

# **COBAR SHIRE COUNCIL**



## **ORDINARY MEETING AGENDA**

**THURSDAY 28 JUNE 2018**

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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. Public Access Forum:
    - Geoff McGuinness.
  5. Confirmation of Minutes
    - Traffic Committee Meeting – Tuesday, 22 May 2018;
    - Ordinary Meeting of Council – Thursday, 24 May 2018.
  6. Matters Arising from Minutes
  7. Rescission Motion
  8. Notice of Motion
  9. Mayoral Report
  10. General Manager's Report – Part A (Action)
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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
  - Mulya 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 Councillor's, 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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**RESCISSION MOTION – NOTICE OF MOTION – PURCHASE OF CROWN LAND**

**FILE: A9-17, C12-1 & C13-7**

**AOP REFERENCE: 2.1 & 5.2.3**

**ATTACHMENT: NO**

**AUTHOR: *Councillor, Lilliane Brady OAM, Councillor, Peter Abbott and Councillor, Harley Toomey***

We hereby give notice that we intend to move:

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That the following motion of 24 May 2018 be rescinded:**

**107.5.2018**      **RESOLVED:** *That Council consider the feasibility of establishing a transport hub/ bypass/ industrial centre in Cobar in the land denoted on the attached map.*

*Clr Yench/ Clr Kings*

**CARRIED**

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**NOTICE OF MOTION – WATER SUBSIDIES FOR RESIDENTS ADJACENT TO O’NEIL ROAD**

**FILE: P8-4, W2-1, C12-1 & C13-7 AOP REFERENCE: 4.1 ATTACHMENT: NO**

**AUTHOR: *Councillor, Peter Yench***

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council subsidise the water for the 6 families adjacent to O’Neil Road and Sutherland Drive to the same value of the same level as put on the recent Mt Hope Drought relief and that Council apply for funding to establish a bore within the property area.**

**Background**

With the drought conditions Council should try and get drought relief for all residences that require water similar to the recent drought relief provided to Mt Hope.



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**NOTICE OF MOTION – CLARIFY DECISION TO TEMPORARILY BAN  
FREE CAMPING AT NEWHEY**

**FILE: P1-7, M3-2, T5-17, C12-1 & C13-7**

**AOP REFERENCE: 4.4.3.1**

**ATTACHMENT: NO**

**AUTHOR: *Councillor, Peter Yench***

**RECOMMENDATION**

1. That Council write a letter to the local paper explaining the reason for the temporary banning of free camping within the Newey and to identify that it was not made by the “minority of Councillors” as currently advertised in local business windows. And; further that
2. A letter be written to those businesses displaying these signs that the information displayed is not true and that a letter of apology be sent to the “minority of Councillors”, as referred to by each business, and to the local paper.

**Background**

The General Manager made the decision to temporarily restrict free camping at the Newey following advice from the Government departments that Council was in breach of certain Acts.

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**NOTICE OF MOTION – WARD OVAL FREE CAMPING**

**FILE: P1-12, C12-1 & C13-7 AOP REFERENCE: 4.4.2.1 ATTACHMENT: NO**

**AUTHOR: *Councillor, Peter Yench***

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That as a matter of urgency Council investigate the opportunity to open Ward Oval to temporary free camping in order to remove the current situation of a lack of organised and appropriate free camping sites within Cobar.**

**Background:**

According to the recent letter to the editor in the local paper by a local business owner saying the campers are being abused and the campers are too valuable to lose, Ward Oval could be utilised until such time that the approved development for free camping has been established and approved by Council in Cobar. The sooner we can purchase land east of the racecourse on the Kidman Way with a link up to the four major highways the faster we can establish a tourist destination for free camping in Cobar.

I believe we should contact our neighboring councils in the new proposed outback tourist group to request investigating similar development in outback tourist towns that we can come up with a plan to attract tourists and hopefully build into their holiday plans. The route would be mapped out in a safe environment and collectively marketed to provide an outback experience over a short period.

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**NOTICE OF MOTION – ARID RESEARCH CENTRE**

**FILE: A4-1, C12-1 & C13-7 AOP REFERENCE: 5.1 ATTACHMENT: NO**

**AUTHOR: *Councillor, Peter Yench***

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That a submission be made to the Prime Minister of Australia and the Premier of NSW seeking their support and consideration of establishing an Arid Research Centre in Cobar for the Far Western NSW.**

**Background:**

A research centre that is relevant to Far West NSW and to our climate would be a significant opportunity to develop more reliable/sustainable agriculture. Council should engage the relevant industry group in the area to support our submission.

Water is becoming a problem for a number of properties and with appropriate research of underground water this could make a significant difference that is much needed today let alone for the future of our graziers/farmers.

The opportunity to study arid zone plants/bushes needs to be undertaken to allow future development of crops or feed within the West NSW.

A range of issues that face our arid climate need to be investigated and developed to support the area. Current funding does not fund Western NSW issues.

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**NOTICE OF MOTION – PURCHASE OF CROWN LAND**

**FILE: D7-4, A9-17, C12-1 & C13-7**

**AOP REFERENCE: 5.1.1**

**ATTACHMENT: NO**

**AUTHOR: *Councillor, Peter Yench***

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council purchase Crown Land Lot 191112205, Lot 73111170290 and Lot 70111170290.**

**Background**

That Council enquire to purchase Crown Land Lot 191112205, Lot 73111170290 and Lot 70111170290 to be on sold to Mark Glover of Renewed Carbon for the development and construction of the BioHub.

Lot 73111170290 and Lot 70111170290 would be used for access to the railway which will connect with Inland Rail.

By using the rail system instead of using the road network it will reduce the traffic numbers on the Western Highways.

It would also be beneficial for Council to lobby the State Government to speed up the land purchase process, once the motion is passed.

Mark Glover of Renewed Carbon was to address Council on this matter, but due to other commitments was not able to attend.

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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**

**That Council accepts the information contained in the Mayoral Report for the month of June 2018.**

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**CLAUSE 2A – DETERMINATION OF FEES PAID TO MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS**

**FILE: C12-2 & L5-1 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.5**

**ATTACHMENT: YES  
(PAGE 77-100)**

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

**Purpose**

To set the fees payable to the Mayor and Councillors for 2017/2018 in line with the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal's Determination.

**Background**

Section 248 of the Local Government Act 1993 requires that:

- 1) *A council must pay each councillor an annual fee.*
- 2) *A council may fix the annual fee and, if it does so, it must fix the annual fee in accordance with the appropriate determination of the Remuneration Tribunal.*
- 3) *The annual fee so fixed must be the same for each councillor.*
- 4) *A council that does not fix the annual fee must pay the appropriate minimum fee determined by the Remuneration Tribunal.*

Cobar Shire Council currently pays the following annual fee as adopted in June 2016:

Mayor - \$25,250 p.a. monthly in arrears;  
Councillor - \$11,570 p.a. monthly in arrears.

The Tribunal has determined that the minimum and maximum fees applicable to each category will be increased by 2.5% which is consistent with the government's policy on wages. The Tribunal's determinations take effect from 1 July in each year.

The attachment to this report details the determination for all category Councils. Since the 2016 determination a number of Councils have amalgamated resulting in the creation of 20 new Councils. The impact of those structural changes is an overall reduction in the number of Councils in NSW from 152 to 128.

In reviewing the categories the Tribunal examined a range of statistical and demographic data and considered the views of councils and Local Government NSW (the LGNSW). Having regard to that information, the Tribunal determined a categorisation model which differentiates councils primarily on the basis of their geographic location. Other factors which differentiate councils for the purpose of categorisation include population, the sphere of the council's economic influence and the degree of regional servicing.

Cobar Shire Council remains a Rural Council, the fee determination levels are as follows:

	<b>Councillor Annual Fee</b>		<b>Mayor (Additional)</b>		<b>Total Mayor Fee</b>	
	Min \$	Max \$	Min \$	Max \$	Min \$	Max \$
Category: Rural	8,970	11,860	9,540	25,880	18,510	37,740

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Applying a 2.5% increase to the current amount paid results in the following amounts.

Mayor - \$25,880 p.a.

Councillor - \$11,860 p.a.

**Financial Implications**

The recommended changes are contained within the draft budgets for 2018/2019 which are currently on public exhibition.

**RECOMMENDATION**

- 1. That Councillors fees are set at \$11,860.00 per annum paid monthly in arrears for the twelve months commencing 1 July 2018.**
- 2. That the Mayor's fee is set at \$25,880.00 per annum, paid monthly in arrears for the twelve months commencing 1 July 2018.**

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**CLAUSE 3A – PUBLICATION GUIDE – GOVERNMENT INFORMATION  
(PUBLIC ACCESS) ACT 2009**

**FILE: A2-6-2**

**AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.5.2**

**ATTACHMENT: YES**

**(PAGE 101-121)**

**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 22 June 2017 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 2018 as the current Policy of Council.**



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**CLAUSE 4A – COUNCIL COMMITTEES/ DELEGATES FOR HERA MINE  
COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE**

**FILE: C6-15/ M4-13 AOP REFERENCE: 3.2.2.2 ATTACHMENT: NO**  
**AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko***

**Purpose**

The purpose of this report is to elect a new delegate for the Hera Mine Community Consultative Committee (CCC).

**Background**

The purpose of the Hera Mine Community Consultative Committee is to:

1. Establish good working relationships and promote information sharing between the proponent, local community, stakeholder groups and councils;
2. Allow the proponent to keep the community informed about the project, seek community views on the project and respond to matters raised by the community; and
3. Allow community members and local councils to seek information from the proponent and give the proponent feedback on the development and implementation of the project to assist with the delivery of balanced social, environmental and economic outcomes for the community.

The committee comprises:

1. An independent chairperson;
2. Up to seven community representatives;
3. A council representative from each of the local government areas concerned; and
4. Representatives from the proponent including the person with direct responsibility for environmental management of the project.

The Department of Planning and Environment has developed guidelines for State significant projects, to clarify the roles and responsibilities of Community Consultative Committees, to help the committees operate effectively. These guidelines advise that employees or contractors of the proponent are not eligible to be appointed as community representatives, however, they are silent in regard to council representatives who are employees of the proponent.

Cr Jarrod Marsden is currently Council's appointed representative to this CCC. Cr Marsden is now an employee of Peak Gold Mines at Cobar which has recently been acquired by Aurelia Metals Ltd. Councillor Jarrod Marsden notified Council that with Hera and Peak Mines now being owned by Aurelia Metals that there is now a perceived conflict of interest and it is prudent that Council replaces him as a representative for the Aurelia Metals Hera Mine Community Consultative Committee.

It has been requested by the Chair of the Committee that Council consider if an alternative Council representative should be appointed to avoid the perception of a conflict of interest. It has been indicated that a Council representative is not necessarily required to be an elected Councillor, it could be a senior manager.

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The next Meeting will be on Thursday, 2 August 2018 in Nymagee.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council determine its delegate for the Hera Mine Community Consultative Committee and where an election is required it be by open voting by show of hands.**

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**CLAUSE 5A – CONTRIBUTION BY HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE  
TOWARDS LILLIANNE BRADY VILLAGE (LBV) BATHROOMS**

**FILE: T2-17**

**AOP REFERENCE: 1.5.3**

**ATTACHMENT: NO**

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

**Purpose**

To update Council on the request to Health Infrastructure to fund the renovation of all bathrooms and toilets as required.

**Background**

Council has been aware for many years that significant expenditure is required at the Lilliane Brady Village to improve the bathrooms and in some cases to ensure that they are compliant.

Budgets have been allocated accordingly in the past, but were cancelled. Firstly, in light of the 2011 deficit and cash shortage and subsequently because of the expectation that Health Infrastructure would include them in the MPS Project.

More recently there has been an expectation that a new provider would do the work.

None of these options have come to fruition but Health Infrastructure have agreed to provide a contribution of \$250,000 towards the project.

Council Officers are of the view that a staged approach will be the best option and the project can be funded over a number of years with the \$250,000 contribution being allocated to the most urgent. It is to be noted that the conversion of the two – four bed wards will alleviate a significant need.

Further funding streams will be investigated and the \$250,000 may be used as leverage on other grant applications.

It is also understood that recurrent revenue can be increased against some capital expenditure but this is yet to be investigated.

**RECOMMENDATION**

- 1. That Council receive and note the offer from Health Infrastructure.**
- 2. That a further plan is considered when the MPS is completed so that residents can be relocated during construction.**

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## **CLAUSE 6A – DONATION REQUESTS**

**FILE: D3-1**

**AOP REFERENCE: 1.4.1**

**ATTACHMENT: NO**

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

### **Purpose**

To facilitate one off donation requests which are received throughout the year.

### **Background**

Council awards its major community grants program at the February Ordinary Meeting of Council each year. This generally follows a workshop discussion on the applications. This timing allows the grants to be properly budgeted.

However, throughout the year further applications are received. Mostly these are of a minor nature and often are organisations seeking relief from fees and charges to hold a community event.

It is cumbersome to bring these to Council and provided the activity fits the grant criteria it is proposed to allow the General Manager in-conjunction with the Mayor to make a decision on these.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

- 1. That the General Manager in-conjunction with the Mayor be authorised to award community donations up to \$5,000 per annum in total in addition of those awarded in February of each year.**
- 2. That a schedule of such amounts be included in the Donations Report to Council in February of each year.**

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**CLAUSE 7A - INTEGRATED PLANNING AND REPORTING SUITE OF 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 2018/2019 Integrated Planning and Reporting 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 budget with a nominal deficit to the public for consideration and comment.

At the Ordinary Meeting of Council on April 26 2018 it was resolved:

*“That Council places the draft 2018-2019 Annual Operational Plan, including the Fees and Charges, Revenue Policy and Ten Year Financial Plan on public exhibition for a minimum of 28 days.*

*That Council hold a public meeting in May to present the documents and seek community input into them and to identify possible future projects”.*

A Public Meeting was held on Wednesday, 17 May 2018 which fulfilled Council's obligations under the *Local Government Act 1993* and has given the Cobarr community a chance to have input into the budget and plans.

**Feedback**

Council has received feedback in relation to fees and charges and the provision of operational funds for the development of one or more free camping sites. This was supported by a petition signed by 45 signatures. The body of the correspondence has been included as an attachment but for confidentiality the signatures are not made public. It is recommended that the budget remain as is and this matter be dealt within the existing Newey Master Plan consideration and free camping issue that is already being formulated by Council Officers.

The feedback re the fees and charges is:

- Create a local membership at the Museum;
- Create a local history search facility at the Museum;
- Extend the museum pass to allow for two days visitation for the same price;
- Reintroduce short term admission passes for the swimming pool;
- Place a condition re travelling livestock to be compliant with regulations on Ward Oval fees.

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A request from the Cobar and District Cricket Association which was initiated following a meeting of the Ward Oval Users group seeking a reduction in fees. This is included in the attachments. The exhibited season fee is \$1,000. Since Australian Rules ceased there is no similar adult body with which to compare this fee but it is noted that junior association fees are about 25% of this sum. It is recommended that Council make a 25% reduction to this fee.

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

1. Early payment of Financial Assistance Grants:

It has again been announced that early payment of Financial Assistance Grants (FAGS) will be made with revenues normally expected in 2018/2019 to be paid in 2017/2018. Because of the uncertainty as to whether this practice will continue but the likelihood that it may the budget has not been altered. The 'underlying' deficit is not impacted and the cash which is received applicable to a differing year will be restricted at year end. This has a positive impact on cash balances and from that perspective benefits the entire year.

2. Project forecasts and timing have been refined:

The projects identified in the exhibited documents have had further costing refinements and grant considerations. The government has requested that contingency amounts be introduced into the project forecast.

3. Audit Office of NSW:

The Audit Office of NSW has strongly recommended that the Local Government Sector present the AOP in a much more 'community friendly' manner. This draft reflects that sentiment.

### **Capital Summary**

The capital budget has largely followed the groundwork laid in the workshops held last year and incorporated the projects most likely to be grant funded. The items bolded will only be able to be acquired if such funding is achieved. (The offsetting revenue is shown in the budget as capital grants and contributions and does not impact the day to day operating surplus/ deficit).

In anticipation of there being continued high level of grant activity in the next two years \$200,000 has been budgeted for grant top ups. This allocation has provided good leverage to securing other funds and assist with the concept of being 'shovel ready'.

The amount to be spent on plant changeover has been capped at \$1.2 m and Manex will be conducting a monthly review of utilization and running costs to ensure that plant is maintained at an optimum level. No unused funds from prior years other than 2017/2018 will be made available.

### **Projects include:**

A major upgrade to the Community Centre (\$1,150k) including a new roof and kitchen using a funding mix of grants (\$603k), Section 94 reserves (\$160k) and internal funding.

Commencement of a staged renovation of the bathrooms at the Lilliane Brady Village with \$250k being contributed by Health Infrastructure. Only amounts received will be expended and the commencement will depend on the completion of the additional 10 beds as a part of the MPS.

A Miners Memorial (\$550k) will be co-funded by the community (\$100k), grants (\$360k) and internal funds.

Upgrade of the residence in Maidens Ave for the Girl Guides (\$255k) with \$225k being grant funded.

Continued development of Drummond Park (\$515k) with \$249k being grant funded.

Development of Nymagee and Mt Hope toilets for (\$128k) with \$112k being grant funded.

It is acknowledged that the capital expenditure pattern for the later years in the ten year forecast are less than will be required but planning for that far out is difficult and we have elected not to put in items that do not have a reasonable degree of certainty.

### **Operating Expenditure Summary**

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

GENERAL FUND	2018/2019		
	REVENUE	EXPENDITURE	SURPLUS/DEFICIT
Governance	138,112	717,899	-579,787
Corporate Support	6,880,785	8,620,324	-1,739,539
Public Order & Safety	157,590	516,180	-358,590
Public Health	150,960	329,976	-179,016
Community Services & Education	6,092,100	5,360,557	731,543
Environment	928,269	877,894	50,375
Housing & Community Amenities	522,670	676,045	-153,375
Recreation & Culture	982,182	2,240,146	-1,257,954
Mining & Manufacture	14,008	16,922	-2,914
Transport & Communication	5,323,079	8,425,053	-3,101,974
Economic Affairs	3,911,194	3,642,765	268,429
General Purpose Revenues	7,955,084		7,955,084
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND OPERATIONS</b>	<b>33,056,043</b>	<b>31,423,761</b>	<b>1,632,282</b>
Water	15,716,849	33,311,880	12,401,469
Sewer	928,670	1,095,286	-166,616
<b>TOTAL OTHER FUNDS</b>	<b>16,645,519</b>	<b>4,407,166</b>	<b>12,238,353</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>49,701,562</b>	<b>35,830,826</b>	<b>13,870,636</b>
Capital Grants and Contributions			
General Fund			1,800,000
Water Fund			12,450,000
<b>Operating surplus/ deficit after capital</b>			<b>-379,864</b>
<b>To accumulated surplus</b>			<b>--379,864</b>

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Major project estimates to be funded under the various N.S.W. government programs have been tightened as announcements have been made. This has not impacted the operating deficit but the capital grants and contributions have been varied. The budget assumptions are shown in the attachment. A minor adjustment of \$8k has been made to Regional Roads expenditure:

- The forecast for the 2018/2019 year is a deficit of \$379k. This is much improved on the 2018/2019 forecast of a deficit of \$1.2m contained in the ten year plan adopted in June 2017. A condition assessment which is required in the Sewer Fund will be funded out of reserves (\$80k) which reduces the deficit requiring funding in 2018/2019 to \$291k.
- Whilst there is a marked improvement in outlook which has been confirmed by T Corp's analysts, officers will continue to seek a long term surplus budget. The next step in this process is to consider the independently conducted service review.
- Rates have been increased to the level permitted by the NSW Government (2.3%). The burden has been shared evenly across categories. It is to be noted that costs are increasing at a rate greater than this.
- Fees and charges on balance have increased by less than five percent other than where regulation requires more. No services have been eliminated or reduced.

Water usage costs have been increased by the equivalent of the rate capping amount for 2018/2019. However the ten year plan shows increases above this benchmark in 2019/2020 of 5% to accommodate the increased depreciation for the new water treatment plant, 3% in 2021/2022 and 2.5% in anticipation of increased cost of water from the Cobar Water Board in 2022/2023 as it puts a full recovery model in place as required by the government. These charges are not yet confirmed and are our best estimates at this point. The difficulty in forecasting for the water fund is in selecting the volume of water sold which is dependent on seasonal conditions. A prudent approach is to budget cautiously. Lobbying for Government assistance continues.

### **Long Term Financial Plan**

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

Council is still striving to eliminate future deficits but no longer appears at risk provided prudent management is applied. There is more than likely improvement in the forecasts rather than deterioration because only known factors have been budgeted for but it is extremely likely that grant activity will continue and assist the budget significantly.

The Plan shows two major extra ordinary events:

1. The reintroduction of the Lilliane Brady Village as an operating cost centre following the failure of the government to find a new provider.
2. The write off the existing Water Treatment Plant as the (planned) new plant commences operation. This adjustment will be 'below the line'.



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## **Cash Movement**

- Cash balances will restore to a lower level than the current year when the carried forward projects are completed with a 'normal balance' of around \$10m - \$11m. Much of this is restricted with approximately half of the balance held by funds other than the general fund. It is considered prudent to retain a minimum of \$7.5m as the worst case scenario. Whilst Council has operating deficits in its forecast it should continue to follow the same conservative management style that has seen it recover from effectively being insolvent in 2011.
- The year forecasts cash usage of approximately \$3m but projects carried forward will account for approximately \$4m and will eliminate unusually high cash balances currently held. Two projects( sewer condition assessment and Youthie upgrade will be funded out of specific reserves on hand).

## **RECOMMENDATION**

- 1. That Council adopt the 2018/2019 Operational Plan and Budget as exhibited after allowing for the amendments detailed in this report.**
- 2. That Council adopt the 2018/2019 Capital Expenditure Budget as attached which allows allowing for the amendments detailed in this report.**
- 3. That Council adopts the Long Term Financial Plan as exhibited after adjusting for the differences in recommendation 1 and recommendation 2.**
- 4. That Council adopts the schedule of Fees and Charges as exhibited for 2018/2019 after including the amendments recommended from public feedback.**
- 5. That Council alter the fee for the Cobar and District Cricket Association to \$750.00 p.a.**
- 6. That Council adopt the Revenue Policy as exhibited for 2018/2019.**
- 7. That Council adopts the Delivery Program 2018/2019 to 2022/2023 as exhibited.**
- 8. That Council acknowledges and thanks the contributors to the feedback.**

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**CLAUSE 8A – REPORT ON THE FINDINGS BY THE INDEPENDENT REVIEWER OF THE CODE OF CONDUCT COMPLAINT BY CR L BRADY OAM AGAINST CR P YENCH**

**FILE: C12-5**

**AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.5**

**ATTACHMENT: NO**

**AUTHOR: *Director of Finance and Community Services, (Code of Conduct Complaints Coordinator), Kym Miller***

**Purpose**

To update Council on the Code of Conduct matter between Cr L Brady OAM against Cr P Yench which has been considered at the April 2018 Ordinary Meeting of Council and then withdrawn at the May 2018 Ordinary Meeting of Council.

**Background**

Council considered the report of the Independent Reviewer at the April 2018 Ordinary Council Meeting and it was resolved as follows:

*Council resolve that Councillor Peter Yench breached Council's Code of Conduct on 22 June 2017 in relation to Clauses 3.1(e) and 3.3 by his conduct at the Meeting of Council on 22 June 2017, in that he conducted himself in a manner that is likely to bring the Council or holders of civic office into disrepute. Specifically, that Cr Yench verbally abused the Mayor, other councillors and Council staff (cl 3.1 (e)) and that he failed to treat others with respect at all times (cl 3.3).*

*That Councillor Yench be required to provide a written apology to Council, the Mayor, other councillors and staff in the form attached, to be tabled at the next ordinary Meeting of Council.*

*That Councillor Yench be required to undertake training on Council Meeting procedure and to present to Council certification of satisfactory completion. The training is to be undertaken as arranged by the General Manager and in any event within 3 months.*

*That this matter be referred to the Office of Local Government for further action under the misconduct provision of the Act.*

Provided under separate confidential cover is the correspondence between Cobar Shire Council and the Office of Local Government. At this point no further action is required.

At the May 2018 Ordinary Council Meeting the report was withdrawn as requested by the Office of Local Government (OLG) due to the fact that Clr Peter Yench had requested a review by OLG of the investigators determination and recommendation. The OLG has advised both Clr Yench and the Council of the outcome of the review in that:

“OLG can see no impediment to Clr Yench delivering the apology recommended by the investigator and required under Council’s resolution of 26<sup>th</sup> April 2018”.

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The written apology from Cr P Yench will be tabled at the meeting.

Council should note the varied wording to the resolution and will need to consider the allotted wording changes.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

- 1. That Council receive and note the correspondence from the Office of Local Government in relation to the Code of Conduct matter of Cr L Brady OAM and Cr P Yench.**
- 2. That Council accept the apology from Cr P Yench as tabled.**
- 3. That a final report on the matter be brought to Council at the conclusion of Cr P Yench's training as per the resolution.**

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**CLAUSE 9A – PLANNING PROPOSAL SUBMISSION FOR NEWHEY RESERVE TO ALLOW CAMPING - LOT 25 DP837494**

**FILE: T5-17 AOP REFERENCE: 4.4.3.1 ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 122-151)**

**AUTHOR: *Director of Planning & 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 for Newey Reserve to allow camping on Lot 25 DP837494.

**Background**

The subject planning proposal is necessary to enable development of a camping ground facility at the Newey Recreational Reserve, Lot 25 DP837494, Crown Reserve Number 630023.

Currently the land is zoned RE1 (Public Recreation) which prohibits ‘camping ground’ under the *Cobar Local Environment Plan (LEP) 2012*.

This planning proposal will amend the Cobar LEP 2012 to allow ‘camping ground’ at the Newey Recreation Reserve only under *Schedule 1 Additional Permitted Uses*.

The term ‘camping ground’ is defined in the Cobar LEP 2012 as:

**Camping ground** means an area of land that has access to communal amenities and on which campervans or tents, annexes or other similar portable and lightweight temporary shelters are, or are to be, installed, erected or placed for short term use, but does not include a caravan park.

Details of the proposed amendment are set out in the planning proposal submission.

**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 Rebecca Ben-Haim, Eco Logical Australia Pty Ltd and dated June 2018.**
- 2. That voting on this matter to be recorded on the basis of an automatic division as required by legislation.**

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**CLAUSE 10A – COBAR TRUCK WASH**

**FILE: A10-30 & T3-18-3 AOP REFERENCE: 1.2.1 ATTACHMENT: NO**

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

**Purpose**

To consider the tender received for the construction of the truck wash in Cobar.

**Background**

Tenders were called for the construction of a truck wash at the rear of the Council depot in Blakey St. Tenders closed on 10 May 2018 and one tender was received through Tenderlink from Enviro H2O Pty.

**Consideration**

Analysis of the submitted tender indicated that the tender was non-compliant as it excluded a number of elements of required work and indicated that Council would need to supply those elements or pay for them in addition to the tendered price.

However analysis of the tendered price indicated that the total cost of the construction of the truck wash is approximately \$682,000 as shown below.

- Truck wash construction \$430,000
- Excluded items (estimate) \$45,000
- Site works, road construction, water and power supply \$100,000
- Sewer rising main \$18,000
- Contingency (15%) \$89,000
- Total **\$682,000**

It should be noted that until the power demand for the truck wash facility is confirmed the cost of power supply/transformer is uncertain.

Current funds allocated for this project are \$600,000 - \$375,000 in grants and \$225,000 of Council funds.

**Options**

Council needs to consider how it wishes to proceed. Three options have been identified.

1. Council approves an additional allocation of \$82,000 for the project and negotiations with the current tenderer for a revised tender price proceed.
2. Recall tenders. This may not lead to a different result if other tenders are not received.
3. Council does not proceed with the truck wash project. The existing wash bay at the Council workshop does not currently meet the requirements for discharge to sewer and requires pretreatment to remove sediments, oil, and grease and consideration should be given to a future upgrade. It was previously indicated that an upgrade of this facility could cost approximately \$300,000.

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**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council consider the options and choose to adopt option 2:**

**That Council recall tenders. This may not lead to a different result if other tenders are not received.**

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**CLAUSE 11A – DISABILITY INCLUSION PLAN 2018****FILE: L5-22-1****AOP REFERENCE: 3.3****ATTACHMENT: YES****(PAGE 152-168)****AUTHOR: *Senior Projects Officer, Angela Shepherd*****Purpose**

This report recommends that the Council adopt the Disability Inclusion Action Plan 2018.

**Background**

The draft Disability Inclusion Action Plan (DIAP) was presented to the April 2018 Council meeting, where Council resolved to place the plan on public exhibition for 28 days. Under the *Disability Inclusion Act 2014*, Councils must adopt a DIAP and keep it updated.

The DIAP must address four key areas:

- Attitudes and behaviours – often thought of as the biggest barrier to full participation and inclusion.
- Employment – contributes to independence and greater opportunities.
- Liveable Communities – achieved by applying principles of universal design.
- Processes and Systems – ensuring the community can access information and Council services.

The first Cobar DIAP was adopted in May 2017. This plan has been updated based on community and staff input. Council held a community workshop and asked for feedback electronically to gain input into the further development of this plan.

Council will continue to work with stakeholders and will review this plan at least annually.

**Issues**

Council advertised the draft Disability Inclusion Action Plan on Council's Facebook and web pages and in the Cobar Weekly, seeking feedback.

No feedback was received during the exhibition phase. As such, no changes have been made to the draft plan put out for consultation, other than a couple of minor grammatical errors being corrected.

**Financial Implications**

There are no financial implications from adopting this plan. Any actions that are progressed will be funded through normal budgetary processes for Council approval.

**RECOMMENDATION****That Council adopts the Disability Inclusion Action Plan 2018.**

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**CLAUSE 12A –2018/2018 MAKING OF RATES AND ANNUAL CHARGES REPORT**

**FILE: L5-22**

**AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.1**

**ATTACHMENT: NO**

**AUTHOR: Rates Officer - 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 Ordinary Council Meeting held on 26 April 2018 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 2018/2019 proposed is the rate peg of 2.3% with the burden spread across all categories.

**Legal Situation**

Sections 491 through 607 of the Local Government Act 1993.

**RECOMMENDATION**

- 1. That the Cobar Residential rate of 2.75 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 \$510.00 for each assessment of land for financial year 2018/2019.**
- 2. That the Business Ordinary Rate of 2.30 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 2018/2019.**
- 3. That the Cobar Business CBD Rate of 3.70 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 2018/2019.**
- 4. That the Cobar Farmland Rate of 0.31 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 2018/2019.**



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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 2018/2019.
  6. That the Village Business Rate of 5.20 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 2018/2019.
  7. That the Rural Residential Rate of 2.10 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 \$510.00 for each assessment of land for the financial year 2018/2019.
  8. That the Mining - General of 6.94 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 \$700.00 for each assessment of land for the financial year 2018/2019.
  9. That the Domestic Waste Management Charge of \$230.00 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 \$16.00 per service per single additional bin be made for the financial year 2018/2019.
  10. That the annual charge for waste management services which will apply to allow rateable assessments in the Cobar Shire during 2018/2019 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 \$350.00 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 2018/2019.
  12. That a minimum Cobar Sewerage Non- residential Charge of \$580.00 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 2018/2019.
  13. That a Cobar Water Supply Access Charge of \$260.00 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 \$170.00, be now made along with the following : Unconnected \$260.00 and for the following connections: 32mm \$465.00, 40mm \$805.00, 50mm \$1,280.00, 80mm \$2,600.00, and 100mm \$3,300.00 in pursuance of the Local Government Act 1993, along with a Water Charge of 1kl up to 450kl, \$2.24 per kl, 451kl up to 550kl, \$3.32 per kl

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and above 550kl, \$4.24 per kl and Connected Raw Water at \$1.75 per kl be made for the financial year 2018/2019.

14. That a Cobar Water Supply Access Charge of \$375.00 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 with the following: Unconnected \$375.00 and for the following connections: 32mm \$465.00, 40mm \$805.00, 50mm \$1,280.00, 80mm \$2,600.00, and 100mm \$3,300.00 in pursuance of the Local Government Act 1993, along with a Water Charge of 1kl up to 450kl, \$2.24 per kl, 451kl up to 550kl, \$3.32 per kl and a above 551kl, \$4.24 per kl be made for the financial year 2018/2019.
15. That a Nymagee Water Supply Access Charge of \$614.00 be applied to all 20mm connected properties in the Nymagee Water Supply Area and that all properties over 20mm connections be charged at \$1,145.00 per connection and that all unconnected properties be charged at \$307.00 for each vacant land for the financial year 2018/2019 in pursuance of Section 539 (1) Local Government Act 1993.
16. That a Euabalong and Euabalong West Water Supply Access Charge of \$614.00 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 \$1,145.00 per connection and that all unconnected properties be charged at \$307.00 for each rateable land for the financial year 2018/2019 in pursuance of Section 539 (1) Local Government Act 1993.
17. That a Mount Hope Water Supply Access Charge of \$716.00 be applied to all 20mm connected properties in the Mount Hope Water Supply Area and that all properties over 20mm connections be charged at \$1,145.00 for each rateable land for the financial year 2018/2019 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 2018/2019.
19. That the interest rate for overdue water usage charges be made at 7.5%, for the financial year 2018/2019.

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**CLAUSE 1B – DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS: 17 MAY 2018 – 19 JUNE 2018**

**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 2018 – 19 June 2018.

**The value of Complying Development approvals for 2017/2018 to date is \$30,000.00.**

The value of Complying Development approvals for the similar period in 2016/2017 was Nil.

**Local Development Approvals**

The following Local Development Applications were approved under delegated authority for the period 17 May 2018 – 19 June 2018.

<b>CERTIFICATE NO.</b>	<b>ADDRESS</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>VALUE (\$)</b>
2018/LD-00020	4 Tenth St, Cobar	Storage Shed	39,000
2018/LD-00019	Wilkinson Park, Nymagee	Gymkhana	-

**The value of Local Development approvals for 2017/2018 to date is \$3,274,870.00.**

The value of Local Development approvals for the similar period in 2016/2017 was \$1,226,330.

**Construction Certificates**

The following Construction Certificates were approved under delegated authority for the period 17 May 2018 – 19 June 2018.

<b>CERTIFICATE NO.</b>	<b>ADDRESS</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
2018/CB-00014	4 Tenth St, Cobar	Storage Shed
2018/CB-00010	80 Louth Rd, Cobar	Carport
2018/CB-00013	12 Belah Cr, Cobar	Shed
2018/CB-00012	13 Morrison St, Cobar	Shed

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That the information detailing the Complying Development Certificate, Local Development and Construction Certificate approvals for the period 17 May 2018 – 19 June 2018 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 25 SEPTEMBER 2014</b>					
<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>RESOLUTION NUMBER</b>	<b>ACTION BY</b>	<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>
627	Council – Clause 10A – Adoption of Management Plan for Lot 18 DP213415	188.9.2014	<b>DPES</b>	<p>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.</p> <p>That Council authorise the Mayor and General Manager to sign any lease or licence under the Common Seal of Council.</p>	<p>December 2017 target will not be met.</p> <p>Timeframe to be reviewed.</p> <p>Staff working on this subject to resources available.</p>
<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 23 APRIL 2015</b>					
<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>RESOLUTION NUMBER</b>	<b>ACTION BY</b>	<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>
702	Council – Clause 8A – Maintenance of Stock Control Structures	60.04.2015	<b>DES</b>	<p>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.</p>	<p>Staff being appointed to undertake project.</p> <p>Identification has commenced and register started.</p> <p>Anticipated work to be completed by December 2017.</p> <p>Register to be provided to the July Workshop.</p>

**COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 24 SEPTEMBER 2015**

<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>RESOLUTION NUMBER</b>	<b>ACTION BY</b>	<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>
793	Council – Clause 9A – O’Neill Road Water Supply	197.09.2015	<b>SM/ DES</b>	<p>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.</p> <p>That a full report be provided to Council when available.</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>The model has been developed and awaiting draft Report for Councils consideration.</p> <p>Project to be completed by July/ August 2018.</p>

**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.	Further Report to be provided to July 2018 Ordinary Council Meeting.

**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>
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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.  A detailed report on the Estimated Cost will be provided to Council at the July Ordinary Meeting.

#### COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 23 FEBRUARY 2017

983	Council – Notice of Motion – Augmentation of Water Supply Euabalong/ Euabalong West	05.2.2017	<b>DES</b>	That Council seek funding for the 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.	Expression of Interest application has been assessed as eligible for submission of detailed application within 12 months from 17 November 2017.
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#### COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 9 MARCH 2017

1007	Council – Clause 7B – Expenditure for Roads Network	59.3.2017	<b>DES</b>	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. An updated funding application for sealing of the Wool Track is being prepared.
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#### COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 27 APRIL 2017

1014	Council – Clause 4A –	74.4.2017	<b>DES</b>	That Council applies to Infrastructure	Report on Sewage Pumping Stations
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	Cobar Sewer Upgrade Project			<p>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.</p> <p>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 screen compactor projects have been completed.</p>	<p>and Sewage Treatment Plant Inlet Works has been received from NSW Public Works. Application for change of scope of works has been submitted to Infrastructure NSW for approval. Response has been received from Infrastructure NSW that the matter is now progressing and Council will receive a reply soon.</p>
1021	Council – Clause 11A – Minutes of the Economic Taskforce April Meeting	81.4.2017	<b>DCED</b>	<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>Initial positive discussions held with Livestock and Bulk Carriers Association who will provide further information. Trying to identify a Truckwash bay site where a depot could be collocated.</p> <p>One on one visits to potential businesses have commenced to determine interest in such a venture. Strong interest so far.</p> <p>No action to date.</p>
1025	Council – Clause 7B –	92.4.2017	<b>DES</b>	That RMS be contacted in relation to a	Letter has been sent to RMS to

	Expenditure for Roads Network			turning lane being installed at the Meadow Glen Rest Area as a matter of urgency.	<p>request improvements to entrance to Meadow Glen Rest Area.</p> <p>Letter has been acknowledged by RMS and they are programming work subject to available funding.</p> <p>At this stage RMS has not allocated funds to the project.</p>
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COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 22 JUNE 2017					
NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
1048	Clause 3B – Unsealed Road Stabilisation Trials Report	146.6.2017	<b>DES</b>	That an investigation be reported to Council in relation to bore costs on rural roads.	Report is being prepared and will be reported to July 2018 Ordinary Council Meeting.
1050	Committee of the Whole Closed Council – Clause 1C – Legal Documents to Incorporate the Lilliane Brady Village into a Multi-Purpose (Health) Service	158.6.2017	<b>DFCS</b>	<p>That the suite of documents as attached be approved in principle.</p> <p>That the Mayor and General Manager be delegated to make minor amendments to the suite of documents as attached provided that these variations do not materially alter the intent of the documents.</p> <p>That the commercial terms negotiated with the Provider be presented to Council for consideration and endorsement.</p>	<p>NSW Health has been advised and are now preparing the EOI Document. The expected conclusion of this task is 31 October 2017.</p> <p>Council Officers have collated the documents which will be attached to the EOI document and preparing other information which will be required for due diligence investigations.</p> <p>No satisfactory bids received. Negotiations now underway with unsuccessful bidders.</p> <p>Report to close matter to go to July</p>



				<p>That the Mayor and General Manager be delegated to sign the documents as attached when finalised under seal.</p> <p>That a 'tracked changes' copy of the final documents when signed be presented to Closed Council for noting.</p>	<p>Ordinary Council Meeting.</p> <p>Negotiations to be put on hold until solution found to ensure bathrooms are compliant.</p>
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#### COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 27 JULY 2017

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
1059	Council Meeting – Clause 8A – Draft Land Use Master Plan for the Newey	172.7.2017	<b>DPES</b>	That Cobar Shire Council and the community support free camping and appreciate the business that this activity brings to Cobar. That Cobar Shire Council develop a Plan of Management for the Newey Reserve. This Plan of Management should include a section to facilitate the use by campers <i>and for this process to commence immediately.</i>	<p>Consultant engaged to prepare Plan of Management and Planning Proposal.</p> <p>Planning Proposal report to June Ordinary Council Meeting.</p>
1063	Council Meeting – Clause 13A – Minutes of the Economic Taskforce	176.7.2017	<b>DCED</b>	A report be presented to the next Taskforce meeting outlining the cost of sealing the Grand Hotel carpark and the carpark adjacent to the cinema.	Costed at around \$100,000. Not adequate funds in Stronger Country Communities Fund. Put on hold as masterplan for area developed.

#### COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 24 AUGUST 2017

<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>RESOLUTION NUMBER</b>	<b>ACTION BY</b>	<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>
1066	Council Meeting – Clause 2A – Review of Current Water Restrictions	200.8.2017	<b>GM</b>	That Council staff prepare a report in relation to water catchment damming in the Cobar area to increase water security for Cobar residents.	Currently seeking contractors to undertake the investigation through Department of Water.  Public Works preparing a Desktop Study to be completed by July 2018.
1071	Council Meeting – Clause 6A – Sale of Land at Duffy Drive	205.8.2017	<b>DFCS</b>	That the two blocks of land which are the subject of this report be auctioned with the reserve to be determined by Council at the meeting preceding the advertised auction date.	These blocks will be offered in 2018 with other unpaid rate properties.
1076	Council Meeting – Clause 5B – Meeting Minutes	215.8.2017	<b>DES</b>	That Council, in conjunction with landholders, seal the approaches of grids on regional roads on a program basis.	Investigation to be undertaken in conjunction with Budget consideration.  To be considered with 2018/2019 Road Capital Program in August 2018.
1081	Council Meeting – Clause 5B – Meeting Minutes	220.8.2017	<b>DES</b>	That Council look into acquiring Public Stock Watering Points as a method of guaranteeing access to water for Council use.	Investigation to be undertaken.  Lack of staff resources has restricted progress.

**COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 28 SEPTEMBER 2017**

<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>RESOLUTION NUMBER</b>	<b>ACTION BY</b>	<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>
1092	Council Meeting – Clause 12A – Minutes of Economic Taskforce Meeting	248.9.2017	<b>DCED</b>	That Council resolves to accept the recommendations of the Economic Taskforce:	Recommendations accepted.

			<p>That Council identify the Pulpulla Road as a high priority for its ability to contribute to tourism and economic development and that Council work with National Parks and Wildlife Service to establish a plan of action and budgets to maintain it to a standard suitable for all vehicle access.</p> <p>That Council investigate options of providing street signage to locate key facilities, such as the pool, sports facilities and water recreation areas.</p> <p>That the celebrations to mark Cobar's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary be an item on Council's agenda and that projects be scoped and indicative budgets developed.</p> <p>That Council convene a meeting of major contractors to identify a list of ideas that could be undertaken to improve the efficiency of working across mine sites and reduce the costs of doing business in Cobar. Discuss options for implementing the ideas with the mines in Cobar Shire.</p>	<p>Initial discussions held with NPWS regarding upgrade of road (which is currently being graded). Discussion held with Destination NSW who have identified there are possible funding options. These are currently being investigated.</p> <p>Ongoing and for budget consideration.</p> <p>Clr Lehmann has been appointed Chair. Draft Terms of Reference have been adopted by Council. Two meetings of the Committee held to date, draft program coming together.</p> <p>No action to date.</p>
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**COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 26 OCTOBER 2017**

<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>RESOLUTION NUMBER</b>	<b>ACTION BY</b>	<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>
1106	Council Meeting – Clause 9A – Project to Extend the Great Cobar Heritage Centre	281.10.2017	<b>DCED</b>	That Council resolve to continue to develop the design and refine the cost of the project and use this work to seek government support and ongoing funding for the project to undertake a major extension at the Great Cobar Heritage Centre.	Final report almost completed. Consultant chasing key contacts to progress the project with lobbying required to generate further interest from funding bodies and organisations who could assist with management of the completed project.
<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 23 NOVEMBER 2017</b>					
<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>RESOLUTION NUMBER</b>	<b>ACTION BY</b>	<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>
1108	Council Meeting – Notice of Motion – Industrial Land Subdivision	297.11.2017	<b>GM</b>	That Cobar Shire Council as a matter of urgency provide a comprehensive report on the establishment of a new Industrial Subdivision for Cobar and to incorporate a business case for the construction of appropriate sheds on some of the blocks for rent for those seeking rental rather than outright purchase of industrial blocks.	Final report completed. Grant application submitted under Regional Growth Fund (EOI) and also under the Growing Local Economies Fund.
1112	Council Meeting – Clause 5A – Dalton Park Horse Complex Licence Agreements	303.11.2017	<b>ES</b>	That Council acting as Trust Manager for the Dalton Park Racecourse (R630019) Reserve Trust, resolve to offer a 12 month temporary licence agreement to following organisation as detailed below:  As listed in Minutes.	Licence agreement sent.

				That Council acting as Trust Manager for the Dalton Park Racecourse (R630019) Reserve Trust, resolve to affix the Trust seal to the 12 month temporary licence agreements for the following organisations and individuals to cover the period 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018, if the offers are accepted:  - Cobar Rodeo Committee.	
1113	Council Meeting – Clause 6A – Creation of a 2020 Celebration Working Group	304.11.2017	<b>PO</b>	That Council form a 2020 Celebration Working Group to develop an action plan to celebrate Cobar’s 150 <sup>th</sup> anniversary.	Arrangements in train.
<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 14 DECEMBER 2017</b>					
<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>RESOLUTION NUMBER</b>	<b>ACTION BY</b>	<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>
1116	Council Meeting – Clause 3A – RMS Repair Program for 2018/2019	325.12.2017	<b>DES</b>	That Council nominate RR7518 Fifty Two Mile Road for funding for \$400,000 from the 2018/2019 REPAIR Program for seal extension.  That if funding is not obtained that council continues to nominate RR7518 Fifty Two Mile Road in subsequent years until funding is obtained.	Funding application has been submitted for 2018/2019.

**COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 22 FEBRUARY 2018**

<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>RESOLUTION NUMBER</b>	<b>ACTION BY</b>	<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>
1124	Council Meeting – Notice of Motion – Re-Location of Western Division Office	05.2.2018	<b>GM</b>	That Cobar Shire Council request the NSW Government to re-locate the Western Division Office from Dubbo to Cobar.	No action to date.
1131	Council Meeting – Clause 5A – Development Application 2018/LD-00004	13.2.2018	<b>DPES</b>	That Council establishes a Policy for Fencing in Urban Areas in Cobar.	Resources are not available for this at this time.
1134	Council Meeting – Clause 9A – Cobar Miners Memorial	20.2.2018	<b>GM</b>	<p>That Council agrees to apply for \$200,000 grant funding for the Cobar Miners Memorial and contribute \$85,000 of Council funds with the balance to be provided by the Cobar Miners Memorial Committee.</p> <p>That Council form a Committee with relevant members of Council and the community for this project and the General Manager provide a structure of the Committee including Terms of Reference.</p> <p>That Council approach the mining companies and ask that they provide a greater contribution to the Miners Memorial.</p>	<p>Grant application submitted.</p> <p>Project now funded through Stronger Country Communities Grant – No further action required.</p>
1138	Council Meeting – Clause 12B – NSW	37.2.2018	<b>MPES</b>	That Council writes to the NSW Government to take on the SA	Letter sent – No further action required.

	Container Deposit Scheme			model for Container Deposit Schemes.	
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COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 22 MARCH 2018					
NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
1140	Council Meeting – Notice of Motion – Western Lands Leases	45.3.2018	GM	That Cobar Shire Council write to the Minister and seek clarification on the Western Land Leases become freeholds in regards to change of use as a matter of urgency.	Letter sent to Minister and response received – No further action required.
1141	Council Meeting – Notice of Motion – Government Incentive Programs for Attracting Health Care Professionals to the Region	46.3.2018	GM	<p>That Council seek an urgent meeting with the Deputy Premier and the Minister for Health to seek a commitment from the NSW Government to establish and provide incentives and programs for the attraction and delivering Doctors, Specialists and other staff to rural communities such as Cobar and in particular the Western Area of NSW.</p> <p>That Council seek a Letter of Support from our neighbouring Councils representatives of OROC, RDA, the President of the LGA to support our representation to the Government on the matter.</p> <p>That Council approach the Western Area Health with the number of</p>	<p>Letter's sent seeking support. Awaiting response in order to organise the meeting.</p> <p>The total of transfers from Cobar Hospital YTD (period 1 July 2017 to</p>

				statistics of people being sent from Cobar for treatment and the nature of treatment and whether the numbers equate to having the service out here.	26 April 2018), the total being 142. This is 20.6 % of overall admissions to Cobar Hospital.
1142	Council Meeting – Notice of Motion – Installation of an Independent Pedestrian Crossing	47.3.2018	<b>GM</b>	That Council write to John Holland Rail, being the entity that maintains the RailCorp assets for Rural NSW, to increase the width to accommodate two vehicles crossing at same time on the level crossing on Bourke Road between Railway Parade South and Railway Parade North and install an independent pedestrian crossing.	Negotiations between John Holland Rail, RMS and Council has commenced.  Awaiting RMS funding allocation.
1148	Committee of the Whole Closed Council – Clause 1C – Cobar Memorial Services Club – Letter of Request for Rate Reduction	70.3.2018	<b>GM</b>	That the Letter from the Cobar Memorial Services and Bowling Club – Letter of Request for Rate Reduction be received and noted;  That Council confirm that the General Rates proportion of 29%, representing the Car Park Land leased from Cobar Memorial Services and Bowling Club, will be a cost to Council until the said lease expires;  That Council authorise the General Manager to obtain a valuation of the Car Park land leased from Cobar Memorial Services and Bowling Club for the potential purpose of purchasing the land;	Letter sent to Cobar Memorial Services and Bowling Club advising of Council decision and awaiting their reply.  Valuer engaged to provide valuation on the land in question.  Report to be provided to July Ordinary Council Meeting for consideration.



				That the information contained within this report remains confidential within the Committee of the Whole Closed Council.	
1150	Committee of the Whole Closed Council – Clause 6A – Update on Provider for Lilliane Brady Village	70.3.2018	DFCS	<p>That Cobar Shire Council commits to providing Hotel Services to the new Cobar Health services through a mutually agreeable Shared Services Agreement.</p> <p>That should Cobar Shire Council enter into any negotiations with third-parties relating to the transfer of the operation of the Lilliane Brady Village, the Cobar Shire Council does so with the best interest of the Multipurpose Health Facility in respect to the delivery of Hotel Services.</p> <p>That should the Cobar Shire Council transfer the operation of the Lilliane Brady Village to a third party any agreement with that third party includes a requirement to provide Hotel Services to the Multipurpose Health Facility through a mutually agreeable Shared Services Agreement with the Local Health District.</p> <p>That Cobar Shire Council seeks the NSW Government to fund and</p>	Health services advised, tentative pricing set – No further action required.

				undertake the renovations of bathrooms which are currently not compliant.	
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<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 26 APRIL 2018</b>					
<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>RESOLUTION NUMBER</b>	<b>ACTION BY</b>	<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>
1152	Council Meeting – Notice of Motion – Investigations into Water Cost Reduction Options	75.4.2018	<b>GM</b>	That Council investigate options and ways of reducing the cost of water to the households and to include such things as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Desalination of water;</li> <li>- Additional bore water;</li> <li>- Reduce the number of parks, gardens and ovals;</li> <li>- Increase water storages.</li> </ul> That Council seek grant funding to engage a consultant to undertake the investigations.	Investigations to be undertaken once grant funding is found.
1153	Council Meeting – Notice of Motion – Policy Development for Development Applications for Mining Operations	76.4.2018	<b>GM</b>	That Council develops a Policy to assist in the determination of Development Approvals (DA's) for Mining Operations in order to reduce the impact of Fly-in, Fly-out (FIFO) and Drive-in, Drive-out (DIDO) on our community.	Meeting has been requested with Department of Planning Staff in Sydney to discuss policy issues and report to be provided back to Council.
1156	Council Meeting – Clause 4A – Report on Promotional Packages During Summer 2017/2018 at the Cobar	80.4.2018	<b>DFCS</b>	That the Director of Finance and Community Services be authorised to conduct similar packaging on an ongoing basis with a report presented to Council on the impact	Annual Report to be presented to Council – No further action required.

	Memorial Swimming Pool and Cobar Youth and Fitness Centre			in April of each year	
1157	Council Meeting – Clause 4A – Report on Promotional Packages During Summer 2017/2018 at the Cobar Memorial Swimming Pool and Cobar Youth and Fitness Centre	81.4.2018	<b>DFCS</b>	That a report be brought to Council on options to improve the efficiency and usage of the pool including a profit and loss analysis from other Council’s in the region.	No action to date.
1158	Council Meeting – Clause 1C – Report on the Findings by the Independent Reviewer of the Code of Conduct Complaint by CR L Brady OAM against CR P Yench	82.4.2018	<b>DFCS</b>	<p>Council resolve that Councillor Peter Yench breached Council's Code of Conduct on 22 June 2017 in relation to Clauses 3.1(e) and 3.3 by his conduct at the Meeting of Council on 22 June 2017, in that he conducted himself in a manner that is likely to bring the Council or holders of civic office into disrepute. Specifically, that Cr Yench verbally abused the Mayor, other councillors and Council staff (cl 3.1 (e)) and that he failed to treat others with respect at all times (cl 3.3).</p> <p>That Councillor Yench be required to provide a written apology to Council, the Mayor, other councillors and staff in the form attached, to be tabled at the next ordinary Meeting of</p>	Matter to be considered at June Council Meeting – No further action required.

				<p><b>Council.</b></p> <p>That Councillor Yench be required to undertake training on Council Meeting procedure and to present to Council certification of satisfactory completion. The training is to be undertaken as arranged by the General Manager and in any event within 3 months”.</p>	
1159	<p>Council Meeting – Clause 1C – Report on the Findings by the Independent Reviewer of the Code of Conduct Complaint by CR L Brady OAM against CR P Yench</p>	83.4.2018	<b>DFCS</b>	<p>That this matter be referred to the Office of Local Government for further action under the misconduct provision of the Act.</p>	<p>Matter referred to the Office of Local Government - Further Report provided withdrawn from May Ordinary Council Meeting.</p> <p>Clr Yench has sought a review by Office of Local Government, matter will be considered when review finalised.</p> <p>Matter to be considered at June Council Meeting – No further action required.</p>
1160	<p>Council Meeting – Clause 7A – Disability Inclusion Action Plan 2018</p>	84.4.2018	<b>SPO</b>	<p>That Council places the draft Disability Inclusion Action Plan 2018 on public exhibition seeking input from the community for a period of 28 days.</p>	<p>The draft plan is currently on public exhibition and will be brought back to Council for the June Ordinary Meeting – No further action required.</p>
1162	<p>Council Meeting – Clause 10A – Memorial Gate – Nymagee Park</p>	87.4.2018	<b>DES</b>	<p>That subject to the Nymagee Progress Association approval Council grant permission for the installation of a memorial gate for Joan Whiteman at Nymagee Park</p>	<p>Letter sent to Nymagee Progress Association and Nymagee CWA and they have replied agreeing to the proposal.</p>

				<p>by the Nymagee CWA.</p> <p>That Council will not be liable for the cost of construction or future maintenance of the memorial gate.</p> <p>That the Nymagee CWA liaise with the Director of Engineering Services or his nominee in relation to the construction of the memorial gate.</p>	<p>Nymagee CWA has yet to advise of progress of construction plan.</p>
1163	Council Meeting – Clause 11A – Cobar/Wrightville Common Trust	88.4.2018	ES	That Council declines the offer to be reappointed as the Manager of the Cobar/Wrightville Common Trust.	<p>Offer declined.</p> <p>Letter sent to DPI – Lands – No further action required.</p>
1164	Council Meeting – Clause 8B – Engineering Works Report	96.4.2018	DES	<p>That Council write to the National Party and invite them to the Rural Roads meeting to be held at Berangabah Station.</p> <p>That Council lobby the Government to get funding for the deterioration of roads when extended dry periods occur.</p>	<p>National Party candidate was invited to Rural Roads meeting at Berangabah but was unable to attend due to other commitments.</p> <p>Letter sent to Federal Government Ministers. Mayor to meet with relevant Ministers – being arranged.</p>
<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 24 MAY 2018</b>					
NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
1166	Council Meeting – Notice of Motion – Annual Rubbish Collection Day	105.5.2018	DPES	That Council investigate the cost/feasibility of providing an annual rubbish collection day to residents in Cobar, with a report to be provided back to Council and consideration of future budget	Report to be presented to December 2018 Council Meeting.

				allocations.	
1167	Council Meeting – Notice of Motion – Regional Telecommunications Review	106.5.2018	<b>GM</b>	That Council submit an application as part of the Regional Telecommunications Review into Black Spot phone coverage in the Cobar district.  That Council invite the six (6) Committee Members to have a Meeting with Cobar Shire Council to further discuss the review.	Matter being progressed and subject to resources available.  Request sent.
1168	Council Meeting – Notice of Motion – Purchase of Crown Land	107.5.2018	<b>GM</b>	That Council consider the feasibility of establishing a transport hub/ bypass/ industrial centre in Cobar in the land denoted on the attached map.	No action to date.
1169	Council Meeting – Notice of Motion – Community Consultative Committee – Inland Rail	108.5.2018	<b>GM</b>	That discussions be held in relation to the Inland Rail proposal and the impact on Cobar be put to a Councillor Workshop.	Workshop planned for next quarter (July – September 2018).
1170	Council Meeting – Notice of Motion – Community Consultative Committee – Inland Rail	109.5.2018	<b>GM</b>	That Council contact the Inland Rail Authority to defer a decision on membership of the NSW Committee due to lack of time to consult with the community.	Request sent.
1171	Council Meeting – Clause 2A – Joint Organisation Update	111.5.2018	<b>GM</b>	In accordance with Part 7 of Chapter 12 of the <i>Local Government Act 1993 (Act)</i> , the Cobar Shire Council ( <b>Council</b> ) resolves:  That the Council inform the Minister for Local Government	Completed – No further action required.

				<p>(Minister) of the Council's endorsement of the Minister recommending to the Governor the establishment of a Joint Organisation (Joint Organisation) in accordance with this resolution.</p> <p>To approve the inclusion of the Council's area in the Joint Organisation's area.</p> <p>That the Joint Organisation be established to cover the Council's area and any one or more of the following council areas:</p> <p>a) Bourke Shire Council; b) Brewarrina Shire Council; c) Cobar Shire Council; d) Walgett Shire Council.</p> <p>That the General Manager provide the Minister with a copy of this resolution including the date on which Council made this resolution.</p>	
1172	Council Meeting – Clause 3A – Bank Guarantee Facility – Affixation of Common Seal, LDR1078	112.5.2018	DFCS	That Council approve the affixation of Council's seal on the Bank Guarantee Facility between Cobar Shire Council and National Australia Bank (NAB).	Sealed affixed – No further action required.
1173	Council Meeting – Clause 4A – Quarter 3 2017/2018 Budget	113.5.2018	DFCS	That the capital budget for 2017/2018 is revised by the amount detailed in the attachment to this	Capital budget for 2017/2018 revised – No further action required.

	Review			<p>report which is shown as Attachment 1.</p> <p>That the operating budget for 2017/2018 is revised by the amount detailed in the attachment to this report which is shown as Attachment 2.</p> <p>That the actions for budget repair beyond 2017/2018 be received and noted.</p>	<p>Operating budget for 2017/2018 revised – No further action required.</p> <p>Actions for budget repair beyond 2017/2018 received and noted – No further action required.</p>
1174	Council Meeting – Clause 6A – Invitation to Join Services NSW Easy to do Business Program	114.5.2018	SPO	That Council resolves to join the Easy to do Business program run by Services NSW to assist local businesses.	MOU signed. Initial meeting held with Services NSW – No further action required.
1175	Council Meeting – Clause 8A – Gravel Crushing Contract	117.5.2018	DES	That Council extend Contract C14/15-04; ‘Crushing of Gravel within Cobar Shire’ to the end of crushing Gravel required for the RMS ‘Musheroo Project’ in the Seventy Eight Mile Pit.	Completed – No further action required.
1176	Council Meeting – Clause 12B – Grant Funding	131.5.2018	DES	That Council lobby the Government to amend the formula for Fixing Country Roads grants applications to include value of freight.	Submission being prepared.
1177	Council Meeting – Committee of the Whole Closed Council - Clause 1C – Results of Request for Tender for a Provider for the Design	134.5.2018	SPO	That Council awards the tender for the Drummond Park Playground T3-18-2 to Spizvac for the sum of \$244,326.	Tender awarded – No further action required.



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	and Supply of Equipment for Drummond Park Playground Upgrade				
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**RECOMMENDATION**

**That the information contained in the monthly status report be received and noted, with the following items to be removed: 1134 Part 1 and Part 3, 1140, 1150, 1158, 1159, 1160, 1163, 1171, 1172, 1173, 1174, 1175 and 1177.**

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**CLAUSE 3B – INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 31 MAY 2018****FILE: B2-7****AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.7****ATTACHMENT: NO****AUTHOR: Finance Manager, Neil Mitchell****Purpose**

Section 625 of the Local Government Act 1993 and Clause 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 and the Council's investment policy require Council's investments to be reported to the Council on a monthly basis.

**Issues**

The table below shows the balances of Council's Investments as at the end of the month. Term deposits have differing terms in order to spread the maturity dates throughout the year. The amount restricted in the unaudited Financial Accounts for Employee Leave Entitlements is \$619,174, which includes 100% LBV entitlements.

Investment	Opening Balance	Transfers to Investments	Transfers from Investment	Interest Earned	Closing Balance
NAB Sweep Acct	\$1,393,022	\$3,881,270	\$3,578,797	\$2,414	\$1,697,910
NAB Term Deposits					
2.40% (Jun) 4036	\$2,019,167			\$4,150	\$2,023,317
2.48% (Jun) 4038	\$2,014,990			\$4,244	\$2,019,234
2.40% (Mar) 4039	\$2,007,076			\$4,313	\$2,011,389
AMP Bank					
2.60% (Jul) 4044	\$1,007,500			\$2,225	\$1,009,724
2.65% (Jan) 4047	\$1,002,251			\$2,256	\$1,004,507
2.60% (Aug) 4048	\$1,004,708			\$2,219	\$1,006,927
2.65% (Jan) 4049	\$1,002,251			\$2,256	\$1,004,507
ME Bank (Rimsec)					
2.56% (Jun) 4037	\$2,015,717			\$4,451	\$2,020,168
Bank of Qld					
2.60% (Jul) 4046	\$2,016,004			\$4,452	\$2,020,456
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$15,482,687</b>	<b>\$3,881,270</b>	<b>\$3,578,797</b>	<b>\$32,979</b>	<b>\$15,818,138</b>

*Annualised Average return on Investment for the Month: 2.56%*

*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.*



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**Finance Manager****RECOMMENDATION****That Council receive and note the Investment Report as at 31 May 2018.**

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**CLAUSE 4B - BANK RECONCILIATION, CASH FLOW & LOAN FACILITY  
SUMMARIES AS AT 31 MAY 2018**

**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.

**Issues**

**Bank Reconciliation**

Balance as per Bank Statement	10,000
Add Outstanding Deposits	8,884
Less Unreceipted Cheques	(15,712)

Reconciled Balance	3,172
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*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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Finance Manager

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

Month	Investment Balances	Operating Account	Total Available Funds
Jun 17	14,333,508	9,315	14,342,823
Jul-17	14,523,444	9,389	14,532,833
Aug 17	15,001,007	(144,836)	14,856,171
Sep 17	14,531,587	(5,470)	14,526,117
Oct 17	13,877,566	11,347	13,888,913
Nov 17	14,767,506	14,665	14,782,171
Dec 17	15,490,298	16,060	15,506,358
Jan 18	15,595,463	18,693	15,614,156
Feb 18	16,480,346	18,784	16,499,130
Mar 18	16,068,503	(7,720)	16,060,783
April 18	15,482,686	5,976	15,488,662
May 18	15,818,138	3,172	15,821,310

*The amount restricted in the unaudited Financial Accounts for Employee Leave Entitlements is \$619,174, which includes 100% LBV entitlements*

## Cash Flow

May		Description	Forecast
Forecast	Actual		June
5,976	5,976	Bank Balance Forward	3,172
1,779,130	2,206,921	FAG / R2R / RMCC <i>(Est. of FAG prepayment)</i>	2,660,000
14,100	14,124	RMS Agency	14,100
690,000	739,058	Rates /Water/User Charges	450,000
150,000	69,290	Private Works/Debtors	150,000
280,000	238,473	LBV – Residents Fees & Grant	280,000
170,000	233,419	Child Care/In Home Care	170,000
330,794	(956,721)	Net Movement of Investments <i>(paid out loan)</i>	(717,272)
750,000	1,091,375	Sundry Income & Grants <i>(incl. R4R)</i>	750,000
		<i>Less</i>	
(3,000,000)	(2,890,426)	Creditors	(3,000,000)
(1,130,000)	(748,317)	Wages / Salaries	(750,000)
10,000	3,172	Closing Reconciled Bank Balance Cr/(Dr)	10,000

### Borrowing Instruments as at 31 May 2018

Swimming Pool and Street Upgrade Loan (6.22%)	(1,241,328)
Overdraft Loan <i>(paid out 8<sup>th</sup> May 2018)</i>	-
2 x Tyre Rollers Leaseback (6.87%, <i>Quarterly Payments</i> )	(41,129)
Bomag Tyre Roller Lease <i>(Implicit rate of 5.63%)</i>	(15,920)

## RECOMMENDATION

**That Council receive and note the Bank Reconciliation, Cash Flow and Loan Facility Report as at 31 May 2018.**

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**CLAUSE 5B – MEETING MINUTES**

**FILE: C6-29, C6-31 & C6-17      AOP REFERENCE: 3.1      ATTACHMENT:  
YES (PAGE 169-177)**

**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:

- Ward Oval Users Group Meeting – Monday, 21 May 2018 (no Status Report);
- Airport Advisory Committee Meeting – Thursday, 24 May 2018 (no Status Report);
- Cobar Liquor Accord Committee Meeting – Tuesday, 12 June 2018 (no Status Report).

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That the Minutes of the Ward Oval Users Group, Airport Advisory and Cobar Liquor Accord Committee Meeting be received and noted.**

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**CLAUSE 6B – UPDATE ON INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT FINANCES**  
**FILE: G4-29 AOP REFERENCE: 4.1.3.3 and 4.4.4.2 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 2018.

**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 2018</b>	<b>Project Status</b>
Water Treatment Plant	\$15,750,000	\$200,000	\$4,362,665	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Construction of the clarifier and filter tank walls is complete with just internal finishing to be completed.</li><li>- Construction of the clear water pump building has commenced.</li></ul>
Sewerage Scheme Refurbishments Expansion and upgrade	\$2,100,000	\$100,000	\$466,153	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- The Ward Oval Pump station refurbishment and Lagoon upgrade have been completed.</li><li>- Application to Infrastructure NSW has been made to change scope of works to include upgrade of all sewer pump stations and pre-treatment screening for sewer influent. No response from INSW has been received.</li></ul>

**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 7B – EXPENDITURE FOR ROADS NETWORK**

**FILE: R5-31**

**AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.2**

**ATTACHMENT: YES**

**(PAGE 178-182)**

**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 8B – ENGINEERING WORKS REPORT**

**FILE: C6-20-2**

**AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.2**

**ATTACHMENT: YES  
(PAGE 183-189)**

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

### **Purpose**

To inform Council of completed and ongoing Engineering Works for the period of May 2018.

### **Background**

Lack of water continues to be an issue. Maintenance grading has not been possible on many roads.

### **State Highways**

#### **Maintenance Work**

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

#### **Ordered Works**

- Narri Project – 6.0 km of the 7.8km has been widened and sealed – **ongoing**.

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

#### **Maintenance Work**

- Maintenance grading – RR7518 (using bore water);
- Minor repairs – RR7521, SR19 & SR20;
- Patching – RR7518 & MR461;
- Vegetation control – MR423.

#### **Construction Work**

- Tender for Acres Billabong awarded to Killeen Plant Hire and work has commenced on site;
- MR407, Mulya Road – 5 km of the seal extension has been completed.

### **Water and Sewer**

#### **Maintenance Work**

- Pest control within sewer reticulation network being carried out where necessary – **ongoing**;
- Clearing and control of vegetation along the Nyngan to Cobar raw water pipeline easement (CWB) – **ongoing**;
- Nine water faults were reported during the month, all were resolved.



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## **Water Operations**

Consumption of potable water has dropped but is still higher than last year as shown in the attached report. Currently the water treatment plant is producing approx. 3 ML per day down from the summer peak of approx. 7 ML per day.

## **Parks and Gardens**

- General maintenance carried out within parks and reserves within the Shire as required – **ongoing**.

## **Resources for Regions**

### **Construction of New Water Treatment Plant:**

- The contract was let to Laurie Curran Water (LWC) on 23 June 2017.

Work completed to date:

- Site and road reserve clearing;
- Security fence erected around main treatment plant site;
- PAC Contact Tank and Clear Water Tank;
- Clarifier and filter tank;
- Pipelines from new WTP to Fort Bourke Hill reservoirs.

Work in progress:

- Work on foundation of clear water pump building commenced.

Expenditure to end of May on the contract by LWC is \$3,427,650 (31% of the contract). It is expected that the next 3-4 months will have a significant increase in progress on the construction as work commences on the mechanical and electrical installations.

## **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 9B – ANALYSIS OF DRY AND WET PLANT AND EQUIPMENT AND TRADES AND MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES REGISTERS**

**FILE: T3-15-6, P3-19-4 AOP REFERENCE: 3.3.4 ATTACHMENT: NO**

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

**Purpose**

The purpose of this report is to provide information on the analysis and result of the engagement of Contractors under the Dry and Wet Plant and Equipment Tender and Trade and Miscellaneous Services 2015/2018 Quotation Contracts for works let over \$80,000 inclusive of GST.

**Background**

Throughout the year Council uses various contractors for the supply of plant and equipment and trades and miscellaneous services for many of Council's activities.

These Contractors are usually engaged on a daily basis for small projects or by quotations for larger projects.

Council has requested that a report be provided for works let over \$80,000 inclusive of GST.

The table below indicates the contractors that were engaged for services over \$80,000 inclusive of GST for the period 1 July 2017 – 31 May 2018.

<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Description of Works</b>	<b>May 2018</b>	<b>2017/2018</b>
Bruces Contracting Services	Water Cart Hire	\$34,303	\$223,608
Clarke Concreting and Excavation	Construction Works	\$0	\$225,727
Whacko Water Trucks (J Prisk Contractors)	Plant Hire	\$33,374	\$209,390
Rollers Australia	Equipment Hire	\$40,194	\$294,185
Westrac	Machinery Repairs and Service	\$3,758	\$162,913
Look No Further	Labour Hire	\$41,696	\$167,023
McRowe Pty Ltd	Water Cart Hire	\$27,640	\$186,637
Copper City Tyre Service	Tyre Service	\$15,428	\$87,135
Coates Hire	Plant Hire	\$4,705	\$81,065
Urquhart Haulage Contractors	Plant Hire	\$82,221	\$97,304

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council receive and note the information contained within this report.**

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**CLAUSE 10B – TOURISM, EVENTS AND THE GREAT COBAR HERITAGE CENTRE UPDATE REPORT**

**FILE: M5-1 & T4-1 AOP REFERENCE: 2.2.1.1**

**ATTACHMENT: YES**

**(PAGE 190-202)**

**AUTHOR: *Projects Officer, Miranda Riley***

**Purpose**

To provide Council with an updated Action Plan from the Business Management Plan for Tourism, Events and the Great Cobar Heritage Centre and to provide an update on the activities of staff within this business unit within the last six months and important information on the work carried out within that period.

**Background**

As requested by Council, the Business Management Plan was developed to provide strategic direction for our current activities, and to identify our priorities over the short and medium term and to provide opportunities to strengthen and diversify Cobar's tourism and events industry into the future. The document is flexible and constantly updated. Regular updates will be provided to Council on our progress and ideas for future investigation and development.

**Issues**

The Business Management Plan is a working document and will be updated regularly by staff. The Plan will continually be reviewed and actioned, with quarterly reports being provided to Council on the implementation of actions within the plan and any issues Council may need to be aware of.

Further development and growth will be dependent on resources. Every effort will be made to seek funding opportunities, though a key factor in determining the success of applications will be the lack of significant cash co-contributions and low resources at Council, that are available for events, advertising, exhibitions and the Museum.

Below is a brief outline of the activities of the business unit within the past six months.

**Great Cobar Heritage Centre:**

- New look reception area nearing completion;
- New products have been sourced for our gift shop;
- MOSAIC Collection Management Software and hardware upgrade;
- New local memberships;
- New self-search fees (genealogy to be catalogued);
- Liaising with departments on \$295k worth of works to the museum;
- Grant application submitted for disabled ramp to allow access to the building;
- Evening event for local businesses in July;
- New entry signage for the Museum;
- Radar tracker from the Cobar Weather Station as a new exhibit;
- New CSA Exhibit nearly completed;

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- Grant applications for Arts and Cultural Grants – unsuccessful;
  - Approximately 60 new objects donated for the collection;
  - Two students from the Cooina Home School group, Chase and Cora are volunteering weekly;
  - 10-20 hours per month on average cataloguing to remain up to date;
  - Regular cleaning of the upstairs exhibitions, condition checking display objects, replacing labels, refreshing display objects;
  - War Memorial research;
  - Miners Memorial research;
  - Research and fact checking for 2020;
  - Local educational programs.

### **Tourism:**

- Destination Cobar website live in July;
- Rest stop signage;
- New tourism brochure;
- New Kidman Way guide to be ready soon;
- New Kidman Way stand signs;
- Attendance at three camping and caravanning shows.

### **Events**

- Collaboration ongoing with Running on Empty and the Festival of the Miner's Ghost;
- Odd Exhibition and small-scale arts and cultural events;
- 2020 Working Group formation and actions;
- Seniors Week;
- Australia Day.

### **Community:**

- Grant submitted for a custom-built community sound system;
- Community Building Partnerships CBD interpretative signs on the retail history of Cobar;
- ANZAC interpretative signs;
- 2020 Yarn Bombing Project underway;
- Country Arts Support Program 2017 completed and a success;
- Armistice Day Grant successful grant application and event planning;
- Reconciliation Grant – CBD interpretative sign and silhouettes;
- Council newsletter;
- Regional Marketing and Promotion Fund completion;
- International Women's Day.

Within the next six months large projects will be underway with the funding through the Joint Organisation, Cross-Border Tourism initiative and large grant applications for the next round of the Regional Cultural Fund. Priority areas which will be the focus include:

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- Liaise with appropriate Council departments on the development of an asset management plan for The Great Cobar Heritage Centre building and a schedule for maintenance works on the site;
  - Liaise with Council departments on \$295,000.00 worth of preservation works. Provide solutions to the removal and/or movement of current exhibitions/new exhibitions;
  - Create a timeline for update of signage and objects within the current exhibits at the Museum;
  - Continue to build stronger relationships with Outback Arts and Cobar Arts Council and develop ideas for exhibitions and events;
  - Development of a Community Outreach Program. This will include new local memberships to the museum, self-research facilities for family history, with access to genealogy and mini pop up museum
  - Plan and organise 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations of the Museum in 2019;
  - Collaborate with other regional museums and exhibition centres to create activities that encourage a longer stay in the area;
  - Tourism Signage project development including touring and scenic routes and Mt Grenfell;
  - Develop opportunities for Indigenous tourism products and cultural activities for the community and visitors. Collaborate with Cobar LALC and Mt Grenfell board;
  - Develop new tourism product opportunities including adventure-based tourism. E.g. mountain bike and hiking trails;
  - Facilitate opportunities for startup tourism operators as small business;
  - Develop better communication methods and approaches to aid Council to foster stronger community connections;
  - Develop structures and processes for community groups and organisations to achieve grant/event/development success. Develop Councils methods of assisting;
  - Grow online tourism through online exhibitions, online collection searching and interactive museum and tourism signage including QR codes. Maintain a focus for the hearing and sight impaired;
  - Investigate and develop seasonal guided walking tours. Examples include a walking tour of historical pubs and bars throughout Cobar's history;
  - Continue to work with the 2020 Working Group on a draft program for the towns celebrations;
  - Community Building Partnerships. Liaise with Cobar Business Association for the construction of 6 new signs for the CBD which highlight the retail history of Cobar
  - Continue working on the 2020 Yarn Bombing Project for CASP 2018.

### **Policy Implications**

Development and implementation of a Business Management Plan was requested by Council and outlines the activities currently being undertaken under Economic Development for tourism, events and the Great Cobar Heritage Centre.

### **Financial Implications**

The Management Plan will be implemented within the existing budget and the 2018/2019 Budget.

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**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council receives and notes the information contained within this report.**

**CLAUSE 11B – GRANT FUNDING**

FILE: G4-17

AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Senior Projects Officer, Angela Shepherd***Grant Update**

Grant and Department	Activity	Amount Applied For	Successful?	Council Funding Required	Deadline for Project
<b>Grants Applied for</b>					
RMS Active Transport Grants	Install 15 pram ramps in the CBD	\$48,750	Pending	75:25 requirement \$16,250	
RMS Active Transport Grants	Prepare an Active Transport Plan, including cycle ways.	\$40,838	Pending	50:50 requirement \$40,838	
Building Better Regions Fund – Infrastructure	Construction of the Miners Memorial	\$350,000	Pending	\$10,000 Council \$110,000 community	
Building Better Regions Fund – Community	To establish and run the Grey Mardi Gras		Pending	Council Community	Funding available Aug 2018 to run a April 2019 event
Public Reserves Management Fund	Repair of fences and gates on the Wrightville common	\$11,399	Pending	Nil	
Public Reserves Management Fund	Fencing Euabalong West tip and grading fence line and installing double gates	\$8,799	Pending	Nil	
Public Reserves Management Fund	Euabalong cemetery – replace fence with a rabbit proof/stock proof fence	\$8,825	Pending	Nil	
Public Reserves Management Fund	On behalf of the Euabalong common trust – Boxthorn control	\$18,480	Pending	Management trust will contribute \$2,000	

<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>
Heritage Activation Grants	Disability access ramp to the GCHC	\$96,000	Pending	Undetermined at time of writing	
Growing Local Economies	New 30 lot Industrial Estate	\$3.9m project, \$3.4m grant request	EOI submitted	\$500,000	
Stronger Country Communities Fund	Upgrades to the Youth and Fitness Centre	\$907,574	Pending	\$160,000 S94 funds \$82,519 budget funds	Been deemed eligible – onto next stage of assessment.
Stronger Country Communities Fund	Construction of the Miners Memorial	\$360,028	Pending	\$89,959 Council \$100,000 community	Been deemed eligible – onto next stage of assessment.
Stronger Country Communities Fund	Modifications to Maidens Av house for use as a Girl Guides and meeting hall	\$225,709	Pending	\$30,628	Been deemed eligible – onto next stage of assessment.
Stronger Country Communities Fund	Toilet upgrades across the Shire	\$359,963	Pending	\$44,984	Been deemed eligible – onto next stage of assessment.
Safe and Secure Water	Reroofing water reservoirs	\$1.2m	Full application submitted after EOI successful	\$400,000 from the Water Fund budget	
Safe and Secure Water	Nymagee Water Security		EOI successful – preparing full application		
Safe and Secure Water	Euabalong Water Security study		EOI successful – preparing full application		



Grant and Department	Activity	Amount Applied For	Successful?	Council Funding Required	Comment
<b>Grants Announced</b>					
Resources for Regions	Replacement of cast iron pipework around Cobar and ice pigging network	\$5.1m	Unsuccessful – didn't get a BCR of 1	\$0.7m over three years	Project will not get a 1 under Water Security or R4R.
Arts and Cultural Fund – Unearthing Cobar VR Experience	Developing a virtual reality experience at the GCHC	\$36,930	Unsuccessful	\$15,000 cash \$5,000 in-kind	
Arts and Cultural Fund – The Coach House	Undertaking building works on the coach house to repair damage from tree, install insulation and use storage space for exhibition area.	\$30,855	Unsuccessful	\$20,000	

Council committed \$100,000 in the 2017/2018 Budget to put towards grant proposals as a co-contribution.

To date:

- \$14,050 has been allocated towards the arcade project.
- \$20,000 towards the netball court upgrade – with the Cobar Netball Association successful in their bid for \$175,000 funding. They will also allocate \$5,000 towards the project.
- This leaves \$65,950 available to leverage grant funding.

### Current Grant Opportunities

- Growing Local Economies – projects over \$1m, open found, allocations to be made on a sub-regional level, projects to features in new regional plans. Major infrastructure projects. Currently working with DPC on our regional plan. No closing date until funds allocated.
- Safe and Secure Water – ongoing. Several projects being progressed through EOI stage.
- Fixing Country Roads – ongoing round – no projects being developed at this stage. Investigating options for the Wool Track again.
- Regional Cultural Fund – opens 1 July. Project ideas being developed.
- Resources for Regions fund – closes 23 July – projects must achieve a BCR of 1 or more to be eligible. Projects being considered.

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## **Grant Funded Projects - Implementation**

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

- CASP grants –Yarn Bombing project underway. Crafternoons project completed, acquittal being prepared.
- Reconciliation Week grant to produce a series of story boards in progress.
- The ODGP was successful in obtaining \$200,000 of funding under the Rural General Practice Grants Program for the extension of the medical centre. Council's contribution will be \$123,000. Construction commenced. Project to be completed by August.
- Service Reviews – 3 Service statements finalized by consultant – staff preparing response to each. Staff preparing further 1. Aiming for July completion of initial work with consultant, have until October 2018 to acquit the grant.
- Social Housing grant for Dalton Park upgrade – Equipment ordered. Install planned for winter. Have 12 months to complete the project. Park plan being prepared.
- Social Housing grant for Rankin Street – equipment ordered, installation over winter.
- SCCF Drummond Park – equipment ordered, park plan being prepared.
- SCCF Pool project – Works being organized, equipment being ordered. Project to be undertaken whilst pool is closed.
- Stronger Communities Program grant for optometrists arcade project - funding agreement signed. Design work is progressing. To be completed by 31 December 2018.
- RCF museum at project – awaiting funding agreement for signature.

## **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 2018****FILE: R2-1****AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.6****ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 203-204)****AUTHOR: Office Coordinator, Jo-Louise Brown****Purpose**

To provide Council details of the Rate Reconciliation as at 31 May 2018.

FUND	LEVY 2017-2018	Pensioner Rebates	Abandoned Levy	Additional Levies	Sub Total 2017-2018	Arrears 30th Jun 17	Payments	Total Outstanding	Total Outstanding Previous Year	% Outstanding of Sub Total Plus Arrears
Business	393,126.87		195.66	716.70	393,647.91	64,660.45	363,541.23	94,767.13	81,049.92	20.68%
Farmland	674,556.34		-	2,422.09	676,978.43	31,831.53	639,820.22	68,989.74	61,516.83	9.73%
Mining	1,618,398.06		86,100.00	-	1,532,298.06	172,984.33	1,242,119.62	463,162.77	247,638.69	27.16%
Residential	1,140,887.13	48,748.56	5,666.57	6,147.02	1,092,619.02	233,262.00	1,041,658.83	284,222.19	287,173.92	21.44%
Overpayments					-	-155,286.75	- 36,910.32	-118,376.43	-122,513.41	76.23%
Legal Costs			-	41,196.92	41,196.92	33,884.81	23,057.42	52,024.31	36,307.38	69.29%
Interest			-	15,500.67	<b>15,500.67</b>	118,774.48	24,310.13	109,965.02	90,726.97	81.90%
<b>General Rates</b>	<b>3,826,968.40</b>	<b>48,748.56</b>	<b>91,962.23</b>	<b>65,983.40</b>	<b>3,752,241.01</b>	<b>500,110.85</b>	<b>3,297,597.13</b>	<b>954,754.73</b>	<b>681,900.30</b>	<b>22.45%</b>
<b>Domestic Waste</b>	<b>596,875.00</b>	<b>18,368.47</b>	<b>1,174.94</b>	<b>3,593.75</b>	<b>580,925.34</b>	<b>47,650.81</b>	<b>562,554.78</b>	<b>66,021.37</b>	<b>71,408.37</b>	<b>10.50%</b>
<b>Sewerage</b>	<b>597,350.00</b>	<b>18,878.13</b>	<b>15,744.05</b>	<b>211,888.75</b>	<b>774,616.57</b>	<b>100,078.77</b>	<b>793,281.72</b>	<b>81,413.62</b>	<b>89,927.64</b>	<b>9.31%</b>
Cobar Water	653,140.00	20,475.00	765.00	1,240.00	633,140.00	40,449.25	610,593.10	62,996.15	64,657.42	9.35%
Nymagee Water	26,700.00	437.50	2,640.00	-	23,622.50	10,375.33	22,997.83	11,000.00	11,557.67	32.36%
Euabalong Water	42,600.00	1,225.00	449.63	1,349.63	42,275.00	12,052.41	38,562.00	15,765.41	12,063.55	29.02%
Euab West Water	26,400.00	503.13	-	-	25,896.87	6,087.01	24,766.28	7,217.60	6,076.01	22.57%
Mt Hope Water	6,300.00	-	-	-	6,300.00	982.02	6,268.88	1,013.14	1,331.27	13.91%
<b>Water Access</b>	<b>755,140.00</b>	<b>22,640.63</b>	<b>3,854.63</b>	<b>2,589.63</b>	<b>731,234.37</b>	<b>69,946.02</b>	<b>703,188.09</b>	<b>97,992.30</b>	<b>95,685.92</b>	<b>12.23%</b>
<b>Water Usage</b>			<b>56,775.85</b>	<b>1,843,524.36</b>	<b>1,786,748.51</b>	<b>472,439.20</b>	<b>2,078,732.73</b>	<b>180,454.98</b>	<b>124,627.56</b>	<b>7.99%</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5,776,333.40</b>	<b>108,635.79</b>	<b>169,511.70</b>	<b>2,127,579.89</b>	<b>7,625,765.80</b>	<b>1,190,225.65</b>	<b>7,435,354.45</b>	<b>1,380,637.00</b>	<b>1,063,549.79</b>	<b>15.66%</b>

**RECOMMENDATION****That the Rates Reconciliation Report as at the 31 May 2018 be received and noted.**

# **ATTACHMENTS**



## **ORDINARY MEETING AGENDA**

**THURSDAY 28 JUNE 2018**

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