

COBAR SHIRE COUNCIL



WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

THURSDAY 13 NOVEMBER 2014

~ ORDER OF BUSINESS ~

Business for the meeting will be as follows:

1. Apologies
 2. Declaration of Interests
 3. General Manager's Report – Part A (Action)
 4. General Manager's Report – Part B (Information)
 5. Matters of Urgency
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REPORT 1A – QUOTATION FOR THE SUPPLY OF PLANT AND EQUIPMENT HIRE RATES 2012/2015 UPDATE

FILE: P3-19-3

AOP REFERENCE: 3.3.4.1

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Roads Manager, Maurice Bell*

Background

Throughout the year Council uses various Contractors for the supply of plant and equipment hire rates for many of Council's activities.

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

The administration of this approach can be haphazard as the appropriate paperwork to cover the individual business Work Health and Safety (WH&S) Compliance and or insurances has not necessarily been provided prior to works commencing.

To ensure that Council complies with all regulatory requirements of WH&S, Workcover, Local Government Act 1993, etc, Council needs to adopt a formal approach to regulatory requirements through the quotation process.

Issues

The Company listed below has provided sufficient documentation to be included on Council's regulatory approved Contractors.

Company	Service Provided
Browne Earthmoving	Earthmoving - Scraper

This does not mean other Contractors cannot be engaged, once all regulatory requirements are received from the Contractors yet to submit then they will also be added to the current register.

Therefore the financial information needs to remain completely Confidential. The quotation received will be available for perusal at the Council Committee Meeting.

Financial Implications

There are no additional financial implications for Council as acceptance of the quotation does not commit Council to engage the Contractor, rather it provides a pool of registered Contractors.

RECOMMENDATION

That Browne Earthmoving be included in Council's Register of Approved Contractors for the Supply of Plant and Equipment Hire Rates 2012/2015.

REPORT 1B – TRAFFIC COUNTS ON SHIRE ROADS (SR6, SR7, SR38)**FILE: R5-36****AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.2****ATTACHMENT:
YES (PAGE 11- 14)****AUTHOR: *Construction Supervisor, Brett Hallcroft*****Purpose**

To provide details of the latest traffic counts on relevant roads.

Background

Updating of traffic counts on Regional and Shire Roads is continuing with counts being undertaken over the last month on Pulpulla Road (SR6), Mount Gap Road (SR7) and CSA Access Road (SR38).

Current Traffic Count Summary

Rd No.	Road Name	Location of Counter	Date	AADT	% Commercial Vehicles
SR6	Pulpulla Road	5km from intersection with Barrier Highway	01/10/2014 - 29/10/2014	7	28.9%
SR7	Mount Gap Road	5km from intersection with Barrier Highway	01/10/2014 - 29/10/2014	0.25	14.3%
SR38	CSA Access Road	4km from intersection with Mulya Road	01/10/2014 - 29/10/2014	538	27.8%

RECOMMENDATION**That the information in relation to Traffic Counts on Shire Roads (SR6, SR7, SR38) be received and noted.**

REPORT 2B – ENGINEERING WORKS REPORT

FILE: C6-20-2

AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.2

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Acting Director of Engineering Services, Errol George*

Purpose

To inform Council of completed and ongoing Engineering Works for the period of October 2014.

Background

October 2014 Engineering Works have consisted mainly of maintenance works. In addition we have progressed with work on the four major Resources for Regions projects.

Shire Roads/Regional Roads

Roads to Recovery

Nil.

Maintenance Work

- MR407 – Mulya Road - maintenance grading, slashing;
- SR2 – Seventy Eight Mile Road – maintenance grading;
- SR19 – Burthong Road – maintenance grading;
- SR20 – Grain Road – maintenance grading.

Private Works

- SR14 – Manuka Road – gravel carting from pit on MR410, work nearing completion - **ongoing**;

State Highways

Maintenance Work

- Sign Replacement Works as required – **ongoing**;
- Rest Area Maintenance – **ongoing**;
- Heavy patching pricing submitted – **works order issued**.
- Killlala Project MR410 – **ongoing**;
- Shoulder grading for reseals MR410.

Water and Sewer

Maintenance Work

- Continuation of sewer pump station inspections and flow meter recording works - **ongoing**;
- Pest control within sewer reticulation network - **ongoing**;

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- Sluice valve and hydrant repairs on town water supply reticulation – **ongoing**;
 - Clearing and control of vegetation along the Nyngan to Cobar raw water pipeline easement (CWB) –**ongoing**;
 - Reading of the water meters for the major users (CWB) – **ongoing**;
 - Clearing of vegetation and regrowth around the embankments of the Sewerage Oxidisation Ponds at approximately 75% complete – **progressing**.
 - Upgrade of mains and connection of properties in the Prince, Margaret, Bloxham and Murray Streets with this work including the disconnection of old mains from the reticulation, installation of isolation valves and the connection of all services in the area to new main.

Resources for Regions

Construction of New Water Treatment Plant

- Preliminary design of the proposed Cobar Water Treatment Plant underway;
- Negotiation underway for purchase of the property for the proposed Cobar Water Treatment Plant;
- Site survey work is progressing on the raw water transfer mains from Cobar and the site of the proposed Water Treatment Plant.

Construction of New Water Pipeline – Nyngan to Cobar

- Investigation still underway of pump operating characteristics to determine diameter of new section of trunk main. Most likely that recommendation will be made to commence new construction from Nyngan Pumping Station, heading toward Hermidale Pumping Station;
- Study is also including investigation of suitable improvements which can be made to Nyngan and Hermidale Pumping Stations to provide improved efficiency;

Airport Pavement Works

- To facilitate efficiency in reconstruction of the main 05/23 Runway; lime modification of 1000m of the 17/35 Cross-Runway will be carried out as stage one of the works. This sector of the 17/35 Cross-Runway will be provided with a primer-seal to allow for all-weather temporary operations whilst work is being carried out on the main 05/23 Runway;
- Reconstruction of the main 05/23 Runway will be carried out in December 2014, with lime stabilisation of the sub-base (lower pavement) and lime modification of the base layer (upper pavement). This will be followed with a bitumen seal;
- Taxiway and Apron reconstruction works are programmed for January 2015.

Airport Lighting Works

- New night lighting installation will be constructed in January 2015.

Upgrade of Sewerage Facilities

- Rehabilitation of pumping station at Tom Ward Oval; scoping underway to engage contractor for delivery;

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- Investigation underway for reticulation layout at Industrial Estate. Following this, community consultation can be undertaken to decide on project delivery;
 - Scoping underway for establishment of vegetation on banks of lagoons; work will be delivered by Council staff;
 - Chlorination of effluent for reuse is yet to be scoped but preliminary investigation is underway;
 - All sewerage works will be carried out in the 2015 calendar year.

Other Major Grant Projects

Construction of New Skate Park

- Construction works are underway, and are expected to be completed before Christmas 2014.
- Positive comments have been received from the community on the progress being made by the contractor; Precision Skate Parks.

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.

REPORT 3B – EXPENDITURE FOR ROADS NETWORK

FILE: R5-31 AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.2 ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 15-24)

AUTHOR: *Director of Engineering Services, Peter Graf*

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.

ATTACHMENTS



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