



COBAR SHIRE COUNCIL

ORDINARY MEETING AGENDA

THURSDAY, 24 MARCH 2022

~ ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY~

I wish to acknowledge the Wangaaypuwan (Wangaibon) people of the Ngiyampaa Nation, the traditional custodians of the land of which we gather today.

I wish to acknowledge their continued connection to the land, water and culture and I pay my respects to elder's past, present and emerging.

~ ORDER OF BUSINESS ~

Business for the meeting will be as follows: Message from the Chair:

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1. Apologies
 - Mayor Peter Abbott
 2. Declaration of Interests
 3. Condolences
 - Brian Anthony Condon
 - Angela Gai Fryer
 4. Public Access Forum
 5. Confirmation of Minutes
 - Ordinary Meeting of Council – Thursday, 24 February 2022.
 6. Matters Arising from Minutes
 7. Notice of Motions
 - Nil
 8. Mayoral Report
 9. General Manager's Report – Action/Recommendation
 10. General Manager's Report – Confidential
 - Nil
 11. Matters of Urgency
 12. Correspondence
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~ COUNCIL'S VISION ~

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.

~ COUNCIL'S MISSION ~

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

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

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

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

	Accountability	Communication	Effective Leadership	Integrity	Team Work
We Value	We are responsible for our actions, our behaviour and the satisfactory completion of allocated tasks	We communicate openly and respectfully, sharing timely and appropriate information with others	We lead by positive example, embodying all of Council's agreed Values	We are consistently honest, transparent, ethical and fair, regardless of the situation	We work collaboratively to achieve shared goals for Council and the community
My Behaviours	I actively participate in the organisation	I consider how I say it, why I say it, when I say it and where I say it	I act with courage, challenge the status quo and seek out ways to improve our organisation	I do and say the right thing, even when no one is watching	I share my knowledge, skills and experience with others
	I take full ownership of my role, including my mistakes, and learn from my actions	I listen actively and ask questions to gain a shared understanding	I support and encourage others to learn, develop and grow	I take personal responsibility for my own actions and behaviour	I support others to achieve goals and celebrate success
	I inspire excellence by performing my role with pride	I show empathy and consider things from others' point of view	I am approachable and treat others consistently and respectfully	I uphold strong moral principles and do what I say I am going to do	I consciously choose to work positively with others
	I acknowledge my actions and behaviour can impact and influence outcomes	I provide and receive timely, constructive feedback	I inspire and expect everyone to always do their best	I am professional, treating others just as I expect to be treated	I commit to working together to find solutions

~ COUNCIL'S CHARTER ~

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

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

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
SHIRE OF COBAR HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON THURSDAY
24 FEBRUARY 2022 COMMENCING AT 5:00PM**

PRESENT (FILE C13-2)

Councillors Jarrod Marsden (Deputy Mayor), Robert Sinclair, Janine Lea-Barrett, Tony Chaplain, Kain Neale, Lillian Simpson, Harley Toomey, Julie Payne and Kate Winders and Peter Maxwell.

OBSERVERS

Messrs Peter Vlatko (General Manager), Kym Miller (Director of Corporate and Community Services), Garry Ryman (Director of Planning and Environmental Services) and Miss Kelly Fairbank (Executive Assistant - General Manager/ Mayor).

Councillor Peter Maxwell completed the affirmation.

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR:

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COUNCIL OF THE SHIRE OF COBAR HELD ON THURSDAY 24 FEBRUARY 2022



GENERAL MANAGER



DEPUTY MAYOR

APOLOGIES (FILE C13-2)

01.02.2022 **RESOLVED:** 1. That the apology received from Mayor Peter Abbott be accepted.
2. That Mayor Peter Abbott be granted a leave of absence.
Clr Toomey / Clr Winders **CARRIED**

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (FILE C12-3)

- Nil.

CONDOLENCES (FILE M2-3)

- Darrell Wilson
 - Leslie Keith Harbison
 - Barry Hay
 - Ellen May Tupper
 - Donald Datson
 - Noah Purton
 - Peter James (Tiger) Fisher
 - Suzanne Marie Dillon
 - Robert Romey (Beeza) Josephson
- A minute's silence was observed by those in attendance.

PUBLIC ACCESS SESSION

- Nil.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL (FILE C13-11)

02.02.2022 **RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Thursday, 09 December 2022 be confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.
Clr Lea- Barrett / Clr Chaplain **CARRIED**

THIS IS PAGE 2 OF THE MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE
COUNCIL OF THE SHIRE OF COBAR HELD ON THURSDAY 24 FEBRUARY 2022


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GENERAL MANAGER


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DEPUTY MAYOR

CLAUSE 1 – DELEGATIONS OF AUTHORITY TO GENERAL MANAGER

FILE: A2-5, Personnel AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.5 ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

03.02.2022 RESOLVED: That Pursuant to *Section 377* of the Local Government Act 1993, Cobar Shire Council hereby delegates to the General Manager, Peter Vlatko and to the person holding the aforementioned position in an acting capacity the exercise of Councils' powers, functions, duties and authorities contained in legislation and matters specified in Schedule 1 subject to the limitations specified in Schedule 2.

This delegation shall commence on 24 February 2022 and remain in force until specifically altered or revoked in writing. All delegations shall be made by and shall flow from, the General Manager pursuant to *Sections 377 (2) and 380* of the Local Government Act.

Schedule 1	
The functions of the Council as specified in:	
(i)	The Local Government Act 1993 and related Acts and Regulations; and
(ii)	Other Acts under which Council has powers, authorities, duties, and functions- <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Environmental Planning and assessment Act 1979• Impounding Act 1993• Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997• Roads Act 1993 and Roads Transport Act 2013• Boarding Houses Act 2012• Road Rules 2014 NSW consolidated Regulations- under the Road Transport Act 2013• Food Act 2003• Biosecurity Act 2015• Rural Fires Act 1997• Crown Lands Act 1989• Companion Animals Act 1998• Plumbing and Drainage Act 2011• Heritage Act 1977• Public Health Act 2010• Graffiti Control Act 2008

Schedule 2
Subject to the provisions of the Local Government Act 1993 and any other relevant Legislation to the delegations and the following functions:-
Approvals
(a) <i>Any application for approval in principle "or "Staged approval"</i>
Town Planning
(a) <i>Designated Development</i>
(b) <i>Non-residential development outside the industrial zones, which are not consistent with the activities presently accepted in the location of the proposed developments.</i>
(c) <i>Applications which are the subject of written objections.</i>
Local Government (General) Regulation 2005
(a) <i>The writing off of bad debts greater than the amount fixed from time to time by Resolution of Council in accordance with Clause 213 of the Local Government Act (General) Regulation 2005.</i>
2. <i>Council may by resolution direct the General Manager in the exercise of any function herein delegated.</i>
3. <i>The General Manager shall exercise the functions herein delegated in accordance with and subject to:-</i>
(a) <i>The provisions of the Local Government Act 1993 as amended.</i>
(b) <i>All and every policy of the Council adopted by resolution and current at the time of exercise of the functions herein delegated.</i>

Clr Sinclair / Clr Payne

CARRIED

CLAUSE 2 – COUNCIL DELEGATES

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

04.02.2022

RESOLVED: That Council determine its delegate for Peak Gold Mine Consultative Committee be Councillor Julie Payne.

Clr Lea- Barrett / Clr Chaplain

CARRIED

CLAUSE 3 – QUARTER 2 – 2021/2022 BUDGET REVIEW

FILE: L5-22 AOP REFERENCE: 3.3 ATTACHMENT: YES
(PAGE 54-56)

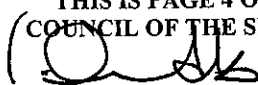
AUTHOR: Director of Finance and Community Services, Kym Miller

05.02.2022

RESOLVED: 1. That the operating budget for the General Fund 2021/2022 be varied by:

- Increasing grants income by \$100,000;
- Reducing truck wash income by \$50,000;
- Reducing Children's Services income by \$160,000;
- Increasing 'Kubby' income and by \$600,000;

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GENERAL MANAGER



DEPUTY MAYOR

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- Increasing administration expenses by \$60,000 for election costs;
 - Reducing truck wash expenses by \$50,000;
 - Reducing Children's' Services expenses by \$160,000;
 - Increasing cemetery costs by \$50,000 and
 - Increasing 'Kubby' expenditure by \$600,000.

2. That the operating forecast deficit for the Water Fund be increased to \$2,000,000.

3. That the operating budget for the Sewer Fund be varied by increasing blockage treatment expenses by \$40,000.

4. That the capital budget for the General Fund 2021/2022 be varied by a vote of \$250,000 to re-locate COOSH from its existing location to the 'hostel'

Clr Lea- Barrett / Clr Simpson

CARRIED

CLAUSE 4 – SECTION 356 DONATIONS 2022/2023

FILE: D3-1 AOP REFERENCE: 1.4.5 ATTACHMENT: NO

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

06.02.2022

RESOLVED: 1. That Council awards donations for the budget year ending 30 June 2023 as follows:

- a. Cobar Pony Club a donation of \$3,150.00 provided all their Council fees and charges are paid.
- b. Autoclub of Cobar a donation of \$3,500.00 provided all their Council fees and charges are paid.
- c. Cobar Amateur Pistol Club Inc a donation of \$3,500.00 provide that their rates overdue amounts are reduced by the same amount.
- d. Cobar Clay Target Club Inc a donation of \$3,500.00 provided that all their Council fees and charge are paid.
- e. Two hundred dollars in Cobar Quids to each of the three schools in Cobar for their year-end awards.
- f. Two hundred dollars in cash to Euabalong West Primary School for its end of year awards.

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GENERAL MANAGER


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DEPUTY MAYOR

1. That Council notes the in-kind allowance to the Outback Science Challenge that will be debited to the Youth Centre Cost Centre.

2. That Council endorse the repair and relocation of the portable toilets from Ward Oval to the Autoclub of Cobar Inc grounds at an approximate cost of \$3,000 and that it be included in the Ward Oval operating budget.

3. That a further \$4,000 be included in the 2022/2023 budget for donation applications that may arise.

4. That Council notes the contributions towards water at the Tom Knight Oval to a ceiling of \$25,000 for the year ended 30 June 2023.

Clr Lea- Barrett / Clr Simpson

CARRIED

CLAUSE 5 – SECOND QUARTERLY REVIEW OF THE ANNUAL OPERATIONAL PLAN 2021/2022 (Q2)

FILE: L5-22 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1 ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 57-117)

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

07.02.2022 RESOLVED: That Council receives and notes the second quarterly review of the 2021/2022 Annual Operational Plan, covering the period October to December 2021.

Clr Payne / Clr Lea- Barrett

CARRIED

CLAUSE 6 – MEETING MINUTES

FILE: R5-36 AOPREFERENCE:3.1 ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 118)

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

08.02.2022 RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Lilliane Brady Village Governance and Management Committee be received and noted.

Clr Lea- Barrett / Clr Toomey

CARRIED

CLAUSE 7- MONTHLY STATUS REPORT

FILE: C13-10 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1 ATTACHMENT:NO

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

09.02.2022 RESOLVED: That the information contained in the monthly status report be received and noted with item number 1369 to be removed.

Clr Lea- Barrett / Clr Neale

CARRIED

CLAUSE 8 – INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

FILE: B2-7 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.7

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Financial Accountant, Sandra Davey*

- 10.02.2022 RESOLVED:** That Council receive and note the Investment Report as of 31 December 2021.
Clr Lea- Barrett / Clr Payne **CARRIED**
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CLAUSE 9 – INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 31 JANUARY 2022

FILE: B2-7 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.7

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Financial Accountant, Sandra Davey*

- 11.02.2022 RESOLVED:** That Council receive and note the Investment Report as of 31 January 2022.
Clr Lea- Barrett / Clr Payne **CARRIED**
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CLAUSE 10- BANK RECONCILIATION, CASH FLOW & LOAN FACILITY SUMMARIES AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

FILE: B2-7 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.5 ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Financial Accountant, Sandra Davey*

- 12.02.2022 RESOLVED:** That Council receive and note the Bank Reconciliation, Monthly Total Funds Available, Cash Flow and Loan Facility Report as of 31 December 2021.
Clr Payne / Clr Lea- Barrett **CARRIED**
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CLAUSE 11 - BANK RECONCILIATION, CASH FLOW & LOAN FACILITY SUMMARIES AS AT 31 JANUARY 2022

FILE: B2-7 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.5 ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Financial Accountant, Sandra Davey*

- 13.02.2022 RESOLVED:** That Council receive and note the Bank Reconciliation, Monthly Total Funds Available, Cash Flow and Loan Facility Report as of 31 January 2022.
Clr Payne / Clr Lea- Barrett **CARRIED**
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**CLAUSE 12 – RATES RECONCILIATION REPORT AS AT 31
JANUARY 2022**

**FILE: R2-1 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.6 ATTACHMENT: YES
(PAGE 119-120)**

AUTHOR: *Customer Service Manager, Jo-Louise Brown*

14.02.2022 RESOLVED: That the Rates Reconciliation Report as at the 31 January 2022 be received and noted.
Clr Lea- Barrett / Clr Maxwell **CARRIED**

CLAUSE 13 – GRANT FUNDING

FILE: G4-17 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.3 ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Grants Officer, Brytt Moore*

15.02.2022 RESOLVED: That the information contained in the grant funding report detailing grants applied for, grants announced and grants available be received and noted.
Clr Lea- Barrett / Clr Simpson **CARRIED**

CLAUSE 14 – PURCHASING ANALYSIS OF CONTRACTORS

FILE: T3-15-6 AOP REFERENCE:3.3.4 ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Financial Accountant, Sandra Davey*

16.02.2022 RESOLVED: That Council receive and note the information contained in this report.
Clr Payne / Clr Toomey **CARRIED**

CLAUSE 15– EXPENDITURE FOR ROADS NETWORK

**FILE: R5-31 AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.2 ATTACHMENT: YES
(Under Separate Cover)**

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

Report Deferred

**CLAUSE 16 – UPDATE ON WATER AND SEWER
INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS**

FILE: G4-29 AOP REFERENCE: 4.1.3.3 & 4.4.4.2

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Water and Sewer Manager, Victor Papierniak*

- 17.02.2022 RESOLVED:** That Council receive and note the updated project information for the three Restart NSW Resources for Regions infrastructure projects.
Clr Payne / Clr Chaplain **CARRIED**
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**CLAUSE 17 – DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS: 18 NOVEMBER
2021 – 15 FEBRUARY 2022**

FILE: T5-1 AOP REFERENCE: 1.6.3.1 ATTACHMENT: NO

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

- 18.02.2022 RESOLVED:** That the information detailing the Local Development and Construction Certificate approvals for the period 18 November 2021 – 15 February 2022 be received and noted.
Clr Payne / Clr Lea- Barrett **CARRIED**
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**CLAUSE 1C TENDER TO ESTABLISH PANELS FOR PROJECT
MANAGEMENT SERVICES AND ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES**

FILE: T3-21-2 AOP REFERENCE: 3.3.4 ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Project Coordinator, Carly Hunter*

- 19.02.2022 RESOLVED:** That a further report regarding the tender to establish panels for Project Management Services and Architectural Services (T3-21-2) be considered in the Committee of the Whole Closed Council with the press and public excluded for the reason as stated in Section 10A (2)(d)(i) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, as it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed in open Council, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.
Clr Lea- Barrett / Clr Payne **CARRIED**
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**CLAUSE 2C – REGIONAL PROCUREMENT TENDER –
PROVISION OF ROAD STABILISING**

FILE: T3-2 AOP REFERENCE: 3.3.4.1 & 4.1.11

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Roads Development Manager, Maurice Bell*

- 20.02.2022 RESOLVED:** That a further report regarding the tender to establish panels for Project Management Services and Architectural Services (T3-21-2) be considered in the Committee of the Whole Closed Council with the press and public excluded for the reason as stated in Section 10A (2)(d)(i) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, as it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed in open Council, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.
Clr Lea- Barrett / Clr Payne **CARRIED**

**CLAUSE 3C – REGIONAL PROCUREMENT TENDER – SUPPLY
AND DELIVERY OF TRAFFIC AND SAFETY SIGNAGE**

FILE: T3-2 AOP REFERENCE: 3.3.4.1 & 4.1.1.1

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Roads Development Manager, Maurice Bell*

- 21.02.2022 RESOLVED:** That a further report regarding the tender to establish panels for Project Management Services and Architectural Services (T3-21-2) be considered in the Committee of the Whole Closed Council with the press and public excluded for the reason as stated in Section 10A (2)(d)(i) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, as it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed in open Council, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.
Clr Lea- Barrett / Clr Payne **CARRIED**

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (CLOSED COUNCIL)

- 22.02.2022 RESOLVED:** That Council move into the Committee of the Whole with the press and public excluded at 5.20 pm as matters to be discussed are considered to be confidential vide *Section 10A (2)(d)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993 as it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would if disclosed in open Council would prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.*
Clr Lea- Barrett / Clr Payne **CARRIED**

Council resumed in Open Council at 5.36 pm.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (CLOSED COUNCIL)

23.02.2022 RESOLVED: That the recommendations of the Committee of the Whole be adopted.
Clr Payne/ Clr Toomey **CARRIED**

CLAUSE 1C TENDER TO ESTABLISH PANELS FOR PROJECT MANAGEMENT SERVICES AND ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES
FILE: T3-21-2 AOP REFERENCE: 3.3.4 ATTACHMENT: NO
AUTHOR: *Project Coordinator, Carly Hunter*

3.COW.2.2022 RESOLVED: 1. The following ten (10) successful tenderers will form the panel for the Project Management Services:

1. Coldale Consulting Pty Ltd
2. GHD Pty Ltd
3. The State of New South Wales through the Department of Regional NSW t/as Public Works Advisory
4. Turn and Townsend Thinc
5. Complete Urban Pty Ltd
6. Three Stables Pty Ltd
7. Barnsons Pty Ltd
8. Greenwich Advisory Pty Ltd
9. Empire Project Management Pty Ltd
10. Orion Consulting Engineers

1. The following five (5) successful tenderers will form the panel for the Architectural Services:

1. Dunn & Hillam Architects
2. Facility Design Group
3. GHD Pty Ltd
4. Studio Hollenstein Pty Ltd
5. Sala4D Pty Ltd

1. The engagement of the successful companies will be under contractual conditions including the requirement of the performance of the works, rates, insurances and other general conditions of the Contract as executed under the agreement. The successful panel of suppliers will be selected on the basis of price, availability, performance and funding.

2. That the information contained within this report remains confidential within the Committee of the Whole Closed Council.

Clr Lea- Barrett / Clr Sinclair

CARRIED

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GENERAL MANAGER


DEPUTY MAYOR

**CLAUSE 2C – REGIONAL PROCUREMENT TENDER –
PROVISION OF ROAD STABILISING**

**FILE: T3-2 AOP REFERENCE: 3.3.4.1 & 4.1.11 ATTACHMENT:
YES (PAGE 33-37)**

AUTHOR: *Roads Development Manager, Maurice Bell*

4.COW.2.2022 RESOLVED: 1. That Stabilised Pavements of Australia Pty Ltd be first preference, The Mining Pty Ltd as second preference and Downer EDI Works as the third preference be awarded the contract as Panel Source suppliers for provision of Road Stabilising for a term up to 31 December 2023 with provision for a 12-month extension in line with the Regional Procurement Evaluation Panel recommendation.

2. That the information contained within this report remains confidential within the Committee of the Whole Closed Council.

Clr Lea- Barrett / Clr Neale

CARRIED

**CLAUSE 3C – REGIONAL PROCUREMENT TENDER – SUPPLY
AND DELIVERY OF TRAFFIC AND SAFETY SIGNAGE**

**FILE: T3-2 AOP REFERENCE: 3.3.4.1 & 4.1.1.1 ATTACHMENT:
YES (PAGE 38-42)**

AUTHOR: *Roads Development Manager, Maurice Bell*

5.COW.2.2022 RESOLVED: 1. That all tenderers be awarded the contract as Panel Source suppliers for Supply and delivery of Traffic and Safety Signs for a term up to 30 September 2023 with provision for a 12-month extension in line with the Regional Procurement Evaluation Panel recommendation.

2. That the information contained within this report remains confidential within the Committee of the Whole Closed Council.

Clr Payne / Clr Simpson

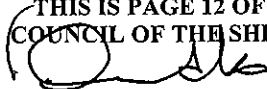
CARRIED

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 5.35 PM

CONFIRMED.....

MINUTE NO.....

MAYOR.....



GENERAL MANAGER

DEPUTY MAYOR

CLAUSE 1 – GENERAL MANAGERS OPERATIONAL REPORT**FILE: C13-1-4 AOP REFERENCE: 3.2.1.1 ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 34)****AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*****Purpose**

To provide Council with an update on strategic operational matters.

Discussion***Waterboard Representatives***

Council will be required to re-consider its nominations for the Cobar Water Board representatives due to the conflict-of-interest requirements for the positions. A report will be provided at the April Ordinary Council meeting.

Committee of the Whole

The structure of the Council agenda will no longer be required to have a Committee of the Whole as a separate meeting to the Ordinary Council meeting. Future Council meetings will now operate under this system.

Council's Water Fund Budget

Due to the significant cost of supplying water to the Cobar residents, staff will be providing Council with a true understanding of what will be required to ensure the water fund does not continue to be in deficit.

Budget Timetable

An amended timetable is attached.

Federation Mine Project

The Department of Planning Industry and Environment has received an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Federation project.

The EIS is currently on Public Exhibition closing on the 05th April 2022.

The EIS and supporting documentation are available at:

<https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/projects/federation-project>

A submission to the Department in respect of this project is being prepared by the Director of Planning and Environmental Services with assistance from Warwick Gibbins, Oz Environmental Pty Ltd.

Projects Update

The current projects status is as follows.

- **Cobar Community Hub – Early Learning Centre and Multipurpose Building –** Final designs 85% complete. Aiming to go out to tender at the end of April. No further works to occur onsite until after the show in May 2022.
- **Ward Oval realignment and irrigation upgrades –** Layout of the Oval has been marked out and confirmed onsite. Procurement about to start. Ovals to be closed from the 14th of June 2022.
- **Great Cobar Museum Stage 2 Coach House –** Initial start-up meeting held onsite. Consultant engagement and design process commenced.
- **Bus Shelter Linsley Street -** Construction of the new bus shelter has commenced.
- **Euabalong Walking Track –** Draft REF received.
- **Euabalong Toilets –** Planning approvals complete. Toilet manufacturing a nearing completion.
- **Stables and electrical upgrades -** Stables complete. Electrical upgrades 95% complete.
- **Youth Centre –** Project progressing well. On target to meeting practical completion mid-July.
- **Business case study and masterplan for the Cobar Memorial Swimming pool –** Aiming for a draft to go to the April Council meeting.

Director Of Infrastructure Services

The General Manager will be interviewing potential candidates the week of the 21st of March 2022.

The Mayor

Mayor Abbott is still recovering and has requested a leave of absence for February and March 2022.

Road Closures/ Road Condition Report

Staff are considering options to improve road closure notifications within the Shire.

Council Strategic Community Plan

The requirement for Council to review and approve the new Strategic Community Plan including the Delivery Plan & Operational Plan will be required to be undertaken by June 2022. This requires Community consultation as well as with Councillor's and Staff input.

RECOMMENDATION

That the General Managers Operational Report be received and noted.

**CLAUSE 2– THE LOCAL ROADS AND COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE
GRANT \$2,170,422**

FILE: G4-47

AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.3

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to approve the projects suitable for the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure grant.

Background

Council was allocated \$2,170,422 in grant funding under the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure fund (LRCI). The LRCI Program continues to assist Local Governments in delivering priority projects and supporting jobs within the community.

The \$2,170,422 grant funding is required to have this project completed by 30 June 2023

Discussion

The projects that are considered to be achievable within the timeframe and still meet the requirements of the Grant funding are:

- Airport runway sealing upgrades - (Est) \$1,000,000
- Industrial Estate – (Est) \$920,422
- Town Beautification – (Est) \$150,000
- Water Meters – (Est) \$100,000

If Council adopts these projects the funds of \$2,170,422 will be applied for, for approval from the Federal Government.

Budget

The funds are available to Council and must be spent by 30th June 2023.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council approves the allocation of \$2,170,422 under the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Grant to the following projects:

- **Airport runway sealing upgrades - (Est) \$1,000,000**
- **Industrial Estate – (Est) \$920,422**
- **Town Beautification – (Est) \$150,000**
- **Water Meters – (Est) \$100,000**

CLAUSE 3– NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK BUSINESS LETTER OF VARIATION

FILE: B2-14 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.4 & 3.1.1.5 ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Director of Corporate and Community Services*

Purpose

To formally approve the extension of the Council’s banking facility with the National Australia Bank (NAB) and to approve the application of the seal on the agreement.

Background

The NAB has been the Shire’s lead banker for ten years and has performed satisfactorily. The current facility is;

FACILITY TYPE	LIMIT
Bank Guarantee Facility	\$10,000.00
NAB Business Markets Loan (Zero Drawn down)	\$1,000,000.00
NAB Business Markets Loan	\$421,834.00
Credit Cards	\$60,000.00

Whilst there is no defined term for the agreement a yearly renewal is required. This is considered adequate for day-to-day purposes. There is however an application to increase the facility by up to \$2.5m on foot for the grids and culverts program.

There is no reason to not expect yearly extensions at no cost to Council.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That the Cobar Shire Council extend its existing banking facility with the National Australia Bank until 31 March 2023.**
- 2. That the common seal be applied to the extension of the facility agreement and that the agreement be signed by the General Manager or his nominee and the Mayor or his nominee.**

CLAUSE 4 – MONTHLY STATUS REPORT

FILE: C13-10

AOP REFERENCE: 3.1

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: General Manager, Peter Vlatko

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 25 SEPTEMBER 2014

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
627	Council – Clause 10A – Adoption of Management Plan for Lot 18 DP213415	188.9.2014	GM	<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 was not met. Timeframe to be reviewed.</p> <p>Staff working on this subject to resources available.</p> <p>Discussions commenced with Club Board to resolve the issue; however, the matter is on hold until resources are available.</p> <p>Staff has been allocated to prepare information to negotiate appropriate terms & complete lease or licence with Cobar Bowling & Golf Club.</p> <p>New Meeting to be arranged with the Club Board to discuss lease terms.</p> <p>Meeting held with the General Manager of Cobar Bowling & Golf Club and discussed licence, meeting to be held with Golf Club Board in the new year.</p>

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 9 MARCH 2017

1007	Council – Clause 7B – Expenditure for Roads Network	59.3.2017	DIS	That a Rest Area be built along The Wool Track and that it be named after Duncan Gay.	<p>The Wool Track application was submitted on 31/12/2019 – Rest Area incident in submission.</p> <p>May 2020 funding announcement expected – Council was not successful for this round.</p> <p>Advised that the submission is still being considered.</p> <p>New round of funding to be called soon. Preliminary discussions on application have been held by staff.</p> <p>Draft application almost complete for review by Wool Track working group.</p> <p>Draft application completed to be circulated at workshop group for comment.</p> <p>Meeting scheduled with Cobar Shire Council and Central Darling Shire Council GM to confirm the next steps.</p> <p>It was decided to joint highlight the project with State Members of Parliament with CDSC.</p>
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COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 22 MARCH 2018

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
1142	Council Meeting – Notice of Motion – Installation of an Independent Pedestrian Crossing	47.3.2018	GM	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.	With footpath complete Council is applying to Department of Transport for funding. Transport for NSW has applied for funding & Council will know more after the 30 September 2021. Still awaiting funding approval

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 24 APRIL 2019

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
1277	Council Meeting – Notice of Motion – Fringe Benefits Tax (FBT) Including Living Away From Home Allowance Exempted for Remote Mining Community such as Cobar	63.4.2019	GM	That Cobar Shire Council lobby both the Federal Government and the Association of Mining Related Councils to have Fringe Benefits Tax (FBT) including Living Away From Home Allowance exempted for remote mining communities such as Cobar. That Council have discussions about a percentage of miners and those who are working on specific projects who should legally be required to live in town, to be held with the State Government.	Submission being prepared and discussions held with local mines.

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 27/JUNE 2019

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
1299	Council Meeting – Clause 10A – Allocation Forecast and Ramifications	122.6.2019	WSM	Investigate the costs associated with purchasing raw water from upstream users.	Application has progressed to DPIE for assessment. DPIE to provide feedback in August 2021. CSC applied for specific purpose access licence of 1300ML in June 2020. Application is being progressed with DPIE. CSC staff continue to follow up fortnightly. Matter raised with Minister Feb 2022.

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS COUNCIL MEETING 13 DECEMBER 2019

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
1345	Council Meeting – Clause 3A – Local Traffic Committee	267.12.2019	ADES	<p>That Council resolve to adopt the following recommendations from the Local Traffic Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ That Council write to RMS to change the pedestrian crossing at Cobar Public School to a children's crossing during school times only; ▪ That Council in partnership with RMS investigate implementing a 40km/h High Pedestrian Activity Area (HPAA) in the CBD area of Cobar on Marshall Street. 	<p>Concurrence received from Public School that pedestrian crossing on Blakey Street should be a children's crossing during School times only.</p> <p>Letter to RMS sent for approval. RMS has approved HPAA and secured funding; to be completed this financial year. Proposal to be finalised for public consultation to commence.</p> <p>Public consultation completed. Formal application to RMS lodged Followed up in June and still waiting for outcome.</p> <p>Drawing of signage set out is being completed and will be presented to the LTC.</p> <p>Designs for HPAA area complete and presented to LTC. TFNSW to provide input and comments. Project to start next year.</p>

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 25 MARCH 2021

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
1432	Council Meeting- Clause 7- Landfill Operations – Cobar Landfill	50.04.2021	DES	That Council proceed with Community & Industry Consultations using the approach of the LTPoM as proposed by Bob Bailey & Robert Amaral.	To be actioned.

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 24 FEBRUARY 2022

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
1433	Council Meeting- Clause 4- Donations 2022/2023	06.02.2022	DFCS	That Council awards donations for the budget year ending 30 June 2023 as follows: Cobar Pony Club a donation of \$3,150.00 provided all their Council fees and charges are paid. Autoclub of Cobar a donation of \$3,500.00 provided all their Council fees and charges are paid. Cobar Amateur Pistol Club Inc a donation of \$3,500.00 provide that their rates overdue amounts are reduced by the same amount. Cobar Clay Target Club Inc a donation of \$3,500.00 provided that all their Council fees and charge are paid.	Letters sent to recipient groups

				<p>Two hundred dollars in Cobar Quids to each of the three schools in Cobar for their year-end awards.</p> <p>Two hundred dollars in cash to Euabalong West Primary School for its end of year awards.</p> <p>That Council notes the in-kind allowance to the Outback Science Challenge that will be debited to the Youth Centre Cost Centre.</p> <p>That Council endorse the repair and relocation of the portable toilets from Ward Oval to the Autoclub of Cobar Inc grounds at an approximate cost of \$3,000 and that it be included in the Ward Oval operating budget.</p> <p>That a further \$4,000 be included in the 2022/2023 budget for donation applications that may arise.</p> <p>That Council notes the contributions towards water at the Tom Knight Oval to a ceiling of \$25,000 for the year ended 30 June 2023.</p>	
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RECOMMENDATION

That the information contained in the monthly status report be received and noted with item number 1433 to be removed.

CLAUSE 5 – RATES RECONCILIATION REPORT AS AT 28 FEBRUARY 2022

FILE: R2-1

AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.6

ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 35-36)

AUTHOR: Customer Service Manager, Jo-Louise Brown

Purpose

To provide Council details of the Rate Reconciliation as at 28 February 2022.

RATES RECONCILIATION 28 FEBRUARY 2022

FUND	LEVY 2021-2022	Pensioner Rebates	Abandoned Levy	Additional Levies	Sub Total 2021-2022	Arrears 30th Jun 21	Payments	Total Outstanding	Total Outstanding Previous Year	% Outstanding of Sub Total Plus Arrears
Business	465,700.78		274.00	-	465,426.78	93,120.23	377,178.31	181,368.70	173,564.03	32.47%
Farmland	733,736.95		-	305.37	734,042.32	67,466.52	546,222.06	255,286.78	232,289.63	31.85%
Mining	1,841,821.80		-	-	1,841,821.80	19,723.01	955,798.67	905,746.14	589,209.92	48.66%
Residential	1,211,059.72	45,160.87	601.57	1,308.75	1,166,606.03	194,859.68	844,954.48	516,511.23	491,977.02	37.94%
Overpayments					-	-184,838.33	- 79,455.25	-105,383.08	-90,016.50	57.01%
Legal Costs					-	26,237.43	3,070.40	23,167.03	27,052.31	88.30%
Interest	-		51.67	9,412.45	9,360.78	66,297.65	8,571.33	67,087.10	60,763.89	88.67%
General Rates	4,252,319.25	45,160.87	927.24	11,026.57	4,217,257.71	282,866.19	2,656,340.00	1,843,783.90	1,484,840.30	40.97%
Domestic Waste	673,560.00	18,214.13	332.82	929.81	655,942.86	69,628.38	493,634.01	231,937.23	212,670.84	31.97%
Sewerage	711,713.00	18,375.00	308.33	109,580.97	802,610.64	136,477.87	636,943.88	302,144.63	276,562.41	32.17%
Cobar Water	886,374.00	19,600.00	389.16	665.33	867,050.17	69,941.09	649,277.01	287,714.25	221,363.80	30.71%
Nymagee Water	28,970.00	393.75	-	-	28,576.25	13,435.76	20,444.23	21,567.78	18,735.79	51.34%
Euabalong Water	45,890.00	1,137.50	310.00	-	44,442.50	12,572.30	36,896.86	20,117.94	23,161.61	35.29%
Euab West Water	28,420.00	787.50	-	-	27,632.50	8,675.20	21,205.26	15,102.44	14,164.56	41.60%
Mt Hope Water	6,570.00	-	-	-	6,570.00	357.69	4,920.20	2,007.49	1,787.30	28.98%
Water Access	996,224.00	21,918.75	699.16	665.33	974,271.42	104,982.04	732,743.56	346,509.90	279,213.06	32.11%
Water Usage			28,672.16	1,079,884.92	1,051,212.76	513,653.84	1,160,509.71	404,356.89	35,033.28	25.84%
TOTAL	6,633,816.25	103,668.75	30,939.71	1,202,087.60	7,701,295.39	1,107,608.32	5,680,171.16	3,128,732.55	2,288,319.89	35.52%

RECOMMENDATION

That the Rates Reconciliation Report as at the 28 February 2022 be received and noted.

CLAUSE 6 – INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 28 FEBRUARY 2022**FILE: B2-7****AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.7****ATTACHMENT: NO****AUTHOR: *Financial Accountant, Sandra Davey*****Purpose**

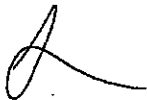
Section 625 of the Local Government Act 1993 and Clause 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 and the Council's investment policy require Council's investments to be reported to the Council monthly.

Issues

The table below shows the balances of Council's Investments for February 2022. Term deposits have differing terms to spread the maturity dates throughout the year. The amount restricted in the Audited Financial Report for Employee Leave Entitlements is \$478,000.

Investments	Rate	Bank	Opening Balance	Transfers to Investment	Transfers from Investment	Interest Earned	Closing Balance
NAB Sweep Acct	Variable	NAB	\$ 4,915,263	\$ 3,061,460	\$ 1,896,700	\$ 401	\$ 6,080,423
Jun-22	0.52%	NAB	\$ 2,000,057			\$ 798	\$ 2,000,855
Jul-22	0.95%	AMP	\$ 2,003,531	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 2,003,531	\$ 1,458	\$ 2,001,458
Jun-22	0.50%	NAB	\$ 2,001,096			\$ 768	\$ 2,001,864
Jun-22	0.31%	NAB	\$ 5,006,500			\$ 1,191	\$ 5,007,691
Jun-22	0.35%	NAB	\$ 3,006,738			\$ 807	\$ 3,007,545
Feb-22		AMP	\$ 1,003,909		\$ 1,003,909	\$ -	\$ -
TOTALS	Average In	0.53%	\$ 19,937,094	\$5,061,460	\$4,904,141	\$5,423	\$ 20,099,836

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.



Financial Accountant**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council receive and note the Investment Report as of 28 February 2022.

**CLAUSE 7 - BANK RECONCILIATION, CASH FLOW & LOAN FACILITY
SUMMARIES AS AT 28 FEBRUARY 2022**

FILE: B2-7

AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.5

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Financial Accountant, Sandra Davey*

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.

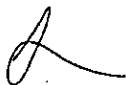
Issues

Bank Reconciliation

Balance as per Bank Statement	10,000
Add Outstanding Deposits & Receipting	-
Less Unpresented Cheques	(-)

Reconciled Balance	10,000
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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 daily during the month and that the reconciliations have been recorded.



Financial Accountant

Monthly Total Funds Available for the Last 12 Months

Month	Investment Balances	Operating Account	Total Available Funds
Mar 21	20,260,553	(38,280)	20,222,273
Apr 21	19,494,375	9,021	19,503,396
May 21	24,904,316	11,500	24,915,816
June 21	29,035,984	(3,314)	29,032,670
July 21	26,094,243	15,802	26,110,045
Aug 21	28,008,116	14,974	27,474,138
Sep 21	24,631,161	(14,678)	24,616,483
Oct 21	22,041,841	(15,805)	22,026,036
Nov 21	20,595,009	(11,412)	20,583,597
Dec 21	21,502,408	(5,937)	21,496,471
Jan 22	19,937,094	9,330	19,946,424
Feb 22	20,099,836	10,000	20,199,836

The amount restricted in the Audited Financial Report for Employee Leave Entitlements is \$478,000.

Cash Flow

Current Month		Description	Forecast
Forecast	Actual		Next Month
(9,330)	(9,330)	Bank Balance Forward	10,000
850,000	834,123	FAG / R2R / RMCC	850,000
15,043	15,043	Services NSW	15,043
450,000	768,800	Rates /Water/User Charges	550,000
250,000	358,919	Private Works/Debtors	250,000
250,000	222,006	LBV – Residents Fees & Subsidies	250,000
100,000	109,831	Children’s Services (net)	100,000
1,000,000	(157,319)	Net Movement of Investments	500,000
250,000	779,099	Sundry Income & Grants	550,000
		<i>Less</i>	
(2,500,000)	(2,067,075)	Creditors	(2,500,000)
(820,000)	(864,097)	Wages / Salaries	(850,000)
10,000	10,000	Bank Reconciliation Cr/(Dr)	10,000

Loan Facility Report as of 28 February 2022

Swimming Pool and Street Upgrade Loan (6.22%)
Principal and Interest = \$22,265

(441,989.77)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive and note the Bank Reconciliation, Monthly Total Funds Available, Cash Flow and Loan Facility Report as of 28 February 2022.

CLAUSE 8- GRANT FUNDING

FILE: G4-17

AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.3

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: Grants Officer, Brytt Moore

Grant Update

Council Grants

Grants Applied For	Activity	Amount Applied For	Status	Council Funding Required	Outcome expected/ comments
Building Better Regions Fund - Round 6	Major upgrades to the Cobar Caravan Park	\$ 2,648,690.00	Pending	Contribution of 25% of total project cost is required. \$441,449.00 from Cobar Shire Council (12.5%) subject to Council approval if the grant is successful and \$441,448.00 from Sustainable Park Solutions (current lessee) (also 12.5%) – equaling 25% combined from both parties.	Total project cost: \$3,531,587.00. Outcome expected in June 2022.

Grant Outcomes

Grant Applied For	Proposed Activity	Status	Comments
Regional Tourism Activation Fund – Stream One - Unique and High Impact Visitor Experiences	Stage 3 of The Great Cobar Museum upgrades, including a Mine Walk and Underground Experience	Successful	Funding received: \$2,126,400.00 Co-contribution \$708,801.00

Council has committed \$200,000 in the 2021/2022 budget to put towards grant proposals as a co-contribution., NIL spent to date.

Grant Funded Projects – Implementation

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

- **NSW Government - Stronger Country Communities Fund (SCCF) Round 2 – Cobar Youth and Fitness Centre Upgrade – Stage 1** – Main building works in progress practical completion for the project expected July 2022, stage 1 and 2 to be combined as one package of works.
- **NSW Government - Stronger Country Communities Fund (SCCF) – Round 3 - Cobar Youth and Fitness Centre Upgrade – Stage 2** - works to be combined with stage 1 and be delivered as one package of works, practical completion as above.
- **NSW Government - Stronger Country Communities Fund (SCCF) – Round 3 - Youth Development Officer – 18-month tenure** – Council have successfully recruited two Youth Development Officers who are job sharing to deliver programs etc as per the funding guidelines. Both are working collaboratively to deliver activities such as resume writing assistance, holding Youth Council meetings, outdoor BBQ's, pool/ school holiday activities, craft workshops and more. All have been well attended and feedback has been positive.
- **NSW Government - Stronger Country Communities Fund (SCCF) – Round 3 - Euabalong Scenic Walking Trail** – Survey and design completed. Approval process currently underway, on-site visit to be undertaken with key stakeholders on 17TH February 2022. We will need to apply for an extension due to floodwater.
- **NSW Government – Regional Growth Fund & Federal Government - Building Better Regions Fund (Round 4) - Ward Oval Multi-Purpose Building and Early Learning Centre** – DA for the Early Learning Centre was logged on 11th August 2021 – currently awaiting approval. DA for the Multi-Purpose Building was logged on the 10th December 2021 – currently awaiting approval. Weekly meetings with project team and key personnel are being held. Once both DA's are approved, we will be ready to go to tender, and aim to do this as one package of works. Grandstand demolition complete, no further demolition will occur until after the 2022 Cobar Show.
- **Drought Communities – Extension – Round 2 – \$1 million projects and Active transport funding (Bathurst Street footpath)** – Dalton Park shade structure - complete. Dalton Park Horse complex toilets - complete. CWA Hall ramp - complete. Main street speaker system - complete. Shade structure at the Cobar Memorial Swimming Pool - complete. Caravan Park photo fence - complete. The footpath construction is complete, with only a small section of Bathurst Street outstanding (Bathurst Street is Active Transport funding combined with contributions from Cobar Shire Council and is being held up due to a Telstra issue). Bus shelter upgrades have commenced.
- **Safe and Secure Water Fund** – The cast-iron pipe replacement is complete. Work as executed drawings are currently being produced. The Reservoir roof replacement project is anticipated to be partially completed in October. The remaining work, to epoxy coat the reservoir, is expected to be completed in April 2022.

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- **Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program RD 1** – This program included 5 projects: sealing of two car parks, Town CCTV, Shade structures in Drummond Park, rotunda upgrade and Town beautification. Status update: Grand Carpark is complete; the Town Hall Cinema carpark is on hold until we receive a report regarding the structural integrity of the Town Hall Cinema building. Town CCTV is complete. Shade structures in Drummond Park have been installed and is complete. The rotunda upgrade works are complete. Town beautification program projects are complete.
 - **Showgrounds Stimulus Funding** – Horse Stables Fabrication and Installation has been completed; electrical upgrades are 95% completed.
 - **Showgrounds Stimulus Funding phase 2B** – Sealing of the Ward Oval Car Park. To be completed in conjunction with other works at Ward Oval
 - **Resources for Regions round 7 (R4R7) - Water reticulation upgrade – stage 2** - Milestone 1 payment has been received. Killards Infrastructure have been awarded the contract and will commence construction in March 2022.
 - **Resources for Regions round 7 (R4R7) - Stage 1 – existing industrial estate - including roads and storm water upgrades and Resources for regions round 8 (R4R8) Cobar Industrial Estate Road and Storm water Upgrades - Stage 2** – Final designs complete, Council have engaged a Project Manager to deliver this project. Stage 1 (R4R7) and 2 (R4R8) works will be combined, currently on track to go out to tender by the end of March.
 - **Resources for Regions round 7 (R4R7) - Business Case study for the Upgrading of Ageing Infrastructure at the Cobar Memorial Swimming Pool combined with Resources for regions – round 8 (R4R8) Master plan for the Cobar Memorial Swimming Pool** – Consultant engaged. Community consultation undertaken.
 - **Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program RD 2** – This program included 4 projects: additional funding for the Fabrication and Installation of horse stables at Ward Oval, a lift to be installed at the Cobar Youth and Fitness Centre, Euabalong toilet replacement and an entrance road and off-road carpark works at the Sound Chapel. Stable project Complete, the lift has been ordered and the footings have been poured for the lift. Installation will follow and be combined with the entire Youth Centre works. Euabalong toilet replacement, toilets have been ordered. Entrance road and off-road carpark works at the Sound Chapel has been completed.
 - **Sealing of Wilga Downs Road** – Grading and carting has commenced. A water bore licence has been approved, awaiting culverts to arrive.
 - **Bus Shelters** – Council is currently scoping these and have begun early discussions with key stakeholders before any works commence.
 - **Fixing Local Roads – Tranche 3 – SR12** – Gravel crushing has commenced.
 - **Seniors’ week** – Full program has been released. Activities to take place from Monday 21st March – 25th March.

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- **Resources for regions round 8 (R4R8) - Cobar Youth and Fitness Centre - upgrades to services and Harry Marshall Gym** – works to be undertaken with the entire Youth Centre project these works will be completed along with SCCF2, SCCF3, and the lift installation.
 - **Resources for regions – round 8 (R4R8) Business Case Studies (BCS) Including: Activating Cobar's CBD (BCS) and Dalton Park's Wetlands project (BCS)**, currently undertaking procurement to engage consultants to complete BCS's.
 - **Resources for regions – round 8 (R4R8) - Early Intervention Outreach Program** - Funding deeds still being prepared by the state for signing.
 - **Resources for regions – round 8 (R4R8) - Ward Oval Refurbishment & Additions to Existing Pavilions and New Poultry Pavilion** – A variation has been applied for to transfer these funds to the Ward Oval Multi-Purpose Building.
 - **Resources for regions round 8 - (R4R8) - Great Cobar Museum - Coach House and Landscaping - (Stage 2 works)** - Funding deeds still being prepared by the state for signing.
 - **The Festival of Place Summer Night Fund** – To be held on 30th April, from 4pm, in Drummond Park. Early stages of planning proposes Council will host a family fun night in with markets, music, dancers, and possibly other entertainment.
 - **Stronger Country Communities Round 4** - Ward Oval sporting fields realignment STAGE 1 – realignment of both ovals at Ward Oval (as per adopted masterplan). Scoping has commenced; however, we are still awaiting the funding deed to be prepared for signing.
 - **SR6 – Pulpulla Road – Sealing Pulpulla Road from the Barrier Highway to the entrance into Mount Grenfell Reserve** – Complete, road now sealed and opened to traffic.

RECOMMENDATION

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

CLAUSE 9 – PURCHASING ANALYSIS OF CONTRACTORS**FILE: T3-15-6****AOP REFERENCE: 3.3.4****ATTACHMENT: NO****AUTHOR: *Financial Accountant, Sandra Davey*****Purpose**

The purpose of this report is to provide information on 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 and Suppliers are engaged by quotations for small projects and tenders for larger projects following Councils Procurement Policy.

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

The table below indicates the contractors and suppliers that were engaged for services over \$80,000 inclusive of GST for the period July 1, 2021 – February 28, 2022, and the method of procurement used.

CONTRACTOR	DESCRIPTION OF WORKS AND METHOD OF PROCUREMENT	CURRENT MONTH	2021/2022
COUNTRY WIDE ASPHALT PTY LTD	ROAD WORKS (TENDER)	174,135	2,988,593
CRUSHRITE PTY LTD	GRAVEL CRUSHING (TENDER)	327,593	2,111,760
CENTRAL DARLING SHIRE COUNCIL	ROAD WORKS (GOV)	0	1,345,302
NORTH CONSTRUCTION & BUILDING PL	CONSTRUCTION WORK (RFS)	105,514	1,164,644
CASTLYN PTY LTD T/A INLAND PETROLEUM	FUEL (TENDER)	235,522	813,110
DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL NSW	GOVERNMENT CONSULTING SERVICES (GOV)	162,491	661,924
STANAWAY PTY LTD T/AS DAVID PAYNE	COBAR HERITAGE CENTRE (TENDER)	136,555	586,922
DEPPELER EARTHMOVING	PLANT HIRE (TENDER)	52,074	572,536
BROUGHTON CONTRACTING PTY LTD	PLANT HIRE (TENDER)	160,178	533,181
STEELWORKS ENGINEERING PTY LTD	RESERVOIR ROOF UPGRADE (TENDER)	0	468,843
AS PER PLAN CONSTRUCTION	CONSTRUCTION WORK (TENDER/RFQ)	92,910	446,642
STABILISED PAVEMENTS OF AUSTRALIA	PAVEMENT STABILISING (TENDER)	56,406	413,360
JMG MAINTENANCE AND FABRICATION PTY	WARD OVAL STABLES (TENDER)	363,948	363,948

SMARTIN BUILDING PTY LTD	CONSTRUCTION OF FOOTPATHS (TENDER)	0	358,088
COUNTRY MILE CONSTRUCTIONS	CONSTRUCTION WORK (RFQ)	37,380	340,000
DUNN & HILLAM ARCHITECTS	VARIOUS PROJECTS (YOUTH CENTRE, EARLY LEARNING CENTRE) (QUOTES)	84,651	334,199
JR MAY & JR MAY EARTHMOVING PTY LTD	PLANT HIRE (TENDER)	22,814	290,343
JNK CONTRACTING PTY LTD	GRAVEL CARTING	19,676	258,089
BR & GC DANSON	GRAVEL CARTING	20,562	250,240
LEISURE & RECREATION GROUP	POOL MANAGEMENT (TENDER)	43,449	231,185
ROLLERS AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	PLANT HIRE (TENDER)	60,053	229,144
KILLEEN PLANT HIRE	ACRES BILLABONG (TENDER)	3,784	211,244
BOB BRUCE EARTHWORKS PTY LTD	PLANT HIRE (TENDER)	39,380	199,859
NOME'S TIDY HOMES	CLEANING SERVICES (RFQ)	22,482	177,732
CADIA GROUP PTY LTD	WATER AND SEWER (TENDER)	9,875	162,374
BTX GROUP	CHEMICALS	45,026	161,694
MAGIQ SOFTWARE LTD	ERP SOFTWARE (TENDER)	0	138,732
COLDALE CONSULTING PTY LTD	PROJECT MANAGEMENT (RFQ)	0	134,888
JHA CONSULTING ENGINEERS (NSW) PTY	CONSULTANT SERVICES (RFQ)	51,679	130,741
TRONIC GROUP PTY LTD	IT SERVICES (RFQ)	0	112,535
TRAYLAON PATNERSHIP	PLANT HIRE (TENDER)	13,340	94,941
LOOKNOFURTHER.COM.AU PTY LTD	LABOUR HIRE (RFQ)	0	94,383
KML INDUSTRIES	TRADES SERVICE/HARDWARE	9,489	92,578
KENNARDS HIRE PTY LTD	PLANT HIRE (TENDER)	2,393	86,569
KENSAW PTY LTD T/A SCONE OUTDOORS	PLANT PURCHASE (RFQ)	1,813	83,975
COATES HIRE OPERATIONS	PLANT HIRE (TENDER)	0	82,824
CYNEND BUILDING & CONSTRUCTION	CONSTRUCTION WORK (TENDER/RFQ)	0	81,844
SPIKYRHINO PTY LTD T/A MARK'S ENVIR	PLANT HIRE (RFQ)	0	81,512
ELLIS & SONS GROUP PTY LTD	CONSTRUCTION WORK (TENDER/RFQ)	0	81,142

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive and note the information contained in this report.

CLAUSE 10- EXPENDITURE FOR ROADS NETWORK

FILE: R5-31 AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.2

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

Report to be tabled

CLAUSE 11 – UPDATE ON WATER AND SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE

PROJECTS

FILE: G4-29 AOP REFERENCE: 4.1.3.3 AND 4.4.4.2 ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Water and Sewer Manager, Victor Papierniak*

Purpose

To provide Council with an update on the grant funded infrastructure projects for the water and sewer department.

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 projects ongoing. Council also obtained Restart NSW Funding through the Safe and Secure Water Program.

Project Update

Water Treatment Plant		
Project background:	Construction of a new Water Treatment Plant commenced in June 2017 and reached practical completion in July 2019. The plant is capable of producing 8ML/day of potable water.	
Budget overview:	Grant funding:	\$15,750,000
	Cobar Shire Council funding:	\$200,000
	Expended to date:	\$13,088,958 (Current as of 28 February 2022)
Issue history:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The fill material used at the plant has been identified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as noncompliant against the Excavated Natural Material Order 2014.• The completion of the access road to the water plant has been delayed due to the fill material.• Several major defects have been identified as part of the defect's liability period, PWA and LCW are in discussion regarding the rectification of defects.• PWA has been engaged to determine and recommend a resolution to the cause of increased turbidity in the treated water reservoirs.	
<u>Risk overview:</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Clean up of the non-complying fill material is estimated at \$2million, in a worst-case scenario, and is expected to be an ongoing issue with resolution in 2022.• The construction of the road to the WTP is delayed due to non-complying fill.• The steel corrosion issue is a complex issue that is being referred to an independent specialist to determine the cause	

	<p>and rectification. The resolution of the issue is anticipated to be in early 2022. A Contractor has been engaged to determine the cause and resolution of the issue.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The lagoons were inspected by the supplier and Contractor and an assessment report provided in May 2021. The supplier has provided that the installation of the liner is in accordance with the manufacturer's installation guidelines and no evidence damage was detected. CSC is disputing this with LCW as leakage is continuing. • Additional funds are likely to be required to cover variations and defect resolution on the WTP.
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Sewerage Scheme Refurbishments, Expansion and Upgrade							
Project background:	<p>The refurbishment, expansion, and upgrade of the sewer infrastructure includes upgrades to all four sewer pump stations, refurbishment to the sewer treatment plant lagoons and upgrading the inlet at the sewer treatment plant.</p> <p>The Ward Oval Pump Station refurbishment and lagoon upgrade have been completed. Application to change scope of works to include upgrade of all sewer pump stations and pre-treatment screening for sewer influent was approved. Precision Civil was awarded the Contract to undertake the remaining scope.</p>						
Budget overview:	<table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">Grant funding:</td> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: right;">\$2,100,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cobar Shire Council funding:</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$500,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Expended to date:</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$2,191,131 <i>(Current as of 28 February 2022)</i></td> </tr> </table>	Grant funding:	\$2,100,000	Cobar Shire Council funding:	\$500,000	Expended to date:	\$2,191,131 <i>(Current as of 28 February 2022)</i>
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Expended to date:	\$2,191,131 <i>(Current as of 28 February 2022)</i>						
Issue history:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completion date expected to be delayed from December 2020 to April 2022. Delays to the project are due to COVID-19, design reconsiderations, construction defects, and delivery issues. • The Contractor is responsible for remediating the pumps due to damage caused through construction and testing. 						
<u>Risk overview:</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project time overrun of approximately 16 months. • Pumps have been damaged and may fail prematurely until Contractor repairs/replaces them. • Inlet screens at the STP are faulty and allowing rags and other large objects to enter the treatment plant. • Additional project management and design costs associated with the delay of the project. Liquidated damages will be applied to cover these additional costs. 						

Water Mains Replacement and Water Storage Refurbishment Project							
Project background:	This project seeks to replace the potable water cast-iron pipework with uPVC pipework and replace the steel roof and supporting structure on the potable water reservoir.						
Budget overview:	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>Grant funding:</td> <td>\$6,900,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cobar Shire Council funding:</td> <td>Nil</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Expended to date:</td> <td>\$6,171,544 <i>(Current as of 28 February 2022)</i></td> </tr> </table>	Grant funding:	\$6,900,000	Cobar Shire Council funding:	Nil	Expended to date:	\$6,171,544 <i>(Current as of 28 February 2022)</i>
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Cobar Shire Council funding:	Nil						
Expended to date:	\$6,171,544 <i>(Current as of 28 February 2022)</i>						
Issue history:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Killard Infrastructure Pty Ltd were awarded the reticulation project. The project reached practical completion in December 2020. • Tender for the water storage refurbishment project has been awarded to Steelworks Engineering with works commenced on site 18/2/21. • The Million Gallon Tank was blasted clean and assessed, and it was determined that there were failed joint sections and concrete degradation. A variation has been accepted for an epoxy recoat and joint repair. 						
<u>Risk overview:</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not all the cast-iron pipework in town could be located and removed. This is due to the location of cast-iron pipework across state highways and the misidentification of pipework in the survey. • The old water treatment plant clarifier will be used as a temporary reservoir while the million-gallon tank is offline. The capacity of the temporary reservoir is lower than the potable tank and increased water filtration operations may be required to ensure pressure remains at satisfactory levels. • Expected recoating of the reservoir has been postponed to Q1/Q2 of 2022 calendar year. 						

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive and note the updated project information for the three Restart NSW Resources for Regions infrastructure projects.

CLAUSE 12 – DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS: 16 FEBRUARY 2022 – 16 MARCH 2022

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 16 February 2022 – 16 March 2022.

The value of Complying Development approvals for 2021/2022 to date is \$81,000.00
The value of Complying Development approvals for the similar period in 2020/2021 was Nil.

Local Development Approvals

The following Local Development Applications were approved under delegated authority for the period 16 February 2022 - 16 March 2022.

CERTIFICATE NO.	ADDRESS	DESCRIPTION	VALUE (\$)
2022/LD-00001	Lot 4376 Kidman Way, Cobar	Shade Structure, Ablution Facility & "Bush" Kitchen.	19,900.00
2021/LD-00044	Lot 864 Lerida Rd, Cobar	Manufactured Home	425,000.00
2022/LD-00003	Marshall St, Cobar	Replacement Signage	55,000
2022/LD-00002	Bathurst St, Cobar	Use of Shipping Container for Storage	4,600

The value of Local Development approvals for 2021/2022 to date is \$45,859,354.00
The value of Local Development approvals for the similar period in 2020/2021 was \$34,933,323.00

Construction Certificates

There were no Construction Certificate Applications approved under delegated authority for the period 16 February 2022 – 16 March 2022.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information detailing the Local Development and Construction Certificate approvals for the period 16 February 2022 - 16 March 2022 be received and noted.