking, kerbs, ramps, modifications to community buildings or areas • Open space – parks, public places, embellishment • Drainage and stormwater assets – drainage, amplification, integrated water treatment facilities, detention basins, overland flow paths and stormwater channel improvements and sediment control measures • Pedestrian and cycleway connections • Information technology in public spaces (eg. free WIFI) • Bridges (pedestrian and vehicular) • Works to enhance existing public transport facilities
Public Community Facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community buildings • Public toilets • Public carparking areas • Bus shelters or interchanges • Sport, recreation and activity assets • Affordable housing

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Public open space and public domain improvements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business, research and creative industries incubator spaces • Embellishment of open space, including new playgrounds, lighting, sports facilities, furniture and landscaping, shelters and BBQ facilities • Tree and undergrowth plantings in streets and open spaces • Street furniture • Public art in the public domain • Environmental management improvements • Signage (suburb identification, way finding, parking, interpretation and information signs for pedestrians, cyclists and vehicular users)
Other contributions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cash • Land dedication • Aboriginal site protection • Other benefits identified in Council's strategies and plans • Other public benefits that provide positive planning outcomes for the community and meet the objectives of the Act

4.6 Letter of Offer

In addition to the matters listed in Section 3 of this Policy an offer to enter into a Planning Agreement must address all matters referred to in Section 7.4 of the Act and the NSW Department Planning, Industry and Environment, Planning Agreements Practice Note – February 2021 are addressed.

4.7 Relationship with development applications and planning proposals

Council encourages developers considering proposing a Planning Agreement to do so in the pre-lodgement phase of a planning proposal or development application.

When determining a development application, Council is required to take into consideration any relevant Planning Agreement (including any draft Agreement) and any public submissions made relating to the Planning Agreement.

The EP&A Act requires Council to state the objectives and outcomes of a planning proposal and describe and justify how they will be achieved. The role of a Planning Agreement in facilitating these objectives or outcomes should be clearly set out in the planning proposal documentation (*NSW Department Planning, Industry and Environment, Planning Agreements Practice Note – February 2021, pg6*)

If a planning agreement relates to an undetermined planning proposal or development application, Council will require the developer to give an irrevocable offer and sign the agreement before granting development consent or before the planning proposal is returned to the Department of Planning Industry and Environment after the gateway exhibition.

If there is an approved development application, Council will require a Planning Agreement to be entered into as a condition of granting consent to the development to which the agreement relates. Therefore, a modification of consent is required (at the developer's expense).

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4.8 Valuing public benefits

The estimated value of public benefits proposed in a Planning Agreement are to be costed by a quantity surveyor or a suitably qualified person. These costs will be assessed by Council.

4.9 Public exhibition

In accordance with Section 7.5 of the Act, a draft planning agreement will be publicly exhibited and available for inspection for 28 days, with submissions accepted for 42 days.

Where possible, Council will seek to publicly notify a proposed planning agreement and the development application or planning proposal to which it relates together.

As required by Section 7.5 of the Act, a copy of each planning agreement will be sent to the Minister within 14 days after it is entered into, amended or revoked.

If a planning agreement is changed materially (as decided by Council) it will be publicly exhibited.

Works in kind agreements relate only to works in contributions plans that have been adopted by Council following public exhibition. Works in kind agreements will therefore not be publicly exhibited.

4.10 Entering into a Planning Agreement

A Planning Agreement can be entered into at any time after the planning agreement is publicly notified in accordance with the Act and Regulation.

4.11 Registering Planning Agreements

Council will keep a register of all Planning Agreements. The register will include the date the agreement was executed and a short description (and any amendments made). It will be published on Council's website.

4.12 Notifying the Minister

Section 7.5 of the Act states that if the Minister is not a party to a planning agreement, the planning authority must provide the Minister a copy of the agreement within 14 days after the agreement is entered into.

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Section 5 - Legislative Context

- Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979
- Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000
- NSW Department Planning, Industry and Environment, Planning Agreements Practice Note – February 2021

Section 6 - Related Documents

- Wagga Wagga City Council Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan 2019 - 2034

Section 7 - Definitions

Term	Definition
Contributions Plan	A plan developed by a council that authorises a consent authority to impose a condition on a development application or a complying development certificate requiring a contribution to be made under s7.11 or s7.12 toward local infrastructure – e.g. roads, active travel assets, recreation and community facilities.
Council	Wagga Wagga City Council
Developer	A person who has: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • sought a change to an environmental planning instrument, or • made or proposes to make development application or a complying development certificate, or • requested to modify a development consent, or • entered into an agreement with or is otherwise associated, with, a person to whom the above applies
Development Application	Has the same meaning as in the Act
EP&A Act	Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979
Public Benefit	A benefit enjoyed by the public as a consequence of a development contribution
Planning Proposal	Has the same meaning as the Act
Planning Agreement	Has the same meaning as the Act. Section 7.4.
Practice Note	Planning Agreements Practice Note – February 2021, published by the NSW Department Planning, Industry and Environment
Works in Kind	Works included in the works program of a council's contributions plan that offered by a developer to be provided in part or full satisfaction of a monetary infrastructure contribution requirement in a development consent or a complying development certificate.

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**Works in Kind
Agreement**

An agreement between Council and a developer proposing to undertake a works in kind

Section 8 - Revision History

Revision number	Council resolution	Council meeting date
1	Res No:	
2	Res No:	

RP-9 ART GALLERY COLLECTION MANAGEMENT POLICY POL 004

Author: Madeleine Scully
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Summary: Art Collection Management Policy (POL 004) has been reviewed with any amendments approved by Council. This Policy is presented to Council for endorsement, following public exhibition.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a note that there were no public submissions received during the exhibition period for Art Gallery Collection Management Policy (POL 004)
- b adopt the Art Gallery Collection Management Policy (POL 004)

Report

Council's Art Gallery Collection Management Policy (POL 004) determines the parameters and guidelines for the acquisition, deaccession, and management of all artworks within the permanent collection of Wagga Wagga Art Gallery.

A scheduled review of Council's Wagga Wagga Art Gallery Collection Management Policy (POL 004) has been undertaken.

Council, at its 21 March 2022 Council meeting, resolved to place the draft Art Gallery Exhibition Policy on public exhibition for a period of 28 days from 23 March 2022 to 19 April 2022 with public submissions received until 4 May 2022.

During the submission period, no public submission were received.

It is recommended that Council adopt the Policy as exhibited.

Financial Implications

N/A

Policy and Legislation

Local Government Act 1993
Wagga Wagga Art Gallery Exhibition Policy (POL 005)

Link to Strategic Plan

Community Leadership and Collaboration

Objective: We have strong leadership

Outcome: We are accountable and transparent

Risk Management Issues for Council

Council policies are essential to ensure transparent legal, fair, and consistent decision making across the Council. They support Council in achieving its corporate objectives and provide a critical guide for staff, Councillors, and other stakeholders. In the absence of effective policies there is a greater risk of inconsistency, confusion and inefficiency and can lead to non-compliance with the requirements of legislation and regulations.

Internal / External Consultation

Council's Manager Community Service and Art Gallery Director have reviewed the policy and has provided adjustments where necessary.

Following endorsement by Council at the 21 March 2022 Council meeting, the draft policy was placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days from 23 March 2022 to 19 April 2022 with public submissions received until 4 May 2022.

	Mail			Media				Community Engagement					Digital				
	Rates notices insert	Direct mail	Letterbox drop	Council news story	Council News advert	Media releases	TV/radio advertising	One-on-one meetings	Your Say website	Community meetings	Stakeholder workshops	Drop-in sessions	Surveys and feedback forms	Social media	Email newsletters	Website	Digital advertising
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Attachments

1   Wagga Art Gallery Collection Management Policy POL 004

POL 004 – Wagga Wagga Art Gallery Collection Management Policy

Reference number: POL 004
Approval date: February 1987
Policy owner: Manager Community Services
Next review: September 2024

Wagga Wagga Art Gallery was first established in 1975 and is a cultural facility of Wagga Wagga City Council. Its programs are also supported by Create NSW, and other funding bodies. The Gallery's mission is to promote a rich and vibrant culture, dedicated to serving the widest possible audience as a centre of excellence for the collection, preservation, documentation, interpretation and display of Australian and international art, education and the exchange of ideas.

Wagga Wagga Art Gallery's collection has a particular emphasis given to the visual art of Australia in the medium of glass and print, the development of the collection is essential to ensure that the Gallery remains vibrant and engaging with contemporary audiences. The Collection Management Policy will guide the development, maintenance and care of Wagga Wagga Art Gallery's permanent collections (including the National Art Glass Collection and the Margaret Carnegie Print Collection).

Purpose

This policy determines the parameters and guidelines for the acquisition, deaccession, and management of all artworks within the permanent collection of Wagga Wagga Art Gallery.

Scope

This policy is to be applied to all artworks acquired by and accessioned into the Wagga Wagga Art Gallery permanent collection.

Policy Provisions

1 Policy Statement

1.1 Professional ethics

The Wagga Wagga Gallery recognises and supports National and international guidelines, procedures and associated documents including:

- Australia Council, [Protocols for Producing Indigenous Australian Visual Arts](#), 2010
- Australian Government, Attorney General's Department, Ministry for the Arts, [Australian best practice guide to collecting cultural material](#), 2015
- [Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora \(CITES\), 1973, as amended 1979 and 1983](#)

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- Museums Australia, [First Peoples: Connecting Custodians](#) (under review)
- [ICOM, Code of Ethics for Museums](#), 2017
- [Ministry for the Arts, Cultural Gifts Program guide](#), 2013
- [Museums Australia, Code of Ethics](#), 1999 (under review)
- [UNESCO, Convention on the Means of Prohibiting and Preventing the Illicit Import, Export and Transfer of Ownership of Cultural Property](#), 1970

These guidelines inform professional museum and gallery practices and cover the following areas of activity:

- acquires works of art that fit within the Gallery's collecting priority areas
- display of collection works
- deaccessioning of the collection
- avoids any act or omission that may compromise the Gallery's position and reputation for integrity in public administration.

1.2 Acquisition

1.2.1 Collection priorities

Wagga Wagga Art Gallery acquires artworks of the highest professional standard of national and regional significance, with a particular focus on collecting the work of Australian artists with a proven record of practice and development of their art form and who are represented in public collections

The Wagga Wagga Art Gallery will acquire artworks that fill gaps and build upon strengths within the existing collections, including the development of a well-balanced representation of the work of individual artists, to create a comprehensive collection of modern and contemporary Australian artworks centred on Australian glass art and printmaking

1.2.2 Principles

The Art Gallery Director is responsible for the acquisition of artworks for inclusion in the Wagga Wagga Art Gallery's permanent collections, in consultation with the Manager, Community Services and Director Community.

The Gallery acquires artworks that fit within identified collecting areas and works are selected based on the significance of the artist and/or the specific quality of the artwork. All acquisitions are subject to Council's approved budget allocations.

The Gallery will ensure that all acquisitions are negotiated and managed on terms that are ethical, responsible, and visible to public scrutiny and will maintain the Gallery's reputation for collecting excellence public, both nationally and internationally.

In developing its collection, the Gallery will make every effort to ensure that it acquires artworks with valid title and established provenance and that are authentic.

One or more of the following criteria are required for the selection of artwork into the permanent collection: The artist/s:

- are of significance within Australian art.

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- are of significance within the medium or area of their practice.

The artwork:

- is considered an outstanding artwork by the artist
- is representative of the artist's practice
- is an outstanding artwork within the medium
- is relevant to the development of the Gallery collection areas
- the artwork builds upon existing areas with the permanent collection
- the work is in good or excellent condition and is suitable for display purposes
- the Gallery's conservation and storage facilities are adequate for the care of the artwork
- for purchases, there is funding available for the purchase of the artwork
- the terms of donation or gift are acceptable (if the artwork is to be acquired by donation or gift)
- the work does not replicate works already held in the collection
- display of the artwork poses no public liability issues

All the following criteria must be fulfilled for the selection of artworks will be selected

for the Wagga Wagga Art Gallery's permanent collections:

- the vendor or donor must have legal title to the artwork
- the artwork must be legally unencumbered
- must be in good or excellent condition
- consider whether to consult with individuals, groups, or communities, where the cultural material may relate to them

1.2.3 Methods of acquisition

The Wagga Wagga Art Gallery may acquire artworks for its collections by the following means:

- donation from individuals, groups or incorporated bodies;
- gift through the Australian Tax Office's Cultural Gifts Program;
- purchase through the Gallery's budget, fund raising, grants or sponsorship;
- bequests;
- transfer from other agencies;
- commission

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1.3 Management and Care

1.3.1 Accessioning process

Immediately upon the physical receipt of artwork acquired by the Gallery, the artwork will be accessioned into the Gallery's collection database by a trained staff member.

The database entry upon accessioning must include the following details:

- accession number consisting of the year of acquisition (in full) followed by a number in chronological order of acquisition within that year (e.g., 2012.1)
- artist name
- title and date of the artwork
- medium description
- measurement description
- condition report
- Deed of Gift (donations)
- inscriptions
- edition number (if the artwork is an editioned print)
- acquisition information (provenance, vendor, or donor name, means of acquisition, date of acquisition)
- price or donation value
- location within the collection storage area
- photograph of the work sufficient for identification

The following details should be added to the database entry as soon as possible:

- high quality photograph of the work suitable for reproduction
- biographical and contact details of the artist
- description of the work
- copyright information and approval
- exhibition history
- external references
- relevant information for the installation and displays of the work
- artist's statement if available

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1.3.2 Storage and access

Artworks within the Gallery's collection must be stored in such a way as to ensure their preservation and conservation to the highest standards. All artworks not on display or on loan must be stored within the Gallery's collection storage area.

Artworks must be always stored in the following ways when not on display or being documented or cared for:

- glass and other three-dimensional works must be stored on shelves that have been lined with archival quality materials
- unframed prints and works on paper must be stored in solander boxes, phase boxes folders or lined with archival quality materials
- framed prints and other two-dimensional works must be stored on vertical racks
- textile works and other works made from sensitive organic materials must be wrapped in archival quality materials and stored on lined shelves or in solander boxes

Access to the collection storage area is generally restricted to trained Gallery staff solely for the purposes of documenting, researching, or caring for the collections. Other Council staff, or members of the public, may be allowed access when accompanied by trained Gallery staff for suitable purposes only. Small groups from educational institutions may be allowed access for educational purposes only when accompanied by trained Gallery staff.

1.3.3 Conservation and care

Artworks within the Gallery's collections shall be maintained to the highest possible standard of conservation. Preventative conservation measures will be undertaken by staff trained to work with the collection, this includes archival packing, storage options, pest control and other preventative conservation measures. Conservation work required to maintain the condition of the artworks must be carried out by a professional conservator.

1.3.4 Display

While on display, all artworks must be accompanied by a clearly legible label indicating the following details:

- name of the artist
- title and date of the artwork
- medium and measurement descriptions
- accession number
- credit line including the acquisition source

Further details and educational information may be included in labels where such information will add to the viewer's appreciation of the work and within the context of the exhibition.

1.3.5 External loans

Upon request from external collecting institutions for the short-term loan of artworks from the Gallery collections, the Art Gallery Director may approve such loans upon the following terms:

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- a contract outlining the terms of the loan to be signed by both parties
- the term of the loan to be clearly defined
- costs of freight and insurance to be covered by the borrowing institution
- conditions of freight and display to be approved by the Gallery
- modification, repair, or adaptation of the work by the borrowing institution shall not be permitted without prior approval by the Gallery

Long term loans to external institutions may only be approved by the Art Gallery Director in consultation with the Manager, Community Services and Director Community.

Loans of any duration to private individuals or external institutions other than collecting institutions (e.g., art galleries, museums, libraries, or archives) shall not be considered or approved.

1.3.6 Internal loans

Upon request, the Art Gallery Director may approve the loan of artworks from the Gallery collections to other divisions within Wagga Wagga City Council upon the following terms:

- consultation with Manager Community Services
- conditions of display to be approved by the Gallery
- the Gallery reserves the right to remove or replace the work with notice to the borrower
- the Gallery reserves the right to conduct regular inspections of the condition of the artwork

1.4 Deaccession and Disposal

1.4.1 General principles

The Art Gallery Director may recommend the deaccession of works of art from the permanent collections to improve the collections by:

- removing artworks determined to be unfit or inappropriate for the collections;
- reducing storage and conservation costs;
- rationalising, consolidating, and focusing the collections; and
- generating income for further collection development.

As per standard museum and gallery practice, the physical disposal of a work of art is only recommended under extreme circumstances.

Staff of Wagga Wagga City Council, Friends of the Gallery, Gallery volunteers, Councillors of Wagga Wagga City Council, or the families of these persons, are prohibited from acquiring any deaccessioned artwork.

Funds obtained from the sale of deaccessioned works of art will be applied exclusively to the purchase of other works, preferably for the same or related collection area.

The deaccession of all works of art from the permanent collections is to be formally ratified by Wagga Wagga City Council.

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1.4.2 Deaccessioning criteria

Artworks that are recommended for deaccessioning must be assessed against one or more of the following criteria:

- lack of relevance to the collection
- poor condition or in a state of serious deterioration (not presentable for display)
- theft or loss or damage
- inferior example of an artist/s work
- erroneous inclusion in the collection
- repatriation of cultural property

1.4.3 Deaccessioning process

Any proposal to deaccession a work of art will be initiated by the Art Gallery Director. A formal written recommendation including a description of the artwork and known history of its acquisition and subsequent care by the Gallery, the reasons for its deaccessioning, and the proposed method of disposal will be submitted to the Manager, Community Services and Director Community and forwarded to Council for approval.

Consideration will be given to any special conditions pertaining to its acquisition into the collection area. Only artwork to which the Gallery have clear legal title will be considered for deaccessioning.

1.4.4 Disposal of deaccessioned artwork

Once the deaccessioning of an artwork has been approved by the Manager, Community Services and Director Community and formally ratified by Council, it will be disposed of by one of the following processes:

- offered to the artist, or family representative if deceased
- sale through a reputable established dealer
- sale by public auction
- sale or exchange to another public gallery, museum, or collection
- **upgraded by exchange for a comparable artwork by the artist**
- returned to the donor
- donation to another institution
- destruction

Destruction of an artwork of art will be considered only if the artwork is damaged, inherently unstable, has deteriorated beyond repair. Wherever possible the artist will be informed beforehand of the Gallery's intention to destroy the artwork.

An official record of the deaccessioning and disposal of artworks from the permanent collection must be kept in Wagga Wagga Art Gallery collection management systems.

POL004 – Wagga Wagga Art Gallery Collection Management Policy

The proceeds of deaccessioned works through sale or auction be returned to the Wagga Wagga Art Gallery Reserve for the purpose of ongoing care and development of the permanent collection.

Legislative Context

- NSW Local Government Act 1993

Related Documents

- Council's Code of Conduct Council's Community Strategic Plan
- Council's Cultural Plan 2020-2030
- Council's combined Delivery Program and Operational Plan
- Council's Wagga Wagga Art Gallery - Exhibitions Policy (POL 005) Museums Australia, Code of Ethics, 1999 (under review)

POL004 – Wagga Wagga Art Gallery Collection Management Policy

Definitions

Term	Definition
Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander art	Means artwork by an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander artist or containing Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander themes or content.
Accession	This term refers to the mechanism by which an artwork is formally registered into a Gallery collection.
Acquisition	Means the process of obtaining valid title to an artwork through gifts, donations, purchase, and subscription.
Artwork	This term refers to all works of a creative and visual arts nature produced by artists and/or craft workers.
Council	Wagga Wagga City Council
Deaccessioning	Deaccessioning is the administrative process whereby an item is removed from the permanent collections of Wagga Wagga Art Gallery. It is distinct from disposal which is the physical act of disposing an item.
Director	Means the Art Gallery Director, Wagga Wagga Art Gallery
Collection	Means works of art in various media that are Gallery property and have been formally accessioned. The collection also includes other material acquired and accessioned by the Gallery for the purpose of research and enhancement of the collection, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - National Art Glass Collection and - Margaret Carnegie Print Collection
Deed of Gift	Means a formal, legally binding document that establishes that title to an artwork is given to the Gallery as a gift by the donor(s). The deed of gift also outlines the terms and conditions of the gift and its acceptance.
National Art Glass Collection	This term refers to artworks in the medium of glass within the permanent collections of Wagga Wagga Art Gallery, which were produced by Australian glass artists, glass artists working in Australia or contemporary artists working in the medium. Established in 1979, the collection surveys the studio glass movement in Australia from the 1970's to the present. As the most comprehensive public collection of Australian studio glass, it reflects diversity in style, subject and technique in contemporary practice. It is a continuous record of the glass community's achievements and evolution. The significance of the collection was acknowledged in 1992 when it was officially designated the National Art Glass Collection.

POL004 – Wagga Wagga Art Gallery Collection Management Policy

Term	Definition
Margaret Carnegie Print Collection	This term refers to all artworks in the medium of printmaking within the permanent collections of Wagga Wagga Art Gallery, which were produced by Australian print artists or print artists working in Australia. In 1980, Margaret Carnegie AO OAM generously donated to the Wagga Wagga Art Gallery a collection of 120 contemporary Australian prints. Since 1980 the Wagga Wagga Art Gallery has shaped and developed the Margaret Carnegie Print Collection to provide a rich and representative overview of the development of contemporary printmaking in Australia from the 1960's to the present.
General Collection	Encompasses Australian art, regional artists and international artwork generally acquired through a donation or gift.

Revision History

Revision number	Council resolution	Council meeting date
1	Res No: 87/347	23 February 1987
2	Res No: 03/238	24 March 2003
3	Res No: 04/243	23 August 2004
4	Res No: 09/077	27 July 2009
5	E Team	11 December 2012
6	Res No: 13/224.1	26 August 2013
7	E Team	19 January 2016
8	General Manager approval under delegated authority	July 2021

RP-10 ART GALLERY EXHIBITION POLICY POL 005

Author: Madeleine Scully
Director: Janice Summerhayes

Summary: Art Gallery Exhibition Policy (POL 005) has been reviewed with any amendments approved by Council. This Policy is presented to Council for endorsement, following public exhibition.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a note that there were no public submissions received during the exhibition period for Art Gallery Exhibition Policy (POL 005)
- b adopt the Art Gallery Exhibition Policy (POL 005)

Report

Council's Art Gallery Exhibition Policy (005) determines the parameters and guidelines for the development and delivery of Wagga Wagga Art Gallery's annual schedule of exhibitions and public engagement programs.

A scheduled review of Council's Wagga Wagga Art Gallery Exhibition Policy (POL 005) has been undertaken.

Council, at its 21 March 2022 Council meeting, resolved to place the draft Art Gallery Exhibition Policy on public exhibition for a period of 28 days from 23 March 2022 to 19 April 2022 with public submissions received until 4 May 2022.

During the submission period, no public submission were received.

It is recommended that Council adopt the Policy as exhibited.

Financial Implications

N/A

Policy and Legislation

Local Government Act 1993
Wagga Wagga Art Gallery Collection Management Policy – POL 004

Link to Strategic Plan

Community Leadership and Collaboration

Objective: We have strong leadership

Outcome: We are accountable and transparent

Risk Management Issues for Council

Council policies are essential to ensure transparent legal, fair, and consistent decision making across the Council. They support Council in achieving its corporate objectives and provide a critical guide for staff, Councillors, and other stakeholders. In the absence of effective policies there is a greater risk of inconsistency, confusion and inefficiency and can lead to non-compliance with the requirements of legislation and regulations.

Internal / External Consultation

Council's Manager Community Service and Art Gallery Director have reviewed the policy and has provided adjustments where necessary.

Following endorsement by Council at the 21 March 2022 Council meeting, the draft policy was placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days from 23 March 2022 to 19 April 2022 with public submissions received until 4 May 2022.

	Mail			Media				Community Engagement						Digital			
	Rates notices insert	Direct mail	Letterbox drop	Council news story	Council News advert	Media releases	TV/radio advertising	One-on-one meetings	Your Say website	Community meetings	Stakeholder workshops	Drop-in sessions	Surveys and feedback forms	Social media	Email newsletters	Website	Digital advertising
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Attachments

1   Wagga Wagga Art Gallery Exhibition Policy POL 005

POL 005 – Wagga Wagga Art Gallery Exhibition Policy

Reference number: POL 005
Approval date: September 2000
Policy owner: Manager Community Services
Next review: September 2024

Wagga Wagga Art Gallery was first established in 1975 and is a cultural facility of Wagga Wagga City Council. Its programs are also supported by Create NSW, and other funding bodies. The Gallery's mission is to promote a rich and vibrant culture.

Wagga Wagga Art Gallery facilitates and promotes a thriving regional arts community through inspired programming, providing opportunities for a diverse range of creative expression, and maintaining cultural heritage in the Gallery's collections.

The Exhibitions Policy formalises the general principles under which the Gallery's annual schedule of exhibitions and public engagement programs is to be developed and delivered to the wider audiences of the Riverina region.

Purpose

This policy determines the parameters and guidelines for the development and delivery of Wagga Wagga Art Gallery's annual schedule of exhibitions and public engagement programs.

Scope

This policy applies only to the development and delivery of exhibitions for the exhibition spaces within Wagga Wagga Art Gallery, including the Main Gallery, Margaret Carnegie Gallery, National Art Glass Gallery, E3 art space; and to the development and delivery of public engagement programs associated with the exhibitions in these spaces.

POL 005 – Wagga Wagga Art Gallery Exhibition Policy

Policy Provisions

1.1 General Principles

Wagga Wagga Art Gallery is committed to presenting an integrated program of exhibitions, events and activities that expands audience engagement across diverse community sectors. The Gallery will maintain an exceptional standard of professionalism and expertise in the development and delivery of temporary collection and touring exhibitions that are developed by the Gallery or with key partner venues or touring bodies.

The Gallery's exhibition schedule will focus on five areas of primary strategic focus:

- **Glass:** Building on its status as home of Australia's largest collection of art glass, the Gallery will continue to curate and present exhibitions showcasing the country's most influential and innovative glass artists and promoting the unique capacities of the artform.
- **Print:** Developing the Gallery's print collection as a key resource, the Gallery will continue to curate and present exhibitions that promote printmaking and works on paper, exploring cross-disciplinary potential and showcasing emerging and established innovators.
- **Regional focus:** The Gallery has developed the Regional Artist Development Program, which provides opportunities for artists, curators, and groups to exhibit in the Gallery via a competitive application process. The program aims; to create awareness and appreciation of visual arts in the Riverina and assist regional artists to profile and explore new work and facilitate learning and discussion about issues relevant to the community and to display work in the city's most prominent exhibition venue.
The E3 art space provides opportunities for artists, educators, community groups curators and groups to book this multipurpose space to host a range of activities.
- **New Media Contemporary Australian Art:** Recognising the potential of new media and experimental artforms for the development of audiences across diverse community sectors.
- **Wiradjuri and First Nations arts and culture:** The Gallery will continue to develop its successful engagement with regional Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander artists and audiences, through the implementation of exhibitions and community and cultural development programs, working in collaboration with regional stakeholders to support the reclamation of Wiradjuri culture and heritage in the Riverina region
- **Artists and audiences with disability:** The Gallery will continue to develop and implement a unique program of exhibitions and professional development opportunities, in collaboration with regional community groups and stakeholders, to promote accessibility and engagement with visual arts and culture for regional artists and audiences with disability.

In conjunction with these areas of primary strategic focus, the Gallery will continue to develop and host exhibitions and programs that display local, regional and national practice across all areas and media of art and design, fostering wide-ranging conversations with contemporary culture in the local context.

POL 005 – Wagga Wagga Art Gallery Exhibition Policy

1.2 Development of temporary, collection and touring exhibitions and the exhibition program

The Gallery's exhibition program encompasses temporary and collection exhibitions at the Gallery site and touring exhibitions.

In developing and managing temporary, collection and touring exhibitions and the exhibition program, the Gallery will ensure the following principles are adopted:

- exhibitions will demonstrate curatorial scholarship, innovation, integrity that speak to our community
- temporary, collection and touring exhibitions and the exhibition program will be developed in accordance with international and national museum standards
- exhibitions and the exhibition program will reflect the Gallery's place within a regional and national context and perspective while fostering and strengthening partnerships, connections, and engagement across New South Wales, nationally and internationally.
- a high standard of exhibition design, display and presentation techniques will be demonstrated

1.2.1 Approval of exhibitions

Temporary, collection and touring exhibition proposals are approved by the Art Gallery Director or delegate.

Preliminary exhibition proposals should outline the curatorial ambitions for the exhibition and provide indicative information about its scope and scale. Preliminary proposals are considered on their merit, considering the principles and terms of this policy.

A developed exhibition proposal will be prepared by the curator in consultation with the Art Gallery Director. Proposals are expected to reflect indicative information including a written curatorial proposal, list any proposed incoming loans; indicative list of works, draft programming, and public engagement strategies; outline of collateral material; and proposed budget and risk assessments.

1.2.2 Approval of the exhibition program

The exhibition program is approved by the Art Gallery Director.

In general, the exhibition program is developed on an 18 month-2 year forward-planning basis. Due to the interdependent nature of exhibition development, planning and scheduling, elements of the exhibition program will alter over the projected period.

1.2.3 Accountability**Temporary exhibition listings**

The Art Gallery Director will ensure that a schedule of all collection, temporary and touring exhibitions is maintained.

Staff obligations

Staff will maintain records for each exhibition and the exhibition program, documenting relevant information and decision making.

POL 005 – Wagga Wagga Art Gallery Exhibition Policy

Staff involved in determining the content, development and management of exhibitions must declare any conflict of interest including in the selection of works, touring venues, contractors, or suppliers. The staff member must exclude themselves from any discussion or decision in relation to matters in which they have a declared interest, and their absence will be minuted.

Gallery staff involved in the assessment, approval, and administration of temporary, collection and touring exhibitions and the exhibition program are bound by Wagga Wagga City Council's Code of Conduct and other relevant gallery policies.

1.3 Education and Public Programs

Wagga Wagga Art Gallery is committed to making its permanent collections and temporary and travelling exhibitions accessible to a wide range of audiences. The Gallery will maintain an interesting and diverse range of education and public programs, to promote and develop communication between the Gallery and its audiences.

- Wagga Wagga Art Gallery will provide education and public programs including but not limited to the following: public lectures, seminars and exhibition tours by artists, curators and writers in the field of visual and creative arts, designed to add value to exhibitions and audience experience
- workshops exploring visual arts activities for education and community groups led by artists and trained staff, designed to develop and maintain engagement with culture and creative practice
- public workshops exploring visual arts activities for children, young people and adults led by artists and trained staff, designed to develop and maintain engagement with culture and creative practice
- tours of exhibitions and the Gallery' for education and community groups, guided by trained staff and volunteers upon request

1.4 Fees and Charges

1.4.1 Entry

In accordance with the Wagga Wagga City Council Revenue and Pricing Policy, no fees will be charged by Wagga Wagga Art Gallery for entry to any of the Gallery's exhibitions or exhibition spaces. Exhibitors will not be permitted to charge an entrance fee to exhibitions held at the Gallery.

Visitors to any of the Gallery's exhibitions or exhibition spaces are encouraged to contribute to ongoing maintenance and development of the Gallery's collections through voluntary donations. Boxes for the secure deposit of such donations are located at the main Gallery entrances, and all income generated in this way supports the Gallery's acquisition of artworks. The Gallery is endorsed by the Australian Tax Office as a Deductible Gift Recipient: accordingly, any donation of \$2.00 or more may be claimed as a tax deduction.

POL 005 – Wagga Wagga Art Gallery Exhibition Policy

1.4.2 Program Fees, Hire Fees and Commission

Wagga Wagga Art Gallery will charge fees for the provision of some education and public programs and for commercial hire of our spaces in accordance with the Wagga Wagga City Council Revenue and Pricing Policy.

Artists exhibiting selected for the Regional Artist Development Program and E3 art space programs may choose to have some or all works on display available for sale, or none. In accordance with the Wagga Wagga City Council Revenue and Pricing Policy, the Gallery will charge a commission on the retail value of all artworks sold during the period of their being displayed in any of the exhibition spaces, with the exception from the following organisations that successfully apply for the Regional Artist Development Program and E3 Exhibition programs:

- Riverina-based tertiary institutions and community education providers; and
- Riverina-based incorporated bodies and Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs).

POL 005 – Wagga Wagga Art Gallery Exhibition Policy

Legislative Context

- NSW Local Government Act 1993
- Children and Young Persons (Care and Protection) Act 1998
- Child Protection (Offenders Registration) Act 2000

Related Documents

- Council's Collection Management Policy (POL 005)
- Council's Community Strategic Plan
- Council's Code of Conduct
- Council's Cultural Plan 2020-2030
- Council's Combined Delivery Program and Operational Plan
- Council's Fees and Charges
- Museums Australia Code of Ethics 1999 (under review)

Definitions

Term	Definition
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Art Gallery Director	Means the Art Gallery Director employed by Wagga Wagga City Council.
Council	Wagga Wagga City Council
E3 art space	This term refers to the community gallery exhibition space located at the north-east corner of the Civic Centre building. This space is focused on presenting exhibitions, educational programs, and workshops.
Education Program	Education programs are targeted programs designed specifically for audiences from education institutions, including primary, secondary and tertiary education.
Exhibition	This term refers to the professionally curated display of artworks within a dedicated gallery space.
Main Gallery	This term refers to the ground floor exhibition space of Wagga Wagga Art Gallery, located within the Civic Centre building
Margaret Carnegie Gallery	This term refers to the first-floor exhibition space of Wagga Wagga Art Gallery, located within the Civic Centre building.
National Art Glass Gallery	This term refers to the entirety of the stand-alone two-storey building of this designation located within the Civic Centre

POL 005 – Wagga Wagga Art Gallery Exhibition Policy

Term	Definition
	precinct, adjacent to the main building of the Civic Centre and to the Civic Theatre.
Public Program	Public programs are the main ways in which museums and galleries communicate with their public. Public programs include exhibitions; interpretive activities such as tours, talks, workshops or demonstrations; education programs; outreach and community programs; open days; performances and theatre; conferences and seminars.

Revision History

Revision number	Council resolution	Council meeting date
1	Res No: 00/1155	25 September 2000
2	Res No: 03/238	24 March 2003
3	Res No: 04/243	23 August 2004
4	Res No: 09/077	27 July 2009
5	E – Team	11 December 2012
6	Res No: 12/224.1	26 August 2013
7	E Team	19 January 2016
8	Res No: 17/279	28 August 2017
9	General Manager approval under delegated authority	July 2021

RP-11 RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS REGISTERS**Author:** Ingrid Hensley**General Manager:** Peter Thompson

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 at 24 May 2022
- b Active Notice of Motions as at 24 May 2022
- c Resolutions including Notice of Motions completed from 16 March 2022 to 24 May 2022

Report

The attached registers, outline details of each resolution with the following analysis provided as a snapshot as at 24 May 2022:

- 99 Active resolutions
- 21 Active Notices of Motions
- 31 resolutions including Notice of Motions have been completed from 16 March 2022 to 24 May 2022

Financial Implications

N/A

Policy and Legislation

Council's Code of Meeting Practice

Link to Strategic Plan

Community Leadership and Collaboration

Objective: We are informed and involved in decision making

Outcome: Everyone in our community feels they have been heard and understood




Risk Management Issues for Council

N/A

Internal / External Consultation

N/A

Attachments

1. Active Resolution Register - Provided under separate cover

2. Active Notice of Motions - Provided under separate cover

3. Completed Resolution Register - 16 March 2022 to 24 May 2022 - Provided under separate cover


RP-12 RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS/BUSINESS WITH NOTICE**Author:** Scott Gray**General Manager:** Peter Thompson

Summary: This report is to provide responses to Questions/Business with Notice arising from previous Ordinary Council Meetings.

Recommendation

That Council receive and note the report.

Report

The following is in response to Questions/Business with Notice raised at previous Ordinary Council meetings.

Councillor Hayes asked what traffic treatments Council have decided for Pine Gully Road.

Traffic modelling has determined that the optimum intersection treatments along Pine Gully Road are roundabouts at Old Narrandera Road, Muttama Parade and Cootamundra Boulevard with Traffic Signals proposed at the Estella Road intersection.

The timing for construction of the roundabouts is being driven by the River Road subdivision and subdivision development on the eastern side of Pine Gully Road up to Estella Road. Installation of Traffic Signals requires the approval of Transport for NSW to allow design and construction to commence.

Councillor Hayes requested dogs on leash signs to be installed at the wetlands.

The Companion Animals Act 1998 requires all dogs to be on a lead in a public place, unless they are within a designated off leash area. Despite programs to promote the requirements for dogs to be on a leash in public areas, some dog owners continue to be irresponsible. Although Council isn't required to signpost this requirement and would be cost prohibitive to do so in all public areas, it can serve as a reminder to the community in key locations throughout the city.

The Marrambidya Wetland is used extensively for passive recreation and has high ecological value, providing habitat for migratory and non-migratory birds, water insects, frogs, fish, reptiles and mammals such as the locally threatened Squirrel Glider.

Given the ecological significance of this area and the increased popularity for passive recreation it is considered beneficial to place signs reminding people of their obligations to have dogs on a leash. Signs will be erected at the entry points to the wetland, along with further education and monitoring of the area.

Councillor Foley requested further advice pertaining to the MOFFS and VOFFS and in particular would like to know how this will affect current and new builds in Uranquinty.

This question is addressed in RP-2 - DA22/0128 - Dwelling, Lot 1 Section 16 DP 759024, 4 Connorton St, Uranquinty.

Councillor Davies advised that at the new cycling complex at Pomigalana on the BMX Track there is scooters going over the jumps causing damage to the jumps. Would like to know if we can install 'no scooter signs' as the scooters are ruining the jumps.

Council has reviewed the relevant signage and will add a 'no scooters' sign to the applicable jump areas. In addition, Council's Communications Team are preparing communications across suitable media to warn against the use of the BMX track with scooters, for reasons of safety and damage to the facility.

Councillor Koschel asked if Council has a regular cleaning service for the plaques along the main street as some are dirty and illegible.

Council has a dedicated team for maintenance within the main street. Polishing of the plaques is not a specific maintenance activity due to the regular foot traffic that moves over them. However, a request has been lodged with the team for some additional attention on the plaques.

Financial Implications

N/A

Policy and Legislation

Wagga Wagga City Council Code of Meeting Practice

Link to Strategic Plan

Community Leadership and Collaboration

Objective: We have strong leadership

Outcome: We have leaders that represent us

Risk Management Issues for Council

N/A

Internal / External Consultation

N/A

COMMITTEE MINUTES

M-1 LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING - 12 MAY 2022

Author: Frank Goodyer
Director: Warren Faulkner

Summary:

The Local Traffic Committee met for an ordinary meeting on 12 May 2022 and considered 4 formal reports and 1 informal report.

The Committee were unanimous with the officer recommendation to Council for 2 of the formal reports presented as well as the informal report.

Further investigation will be undertaken by Council officers into the 2 formal reports which did not receive the support of the Local Traffic Committee and will be referred back to a future meeting of the Local Traffic Committee for consideration.

The Committee have been sent the draft minutes and there has been no feedback received to date.

The Minutes are attached for Councillors' reference.

Committee Recommendation

That Council approve:

- a the installation of a 60 metre length of Right Turn lane and corresponding through/Left Turn lane on Avocet Drive, not less than 3.2 meters wide, to form a two-lane approach to the Boorooma St and Messenger Avenue roundabout.
- b the installation of a 60 metre length of NO STOPPING zone utilising R-400 series signs on the northern kerb of Avocet Drive and west of the intersection of Boorooma Street.
- c the installation of a central median island in Messenger Avenue, not less than 0.6 metres wide, from the roundabout splitter island to 15 metres past the Messenger Avenue driveway to the site.
- d the installation of a NO STOPPING zone utilising R-400 series signs on both sides of Messenger Avenue east of the intersection with Boorooma Street and ending 10 metres east of the intersection of Phar Lap Place.
- e the installation of an L3 Unbroken Lane Line for a distance of 20 metres from the eastern kerb alignment of Phar Lap Place, maintaining minimum lane widths, at or above three metres
- f the installation of an R2-14 RIGHT TURN ONLY sign on the central median in Messenger Avenue facing eastbound traffic.
- g the installation of a R2-3 KEEP LEFT sign at the eastern end of the centre median in Messenger Avenue facing westbound traffic.
- h the installation of an R2-9 RIGHT LANE MUST TURN RIGHT sign on the roundabout splitter island in Avocet Drive facing eastbound traffic.
- i the installation of a pedestrian refuge and associated regulatory devices on Avocet Drive, Estella as per conditions of consent for DA14/0673.02

Report

The Traffic Committee met on 12 May 2022 and considered 5 reports. A summary of each report is as follows:

FORMAL REPORTS

RP-1 BOOROOMA SHOPPING CENTRE – TRAFFIC FACILITIES – AVOCET DRIVE AND MESSENGER AVENUE - DA 20/0752

A development application DA20/0752 relates to the construction of a shopping complex at 2 Phar Lap Place BOOROOMA. The recommendations specifically relate to a condition of consent contained in the Notice of Determination for the Development Application that required them to be considered by the Local Traffic Committee for the endorsement of Council to allow a Construction Certificate to be issued and the installation of the traffic facilities and regulatory devices to be installed legally.

RP-2 PEDESTRIAN REFUGE – AVOCET DRIVE, ESTELLA

A development application, DA14/0673.02, has been considered by Council for the construction of a shopping centre in Estella. The recommendation addresses a specific condition in the application relating to pedestrian access and safety at the front of the proposed shopping mall that required it to be considered by the Local Traffic Committee for the endorsement of Council to allow a Construction Certificate to be issued and the installation of the traffic facility and regulatory devices to be installed legally.

RP-3 PECK STREET, WAGGA WAGGA - PARKING

Wagga Wagga Base Hospital has operated its Renal Unit in Peck Street as a COVID vaccination clinic since early 2021. The original parking spaces restricted for use by Renal Unit patients only are no longer required and MLHD have requested that six spaces be approved for one hour timed parking to facilitate the regular turnover of patients attending the vaccination hub and other hospital services.

MLHD have additionally requested that the remaining spaces in Peck Street be approved as permissive parking for MLHD vehicles only. The Local Traffic Committee has requested further investigation into this item and a report back to the Committee for further consideration and advice to the Council.

RP-4 BARDO LANE, WAGGA WAGGA – STOP SIGN

Drivers exiting Bardo Lane onto Morgan Street are unsighted from pedestrians to their left until they have entered the traffic lane due to the building alignment being directly adjacent to the laneway and the footpath.

There are currently no regulatory controls or traffic calming at the intersection and the addition of a STOP sign with painted STOP line will enhance pedestrian safety.

The Local Traffic Committee has requested further investigation into this item and a report back to the Committee for further consideration and advice to the Council.

INFORMAL REPORTS

RP-5 SPECIAL EVENT TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PLANS

The Traffic Committee noted the approval under delegation of Special Event Traffic Management Plans for the following events.

- a. Light the Lake – New Year's Eve 31 December 2021
- b. Touch NSW – Junior State Cup Southern Conference Carnival, 18-20 February 2022
- c. Wagga Wagga Food and Wine Festival – 19 February 2022
- d. Ladysmith P&C Duathlon – 29 May 2022

Financial Implications

The recommendations will be installed and funded by developers.

Policy and Legislation

Transport Administration Act 1998 – Delegations to Councils, regulation of traffic
TfNSW – A guide to the delegation to Councils for the regulation of traffic
Australian Standards

Link to Strategic Plan

Community Leadership and Collaboration

Objective: We are informed and involved in decision making

Outcome: Everyone in our community feels they have been heard and understood

Risk Management Issues for Council

No significant risks have been identified for the recommendations provided.

Internal / External Consultation

Attachments

1   Minutes - Traffic Committee - 12 May 2022

MINUTES of the TRAFFIC COMMITTEE held on Thursday 12 May 2022.

PRESENT

Councillor Dan Hayes	Wagga Wagga City Council
Greg Minehan	Transport for NSW
Darren Moulds	Police
Paul Kemp	Police
Peter Braneley	Representing Dr Joe McGirr MP

IN ATTENDANCE

Mr Frank Goodyer	Senior Traffic Officer
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APOLOGIES

Mr Warren Faulkner	Director Infrastructure Services
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The meeting of the Local Traffic Committee commenced at 9:30am.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

I would like to acknowledge the Wiradjuri people who are the Traditional Custodians of this Land. I would also like to pay respect to the Elders both past and present of the Wiradjuri Nation and extend that respect to other Community members present.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No Declarations of Interest were received.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**CM-1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – NOVEMBER 2021****Recommendation**

That the Minutes of the proceedings of the Traffic Committee Meeting held on 11 November 2021 be confirmed as a true and accurate record and there was no business arising from those minutes

MINUTES of the TRAFFIC COMMITTEE held on Thursday 12 May 2022.

FORMAL REPORTS

These matters include items for which the Traffic Committee has made recommendations to Council to consider.

RP-1 BOOROOMA SHOPPING CENTRE – TRAFFIC FACILITIES – AVOCET DRIVE AND MESSENGER AVENUE - DA 20/0752

A development application DA 20/0752 relates to the construction of a shopping complex at 2 Phar Lap Place BOOROOMA. The recommendations specifically relate to a condition of consent contained in the Notice of Determination for the application and the traffic facilities and regulatory devices required for traffic entering and leaving the development.

Officer Recommendation

1. Installation of a 60 metre length of Right Turn lane and corresponding through/Left Turn lane on Avocet Drive, not less than 3.2 meters wide, to form a two-lane approach to the Boorooma St and Messenger Avenue roundabout.
2. Installation of a 60 metre length of NO STOPPING zone utilising R-400 series signs on the northern kerb of Avocet Drive and west of the intersection of Boorooma Street.
3. Installation of a central median in Messenger Avenue, not less than 0.6 metres wide, from the roundabout splitter island to 15 metres past the messenger Avenue driveway to the site.
4. Installation of NO STOPPING zone utilising R-400 series signs on both sides of Messenger Avenue east of the intersection with Boorooma Street and ending 10 metres east of the intersection of Phar Lap Place.
5. Installation of an L3 Unbroken Lane Line for a distance of 20 metres from the eastern kerb alignment of Phar Lap Place, maintaining minimum lanes widths, at or above three metres.
6. Installation of an R2-14 RIGHT TURN ONLY sign on the central median in Messenger Avenue facing eastbound traffic.
7. Installation of a R2-3 KEEP LEFT sign at the eastern end of the centre median in Messenger Avenue facing westbound traffic.
8. Installation of an R2-9 RIGHT LANE MUST TURN RIGHT sign on the roundabout splitter island in Avocet Drive facing eastbound traffic.

For the Motion

D Hayes
P Braneley
G Minehan
D Moulds

Against the Motion

MINUTES of the TRAFFIC COMMITTEE held on Thursday 12 May 2022.

RP-2 PEDESTRIAN REFUGE – AVOCET DRIVE, ESTELLA

A development application, DA14/0673.02, has been considered by Council for the construction of a shopping centre in Estella. The recommendation addresses a specific condition in the application relating to pedestrian access and safety at the front of the proposed shopping mall.

Officer Recommendation

That Council approve the installation of a pedestrian refuge and associated regulatory devices on Avocet Drive, Estella as per conditions of consent for DA14/0673.02.

For the Motion

D Hayes
P Braneley
G Minehan
D Moulds

Against the Motion**RP-3 PECK STREET, WAGGA WAGGA - PARKING****Officer Recommendation**

That Council approve the following changes to parking restrictions in Peck Street Wagga Wagga:

- a. Install a length of timed parking utilising R5-1 series signs depicting 1P 8am-4.00pm Mon-Fri for the first six marked parking bays on the eastern side of Peck Street commencing from Yathong Street
- b. Install a length of NO PARKING for the remaining seven marked parking bays on the eastern side of Peck Street commencing from Yabtree Street utilising R5-40 series signs with additional words "Authorised Vehicles Excepted"

For the MotionAgainst the Motion

D Hayes
P Braneley
G Minehan
D Moulds

Local Traffic Committee Advice

The proposal does not comply with Transport for NSW permit parking guidelines under the Road Transport (General) Regulation 2021.

The Committee recommends further investigation and report into the following:

1. Time restricted parking and the appropriate length of time.
2. Unrestricted parking

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RP-4 BARDO LANE – STOP SIGN**Officer Recommendation**

That Council install a STOP sign and associated STOP line utilising R1-1 series signage in Bardo Lane at the intersection of Morgan Street.

For the MotionAgainst the Motion

D Hayes
P Braneley
G Minehan
D Moulds

Local Traffic Committee Advice

The committee recommends further investigation to consider both the intersections of Morgan Street and Forsyth Street including kerb treatments, signage and traffic calming in Bardo Lane on the approaches to each intersection.

INFORMAL REPORTS**RP-5 SPECIAL EVENT TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PLANS****Officer Recommendation**

That Traffic Committee note the approval under delegation of Special Event Traffic Management Plans for the following events.

For the MotionAgainst the Motion

D Hayes
P Braneley
G Minehan
D Moulds

Light the Lake – New Year's Eve 31 December 2021

The event was sponsored by Council to celebrate the New Year and involved the temporary management of traffic to ensure the safe movement of people and vehicles in the streets surrounding the lake on the evening of 31 December 2021.

Touch NSW – Junior State Cup Southern Conference Carnival – 18 to 20 February 2022

This annual event continues to increase in popularity and attendance. The implementation of a comprehensive traffic management plan on roads bordering Jubilee Park across the weekend ensures a safe environment for people attending the event with minimal impact on the non-event community.

Wagga Wagga Food and Wine Festival – 19 February 2022

The Food and Wine Festival has been conducted by the Rotary Club of Wollundry, Wagga Wagga Inc for over ten years. It's a static event held in the Civic precinct using sections of Baylis Street, Morrow Street and Ivan Jack Drive.

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Ladysmith P&C Duathlon – 29 May 2022

This is an on-road competitive running and cycling event which had been postponed from 2021 due to COVID. The traffic management plan ensures the safe conduct of the event on local roads in Ladysmith with minimal impact on the non-event community.

QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

No Questions with Notice received.

QUESTIONS/BUSINESS WITH NOTICE

CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

CONF-1 EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR LEASE - 99 PETER STREET, WAGGA WAGGA

Author: Matthew Dombrovski

General Manager: Peter Thompson

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: -

- (c) information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

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PRESENT

The Mayor, Councillor Dallas Tout
Councillor Georgie Davies
Councillor Dan Hayes (via remote attendance)
Councillor Michael Henderson
Councillor Richard Foley
Councillor Rod Kendall
Councillor Tim Koschel
Councillor Jenny McKinnon
Councillor Amelia Parkins

IN ATTENDANCE

General Manager	(Mr P Thompson)
Director Community	(Ms J Summerhayes)
Chief Financial Officer	(Mrs C Rodney)
Chief Operating Officer	(Mr S Gray)
Manager Audit, Risk & Governance	(Ms I Hensley)
Communications & Engagement Officer	(Mr M Casey) (via remote attendance)
Governance Officer	(Ms K West)

PRAYER

Almighty God,

Help protect our Mayor, elected Councillors and staff.

Help Councillors to govern with justice, integrity, and respect for equality, to preserve rights and liberties, to be guided by wisdom when making decisions and settling priorities, and not least of all to preserve harmony.

Amen.

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.

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

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APOLOGIES

An apology for non-attendance was received and accepted for Director of Infrastructure Services Warren Faulkner on the Motion of Councillors

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

CM-1 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING - 2 MAY 2022

22/146 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors T Koschel and R Kendall

That the Minutes of the proceedings of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 2 May 2022 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

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

Against the Motion

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor T Koschel declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in CONF-1 – 2021/2022 LOAN FACILITY the reason being that his workplace is mentioned in the report and remained in the chamber during its consideration.

General Manager Peter Thompson declared a Significant Pecuniary Interest in MM-CONF-1 - CONFIDENTIAL MAYORAL MINUTE - GENERAL MANAGER'S CONTRACT the reason being that the report is in relation to his employment at Wagga Wagga City Council and vacated the chamber during its consideration.

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PROCEDURAL MOTION - CHANGE OF STANDING ORDERS

22/147 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and T Koschel

That Council bring forward consideration of EnGlobo.

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

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

Against the Motion

MOTIONS OF WHICH DUE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

NOM-1 NOTICE OF MOTION - AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION (ALGA) 'DON'T LEAVE LOCAL COMMUNITIES BEHIND' CAMPAIGN

22/148 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors D Hayes and R Kendall

That Council:

- a supports the national funding priorities of the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA), which would contribute an estimated \$6.46 billion per year to Australia's GDP and create 43,444 jobs; and**
- b agrees to support and participate in the Australian Local Government Association's advocacy for their endorsed national funding priorities by writing to the local Federal Member(s) of Parliament, all known election candidates in local Federal electorates and the President of the Australian Local Government Association to:**
 - i express support for ALGA's funding priorities;**
 - ii identify priority local projects and programs that could be progressed with the additional financial assistance from the Federal Government being sought by ALGA; and**

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- iii seek funding commitments from the members, candidates, and their parties for these identified local projects and programs**

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

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

Against the Motion

PROCEDURAL MOTION - ENGLOBO

22/149 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors J McKinnon and R Kendall

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-1 and RP-2, be adopted as recommended in the business papers.

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

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

Against the Motion

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REPORTS FROM STAFF

RP-1 DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO THE GENERAL MANAGER

22/150 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors J McKinnon and R Kendall

That Council delegates the following powers, authorities, duties and functions of the Council to the General Manager, Mr Peter Thompson, as shown in the Schedule hereto, subject to the limitations and exceptions as shown:

SCHEDULE

- a All powers, authorities, duties and functions of the Council conferred or imposed on the Council by or under the Local Government Act, 1993 other than the functions listed in Section 377 of that Act as matters incapable of being delegated
- b All powers, authorities, duties and functions conferred or imposed on the Council by or under any other Act

LIMITATIONS

- a A power, authority, duty or function the subject of this delegation shall not be exercised by the General Manager in relation to any matter if the Council, by resolution, gives a direction to that effect to the General Manager
- b These delegations may be exercised only in accordance with prescribed standards, codes, policies and decisions of the Council

EXCEPTIONS

- a The determination of any development application that proposes development that would contravene a development standard imposed by Wagga Wagga Local Environmental Plan 2010 or any other environmental planning instrument and that is accompanied by a written request from the applicant seeking to justify the contravention of the development standard
- b Determination of any development application that is required to be referred to Council for determination in accordance with the Wagga Wagga Development Control Plan 2010
- c Determination of any development application that is required to be referred to Council in accordance with policy "POL 046 Processing Development Applications Lodged by Councillors, Staff and Individuals of Which a conflict of Interest May Arise, or on Council Owned Land"
- d Determination of any development application that is required to be referred to Council for determination in accordance with any directive issued by the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

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.....MAYORGENERAL MANAGER

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For the Motion

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

Against the Motion

RP-2 RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS/BUSINESS WITH NOTICE

22/151 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors J McKinnon and R Kendall

That Council receive and note the report.

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

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

Against the Motion

QUESTIONS/BUSINESS WITH NOTICE

Councillor Hayes asked what traffic treatments have Council decided for Pine Gully Road.

Councillor Hayes requested dogs on leash signs to be installed at the wetlands.

Councillor Foley requested further advice pertaining to the MOFFS and VOFFS and in particular would like to know how this will affect current and new builds in Uranquinty.

Councillor Henderson requested information on how Council determines what roads require maintenance or resealing and what is the scale on which they are chosen.

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The General Manager, Peter Thompson provided a response advising the Scale is 1-5 and there is a report returning to Council in June 2022 following a Notice of Motion from Councillor Hayes.

Councillor Koschel directed a question to the Mayor in relation to a Councillor making a statement last week towards the Mayor and demonstrable falsehood in regards to comments the Mayor provided to the media in relation to the airport and requested an update on which candidates the Mayor has heard from in relation to the recent Mayoral Minute and contacting candidates.

No response has been received from Richard Orchard - One Nation, Steve Karaitiana – Shooters, Fishers and Farmers or Dean Mcrae - Liberal Democrats

Councillor Koschel asked if the Mayor was able to elaborate and if any of those have committed Funding?

Mayor, Councillor Tout responded that he was not willing to release any emails however there was discussion in relation to infrastructure, lobbying for funding, the state of infrastructure, tenure and the state of the lease and a range of other matters, but none of the emails has any commitment to funds.

Councillor McKinnon requested advice surrounding 'free tip days' and excessive traffic would like to know if the council has investigated or considered voucher systems.

Mr Scott Gray provided an interim response vouchers were considered in the past with the role out of the new bin collection system. 'Free tip days' are no longer a option. Council now offers bulky goods collection.

Councillor Davies advised that at the new cycling complex at Pomigalana on the BMX Track there is scooters going over the jumps causing damage to the jumps. Would like to know if we can install 'no scooter signs' as the scooters are ruining the jumps.

Councillor Koschel asked if Council has a regular cleaning service for the plaques along the main street as some are dirty and illegible.

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CLOSED COUNCIL

22/152 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors T Koschel and R Foley

That the Council now resolve itself into a Closed Council, the time being 6.30pm.

CARRIED

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

CONFIDENTIAL MAYORAL MINUTES

General Manager, Mr P Thompson declared a Significant Pecuniary Interest and vacated the Chamber the time being 6:30pm

All Council Staff vacated the Chamber the time being 6.30am

MM-CONF-1 CONFIDENTIAL MAYORAL MINUTE - GENERAL MANAGER'S CONTRACT

22/153 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillor D Tout

That Council:

- a receive and note the letter from General Manager, Mr Peter Thompson dated 21 February 2022 seeking renewal of his contract**
- b endorse renewing the contract of employment with Mr Peter Thompson for a further five years commencing 30 November 2022, based on the terms and conditions outlined by Mr Thompson in his letter**
- c delegate authority to the Mayor and Deputy Mayor to finalise the contract of employment in accordance with the standard contract required by the Office of Local Government**

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

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

Against the Motion

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General Manager, Mr P Thompson re-entered the Chamber the time being 6:42pm.

All Council Staff re-entered the Chamber, the time being 6.42pm.

CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

CONF-1 2021/22 LOAN FACILITY

22/154 RESOLVED:

On the Motion of Councillors R Kendall and T Koschel

That Council:

- a authorise the General Manager or their delegate to enter into a Loan Facility with the Commonwealth Bank of Australia for up to:**
 - i \$472,578 to fund the projects identified as part of Tranche 1 in the body of the report**
 - ii \$2,067,707 to fund the projects identified as part of Tranche 2 in the body of the report**
 - iii \$5,774,316 to fund the projects identified as part of Tranche 3 in the body of the report**
- b authorise the affixing of Council's Common Seal to all necessary documents as required**
- c enter into a Loan Facility in a future financial year to fund the project identified as part of Tranche 4 in the body of the report, when the project has completed and the contribution for the project is required. A subsequent report will be presented to Council for this project's loan borrowings**
- d write to the Minister for Local Government seeking authorisation to source the loan facility in (c) above from the Sewer Fund and to seek approved terms for accessing the Sewer Reserve for property investment**

CARRIED

RECORD OF VOTING ON THE MOTION

For the Motion

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

Against the Motion

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REVERSION TO OPEN COUNCIL

Recommendation

That this meeting of the Closed Council revert to an open meeting of the Council, the time being 6.45pm

THIS COMPLETED THE BUSINESS OF THE COUNCIL MEETING WHICH ROSE AT 6.50pm.

.....
MAYOR

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.....MAYORGENERAL MANAGER