

# **COBAR SHIRE COUNCIL**



## **ORDINARY MEETING AGENDA**

**THURSDAY, 22 JUNE 2017**

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## ~ ORDER OF BUSINESS ~

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Business for the meeting will be as follows:

1. Apologies
  2. Declaration of Interests
  3. Condolences
  4. Confirmation of Minutes
    - Traffic Committee Meeting – Tuesday, 22 May 2017;
    - Ordinary Meeting of Council – Thursday, 25 May 2017;
    - Extraordinary Meeting of Council – Tuesday, 8 June 2017.
  5. Matters Arising from Minutes
  6. Mayoral Report
  7. General Manager's Report – Part A (Action)
  8. General Manager's Report – Part B (Information)
  9. General Manager's Report – Part C (Confidential)
  10. Matters of Urgency
  11. Correspondence
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## ~ COUNCIL'S VISION ~

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Our Vision is for Cobar Shire to be an attractive, healthy and caring environment in which to live, work and play, achieved in partnership with the community through initiative, foresight and leadership.

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## ~ COUNCIL'S MISSION ~

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Our Mission is to provide sound and sensible government and ensure that works and services are delivered effectively and equitably to the community of Cobar Shire.

Council will also develop and constantly review its policy on the maintenance of its road network with current priorities to include the sealing of the following strategic roads within the Shire;

- Ivanhoe Road
  - Louth Road
  - Tilpa Road
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## ~ COUNCIL'S VALUES ~

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Council has adopted the following Values that should be reflected in how the whole organisation operates and interacts with others:

- Continually strive for improvement in every aspect of Council's activities and recognise initiative.
- All activities are to be customer focused and provide equity for all.
- Involve the community in decision making through open government and consultative processes.
- Foster and promote sustainable ecological and economic development, rural pursuits and industries that contribute to the wealth of the region and in keeping with the environment and residents lifestyle.
- Conserve and protect the natural beauty of the area.
- Promote a spirit of regional cooperation particularly in regard to planning, infrastructure, economic development, tourism and employment.

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## ~ COUNCIL'S CHARTER ~

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A Council has the following charter (Section 8, *Local Government Act 1993*):

- To provide directly or on behalf of other levels of government, after due consultation, adequate, equitable and appropriate services and facilities for the community and to ensure that those services and facilities are managed efficiently and effectively.
- To exercise community leadership.
- To exercise its functions in a manner that is consistent with and actively promotes the principles of cultural diversity.
- To promote and to provide and plan for the needs of children.
- To properly manage, develop, protect, restore, enhance and conserve the environment of the area for which it is responsible, in a manner that is consistent with and promotes the principles of ecologically sustainable development.
- To have regard to the long term and cumulative effects of its decisions.
- To bear in mind that it is the custodian and trustee of public assets and to effectively account for and manage the assets for which it is responsible.
- To facilitate the involvement of Councillors, members of the public, users of facilities and services and council staff in the development, improvement and coordination of local government.
- To raise funds for local purposes by the fair imposition of rates, charges and fees, by income earned from investments and, when appropriate, by borrowings and grants.
- To keep the local community and the State government (and through it, the wider community) informed about its activities.
- To ensure that, in the exercise of its regulatory functions, it acts consistently and without bias, particularly where an activity of the council is affected.
- To be a responsible employer.

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**CLAUSE 1A – MAYORAL REPORT**

**FILE: C13-1-5**

**AOP REFERENCE: 3.1**

**ATTACHMENT: NO**

**AUTHOR: *Mayor, Councillor Lilliane Brady OAM***

Report to be tabled.

**RECOMMENDATION**

- 1. That Council accepts the information contained in the Mayoral Report for the month of June 2017.**
- 2. That a Public Forum Session be added to Council's Ordinary Council Meeting.**
- 3. That a set of rules in relation to the Public Forum Session at Council Meetings be set and presented to the next Ordinary Council Meeting.**

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**CLAUSE 2A – PUBLICATION GUIDE – GOVERNMENT INFORMATION  
(PUBLIC ACCESS) ACT 2009**

**FILE:A2-6-2**

**AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.5.2**

**ATTACHMENT: YES**

**(PAGE 62-82)**

**AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko***

**Purpose**

To report on a review of the Publication Guide in accordance with the *Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009*.

**Background**

Council at its Ordinary Meeting on the 23 June 2016 adopted an amended version of the Publication Guide in accordance with the *Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009* as Policy of the Council.

Council must review its Publication Guide at least once every twelve (12) months.

**Issues**

There has been no problems implementing the requirements of the Publication Guide over the past twelve (12) months.

**Legal Situation**

*Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009*.

**Policy Implications**

Only minor amendments have been made to the existing Policy to bring the new draft to be in accordance with legislative changes, current policies and processes, etc.

**Financial Implications**

Nil.

**Options**

The current Publication Guide has been reviewed and only minor amendments to correct information have been undertaken.

It is considered appropriate for Council to adopt as Policy the amended Publication Guide as attached.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council adopts the Publication Guide dated 1 June 2017 as the current Policy of Council.**



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**CLAUSE 3A – MURRIN BRIDGE BOUNDARY RE-ALIGNMENT**

**FILE: B5-4**

**AOP REFERENCE: 1.4.4**

**ATTACHMENT: NO**

**AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko***

Report to be tabled.

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**CLAUSE 4A – NYMAGEE OLD SCHOOL COMMUNITY CENTRE**

**FILE: A10-3-7**

**AOP REFERENCE: 4.4.2**

**ATTACHMENT: NO**

**AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko***

Report to be tabled.

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**CLAUSE 5A – REVIEW OF CURRENT WATER RESTRICTIONS**

**FILE: W2-21**

**AOP REFERENCE: 5.1.3**

**ATTACHMENT: NO**

**AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko***

**Purpose**

The purpose of this report is to consider lifting the current water restrictions.

**Background**

As Cobar and surrounding areas are now starting to enter into the coolest period of the year it would be an appropriate time for Council to give consideration to adjusting the current level of Water Restrictions.

The water restrictions that are currently in effect are as follows:

**Cobar, Euabalong and Euabalong West**

- Hand held hoses are permitted at any time;
- All fixed sprinklers, irrigation systems etc. are permitted between **4.00pm** and **10.00am** daily;
- No car washing permitted on hard surfaces.

**Nymagee**

- Total ban on hand held hosing until further notice;
- All fixed sprinklers, irrigations systems are banned;
- No car washing permitted on hard surfaces.

**Mount Hope**

- Hand held hoses are permitted between **4.00pm** and **10.00am** daily;
- All fixed sprinklers, irrigation systems etc. are banned;
- No car washing permitted on hard surfaces.

It is recommended that the water restrictions be lifted for the period 23 June 2017 to 1 September 2017.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council adopts that there are no water restrictions from 23 June 2017 to 1 September 2017.**

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**CLAUSE 6A - ADOPTION OF INTEGRATED PLANNING AND REPORTING DOCUMENTS**

**FILE: L5-22**

**AOP REFERENCE: 3.1**

**ATTACHMENT: YES  
(UNDER SEPARATE COVER)**

**AUTHOR: *Director of Finance and Community Services, Kym Miller***

**Purpose**

To adopt the 2017/2018 Integrated Planning suite of documents. A further item on this meeting's agenda recommends the Making of Rates and Annual Charges, also required by the *Local Government Act 1993*.

**Background**

Council presented a 'break even' budget to the public for consideration and comment. This draft budget had been workshopped and reviewed by Councillors on a line by line basis.

At the Extraordinary Meeting of Council on 9 May 2017 it was resolved:

*“That Council place the draft 2017/2018 Annual Operational Plan Budget and Ten Year Financial Plan (together with) other Integrated Planning Documents on public exhibition for a minimum of 28 days to seek community feedback prior to adoption”.*

and

*“That Council resolves to put the draft Delivery Program 2016/2017 to 2020/2021, including the budget on public exhibition for a minimum of 28 days”.*

and

*“That Council resolves to put the draft Community Strategic Plan – Cobar Shire 2030 – on public exhibition for a minimum of 28 days.”*

A Public Meeting was held on Wednesday, 17 May 2017 which fulfilled Council's obligations under the *Local Government Act 1993* and has given the Cobar community a chance to have input into the budget and plans.

Council has received one feedback item arising from the public exhibition. It is in the form of a minute from the Nymagee Progress Association and details their preferred allocation of the VPA funding. This is included in the attachments and will not require a change to the budget if accommodated.

**Events since the release of the draft documents**

Two significant events have occurred since the release of the draft to the public:

- The early payment of Financial Assistance Grants;
- Advice on an alternative remedy for 'dirty water'.

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## Early payment of Financial Assistance Grants

Since the release of the draft for exhibition Council has been advised that it will receive approximately \$2.7m Financial Assistance Grants which under the existing arrangements would have been paid in quarterly instalments in 2017/2018 in year ended 30 June 2017. Accounting conventions require that this amount be reported in the year that it is received even though it will be allocated to be expended in 2017/2018. In reporting terms this means that 2017/2018 is now budgeted to show a \$2.7m deficit even though the cash will be restricted as at 30 June 2017 and used in 2017/2018. So as to enable valid comparisons from year to year the budget being adopted has left the grant in revenue for 2017/2018 and adjusted it 'below the line'. This calculation is known as 'underlying surplus/ deficit' in some other states.

The Federal Treasurer also announced the resumption of indexation of Financial Assistance Grants. The budget on display had pre-empted this.

## Alternative method of upgrading Cobar's water supply

Public Works NSW has identified that the reticulation system may be able to be cleaned as an alternative to replacement. It is too early to evaluate as yet. Once the variables are clarified the budget will be amended at a quarterly review. If the replacement does not proceed the operating budget after capital grants and contributions is not impacted as the project was to be funded by a capital grant.

## Draft Road Capital Program

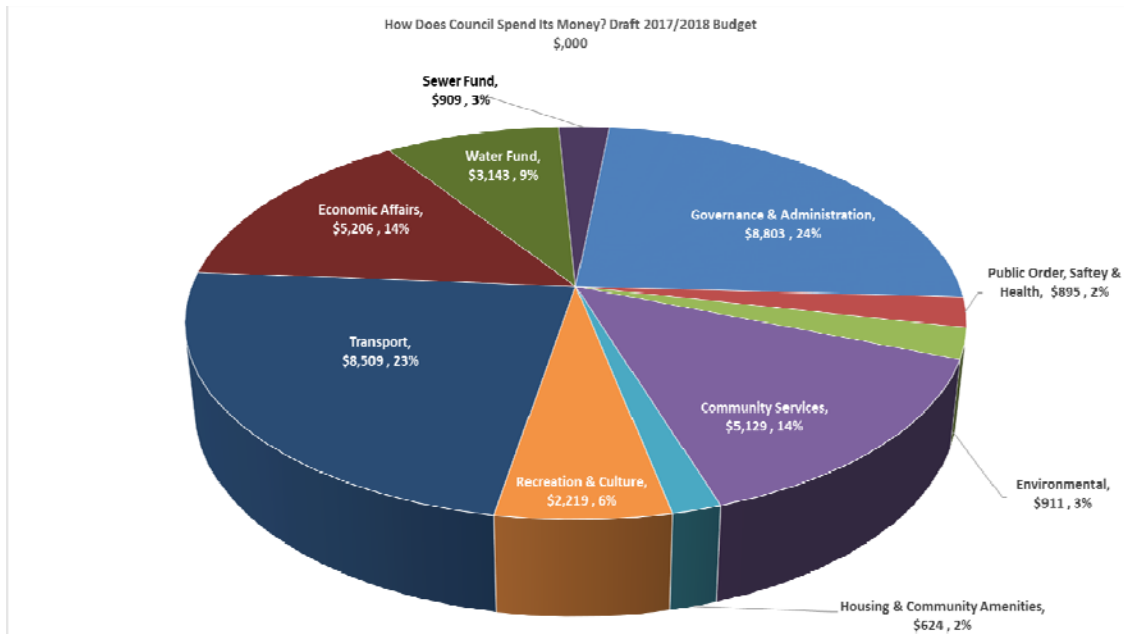
A draft Road Capital Program has been prepared as follows:

<b>Regional Roads</b>		
MR 68 Curranyalpa Rd	Bridge approach reformation	250,000
MR 228 Whitbarrow Way	Reseal	60,000
MR 407 Mulya Road	Seal extension	800,000
MR 411 Tipping Way	Bend Alignment	250,000
MR 461 Priory Tank Road	Reseal	200,000
MR 7518 Fifty Two Mile Road	Reseal	200,000
MR 7518 Fifty Two Mile Road	Winderera Bend seal extension	150,000
MR 7518 Fifty Two Mile Road	Sand Hill stabilisation	300,000
MR 7521 Kaicatoo Road	Reseal	200,000
<b>Shire Roads</b>		
SR7 Mt Gap Road	Creek crossing stabilisation	200,000
SR19 Burthong Road	Reseal	150,000
SR19 Burthong Road	Gravel Resheeting	201,000
SR 20 Grain Road	Seal extension	1,200,000
SR 31 Moolah Road	Gravel resheeting	75,000
Urban Streets	Reseal	50,000
Unallocated		150,000
<b>Total</b>		<b>4,436,000</b>

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## **Operating Budget Key Points**

The budget assumptions are shown in the attachment. The graph below shows the split of Council's expenditure budget.



- Before allowing for the timing adjustment in grant income it is a 'break even budget'.
- The year forecasts cash usage of \$195k, including reducing debt by \$276k and taking out no new borrowings.
- Rates have been increased to the level permitted by the NSW Government (1.5%) with the majority of the burden being apportioned to the farming sector. It is to be noted that costs are increasing at a greater rate.
- Fees and charges on balance have increased by C.P.I other than the swimming pool entrance fees which have a modest increase of 40 cents after several years of no increases and in some cases reductions.
- No services have been eliminated or reduced.

## **Capital Projects Key Points**

- It is anticipated that the Water Treatment Plant project will commence in the 2017/2018 year and this has been budgeted for accordingly. Included in this suite of works will be an upgrade of the Cobar reticulation system to ensure 'clean water' supplies.
- Social projects include a new roof on the Youthie (\$300k), \$125k renewal works at the swimming centre, a further \$200k on playgrounds and \$300k for extensions at the medical centre.
- Including depreciation of \$3.6m, \$12.0m will be spent on roads maintenance and roads capital investment. Through the Shire's arrangement with the R.M.S a further \$5.2m will be spent on the road network.

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### Long Term Financial Plan

Council's Long Term Financial Plan has been reviewed and adjusted in accordance with the budget and known future circumstances.

The deterioration from break even to deficit in years beyond 2017/2018 is noted and a plan is currently being prepared for quarterly review by Council on how to address this.

The Plan shows two major extra ordinary events:

1. The impact of the incorporation of the Lilliane Brady Village into a Multi-Purpose Health Service which will reduce Council's overhead recovery by approximately \$130K pa as well as the cash it generates. However, the quality of care available and reduced future investment required will offset this if the arrangement is satisfactorily negotiated. This is expected to impact in 2019/2020.
2. The write off the existing Water Treatment Plant as the (planned) new plant commences operation.

The key elements of the operating budget appear in the table below:

GENERAL FUND	2017/2018		
	REVENUE	EXPENDITURE	SURPLUS/DEFICIT
Governance	135,741	688,830	-553,088
Corporate Support	6,117,749	8,114,391	-1,996,642
Public Order & Safety	220,320	469,766	-249,446
Public Health	154,887	425,182	-270,296
Community Services & Education	5,217,842	5,129,329	88,514
Environment	900,212	911,323	-11,111
Housing & Community Amenities	293,288	624,352	-331,064
Recreation & Culture	251,018	2,218,566	-1,967,548
Mining & Manufacture	10,000	12,949	-2,949
Transport & Communication	6,660,019	8,496,151	-1,836,132
Economic Affairs	5,789,132	5,205,884	583,248
General Purpose Revenues	7,463,300		7,463,300
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND OPERATIONS</b>	<b>33,213,508</b>	<b>32,296,723</b>	<b>916,785</b>
Water	11,075,343	3,143,013	7,932,230
Sewer	2,363,332	908,508	1,454,824
<b>TOTAL OTHER FUNDS</b>	<b>13,438,675</b>	<b>4,051,521</b>	<b>9,387,154</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>46,652,182</b>	<b>36,348,243</b>	<b>10,303,949</b>
Capital Grants and Contributions			
General Fund	705,000		
Water Fund	8,000,000		

<i>Sewer Fund</i>	1,600,000		
<i>Total Capital Grants and Contributions</i>	10,305,000		
<b>Operating surplus/ deficit after capital</b>			-1,061
FAGS adjustment	-2,700,000		-2,700,000
<b>To accumulated surplus</b>			<b>-2,701,061</b>

### **RECOMMENDATION**

1. That Council adopt the 2017/2018 Operational Plan and Budget as exhibited after adjusting revenue downwards by \$2.7m for a timing difference in grant receipts.
2. That Council adopt the 2017/2018 Capital Expenditure Budget as exhibited.
3. That Council adopt the Long Term Financial Plan as exhibited after adjusting for the timing differences contained in 1 above.
4. That Council adopts the schedule of Fees and Charges as exhibited for 2017/2018.
5. That Council adopts the Revenue Policy as exhibited for 2017/2018.
6. That Council adopts the Delivery Program 2016/2017 to 2020/2021 as exhibited.
7. That Council adopts the Cobar Community Strategic Plan – Cobar Shire 2030.
8. That Council notes the feedback from the Nymagee Progress Association and thanks them accordingly.



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**CLAUSE 7A – 2017/2018 MAKING OF RATES AND ANNUAL CHARGES REPORT**

**FILE: L5-22**

**AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.1**

**ATTACHMENT: NO**

**AUTHOR: *Office Coordinator, Jo-Louise Brown***

**Purpose**

For Council to make general rates and annual charges for domestic waste management, water and sewerage services in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993.

**Background**

Sections 491 through 607 of the Local Government Act 1993 detail how Council may make rates and annual charges for various services.

At the 27 April 2017 Ordinary Council Meeting it was resolved to place the rates on public exhibition for the required period in accordance with Section 532 of the Local Government Act.

On balance, the increase in the rates for 2017/2018 proposed is the rate peg of 1.5% with the burden spread across Farmland and Mining categories. The Mining categories have been amalgamated into one, called Mining General.

**RECOMMENDATION**

- 1. That the Cobar Residential rate of 2.65 cents in the dollar on all rateable Cobar Residential Land in pursuance of Section 516 Local Government Act 1993, be now made along with a minimum rate of \$500.00 for each assessment of land for financial year 2017/2018.**
- 2. That the Business Ordinary Rate of 2.20 cents in the dollar on all rateable Cobar Business Land in pursuance of Section 518 Local Government Act 1993, be now made along with a minimum rate of \$530.00 for each assessment of land for the financial year 2017/2018.**
- 3. That the Cobar Business CBD Rate of 3.60 cents in the dollar on all rateable Cobar Business CBD Land in pursuance of Section 518 Local Government Act 1993, be now made along with a minimum rate of \$530.00 for each assessment of land for the financial year 2017/2018.**
- 4. That the Cobar Farmland Rate of 0.300 cents in the dollar on all rateable Cobar Farmland in pursuance of Section 515 Local Government Act 1993, be now made along with a base rate of \$295.00 for each assessment of land for the financial year 2017/2018.**
- 5. That the Village Residential Rate of 14.30 cents in the dollar on all rateable Village Residential Land in pursuance of Section 516 Local Government Act 1993, be now made along with a base rate of \$112.00 for each assessment of land for the financial year 2017/2018.**

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6. That the Village Business Rate of 5.10 cents in the dollar on all rateable Village Business Land in pursuance of Section 529 (2) (d) Local Government Act 1993, be now made along with a base rate of \$151.00 for each assessment of land for the financial year 2017/2018.
  7. That the Rural Residential Rate of 2.00 cents in the dollar on all rateable Rural Residential Land in pursuance of Section 529 (2) (b) Local Government Act 1993, be now made along with a minimum rate of \$500.00 for each assessment of land for the financial year 2017/2018.
  8. That the Mining - General of 6.15 cents in the dollar on all rateable Mining - Gold Land in pursuance of Section 517 and 529 (2) (c) Local Government Act 1993, be now made along with a minimum rate of \$650.00 for each assessment of land for the financial year 2017/2018.
  9. That the Domestic Waste Management Charge of \$225.00 on all properties within Council's Garbage Collection Area in pursuance of Section 496 of the Local Government Act 1993, be now made along with a charge on vacant land of \$100.00 for each assessment also a charge of \$15.00 per service per single additional bin be made for the financial year 2017/2018.
  10. That the annual charge for waste management services which will apply to allow rateable assessments in the Cobar Shire during 2017/2018 of \$100.00 in pursuance of Section 501 of the Local Government Act 1993, within 5kms radius of the following locations: Euabalong Post Office, Euabalong West Public School, Nymagee Police Station, Mount Hope Hotel and Canbelego intersection of Edward and Coronga Streets.
  11. That a Cobar Sewerage Access Charge of \$345.00 on all lands rateable to the Cobar Sewerage Residential Area in pursuance to Section 539(1) of the Local Government Act 1993, be now made along with a charge of \$105.00 for each additional closet (including urinals) in excess of 3 connections and a zero water discharge charge for the financial year 2017/2018.
  12. That a minimum Cobar Sewerage Non- residential Charge of \$570.00 on all lands rateable to the Cobar Sewerage Commercial Area in pursuance to Section 539 (1) of the Local Government Act 1993, and Liquid Trade Waste Charges as per the Fees and Charges for the financial year 2017/2018.
  13. That a Cobar Water Supply Access Charge of \$255.00 on all connected Filtered Water Residential lands rateable to the Cobar Water Supply Area in pursuance to Section 539(1) of the Local Government Act 1993, and that connected Unfiltered Water be \$165.00, be now made along with the following : Unconnected \$255.00 and for the following connections: 32mm \$460.00, 40mm \$800.00, 50mm \$1,260.00, 80mm \$2,500.00, and 100mm \$3,100.00 in pursuance of the Local Government Act 1993, along with a Water Charge of 1kl up to 450kl, \$2.19 per kl, 451kl up to 550kl, \$3.25 per kl and above 550kl, \$4.14 per kl and Connected Raw Water at \$1.70 per kl be made for the financial year 2017/2018.
  14. That a Cobar Water Supply Access Charge of \$365.00 on all connected Commercial lands rateable to the Cobar Water Supply Area in pursuance to Section 539(1) of the Local Government Act 1993, be now made along

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with the following: Unconnected \$365.00 and for the following connections: 32mm \$460.00, 40mm \$800.00, 50mm \$1,260.00, 80mm \$2,500.00, and 100mm \$3,100.00 in pursuance of the Local Government Act 1993, along with a Water Charge of 1kl up to 450kl, \$2.19 per kl, 451kl up to 550kl, \$3.25 per kl and a above 551kl, \$4.14 per kl be made for the financial year 2017/2018.

15. That a Nymagee Water Supply Access Charge of \$600.00 be applied to all 20mm connected properties in the Nymagee Water Supply Area and that all properties over 20mm connections be charged at \$1,120.00 per connection and that all unconnected properties be charged at \$300.00 for each vacant land for the financial year 2017/2018 in pursuance of Section 539 (1) Local Government Act 1993.
16. That a Euabalong and Euabalong West Water Supply Access Charge of \$600.00 be applied to all 20mm connected properties in the Euabalong and Euabalong West Water Supply Area and that all properties over 20mm connections be charged at \$1,120.00 per connection and that all unconnected properties be charged at \$300.00 for each rateable land for the financial year 2017/2018 in pursuance of Section 539 (1) Local Government Act 1993.
17. That a Mount Hope Water Supply Access Charge of \$700.00 be applied to all 20mm connected properties in the Mount Hope Water Supply Area and that all properties over 20mm connections be charged at \$1,120.00 for each rateable land for the financial year 2017/2018 in pursuance of Section 539 (1) Local Government Act 1993.
18. That the interest rate for unpaid rates and charges be made at 7.5%, as advised by the Minister of Local Government, for the financial year 2017/2018.
19. That the interest rate for overdue water usage charges be made at 7.5%, for the financial year 2017/2018.

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**CLAUSE 8A – LEGAL DOCUMENTS TO INCORPORATE THE LILLIANE BRADY VILLAGE INTO A MULTI PURPOSE (HEALTH) SERVICE**

**FILE: H1-1**

**AOP REFERENCE: 3.1**

**ATTACHMENT: NO**

**AUTHOR: *Director of Finance and Community Services, Kym Miller***

**Purpose**

For Council to approve in principle the suite of legal documents to incorporate the Shire's Aged Care facility known as the Lilliane Brady Village into a Multi-Purpose (Health) Service thus facilitating a way to continue progress on the matter.

**Background**

By formal resolution Council entered into a non-binding Memorandum of Understanding with Health Administration Corporation and Western New South Wales Local Health District.

The document was executed on 31 May 2016.

Since that time there has been a number of consultation sessions at various levels in Cobar and much activity in design and scoping. The responsible minister has 'signed off' on the funding and the project which will see a new hospital and an expanded aged care facility in Cobar is progressing. The location of the medical facility currently in Harcourt Street is still being considered.

There is a suite of very complex legal documents which have been considered by Marsdens Law Group acting on behalf of Cobar Shire Council and which under the Local Government Act 1993 must be considered in Committee of the Whole Closed Council as discussions in open Council would prejudice proceedings

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

**That a further report on the legal documents to incorporate the Lilliane Brady Village into a Multi-Purpose (Health) Service be considered in Committee of the Whole Closed Council with the press and public excluded for the reason as stated in Section 10A (2) (d) (I) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, as discussions of this matter in open Council would prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.**

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**CLAUSE 9A – MINUTES OF THE ECONOMIC TASKFORCE**

**FILE: D2-17 AOP REFERENCE: 2.1 ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 83-85)**

**AUTHOR: *Director Corporate and Economic Development, Angela Shepherd***

**Purpose**

To summarise the outcomes of the Economic Taskforce Meeting held on 23 May 2017.

**Background**

The most recent meeting of the Economic Taskforce was held on 23 May 2017. The focus of the meeting was to look at options for free camping based on the draft Plan of Management for the Newey Reservoir, however the proposed Plan of Management was not at a point to be workshopped. Consequently, the Taskforce held a robust discussion of the issues affecting free camping, both at the Newey and more broadly across the Shire as an information share exercise.

**Issues**

The recommendation to come out of the meeting was that the July Taskforce Meeting consider the draft Newey Plan of Management as part of the community consultation process and provide input and comment to it.

Other discussions at the meeting focused around updates on issues such as a proposed town tour, Council's application for funding under the Regional Marketing and Promotion Fund, the proposed security service and the truck wash bay.

**Financial Implications**

There are no financial implications of the above actions.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That the Economic Taskforce Meeting on 18 July 2017 consider the draft Plan of Management for the Newey Reservoir as part of the community consultation process and provide input and comment to it.**

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**CLAUSE 10A – COBAR HOSPITAL PLANNING PROPOSAL****FILE: M6-5 AOP REFERENCE: 1.5.1****ATTACHMENT: YES****(UNDER SEPARATE COVER)****AUTHOR: *Director of Planning and Environmental Services, Garry Ryman*****Purpose**

The purpose of this report is to seek endorsement from Council to request a gateway determination from the Department of Planning and Environment in respect of the attached Gateway Planning Proposal Submission.

**Background**

The subject planning proposal is necessary to enable construction of the proposed Multi-Purpose Health Service in Cobar.

**Issues**

The proposed amendment affects all land zoned R2, with the NSW Health's interest being specifically in respect of Lot 102 in DP 615721, 2 Nullamutt St, Cobar. Details of the proposed amendment are set out in the planning proposal submission.

The proposal is consistent with discussions held between NSW Health and NSW Planning and Environment and myself (Council's Director of Planning and Environmental Services).

**RECOMMENDATION**

- 1. That Council authorises the Director of Planning and Environmental Services on behalf of the Council to request a gateway determination from the NSW Department of Planning and Environment in respect of the Gateway Planning Proposal Report prepared by Anthony Williams, Senior Town Planner, APP Corporation Pty Ltd and dated 6 June 2017.**
- 2. That voting on this matter be recorded on the basis of an automatic division as required by legislation.**

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**CLAUSE 11A – DRAFT LAND USE MASTER PLAN FOR THE NEWEY**  
**FILE: P1-7                      AOP REFERENCE: 4.4.3                      ATTACHMENT: YES**  
**(UNDER SEPARATE COVER)**

**AUTHOR: *Director of Planning and Environmental Services, Garry Ryman***

**Purpose**

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider a draft Land Use Master Plan for the Newey.

**Background**

Council at its Ordinary Meeting on 23 March 2017 resolved:

*“That Council produce a Master Plan on the use of the Newey Reservoir within 3 months and that signage be erected at the Newey Reservoir restricting parking in the areas of the walking track and around the barbecue area”.*

The draft Land Use Master Plan is still being finalised and will be distributed with a supplementary report under separate cover prior to the meeting.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council considers a supplementary report and recommendation regarding public exhibition of a draft Land Use Master Plan for the Newey.**

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**CLAUSE 12A – INTEGRATED PLANNING AND REPORTING  
FRAMEWORK – RESOURCE STRATEGY – WORKFORCE PLAN**

**FILE: L5-22**

**AOP REFERENCE: 3.3.2.1**

**ATTACHMENT: YES**

**(PAGE86-100)**

**AUTHOR: *Human Resources Manager, Summer Patterson***

**Purpose**

For Council to adopt the updated Workforce Plan.

**Background**

Council adopted its first Workforce Plan as part of the Resourcing Strategy necessary for Council's Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework documentation in March 2012, this document was reviewed and renewed for the next four year period.

Under the Local Government Act 1993, Council must review and update its Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework documentation by 30 June 2017.

At the April Ordinary Council Meeting held on Thursday, 27 April 2017 it was resolved as follows:

*“That Council resolves to place the new four year Workforce Plan on public exhibition for at least 28 days”.*

The Workforce Plan has now been out on public exhibition for the required 28 days, allowing for the community's feedback. During that period Council advertised in the Cobar Weekly and online seeking submissions, however none were received.

**Options**

1. That Council adopts the plan as attached;
2. That Council adopts the plan with amendment;
3. That Council not adopt the plan.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council resolves to adopt the updated four-year Workforce Plan as attached.**



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**CLAUSE 13A – INTEGRATED PLANNING AND REPORTING  
FRAMEWORK – RESOURCE STRATEGY - ASSET MANAGEMENT  
POLICY, ASSET MANAGEMENT STRATEGY AND RECREATIONAL  
ASSET MANAGEMENT PLANS**

**FILE: P5-76, P5-77, A9-1 & L5-22**

**AOP REFERENCE: 3.3.2.9**

**ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 100-201)**

**AUTHOR: *Asset Manager, Anil De Silva***

**Purpose**

For Council to adopt the updated Asset Management Strategy, Asset Management Policy and Recreational Asset Management Plan.

**Background**

Council adopted the previous Asset Management Strategy, Asset Management Policy and Recreational Asset Management Plan in 2011.

Under the Local Government Act 1993, Council must review and update its Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework documentation by 30 June 2017.

At the April Ordinary Council Meeting held on Thursday, 27 April 2017 it was resolved as follows:

*“That Council agrees to place the Recreational Asset Management Plan, the Asset Management Strategy and the Asset Management Policy on public exhibition for 28 days.”*

The Asset Management Policy, Asset Management Strategy and the Recreational Asset Management Plans have now been out on public exhibition for the required 28 days, allowing for the community’s feedback. During that period Council advertised in the Cobar Weekly and online seeking submissions, however none were received.

**Options**

1. That Council adopts the plan as attached;
2. That Council adopts the plan with amendment;
3. That Council not adopt the plan.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council resolves to adopt the updated Asset Management Policy, Asset Management Strategy 2017 and Recreational Asset Management Plan.**

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**CLAUSE 1B – DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS: 17 MAY 2017 – 14 JUNE 2017**

**FILE: T5-1**

**AOP REFERENCE: 1.6.3.1**

**ATTACHMENT: NO**

**AUTHOR: Director of Planning & Environmental Services, Garry Ryman**

**Complying Development Approvals**

There were no Complying Development Applications approved under delegated authority for the period 17 May 2017 – 14 June 2017.

**The value of Complying Development approvals for 2016/2017 to date is Nil.**

The value of Complying Development approvals for the similar period in 2015/2016 was Nil.

**Local Development Approvals**

The following Local Development Applications have been approved under delegated authority for the period 17 May 2017 – 14 June 2017.

CERTIFICATE NO.	ADDRESS	DESCRIPTION	VALUE (\$)
2016/LD-00028 REV01	Lots 1, 52 & 100 Filtration Rd, Cobar	Relocation of de-watering line	\$63,000
2017/LD-00022	84 Marshall St, Cobar	Carport	\$19,900
2017/LD-00018	4 Wood St, Cobar	Shed	\$8,000
2017/LD-00019	237 Lerida Rd, Cobar	Timber Deck & Roof	\$18,500

**The value of Local Development approvals for 2016/2017 to date is \$1,226,330.**

The value of Local Development approvals for the similar period in 2015/2016 was **\$1,852,178.00.**

**Construction Certificates**

There were the following Construction Certificates approved under delegated authority for the period 17 May 2017 – 14 June 2017.

CERTIFICATE NO.	ADDRESS	DESCRIPTION
2017/CB-00014	4 Wood St, Cobar	Shed

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That the information detailing the Local Development and Construction Certificate approvals for the period 17 May 2017 – 14 June 2017 be received and noted.**

**CLAUSE 2B – MONTHLY STATUS REPORT**

**FILE: C13-10**

**AOP REFERENCE: 3.1**

**ATTACHMENT: NO**

**AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko***

<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 22 MARCH 2012</b>					
<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>RESOLUTION NUMBER</b>	<b>ACTION BY</b>	<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>
162	Council – Clause 16A - Liquid Trade Waste Policy – Costs and Implementation Method	14.3.2012	<b>DES/SM/DPES</b>	Adopts option one (1) for the upgrading of the existing trade waste outlets and purchase the required pre-treatment units and complete the installation works on all trade waste premises with all costs to be funded out of the Sewer Fund Reserves with a no-interest three (3) year loan to local proprietors of businesses, and further that repayment will be a condition of approval on their Liquid Trade Waste licence agreement as per the NSW Office of Water regulations.	Lack of staff resources has prevented implementation of resolution. Discussions were being undertaken with Dubbo City Council through the LMWUA for Dubbo Trade Waste Officer to implement a Trade Waste Program for several Councils within the LMWUA.  Change in Local Government structure likely to affect progress of this proposal.  Matter to be reviewed given resources are available.
<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 24 APRIL 2013</b>					
<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>RESOLUTION NUMBER</b>	<b>ACTION BY</b>	<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>
380	Committee of the Whole Closed Council – Clause 1C – Notice of Rescission Motion –	95.4.2013	<b>DCED</b>	That in the year 2013/2014 that Council develops a tourism management plan that details appropriate commitments and plans	Council is currently preparing a four plan for the Great Cobar Heritage Centre, tourism and events. Expect draft plan to Council in August.

	Consideration of Tourism Cost Centre			that aid the tourist industry in Cobar.	
COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 22 AUGUST 2013					
NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
435	Council – Clause 9A – Determination of Status of Mt Gap Road	187.8.2013	AM	That Mt. Gap Road within Mt. Gap Station shall be dedicated a public road and remain on the Roads Register as a Shire Road.	Waiting on gazettal by Western Lands.
COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 24 JULY 2014					
NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
583	Works Committee Meeting – Report 3A – Road Capital Works Program 2014/2015	128.7.2014	DES/ RDM	That Council trials the use of chemical and cementitious stabilisation of the unsealed road network in conjunction with gravelling.	Trial undertaken in-conjunction with 2016/2017 Capital Works Program Report provided to June Ordinary Council Meeting – No further action required.
COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 25 SEPTEMBER 2014					
NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
627	Council – Clause 10A – Adoption of Management Plan for Lot 18 DP213415	188.9.2014	DPES	That Council authorise the General Manager to negotiate a lease or licence for an appropriate term and conditions with the Cobar Bowling and Golf Club Ltd.  That Council authorise the Mayor and General Manager to sign any	Matter to be finalised by December 2017.  Agreement to be prepared for negotiations commencing July 2017.

				lease or licence under the Common Seal of Council.	
COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 23 APRIL 2015					
NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
701	Council – Clause 7A – EOI – Lease, Management and Maintenance of Cobar Regional Airport	59.04.2015	AM	That on completion of all requirements for certification of Cobar Regional Airport master planning be commenced, in conjunction with preparation of a business plan exploring potential commercial development of the Airport.	Airport Committee Meeting held in Q2.  Grant application submitted for Master Plan.  Workout for Tender.  Tender Evaluation Report to be provided to July Ordinary Council Meeting.
702	Council – Clause 8A – Maintenance of Stock Control Structures	60.04.2015	DES	That Council recompile a comprehensive Grid Register which is expected to take approximately 6 to 12 months to complete depending on resources available and location of grids with the Register including GPS coordinates, photos of the grid, an assessment on the condition of the grid and its associated infrastructure.	Staff being appointed to undertake project.  Identification has commenced and register started.  Anticipated work to be completed by December 2017.
COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 24 SEPTEMBER 2015					
NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME

793	Council – Clause 9A – O’Neill Road Water Supply	197.09.2015	<b>SM/ DES</b>	That Council undertakes flow and pressure testing on the existing main on Lerida Road during the summer peak demand to determine the availability of water.  That a full report be provided to Council when available.	NSW Public Works have been engaged to undertake a network analysis of the Cobar water supply reticulation to determine the pressure and availability of water in the entire network.
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**COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 22 OCTOBER 2015**

<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>RESOLUTION NUMBER</b>	<b>ACTION BY</b>	<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>
799	Finance and Policy Committee – Notice of Motion – Services to O’Neill Road and Sutherland Drive	210.10.2015	<b>DES/SM</b>	That an investigation be undertaken into a water subsidy for the residents of O’Neill Road for the summer months similar to what we do for the Villages.	No action to date.  Matter to be included in Network Analysis.

**COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 26 NOVEMBER 2015**

<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>RESOLUTION NUMBER</b>	<b>ACTION BY</b>	<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>
809	Works Committee – Notice of Motion – Report 2A - RMS Repair Program for 2016/2017	226.11.2015	<b>DES</b>	That if funding is not obtained that Council continues to nominate MR407 Mulya Road in subsequent years until funding is obtained.	Funding was not received for the 2016/2017 financial year. A new application will be submitted for the 2017/2018 program.
817	Council – Clause 7A – Cobar Sewerage Treatment Land Being	236.11.2015	<b>DES</b>	That Council apply for a 12 month short term licence over crown land parcel Lot 24 in DP837494.	Matter being reviewed given no action to date.

	<p>Lot 24 in DP837494, Application for Licence to Occupy Crown Land and Approval for Land Acquisition</p>			<p>That the Mayor and General Manager be authorised to execute the licence documents under the Common Seal of Council.</p> <p>That the costs associated with the licence be paid from operating expenses for the Cobar Sewerage Treatment Works.</p> <p>That Council acquire by compulsory acquisition the whole of the land contained in Lot 24 DP837494 Sewerage Works Road, Cobar (hereafter called the acquisition land).</p> <p>That the acquisition of land be acquired pursuant to Section 187 of the Local Government Act 1993 and the Land Acquisition (Just Compensation) Act 1991 for commercial purposes for the continued operation and management of the Cobar Sewerage Treatment Works.</p> <p>That the acquisition land value be paid upon completion of the acquisition of the acquisition land, to the Department of Primary</p>	
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				<p>Industries on behalf of the Crown in full and final payment of all those interests including the rights of the Crown pursuant to Section 104 of the <i>Native Title (NSW) Act 1994</i> and Section 54(2) of the <i>Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991</i>.</p> <p>That the survey plans and other acquisition documents for the acquisition of the acquisition land be signed under the Common Seal of Council.</p> <p>That the Council authorise the Mayor and General Manager to sign all acquisition documents.</p> <p>That the acquisition land be acquired as operational land pursuant to the provisions of Section 31 of the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i>.</p> <p>That pursuant to the provisions of Section 190 of the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i> all minerals are excluded from the acquisition.</p> <p>That Council makes the necessary application to the Minister or</p>	
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				<p>Governor so that the acquisition can be completed.</p> <p>That the costs associated with compulsory acquiring the land be paid from the Sewer Reserve Fund.</p>	
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**COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 10 DECEMBER 2015**

<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>RESOLUTION NUMBER</b>	<b>ACTION BY</b>	<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>
821	Council – Notice of Motion – Establishment of a Cobar Community Trust	251.12.2015	<b>GM</b>	That Council investigates the establishment of a Cobar Community Trust with the aim of sourcing grants for the improvement of facilities, infrastructure or anything of benefit to the Cobar Community and Shire.	<p>No action to date.</p> <p>Deputy Mayor to provide additional information to assist the progression of the matter.</p>
836	Council – Committee of the Whole Closed Council – Clause 2C – Incorporation of Lilliane Brady Village into the New Cobar Multi-Purpose Service	281.12.2015	<b>GM</b>	<p>That subject to the proposed changes in the draft Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and Term Sheet detailed in Councils resolution of 26 November 2015 that Council progress positively the incorporation of the Lilliane Brady Village into the proposed new Multi-Purpose Service with the 10 extra aged care beds to be attached directly to the Lilliane Brady Village.</p> <p>That the information and</p>	<p>Advice provided to relevant Health Authorities.</p> <p>MOU signed. Council working with Government Contractor in relation to design.</p> <p>Advice has been received from Local Health that MPS documents will be provided to us by year end.</p> <p>Meeting with Council and the Community was held on 1 &amp; 2 December 2016.</p>

				discussions held concerning the proposed new Cobar Multi-Purpose Service incorporating the Lilliane Brady Village remains confidential within the Committee of the Whole Closed Council.	
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<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 25 FEBRUARY 2016</b>					
<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>RESOLUTION NUMBER</b>	<b>ACTION BY</b>	<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>
844	Works Committee – Report 3A – 2WEB Transmitter Investigation Report	14.2.2016	<b>DFCS</b>	<p>That Council approve the installation of the 2WEB FM re-broadcast transmitter at the existing Fort Bourke Water Treatment Plant.</p> <p>That the installation cost and application to the Australian Communication and Media Authority for the required apparatus licence be charged against Cobar - television budget.</p> <p>That Council applies for a five year licence.</p> <p>That this is a once off payment contribution and no additional or ongoing costs will be covered by Cobar Shire Council.</p>	<p>Contact has been instigated with 2WEB and actions commenced.</p> <p>Expected that the application process will take up to 8 months.</p> <p>May - Phone call made to find out the status of the application, they have confirmed that the application has been received and is being progressed.</p> <p>June - Letter sent to find out the progression of the application – no response has been received yet.</p>

**COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 28 APRIL 2016**

<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>RESOLUTION NUMBER</b>	<b>ACTION BY</b>	<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>
865	Confirmation of the Minutes – Traffic Committee Meeting	53.4.2016	<b>DES</b>	That the works required on the Booroomugga Road and Barrier Highway intersection at Canbelego be prioritized as high and if funding is required that funding be sought.	RMS have advised they will undertake a full REF before any work is undertaken.  Works are proposed to be funded by RMS in 2017/2018.  A design for the removal of material required to improve visibility has been provided to RMS.  RMS have included the work in the draft program for 2017/2018.
870	Committee of the Whole Closed Council – Report 1C – Analysis of Plant and Equipment Hire and Trades and Miscellaneous Services Register	58.4.2016	<b>GM</b>	That any future projects within Cobar Shire that we look at supporting the local businesses (where applicable) to ensure their viability and have a review of the Policy.	Policy to be reviewed and all purchases to have quotes provided and encourage the use of locals.
879	Council – Clause 6A – Raw Water Supply to Dalton Park Horse Complex	68.4.2016	<b>DFCS</b>	That the Raw Water Supply to Dalton Park Horse Complex be listed on Councils 10 Year Long Term Financial Plan and that Council seek any available grant funding in the interim.	In draft budget. Business Case to be considered.

**COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 26 MAY 2016**

<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>RESOLUTION NUMBER</b>	<b>ACTION BY</b>	<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>
880	Finance & Policy Committee – Report 4B – Grant Funding	81.5.2016	<b>DFCS</b>	That Staff investigate and report back to Council the possibility of utilising the existing facilities at the Cobar Regional Airport for flight training.	Matter to be addressed by Taskforce.

**COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 23 JUNE 2016**

905	Council – Clause 3A – Occupancy at the Community Centre for the Cobar Mobile Children’s Services Inc	113.6.2016	<b>DPES</b>	That Council commence planning for a permanent toilet so that consideration of a toilet can be undertaken by Council if grant applications fail.	Planning has started for a permanent toilet. Once grant funding has been identified an application will be made.
912	Council – Clause 10A – Economic Taskforce	121.6.2016	<b>DCED</b>	That Council lobby the Minister for Tourism and Destination NSW to outline their vision for promoting Outback NSW.	A letter has been sent to the tourism Minister and the Chair of the tourism zone on behalf of the Kidman Way group outlining the benefits of increasing tourism funding to this region and the need to do so – No further action required.

**COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 22 SEPTEMBER 2016**

951	Council – Clause 10A – Dalton Park Horse Complex – Proposed Advisory Sign	180.9.2016	<b>DPES</b>	That Council approve the Director of Planning and Environmental Services to install an advisory sign at the Dalton Park Horse Complex confirming that use of the complex is	Action incomplete.
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				available for use by licence holders only.	
<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 24 NOVEMBER 2016</b>					
971	Council – Clause 4A – Internal Audit Committee	228.11.2016	<b>DFCS</b>	That Council receive a further Report on the (re) formation of the Internal Audit Committee by 31 March 2017.	Further Report to be provided to the July Ordinary Council Meeting. This is due to the unavailability of Paul Manns. Initial Meeting to be held in June 2017.  Paul Manns and Michael Zannes have accepted positions on the Internal Audit Committee.
<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 8 DECEMBER 2016</b>					
980	Council – Clause 3A – Cobar Sound Chapel	255.12.2016	<b>DPES</b>	That Council authorises the transfer of Lot 287 DP914515 to Cobar Shire Council for nominal consideration.  That the Mayor and General Manager be authorised to execute the transfer documents under the Common Seal of Council.	Letter sent to NSW Public Works to activate transfer.  Action pending response from Public Works. Response form Public Works is still outstanding.
<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 23 FEBRUARY 2017</b>					
982	Council – Notice of Motion – Park Naming – Euabalong West	04.2.2017	<b>DES</b>	That Council name the park at Euabalong West the John J Burke Park and that a sign be erected in the park to signify the naming.	Signs have been ordered.
983	Council – Notice of	05.2.2017	<b>DES</b>	That Council seek funding for the	Grant funds being investigated.

	Motion – Augmentation of Water Supply Euabalong/ Euabalong West			establishment of a bore and associated works in the Lachlan River aquifer adjacent to Euabalong for the purpose of augmenting the raw water supply for the two villages.	
984	Council – Notice of Motion – Augmentation of Water Supply Euabalong/ Euabalong West	06.2.2017	DES	That Council seek funding for the establishment of a bore at Nymagee for the purpose of augmenting the raw water supply for the village.	No action to date.  Alternate methods are being considered due to a bore not being viable – No further action required.
996	Council – Clause 12A – Minutes of the Economic Taskforce February Meeting and Terms of Reference	20.2.2017	DCED	That Council increase lobbying efforts seeking government investment in promotion of outback NSW in a similar manner to that undertaken in Queensland.  That Council diversify the activities and expand the Festival of the Miners Ghost and form a 2020 Committee to develop an even larger and exciting festival program to celebrate the 150 year anniversary of Cobar.  That Council allocate sufficient funding to update the Cobar Shire Council webpage to increase the tourism focus to ‘sell’ Cobar to the tourism industry.	Ongoing.  Two community meetings held to develop program, with attendance at other community meetings to promote involvement (such as with the Arts Council). Draft program will be available at July Meeting.  Funds being used from 2016/2017 budget to progress.
997	Committee of the Whole Closed Council – Clause 1C –	36.2.2017	DPES	That Council authorises the General Manager to commence with a defects claim against Castlereagh	Advice provided to Council Solicitor – Matter ongoing.

	Defective Building Work – Cobar Brigade Station, Lot 10 Railway Pde South, Cobar			Construction Group Pty Ltd.  That Council authorises the General Manager to negotiate with the NSW Rural Fire Service funding opportunities for the demolition and rebuilding of the Cobar Brigade Station building from floor level up and report back to Council.	Letter sent to NSW Rural Fire Service seeking assistance.  Negotiations ongoing.
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### COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 9 MARCH 2017

1001	Council – Notice of Motion – Free Camping at the Newey Reservoir	42.3.2017	DPES	That Council produce a Master Plan on the use of the Newey Reservoir within 3 months and that signage be erected at the Newey Reservoir restricting parking in the areas of the walking track and around the barbeque area.	Master Plan and signage being produced – Further Report provided to June Ordinary Council Meeting – No further action required.
1007	Council – Clause 7B – Expenditure for Roads Network	59.3.2017	DES	That a Rest Area be built along the Wool Track and that it be named after Duncan Gay.	Matter to be raised with funding request for Wool Track.
1009	Committee of the Whole Closed Council – Clause 2C – Lease of 53 Linsley Street	67.3.2017	DPES	That Council authorise the Director of Planning and Environmental Services to enter into a new lease with Dr Indra Karalasingham in respect of 53 Linsley Street, Cobar being substantially consistent with the existing lease for a term of up to five (5) years.	Letter sent to Dr Indra confirming resolution.  Matter referred to Council’s Solicitor to prepare and register lease.
1010	Committee of the Whole Closed Council	67.3.2017	DPES	That Council authorise the Director of Planning and Environmental Services	Draft lease prepared and forwarded to Lessee for signing.

	- Clause 3C – Lease of Town Hall Cinema Building			to enter into a new lease with Angela White, Western Studio of Performing Arts, in respect of the Town Hall Cinema Building being substantially consistent with the existing lease for a term of up to two (2) years with an option for a third year.	
<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 27 APRIL 2017</b>					
1011	Council – Notice of Motion – Funding for Medical Centre Extensions	69.4.2017	<b>DCED</b>	That Council support the current endeavours of Council and the Outback Division to secure funding to proceed with the Medical Centre application.	Outback Division of GPs (ODGPs), in partnership with Cobar Shire Council, submitted a grant application seeking funding for an extension and fit out to the total value of \$415,000. ODGP currently negotiating the grant with the Federal Government, Council expected to get involved shortly.
1014	Council – Clause 4A – Cobar Sewer Upgrade Project	74.4.2017	<b>DES</b>	That Council applies to Infrastructure NSW for an amendment of the project scope for the Cobar Sewer Upgrade Project to include a refurbishment of Council’s three other operating pump stations and to install a screen compactor at an estimated total cost of \$1,050,000.  That Council notes that approximately \$600,000 of the available funding will be uncommitted and Council will consider options for those remaining funds once the pump stations and	Council report has been provided to NSW Public Works for assessment and preparation of a request for change of scope to Infrastructure NSW.



				screen compactor projects have been completed.	
1021	Council – Clause 11A – Minutes of the Economic Taskforce April Meeting	81.4.2017	<b>DCED</b>	<p>That Council resolves to set aside the May Taskforce Meeting to workshop the Newey Plan of Management, input into it and to identify solutions to the issue of free camping in Cobar.</p> <p>That Council resolves to further investigate the idea of a freight depot for Cobar and report back to the Taskforce.</p> <p>That a Call for Expressions of Interest from businesses who would like to engage the services of a security company to monitor their premises and answer alarms to establish demand for such a service.</p> <p>That Council resolves to approach Mr Hausler in regards to the future of his rail track and loco for use in a public space in Cobar.</p>	<p>The draft was not available for the May meeting, however the July meeting will workshop options and provide input to the Newey Plan of Management.</p> <p>Initial meeting with Peak Industry Body held to discuss proposal and issues.</p> <p>One on one visits to potential businesses have commenced to determine interest in such a venture.</p> <p>No action to date.</p>
1025	Council – Clause 7B – Expenditure for Roads Network	92.4.2017	<b>DES</b>	That RMS be contacted in relation to a turning lane being installed at the Meadow Glen Rest Area as a matter of urgency.	Letter has been sent to RMS to request improvements to entrance to Meadow Glen Rest Area.
<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 9 MAY 2017</b>					
<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>RESOLUTION NUMBER</b>	<b>ACTION BY</b>	<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>

1028	Extraordinary Council Meeting – Clause 3A – Council’s Integrated Planning and Reporting (IP&R) Draft Budget for Public Exhibition	100.5.2017	DFCS	That Council apply to the next round of the “Innovation Fund” for up to \$150,000 to have a Service Delivery Report prepared; noting that Council will be required to contribute 30% in cash and in-kind.	Application submitted to the next round of the “Innovation Fund” for up to \$150,000 – No further action required.
COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 9 MAY 2017					
NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
1029	Council Meeting – Clause 2A – Determination of Fees Paid to Mayor and Councillors	102.5.2017	GM	That Councillors fees are set at \$11,570.00 per annum paid monthly in arrears for the twelve months commencing 1 July 2017.  That the Mayor’s fee is set at \$25,250.00 per annum, paid monthly in arrears for the twelve months commencing 1 July 2017.	Mayor and Councillors fees set – No further action required.
1030	Council Meeting – Clause 3A – Quarter 3 2016/2017 Budget Review	103.5.2017	DFCS	That the capital budget for 2016/2017 is revised by the amount detailed in the attachment to this report.  That the operating forecast surplus for 2016/2017 be reduced by \$70,500 as per the lines detailed in this report.	Capital budget for 2016/2017 revised – No further action required.  Operating forecast surplus for 2016/2017 reduced by \$70,500 – No further action required.
1031	Council Meeting – Clause 5A – LGNSW’S Good Governance in Action Forum	105.5.2017	EA-GM	That approval be given to Councillors Janine Lea-Barrett, Jarrod Marsden and Peter Yench to attend the LGNSW’s Good	Forum attendance arranged – No further action required.

				Governance in Action Forum - 28 June 2017 – 29 June 2017 in Sydney.	
1032	Council Meeting – Clause 2B – Monthly Status Report	108.5.2017	GM	That status report item 821 be further progressed and action commence.	Commenced – No further action required.
1033	Council Meeting – Committee of the Whole Closed Council - Clause 1C – Scrap Metal Collection and Recycling Tender	119.5.2017	MPES	To accept the tender submitted by Sims Metal Management for the initial two (2) year term.  That Council confirms its involvement in the contract to the NetWaste Projects Coordinator and execute the contract documents as appropriate.	NetWaste currently preparing contract documents for execution by each participating Council.
<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS – EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING - 8 JUNE 2017</b>					
NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
1034	Committee of the Whole Closed Council – Clause 1C - Selection of Successful Tenderer for the Cobar Water Treatment Plant Replacement	123.6.2017	DES	That the information contained within the resolution remain confidential within the Committee of the Whole Closed Council until such time as the Contract has been signed.	Tender appointed, awaiting Contracts to be signed.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

**That the information contained in the monthly status report be received and noted, with the following items to be removed: 583, 912, 984, 1001, 1028, 1029, 1030, 1031 and 1032.**

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## **CLAUSE 3B – UNSEALED ROAD STABILISATION TRIALS REPORT**

**FILE: R5-1 AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.1.1 ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 202)**

**AUTHOR: *Director of Engineering Services, Stephen Taylor***

### **Purpose**

The purpose of this report is to update the Council on stabilisation and use of additives when undertaking road maintenance.

### **Background**

Council at its Ordinary Meeting on 24 July 2014 resolved as follows:

**128.7.2014** *“That Council trials the use of chemical and cementitious stabilisation of the unsealed road network in conjunction with gravelling.”*

Council’s traditional maintenance of unsealed roads has been with a crew of three staff operating a council grader, council water cart and council rubber tyred roller. This crew costs approximately \$4,000/day to operate and can achieve 3 to 4 km/day of light maintenance grading or 0.5 km/day of heavy grading which includes ripping the existing surface, full reshaping of the road surface, full maintenance of side drains and cutouts.

At times, gravel is imported from nearby gravel pits to undertake patch gravelling in problem areas. This adds slightly to the traditional maintenance costs but also only adds a minor benefit to the road formation.

Full gravel re-sheeting is undertaken by overlaying the existing surface with 100 to 150mm of gravel (usually crushed) to the road surface prior to grading. This gravel is then mixed with the existing road surface to create the road formation. As a rubber tyred roller does not compact this type of formation well an additional steel drum roller is added to the operation, often with an additional operator. At times an additional water cart is also required. Depending on the proximity of gravel and water, gravel re-sheeting including grading costs approximately \$18,000/km.

### **Unsealed Road Formation Trials**

Trials have been undertaken on three roads in 2015/2016 and 2016/2017:

- SR 2 Seventy Eight Mile Road;
- RR 416 The Wool Track;
- SR 27 Cooneybar Road.

These three roads were chosen as they had a suitable mix of ongoing maintenance issues and the correct balance of traffic volumes. I.e. too little traffic would mean the road surface would not be affected by traffic which would then not test the effect of the trial. Too much traffic and the road surface could be too badly affected by the traffic and the benefits of the trail may not be able to be determined.

The following work was undertaken on the roads selected.

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## **SR 2 Seventy Eight Mile Road**

In January/February 2016 the first 8km from SH 8 Barrier Highway was mechanical stabilised using approximately 100mm of crushed gravel overlay then pulvi-mixed to a depth of 150 to 200mm and compacted. The only additive used was water. The condition of this section of road is very good after nearly eighteen months with only a few minor soft spots and some rutting in the wheel tracks. At this stage there is no need to undertake grading on this section of road, however if a chemical compound was added to the existing surface then a maintenance grade undertaken this section of road may not need any more attention for 5 to 6 years.

The next approximately 8km through sand dunes and clay pans an additive was used with 6 to 8kg/m<sup>2</sup> drop of lime and only minor gravel in soft areas then pulvi- mixed and compacted. This application rate of lime is less would normal be applied when undertaking heavy patching on a sealed road. In addition as the sandy dunes did not appear to benefit as much with the quicklime approx. two percent of cement was added to these areas.

The condition of this section is not as good as the first 8km with noticeable corrugations and more extensive soft spots in the sandy areas, however there is some improvement over traditional methods.

Overall the pavement performed better than in the past, but this appears mainly due to using the pulvi-mixer to incorporate water and building the pavement correctly. The cost of gravel re-sheeting and mixing was about \$27,000 per km and the lime additive and mixing was about \$18,000/km.

## **RR 416 The Wool Track**

In December 2015 during the repair program seal extension on The Wool Track, an additional 1km of formation was stabilised using approximately 100mm of crushed gravel overlay, 1 to 1.5kg/m<sup>2</sup> lime then pulvi-mixed to a depth of 150 to 200mm and compacted. Compaction tests were undertaken on stabilised areas and also on areas that were compacted by traditional grader and roller techniques. The following results were achieved:

- Pulvi- mixer 102% compaction;
- Traditional techniques 86% compaction.

This has performed quite satisfactorily although there is some minor potholing in the surface. As this work was carried out at the same time as the repair program construction work the cost has not been able to be calculated.

In February 2016 a further 7km of the road was stabilised with the pulvi-mixer only using water. This section had sufficient gravel as a result of previous gravel resheeting work but was prone to potholing. By increasing the pavement compaction through mixing it is expected that the level of potholing will reduce. The cost of this work was about \$19,000/km. This was higher than would normally be expected as water was transported from Cobar due to shortage of water at the worksite.

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## **SR27 Cooneybar Rd**

In February/March 2017 polymer stabilisation (using a product called Polytahr and Polytahr Super) of the first 14km of this road from the Kidman Way was undertaken. The road formation was pulvi-mixed to the depth of 150 to 200mm with the polymer added to the water that was applied during the mixing. No gravel was added to the existing material already in the formation. As this work has only been recently completed the pavement is still in very good condition, however it is noticeable how little dust is produced when travelling along the road compared to the 'normal' unsealed road. The next few kilometres was formed using the traditional construction techniques but was not mixed and it produces large quantities of dust. It has rained since the work was completed with the first 14 km showing no evidence of wheel rutting. The next 6km is in reasonable condition, although it is showing signs of mild wheel track rutting.

The cost of polymer stabilised formation was about \$13,000/km. The remainder of the road maintenance, which was a mixture of heavy and light maintenance grading, cost about \$2,000/km.

### **Summary**

A summary of the various costs of different maintenance techniques are:

<b>Technique</b>	<b>Approx cost per km</b>
Light maintenance grading	\$1,000 - \$1,400
Heavy maintenance grading	\$8,000
Heavy maintenance grading with pulvi-mixing	\$17,000
Gravel re-sheeting with heavy maint grading	\$18,000
Gravel re-sheeting, pulvi-mixing and heavy grading	\$27,000
Lime stabilisation, pulvi-mixing and heavy grading	\$18,000
Polymer stabilisation and pulvi-mixing (only light/medium grading was required where technique was trialed)	\$13,000

### **Conclusion**

There is a significant benefit in pulvi-mixing road formations with an increase in pavement strength and an increase in the period of time between maintenance grading; however the extra cost of this (approx. \$9,000/km in addition to other costs) means this can only be undertaken in limited areas due to budget constraints.

Soil samples have been taken for lab testing with other chemical products prior to further trials being undertaken on SR3 and SR32. Lack of water in the vicinity of SR32 Developmental Road has delayed the work on this road.

Soil samples from sandy areas have also been taken to determine a suitable treatment for these areas.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council receives and notes the report of the unsealed road stabilisation trials.**

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**CLAUSE 4B – SIGNIFICANT VARIATION TO BUDGET REPORTED UNDER REGULATION 202 OF THE GENERAL REGULATIONS 2005 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1993**

**FILE: C8-4-5, L5-22-4 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1, 3.3.3 ATTACHMENT: NO  
AUTHOR: *Director of Finance and Community Services, Kym Miller***

**Purpose**

To advise Council of a significant variation to the 2016/2017 Budget as per Regulation 202 of the Local Government Regulations (General) 2005 which support the Local Government Act 1993.

**Background**

It is a Local Government Act requirement that any significant variation to budget is reported to Council at the next possible Ordinary Meeting after it becomes known. A favorable variation of \$2.7 million will occur because the Federal Government has brought forward the first two installments of the 2017/2018 Financial Assistance Grant into June 2016. (Indexation will also resume). Accounting standards require that this be reported in the year received.

The money will not be expended in 2016/2017 but restricted for use in 2017/2018. A corresponding reduction in revenue reported will occur in 2017/2018. The 2017/2018 budget which appears on this agenda for consideration and adoption has not been adjusted so as to maintain the integrity of analysis. A note however appears in the report and the adjustment will be made in the Q1 Budget Report. To ensure that the amount does not get hidden in reports it will be adjusted 'below the line' so that the actual performance of 2017/2018 is properly monitored.

No further budget reviews are due for 2016/2017 and therefore no adjustments will be made to the budget. Consequently, Councilors only need note the variation.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That the significant variation of \$2.7m for grant income to the 2016/2017 Budget is received and noted.**

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**CLAUSE 5B – INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 31 MAY 2017****FILE: B2-7****AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.7****ATTACHMENT: NO****AUTHOR: Finance Manager, Neil Mitchell****Purpose**

The table below shows the balances of Council's Investments as at the report date. Term deposits have differing terms in order to spread the maturity dates throughout the year. The amount restricted in the Financial Accounts as at 30 June 2016 for Employee Leave Entitlements is \$321,156.

<b>Investment</b>	<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>Transfers to Investments</b>	<b>Transfers from Investment</b>	<b>Interest Earned</b>	<b>Closing Balance</b>
NAB Sweep Acct	\$2,519,422	\$5,312,939	\$5,208,371	\$3,501	\$2,627,491
NAB Term Deposits					
2.53% (Jun) 4036	\$2,007,215			\$4,313	\$2,011,528
1.75% (Jun) 4037	\$2,014,463			\$2,994	\$2,017,457
1.75%(Jul) 4038	\$1,002,986	\$1,000,000	\$1,003,677	\$1,598	\$1,000,907
2.90% (Jun) 4042	\$506,782			\$1,248	\$508,030
2.90% (Jun) 4043	\$506,782			\$1,248	\$508,030
2.90% (Jun) 4045	\$506,782			\$1,248	\$508,030
AMP Bank					
2.80% (Jul) 4044	\$1,008,001			\$2,398	\$1,010,399
2.60% (Jul) 4048		\$1,000,000		\$502	\$1,000,502
Bank West					
2.50% (Jul) 4046	\$1,005,558	\$2,000,000	\$1,006,164	\$3,620	\$2,003,014
2.50% (May) 4047	\$1,005,558		\$1,006,164	\$606	\$0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$12,083,549</b>	<b>\$9,312,939</b>	<b>\$8,224,376</b>	<b>\$23,276</b>	<b>\$13,195,388</b>

*Annualised Average return on Investment for the Month: 2.07%*

*I hereby certify that the above investments have been made in accordance with Section 625 of the Local Government Act 1993, and Clause 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 and the Council's investment policy.*

**Finance Manager****RECOMMENDATION****That Council receive and note the Investment Report as at 31 May 2017.**



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**CLAUSE 6B – BANK RECONCILIATION, CASH FLOW & LOAN FACILITY**  
**SUMMARIES AS AT 31 MAY 2017**

**FILE: B2-7      AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.5**

**ATTACHMENT: NO**

**AUTHOR: *Finance Manager, Neil Mitchell***

**Purpose**

Council has requested that the following financial information be presented to each meeting of Council: reconciled bank balance, cash flow statement, and loan facility.

**Bank Reconciliation**

Balance as per Bank Statement	10,000
Add: Outstanding deposits	6,394
Deduct: Unpresented Cheques	(194)
<b>BALANCE AS PER CASH BOOK</b>	<b>16,200</b>

*In accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act, 1993, I hereby certify that the Cash Book has been reconciled with the appropriate Bank Statements on a daily basis during the month and that the reconciliations have been recorded.*



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Manager Finance & Administration

**Summary of Total Funds Available at Month End for the Last 12 Months**

Month	Investment Balances	Operating Account	Total Available Funds
Jun-16	10,532,325	1,346	10,533,671
Jul-16	10,572,739	-35,035	10,537,704
Aug-16	12,473,670	23,471	12,497,141
Sep-16	12,021,822	9,621	12,031,443
Oct-16	11,613,771	22,420	11,636,191
Nov-16	11,940,671	18,370	11,959,041
Dec-16	12,536,805	8,633	12,545,438
Jan-17	11,948,235	6,467	11,954,702
Feb-17	12,204,249	23,486	12,227,735
Mar 17	10,025,496	4,540	10,030,036
Apr-17	12,080,221	5,820	12,086,041
May-17	13,195,388	16,200	13,211,588

*The amount restricted in the Financial Accounts for Employee Leave Entitlements is \$321,156.*

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**Cash Flow**

May		Description	Forecast
Forecast	Actual		June
5,820	4,540	Bank Balance Forward	16,200
544,000	543,499	Roads to Recovery	-
-	457,285	Grants	-
1,314,827	1,314,827	Financial Assistance Grant	2,712,628
1,371,623	701,476	RMS Ordered/Routine Works – <i>Claim late from RMS &amp; Routine</i>	873,000
13,940	13,940	RMS Agency	13,940
920,000	780,502	Rates /Water/User Charges	425,000
150,000	244,963	Private Works/Debtors	150,000
240,000	338,571	LBV – Residents Fees & Grant	240,000
150,000	195,643	Child Care/In Home Care	150,000
(155,210)	(528,468)	Net Movement of Investments	(1,375,768)
85,000	36,597	Sundry Income & Grants	45,000
		<i>Less</i>	
(3,500,000)	(2,962,276)	Creditors	(2,500,000)
(1,130,000)	(1,124,899)	Wages / Salaries	(740,000)
10,000	16,200	Closing Reconciled Bank Balance Cr/(Dr)	10,000

**Borrowing Instruments as at 31 May 2017**

Swimming Pool and Street Upgrade Loan (6.22%)	(1,424,980)
2 x Tyre Rollers Lease (Implicit rate of 6.87%)	(99,894)
Bomag Tyre Roller Lease (Implicit rate of 5.63%)	(58,385)

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council receive and note the Bank Reconciliation, Cash Flow and Loan Facility Report as at 31 May 2017.**

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**CLAUSE 7B – MEETING MINUTES**

**FILE: C8-17**

**AOP REFERENCE: 3.1**

**ATTACHMENT: YES**

**(PAGE 203-205)**

**AUTHOR: *Executive Assistant General Manager/ Mayor, Janette Booth***

**Background**

Councillors and Council Staff are required to represent Council at a variety of meetings.

Included in the attachments to this agenda are copies of the minutes and the Status Reports of those meetings which have been held recently for the information of Councillors. They include:

- Cobar Liquor Accord Committee – Tuesday, 13 June 2017 (no Status Report).

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That the Minutes of the Cobar Liquor Accord Committee be received and noted.**

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**CLAUSE 8B – UPDATE ON INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT FINANCES****FILE: G4-29****AOP REFERENCE: 4.1.4.2****ATTACHMENT: NO****AUTHOR: Director of Engineering Services, Stephen Taylor****Purpose**

To provide Council with an update on the infrastructure projects budgets and expenditure as at 31 May 2017.

**Background**

Cobar Shire Council was successful in obtaining funding for three projects through the Resources for Regions Restart NSW provided by the NSW State Government. One project has been completed with two ongoing projects.

**Financial Implications**

	<b>Restart NSW Funding</b>	<b>Cobar Shire Council Funding</b>	<b>Expended as at 31 May 2017</b>	<b>Project Status</b>
Water Treatment Plant	\$15,550,000	\$200,000	\$924,292	- New Water Treatment plant tender was considered at Council's Extraordinary Meeting on 8 June 2017.
Sewerage Scheme Refurbishments Expansion and upgrade	\$2,100,000	\$100,000	\$446,224	- The Ward Oval Pump Station refurbishment has been completed. - Lagoon upgrade on ground works has been completed, final connection of power controllers for irrigation system will be completed shortly. - Public Works preparing report for Infrastructure NSW on grit and rag removal and pump station upgrades.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council receive and note the updated financial information for the two Restart NSW Resources for Regions infrastructure projects.**

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**CLAUSE 9B – EXPENDITURE FOR ROADS NETWORK**

**FILE: R5-31**

**AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.2**

**ATTACHMENT: YES**

**(PAGE 206-2016)**

**AUTHOR: *Director of Engineering Services, Stephen Taylor***

**Purpose**

To provide Council with financial information on the expenditure on Council's Local and Regional Roads.

**Background**

A report detailing the Expenditure on Capital/R2R (orange), Council's Shire Local Roads (blue) and Regional Roads Network (green) is provided as an attachment to this agenda for Council's information.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That the information detailing the Expenditure for Council's Roads Network be received and noted.**

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## **CLAUSE 10B – ENGINEERING WORKS REPORT**

**FILE: C6-20-2**

**AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.2**

**ATTACHMENT: NO**

**AUTHOR: *Director of Engineering Services, Stephen Taylor***

### **Purpose**

To inform Council of completed and ongoing Engineering Works for the period of May 2017.

### **Background**

Part C of the Nymagee Project on the Kidman Way is continuing. Crushing of gravel has been completed. Gravel load, haul and spread for shoulders has commenced.

### **State Highways**

#### **Maintenance Work**

- Sign replacement works as required – **ongoing**;
- Pothole repairs – **ongoing**.

### **Urban Roads/Shire Roads/Regional Roads**

#### **Maintenance Work**

- Inspections on various Shire and Regional Roads;
- SR13 – Vegetation control;
- SR20 – Vegetation control;
- SR21 – Maintenance grading;
- SR22 – Vegetation control;
- SR23 – Maintenance grading;
- SR26 – Maintenance grading;
- SR36 – Maintenance grading;
- SR37 – Maintenance grading;
- SR40 – Maintenance grading;
- MR411 – Vegetation control;
- MR416 – Maintenance grading;
- MR423 – Vegetation control;
- RR7518 – Reseal preparation and maintenance grading;
- RR7521 – Vegetation control;
- RR7522 – Maintenance grading;
- MR461 – Reseal preparation;
- MR68 – Bridge approach repairs.

#### **Construction Work**

- Work is continuing on Nymagee Project Section C – expected completion date 30 June 2017;
- Causeway of Wilgaroon Road (SR25) has been formed stabilised and sealed;
- Culvert headwalls have been replaced on Acres Billabong on SR1A Buckanbee Road;

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- Side track has been constructed for culvert replacement on Acres Billabong on RR7518 Fifty Two Mile Road;
  - Resealing has been completed on:
    - MR423 Lachlan Valley Way;
    - RR7518 Fifty Two Mile Road;
    - RR7521 Kiacatoo Road;
    - SR13A Lerida Road;
    - SR18 Bruce Cullenward Road;
    - SR20 Grain Road;
  - Shoulder build-up and stabilisation is underway on Louth Road due to extensive edge break.

### Water and Sewer

#### **Maintenance Work**

- Pest control within sewer reticulation network being carried out where necessary - **ongoing**;
- Sluice valve and hydrant repairs on town water supply reticulation – **ongoing**;
- Clearing and control of vegetation along the Nyngan to Cobar raw water pipeline easement (CWB) – **ongoing**;
- Investigation, inspection and locating of the town water reticulation mains within the town of Cobar for the purpose of assessing the serviceability, condition and sizes- **ongoing**;
- The identification of the disused mains and interconnections that are still connected into the town reticulation along with valve for future main replacement and works program – **ongoing**;
- Hydrant location and inspection and testing on the town reticulation network for future main replacement and works program – **ongoing**.

#### **Construction Work**

- Replacement of a cast iron main in Hartman and Campbell Streets, Cobar has been completed.

### Urban Works

#### Parks

- General maintenance carried out within parks and reserves within the Shire as required – **ongoing**;
- Ongoing review of intersection visibility and vegetation obstruction will be continued on a regular period through the year – **ongoing**;
- Commencement of Stage 2 of Drummond Park playground upgrade – **ongoing**.

#### Street Cleaning and Tree Removal

- New street trees have been planted in the garden beds on Marshall Street – **ongoing**;
- Street cleaning and maintenance – **ongoing**.

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**Resources for Regions**

**Construction of New Water Treatment Plant**

- Tenders for new Water Treatment Plant were reported to Council at an Extraordinary Council Meeting on 8 June 2017.

**Construction of New Water Pipeline – Nyngan to Cobar**

- The Cobar Water Board's Twin Pipeline Replacement Project is continuing, with approximately twenty eight kilometres (out of 29.4km) of pipework installed.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That the information contained in the Engineering Works Report detailing maintenance on Shire and Regional Roads, State Highways and Water Sewer Mains, Resources for Regions Projects and other Major Grant Works be received and noted.**



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**CLAUSE 11B – GRANT FUNDING****FILE: G4-17****AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.4****ATTACHMENT: NO****AUTHOR: *Director Corporate and Economic Development, Angela Shepherd*****Grant Update**

<b>Grant and Department</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Amount Applied For</b>	<b>Successful?</b>	<b>Council Funding Required</b>	<b>Deadline for Project</b>
<b>Grants Applied for</b>					
RMS Walking and Cycling Programs	Funding for a consultancy to develop an Active Transport Plan for the Shire.	\$45,000	Pending	\$15,000. It's a grant that allows us to apply for 75% of funding. Our contribution could come from the footpaths budget or the grants matching budget.	The RMS has suggested we should apply for this grant to allow us to source more construction funding in the future.
RMS Walking and Cycling Programs	Funding to construct a series of 15 pram ramps (2.5m wide) linking the Brennan Centre to the supermarkets, pharmacy, taxi rank, Council, and medical centres. They would replace the current non-compliant ramps making it easier for older people and people with prams to walk the route.	\$37,125	Pending	\$37,125 – it is a 50:50 grant with Council's contribution to come from either the footpaths budget or matching grants contribution.	Hoping to hear by August.
Club Grants – Cultural Infrastructure	Construction of the Miners Memorial.	\$200,000	EOI pending	\$80,000 of community funding will be used as the Council contribution.	

Building Better Regions Fund	Construction of the Miners Memorial.	\$200,000	EOI pending	\$80,000 of community funding will be used as the Council contribution.	
NSW Fisheries Recreational Fishing Grants	Native fingerlings for the Newey.	\$500	Pending	\$500	
Social Housing Community Improvement Fund	Upgrade works at Dalton Park, including new playground equipment, a toilet, barbeque, tables and chairs.	\$50,000	Pending	\$50,000 from Other Playgrounds budget and up to \$24,200 from Grants Contributions.	Outcome notified by 31 August, works to be completed by Feb 2019.
Regional Marketing and Promotion Fund	Develop marketing materials (print and written) and a series of adverts promoting Cobar as a great place to live, work and play.	\$13,000	Pending	\$12,000	Expect to hear the outcome by 31 June.
Innovation Fund	Capacity build staff and undertake service level reviews to identify efficiency gains, analyse service provision and inform future budgets.	\$84,000	Pending	\$36,000	

Grant and Department	Activity	Amount Applied For	Successful?	Council Funding Required	Comment
<b>Grants Announced</b>					
National Reconciliation Week	Design, construction and erection of memorial to commemorate local culture and national reconciliation.	\$5,000	Successful	Nil	Due by end of July. Working with Elaine Ohlsen on developing historic story boards.

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## **Current Grant Opportunities**

- Grandparent's Day – closes 14 July. Up to \$5,000 for events that celebrate grandparents and provide opportunities for older people to participate in activities with their families and communities. Looking at incorporating oral history telling and the Festival of the Miners Ghost.
- Youth Opportunities Grant – can apply for up to \$50,000 to fund new projects that enable young people to participate in community development activities. Closes 26 June.
- CASP Grants - closes 27 July. For cultural development and arts projects. Can apply for up to \$5,000.

## **Grant Funded Projects – Implementation**

The following is a summary of works in progress for grant funded projects:

- Nymagee Tennis Courts – The synthetic surface has been installed. Last part of project is to erect a new fence. A local contractor is undertaking this part of the project which should be completed shortly.
- Environmental Education Grant – completed.
- Public Library Infrastructure Grant – Works have commenced, extension being sought, project expected to be completed by end of September.
- CASP Grant for arts workshop. Timetable of events to be released shortly with workshops commencing in June across a range of art and craft areas, to be held at the Youthie or Library on weekends. Aimed at encouraging more people to be involved in creative pursuits.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

**That the information contained in the grant funding report detailing grants applied for, grants announced and grants available be received and noted.**

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**CLAUSE 12B – RATES RECONCILIATION REPORT AS AT 31 MAY 2017****FILE: R2-1****AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.6****ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 217-218)****AUTHOR: Office Coordinator, Jo-Louise Brown****Purpose**

To provide Council details of the Rate Reconciliation as at 31 May 2017.

FUND	LEVY 2016-2017	Pensioner Rebates	Abandone d Levy	Additional Levies	Sub Total 2016-2017	Arrears 30th Jun 16	Payments	Total Outstanding	Total Outstanding Previous Year	% Outstanding of Sub Total Plus Arrears
Business	387,669.46		1,620.00	-	386,049.46	44,815.83	349,815.37	81,049.92	57,614.92	18.81%
Farmland	646,880.51		-	-	646,880.51	28,580.76	613,944.44	61,516.83	59,648.66	9.11%
Mining	1,593,798.63		-	-	1,593,798.63	80,895.62	1,427,055.56	247,638.69	121,494.92	14.79%
Residential	1,142,650.80	51,283.69	-	-	1,091,367.11	198,967.82	1,003,161.01	287,173.92	262,959.53	22.26%
Overpayments					-	-134,701.52	- 12,188.11	-122,513.41	-112,155.17	90.95%
Legal Costs			-	22,322.02	22,322.02	29,730.56	15,745.20	36,307.38	28,868.23	69.75%
Interest			-	13,540.50	<b>13,540.50</b>	91,093.80	13,907.33	90,726.97	71,098.38	86.71%
<b>General Rates</b>	<b>3,770,999.40</b>	<b>51,283.69</b>	<b>1,620.00</b>	<b>35,862.52</b>	<b>3,753,958.23</b>	<b>339,382.87</b>	<b>3,411,440.80</b>	<b>681,900.30</b>	<b>489,529.47</b>	<b>16.66%</b>
<b>Domestic Waste</b>	<b>584,040.00</b>	<b>18,707.90</b>	<b>220.00</b>	<b>515.00</b>	<b>565,627.10</b>	<b>37,738.61</b>	<b>531,957.34</b>	<b>71,408.37</b>	<b>69,850.45</b>	<b>11.84%</b>
<b>Sewerage</b>	<b>587,440.00</b>	<b>19,698.83</b>	<b>2,305.85</b>	<b>184,753.39</b>	<b>750,188.71</b>	<b>101,765.42</b>	<b>762,026.49</b>	<b>89,927.64</b>	<b>83,578.30</b>	<b>10.56%</b>
Cobar Water	641,210.00	21,393.78	360.00	-	619,456.22	33,490.53	588,289.33	64,657.42	61,986.74	9.90%
Nymagee Water	27,000.00	437.50	900.00	-	25,662.50	6,839.05	20,943.88	11,557.67	6,577.58	35.56%
Euabalong Water	43,200.00	1,137.50	600.00	-	41,462.50	9,674.44	39,073.39	12,063.55	10,625.76	23.59%
Euab West Water	26,400.00	481.25	-	-	25,918.75	3,928.18	23,770.92	6,076.01	5,523.39	20.36%
Mt Hope Water	6,300.00	-	-	-	6,300.00	154.58	5,123.31	1,331.27	480.86	20.63%
<b>Water Access</b>	<b>744,110.00</b>	<b>23,450.03</b>	<b>1,860.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>718,799.97</b>	<b>54,086.78</b>	<b>677,200.83</b>	<b>95,685.92</b>	<b>85,194.33</b>	<b>12.38%</b>
<b>Water Usage</b>			29,743.35	1,635,352.45	<b>1,605,609.10</b>	<b>446,807.89</b>	<b>1,927,789.43</b>	<b>124,627.56</b>	<b>119,057.95</b>	<b>6.07%</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5,686,589.40</b>	<b>113,140.45</b>	<b>35,749.20</b>	<b>1,856,483.36</b>	<b>7,394,183.11</b>	<b>979,781.57</b>	<b>7,310,414.89</b>	<b>1,063,549.79</b>	<b>847,210.50</b>	<b>12.70%</b>

**RECOMMENDATION****That the Rates Reconciliation Report as at the 31 May 2017 be received and noted.**

# **ATTACHMENTS**



## **ORDINARY MEETING AGENDA**

**THURSDAY 22 JUNE 2017**

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