



*Mayor Paul Harmon, Member for Northern Tablelands Adam Marshall and Esther Gardiner cutting the Reconciliation Week cake at Campbell Park on 3 June, 2017.*

## Business Paper Ordinary Meeting of Council 28 June, 2017

**INVERELL SHIRE COUNCIL**

**NOTICE OF ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL**

22 June, 2017

An Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held in the Council Chambers, Administrative Centre, 144 Otho Street, Inverell on Wednesday, 28 June, 2017, commencing at **3pm**.

Your attendance at this Ordinary Meeting of Council would be appreciated.

**P J HENRY PSM**

**GENERAL MANAGER**

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**2PM**

**AFTERNOON TEA**

## Quick Reference Guide

*Below is a legend that is common between the:*

- Inverell Shire Council Strategic Plan;
- Inverell Shire Council Delivery Plan; and
- Inverell Shire Council Operational Plan.







## MEETING CALENDAR

October 2016 – September 2017

	TIME	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT
		Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed
Ordinary Meetings	3:00 pm	26	23	21	No Meeting	22	22	26	24	^28	26	23	27
Major Committees		Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed
Civil and Environmental Services	8:30 am	12	9	No Meetings	No Meetings	8	8	12	10	14	12	9	13
Economic and Community Sustainability	10:30 am												

^ Meeting at which the Management Plan for 2017/2018 is adopted.

Members of the public are invited to observe meetings of the Council.

Members of the public who wish to address Council are asked to contact the Office of the General Manager on 6728 8206.

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MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF INVERELL SHIRE COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, ADMINISTRATIVE CENTRE, 144 OTHO STREET, INVERELL ON WEDNESDAY, 24 MAY, 2017, COMMENCING AT 3 PM.

**PRESENT:** Cr P J Harmon (Mayor) [Chairperson], Crs D F Baker, A A Michael, C M Dight, P A King, J N McCosker, S J Berryman, J A Watts and M J Peters.

Director Civil & Environmental Services (Brett McInnes) and Sharon Stafford (Executive Assistant).

**SECTION A**

**APOLOGIES**                      **S13.6.9/10**

Nil.

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**                      **S13.5.2/10**

***32/17 RESOLVED** (Berryman/Baker) that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 26 April, 2017, as circulated to members, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.*

**DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS/PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

There were no interests declared.

**PUBLIC FORUM**                      **S13.5.6/10**

At this juncture, the time being 3.05pm, the Mayor welcomed the members of the public and opened the Public Forum Session by inviting members of the public to speak. The Mayor confirmed that there were no members of the public registered to speak at the Public Forum Session.

At this juncture, the time being 3.06pm, the Public Forum Session closed and Council resumed the balance of the Agenda.

**SUPPLEMENTARY SECTION B  
ADVOCACY REPORTS**

***33/17 RESOLVED** (Dight/Baker) that the Supplementary Section B Advocacy Report be considered.*

1.            ALGWA CONFERENCE 2017                      S4.3.1

***34/17 RESOLVED** (Dight/Baker) that the Report be received and noted.*

**SECTION B  
ADVOCACY REPORTS**

Cr Michael                      Inverell Lions Club

Cr Michael congratulated the fundraising efforts of the Inverell Lions Club which enabled the purchase of 12 defibrillators for use as required at various locations and sporting fields throughout Inverell. The devices are a great asset for our community.

	Cr Baker	<u>New England North West Zone Library Meeting</u>  Cr Baker noted the meeting held on 11 May, 2017 and hosted at the Inverell Library. It was noted that some delegates chose to participate in the meeting via video-conferencing. Cr Baker thanked the Mayor for welcoming delegates to Inverell for the meeting.
	Cr King	<u>Inverell Dance Eisteddfod</u>  Cr King noted the success of the Inverell Dance Eisteddfod held at the Inverell Town Hall on 16 – 22 May, 2017.
CSO-T-N	Cr Berryman	<u>Inverell Pioneer Village</u>  Cr Berryman advised that the Inverell Pioneer Village reconvened their Annual General Meeting. Cr Berryman was pleased to advise that Andrew Fuller was elected as president, and Kevin Dunn and Des Retallack were elected vice presidents. It was noted that a new caretaker has commenced and is largely responsible for how great the Village is currently looking.
	Cr Michael	<u>Inverell Sporting Complex</u>  Cr Michael noted that the refurbished Clubhouse was officially opened on 16 May, 2017 and expressed his appreciation to the contractors and the Council staff responsible for delivering another premier sporting facility.
EXA-A	Cr Watts	<u>Delungra District Development Council (DDDC)</u>  Cr Watts informed Council that Peter McCarthy, President of the DDDC, is still recovering following a recent fall. Cr Watts also expressed appreciation for the Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service.  <b>35/17 RESOLVED</b> (Watts/Michael) that a 'get well' card be forwarded to Peter McCarthy following his recent mishap.
	Cr Harmon	<u>Inverell Sporting Complex</u>  Cr Harmon noted the completion of the Clubhouse project and acknowledged the \$930,000 contribution from the State Government under the ClubGrants Category 3 program. Cr Harmon noted the final product is a credit to the builders and the Council staff responsible and highlights the Council's ability to deliver on grant funding opportunities.
EXA-A	Cr Harmon	<u>Bonshaw Branch Country Women's Association (CWA)</u>  Cr Harmon noted his attendance at the 90 <sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations of the Bonshaw Branch of the CWA, which was celebrated on 17 May, 2017 with a High Tea at the Bonshaw Hall. Cr Harmon congratulated the Bonshaw Branch on their 90 years on continued support for the Bonshaw community.  <b>36/17 RESOLVED</b> (Michael/Dight) that a letter of appreciation be forwarded to the Bonshaw Branch of the Country Women's Association.

**SECTION C  
COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**1. CIVIL & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES –  
10 MAY 2017 S4.11.16/09**

**37/17 RESOLVED** (Baker/King) that:

- i) *The Minutes of the Civil & Environmental Services Committee Meeting held 10 May, 2017, be received and noted; and*
- ii) *The following recommendations of the Civil & Environmental Services Committee be adopted by Council:*

EXA-A                      1.     DOG EXERCISE AREA             S11.1.2

*That:*

- i) *Sinclair Park is not a location preferred by Council to establish a fenced, off-leash dog exercise area;*
- ii) *Further investigations into an alternate site be carried out, including costings.*

MCE-N                      2.     SAPPHIRE WIND FARM - ROAD DILAPIDATION DEED  
S28.27.22

*That the Sapphire Wind Farm, Road Dilapidation Deed (Inverell) be executed under the common seal of Council.*

GM-A                      3.     HERITAGE ADVISOR FUNDING             S18.8.3/03

*That the information be noted and Mr Adam Marshall be thanked for his approaches in support of Council's Heritage program.*

**2. ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING  
MINUTES – 10 MAY 2017**

**38/17 RESOLVED** (Watts/Michael) that:

- i) *The Minutes of the Economic & Community Sustainability Committee Meeting held 10 May, 2017, be received and noted; and*
- ii) *The following recommendations of the Economic & Community Sustainability Services Committee be adopted by Council:*

MIPR-A                      1.     REQUEST FOR SPONSORSHIP – INVERELL PARKRUN  
S12.22.1/10

*That:*

- i) *The course proposed by the Parkrun committee be approved as the "Inverell Parkrun Course";*
- ii) *A sum of \$2,500 be provided from Council's community health initiatives budget to support the establishment costs of this new activity; and*
- iii) *Council discuss ownership of the equipment with the Parkrun Committee.*

CSO-T-A                      2.     REQUEST FOR SPONSORSHIP – BHAWAA MIYAAY ABORIGINAL  
WOMEN'S RUGBY LEAGUE TEAM             S12.22.1/10



*That Ms Edwards be advised that Council is unable to support this initiative.*

GM-A 3. GRAMAN RESERVE DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY S15.8.2

*That:*

- i) The development opportunity be referred to the Graman Hall Committee seeking their comments prior to further consideration; and*
- ii) Further clarification from the Sapphire City Motor Sports Club be sought on the intended use of the proposed facility.*

GM-A 4. FIRE & RESCUE NSW INVERELL

*That the Committee recommend to Council that the Fire & Rescue Commissioner be requested to provide Council with an update in respect of future plans for the full time retained Station Officer position for Inverell.*

DCS-N 5. MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORT S12.12.2/09  
MFS-N

*That:*

- i) The report indicating Council's Fund Management position be received and noted; and*
- ii) The certification of the Responsible Accounting Officer be noted.*

DCS-N 6. QUARTERLY BUDGET AND OPERATIONAL PLAN REVIEW  
MFS-N 2016/2017 S12.5.1

*That:*

- i) Council's Quarterly Operational Plan and Budget Review for 31 March, 2017 be adopted; and*
- ii) The proposed variations to budget votes for the 2016/2017 financial year be adopted, providing an estimated cash surplus at 30 June, 2017 from operations of \$2,723.*

3. INVERELL LIQUOR CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – 2  
MAY 2017 S19.9.1

**39/17 RESOLVED** (Baker/Watts) *that the Minutes of the Inverell Liquor Consultative Committee Meeting held Tuesday, 2 May, 2017, be received and noted.*

**SECTION D  
DESTINATION REPORTS**

CSO-T-N 1. INVERELL FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY S3.6.5

**40/17 RESOLVED** (Baker/Michael) *that:*

- (i) The information be received and noted; and*
- (ii) The following persons be authorised as office bearers of the Inverell Friends of the Library Committee:*

<i>President:</i>	<i>Mrs Bev Parlevliet</i>
<i>Vice President:</i>	<i>Mrs Kathy Hunt</i>
<i>Secretary:</i>	<i>Ms Nancy Wilkins</i>
<i>Assistant Secretary:</i>	<i>Mrs Anna Morse</i>

Treasurer: Mrs Jill Burtenshaw  
Publicity Officer: Mrs Anna Morse  
Archive Recorder: Mrs Anna Morse

- EXA-A 2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL DETERMINATION  
MFS-A S13.6.4

**41/17 RESOLVED** (Watts/Dight) that an increase of 2.5% in fees for Mayors and Councillors be applied for the 2017/2018 financial year as recommended by the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal.

Crs Peters, McCosker and King requested that their votes against the motion be recorded.

- GM-A 3. CENTENARY OF ANZAC PROGRAM - SOIL COLLECTION PROJECT  
S14.18.6/10

**42/17 RESOLVED** (Watts/Berryman) that Council advise the NSW Department of Veteran Affairs of its willingness to be involved in assisting the soil collection team of the Centenary of ANZAC Program.

- GM-N 4. ABORIGINAL LAND CLAIMS S5.2.3

**43/17 RESOLVED** (Michael/Berryman) that the actions taken in respect of notifying the Aboriginal Land Claim Investigation Unit that a number of sites have been identified as being lawfully used and occupied, needed for an existing public purpose or needed for residential lands be received and noted.

5. 2017/18 FEDERAL BUDGET SUMMARY S14.5.2

**44/17 RESOLVED** (Michael/Baker) that the information be received and noted.

#### SECTION E INFORMATION REPORTS

1. PHILIPPINE INDEPENDENCE DAY S2.2.4
2. INVERELL PUBLIC OPEN SPACE STRATEGY S18.6.63
3. CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATES APPROVED FOR  
APRIL 2017 S7.2.4/10
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7. SEPTIC TANK APPROVALS FOR APRIL 2017 S29.19.1
8. ORDINANCE ACTIVITIES REPORT FOR APRIL 2017 S18.10.1
9. STRATEGIC TASKS – 'SIGN OFF' APRIL 2017 S4.13.2
10. QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE – APRIL 2017 S13.5.5/09

**45/17 RESOLVED** (Baker/Michael) that the items contained in the Information Reports to the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Wednesday, 24 May, 2017, be received and noted.

**SECTION F  
QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE**

- AC-A      **QWN/ORD 12/17**      Street Lighting  
Cr Baker
- Cr Baker reported that the street lights positioned over the crossing in Sweaney Street, adjacent to Woolworths, are not working and kindly requested that Council staff log the outage.
- GM-N      **QWN/ORD 13/17**      Leave of Absence  
Cr Dight
- Cr Dight request a leave of absence for the June 2017 Ordinary Meeting of Council, as she will be absent from the area for personal reasons.
- 46/17 RESOLVED** (Michael/Baker) that Cr Dight be granted a Leave of Absence for the June, 2017, Ordinary Meeting for personal reasons.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 3.44pm.

CR P J HARMON

CHAIRPERSON

**TO ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL 28/6/2017**

<b>ITEM NO:</b>	1.	<b>FILE NO:</b> S4.11.16/09
<b>DESTINATION 2 DESTINATION 3 DESTINATION 5:</b>	A Community that is healthy, educated and sustained. An environment that is protected and sustained. The Communities are served by sustainable services and infrastructure.	<b>CES</b>
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b>CIVIL &amp; ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – 14 JUNE 2017</b>	
<b>PREPARED BY:</b>	Fiona Adams, Manager Integrated Planning and Reporting	

**SUMMARY:**

Meeting held on Wednesday, 14 June, 2017.

For the consideration of Council.

**COMMENTARY:**

MINUTES OF THE CIVIL & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, 144 OTHO STREET, INVERELL ON WEDNESDAY, 14 JUNE, 2017, COMMENCING AT 8.30 AM.

PRESENT: Cr D F Baker (Chairperson), Crs P J Harmon, M J Peters, S J Berryman and J N McCosker.

Also in attendance: Crs J A Watts, C M Dight, P A King and A A Michael.

Paul Henry (General Manager), Brett McInnes (Director Civil and Environmental Services), Ken Beddie (Director Corporate and Economic Services), Justin Pay (Manager Civil Engineering) and Anthony Alliston (Manager Development Services).

**SECTION A****APOLOGIES:**

There were no apologies received.

**1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

*RESOLVED (Harmon/Berryman) that the Minutes of the Civil and Environmental Services Committee Meeting held on 10 May, 2017, as circulated to members, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.*

**2. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS/PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

There were no interests declared.

**3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Nil.

SECTION B  
ADVOCACY REPORTS

1. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT – PARKING CHARGES AT ARMIDALE AIRPORT  
S30.16.4

*RESOLVED (Peters/Harmon) that the Committee recommend that:*

- i) Council believes that there are a number of issues regarding the use of parking facilities by non-airport users and requests that these uses be addressed prior to considering charging airport users for parking; and*
- ii) Council does not support the introduction of parking charges as substantial State and Federal Government funding has been provided for the upgrade of the airport to be a regional facility, and that commuters should not be penalised for supporting this regional facility.*

Cr Harmon Philippine Independence Day Celebration

The Mayor noted this recent event which was celebrated in Inverell on Saturday, 10 June, 2017. The event was a strong success.

Cr Harmon Myall Creek Memorial Service

The Mayor attended the Memorial Service held on 11 June, 2017. The event was well attended and was again a strong success.

SECTION D  
DESTINATION REPORTS

1. NSW TRAVELLING STOCK RESERVES REVIEW S16.7.19/05

*RESOLVED (Berryman/Harmon) that the Civil and Environmental Services Committee recommend to Council that:*

- i) A submission be made to the Review, identifying those reserves recognised in the desktop review that are used by Council for purposes other than travelling stock; and*
- ii) Council inform the community of the Review and encourage the community to make submissions.*

2. REQUEST TO CONSIDER PROVISION OF LOADING ZONES IN INVERELL CBD  
S28.27.2

*RESOLVED (Berryman/Harmon) that the Committee recommend to Council that Council confirm its current policy in this matter, subject to a decision being made on further improvements of the CBD.*

3. FINDINGS FROM OFFICE OF TRANSPORT SAFETY INVESTIGATIONS - SCHOOL BUS STOPS S30.17.5

*RESOLVED (Berryman/McCosker) that the Committee recommend to Council that:*

- i) The information be received and noted;*
- ii) The recommended approach for providing advice regarding informal bus stops be endorsed; and*
- iii) Correspondence is forwarded to local school bus operators, informing them that Council has technical and engineering resources available to provide advice regarding informal bus stops.*

4. LIST OF SUGGESTED IMPROVEMENTS BONSHAW – 2017 S28.10.5

*RESOLVED (Harmon/McCosker) that the Committee recommend to Council that the noted items be actioned within existing maintenance votes and further consideration be given to the subsequent items as potential future Delivery Plan items.*

5. DRAFT INVERELL PUBLIC OPEN SPACE STRATEGY S18.6.63

*RESOLVED (Harmon/Berryman) that the Committee recommend to Council that the Draft Inverell Public Open Space Strategy be placed on public exhibition.*

SECTION E  
INFORMATION REPORTS

1. WORKS UPDATE S28.21.1

2. ISSUES RAISED AT RECENT DELUNGRA DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE  
S3.15.13

*RESOLVED (Harmon/Berryman) that the items contained in the Information Reports to the Civil & Environmental Services Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 14 June, 2017, be received and noted.*

SECTION F  
GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr Berryman Moore Street

Cr Berryman asked when the last traffic count was conducted on the Swanbrook Road end of Moore Street and noted it appears a spring has come up under the road. The Manager Civil Engineering provided details in this matter and the traffic counts and remedial work planned for the spring.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.31am.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

*That:*

- i) *the Minutes of the Civil & Environmental Services Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 14 June, 2017, be received and noted; and*
- ii) *the following recommendations of the Civil & Environmental Services Committee be considered by Council:*

1. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT – PARKING CHARGES AT ARMIDALE AIRPORT S30.16.4

*That:*

- i) *Council believes that there are a number of issues regarding the use of parking facilities by non-airport users and requests that these issues be addressed prior to considering charging airport users for parking; and*
- ii) *Council does not support the introduction of parking charges as substantial State and Federal Government funding has been provided for the upgrade of the airport to be a regional facility, and that commuters should not be penalised for supporting this regional facility.*



2. NSW TRAVELLING STOCK RESERVES S16.7.19/05

*That:*

- i) *A submission be made to the Review, identifying those reserves recognised in the desktop review that are used by Council for purposes other than travelling stock; and*
- ii) *Council inform the community of the Review and encourage the community to make submissions.*

3. REQUEST TO CONSIDER PROVISION OF LOADING ZONES IN INVERELL CBD S28.27.2

*That Council confirm its current policy in this matter, subject to a decision being made on further improvements of the CBD.*

4. FINDINGS FROM OFFICE OF TRANSPORT SAFETY INVESTIGATIONS - SCHOOL BUS STOPS S30.17.5

*That:*

- i) *The information be received and noted;*
- ii) *The recommended approach for providing advice regarding informal bus stops be endorsed; and*
- iii) *Correspondence is forwarded to local school bus operators, informing them that Council has technical and engineering resources available to provide advice regarding informal bus stops.*

5. LIST OF SUGGESTED IMPROVEMENTS BONSHAW – 2017 S28.10.5

*That the noted items be actioned within existing maintenance votes and further consideration be given to the subsequent items as potential future Delivery Plan items.*

6. DRAFT INVERELL PUBLIC OPEN SPACE STRATEGY S18.6.63

*That the Draft Inverell Public Open Space Strategy be placed on public exhibition.*

ITEM NO:	2.	FILE NO: S4.11.17/09
DESTINATION 1 DESTINATION 4:	A recognised leader in a broader context. A strong economy.	<b>RB</b>
SUBJECT:	<b>ECONOMIC &amp; COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – 14 JUNE 2017</b>	
PREPARED BY:	Fiona Adams, Manager Integrated Planning and Reporting	

**SUMMARY:**

Meeting held on Wednesday, 14 June, 2017.

For the consideration of Council.

**COMMENTARY:**

MINUTES OF THE ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, 144 OTHO STREET, INVERELL ON WEDNESDAY, 14 JUNE, 2017, COMMENCING AT 9.00 AM.

PRESENT: Cr J A Watts (Chairperson), Crs P J Harmon, P A King, A A Michael and C M Dight.

Also in attendance: Crs D F Baker, S J Berryman, J N McCosker and M J Peters.

Paul Henry (General Manager), Ken Beddie (Director Corporate and Economic Services) and Brett McInnes (Director Civil and Environmental Services).

**SECTION A**APOLOGIES:

There were no apologies received.

**1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

*RESOLVED (Michael/Harmon) that the Minutes of the Economic and Community Sustainability Committee Meeting held on 10 May, 2017 as circulated to members, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.*

**2. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS/PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

There were no interests declared.

**3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Nil.

**SECTION B  
ADVOCACY REPORTS**

Cr Michael Inverell Sports Council

The Annual General Meeting has been held and all executive positions have been filled for 2017/18.

Cr Dight Border Regional Organisation of Councils (BROC)

Cr Dight noted BROC meeting held at Warwick on 2 June, 2017. A range of issues were discussed including the Wellcamp Airport and regional benefits. The minutes will be provided to Council on their receipt.

Cr Harmon Sapphire Wind Farm Community Day Out

The event held in Campbell Park on 3 June, 2017 was a success in informing the community of the development and its benefits.

SECTION D  
DESTINATION REPORTS1. REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE – EAT DRINK LIVE NEW ENGLAND S12.22.1/10

*RESOLVED (Harmon/King) that the Committee recommend to Council that Council provide a contribution of \$4,000 in this matter, being 50 per cent of the cost of a celebrity chef for the event, funded from the Joint Industry Promotions Budget Allocation.*

2. DISABILITY INCLUSION ACTION PLAN UPDATE S3.16.4

*RESOLVED (Michael/Harmon) that Committee recommend to Council that the Inclusion Disability Action Plan be adopted.*

3. PUBLIC LIBRARIES NSW NORTH EAST ZONE MEETING S3.6.4

*RESOLVED (Harmon/Michael) that the Committee recommend to Council that:*

- i) The information be received and noted; and*
- ii) That Council support any recommendations by the Public Libraries Association executive to enable voting rights of members attending meetings remotely via technology.*

4. BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT - ARMIDALE REGIONAL COUNCIL S13.1.1

*RESOLVED (Harmon/Michael) that the Committee recommend to Council that:*

- i) Inverell Shire Council inform the eight (8) property owners of the position taken by the Administrator;*
- ii) Council advise the property owners that Inverell Shire will pursue their stated intention with the 'new' Armidale Regional Council following the September Local Government elections;*
- iii) That Inverell Shire Council prepares a submission to the Armidale Regional Council, seeking an expansion of the areas to be transferred to Inverell Shire Council to cover the eight (8) properties. Further, that this submission be presented to Armidale Regional Council in October, 2017, after their Local Government election; and*
- iv) That the Member for Northern Tablelands, Mr Adam Marshall be respectfully requested to enquire of the Minister's office on the timeframe for dealing with the agreed boundary adjustment.*

5. EXPIRING LICENCE AGREEMENTS S4.11.9

- a) Transmitting Station, Transgrid – Lot 22, DP 721168, Mandoe Radio Site, Atholwood S5.10.61*

*RESOLVED (Harmon/Dight) that the Committee recommend to Council that:*

- i) Council renew the agreement with Transgrid, Lot 22, DP 721168, Mandoe Radio Site, Atholwood for a three (3) year period with a further three (3) year option under the same terms and conditions;*
- ii) The licence fee be \$1100.00 per annum (GST Inclusive); and*
- iii) The Licence Agreement be subject to any other terms and conditions as negotiated by Council's General Manager.*

- b) Licence Agreement, Mr Colin Moore – Part Unformed Laneway Adjacent to Lot 1, DP 161692 and Lot 5, Sec 8, DP 448428, Inverell 5.10.137

*RESOLVED (Harmon/Dight) that the Committee recommend to Council that:*

- i) *Council renew the agreement with Mr Colin Moore for Part Unformed Laneways Adjacent to Lot 1, DP 161692 and Lot 5, Sec 8, DP 448428, Inverell for a two (2) year period with a further two (2) year option under the same terms and conditions;*
- ii) *The licence fee be \$212.18 per annum (GST inclusive) with a 3% increase per annum; and*
- iii) *The Licence Agreement be subject to any other terms and conditions as negotiated by Council's General Manager.*

- c) Licence Agreement, Tharawonga Mobile Resource Unit – Yetman Recreation Hall, Yetman S5.10.132

*RESOLVED (Harmon/Dight) that the Committee recommend to Council that:*

- i) *Council renew the agreement with Tharawonga Mobile Resource Unit for Yetman Recreation Hall for a one (1) year period with a further one (1) year option under the same terms and conditions;*
- ii) *The licence fee be \$240.40 per annum (GST inclusive); and*
- iii) *The Licence Agreement be subject to any other terms and conditions as negotiated by Council's General Manager.*

- d) Licence Agreement, J.R & B.A Thompson Pty Ltd T/A New England Toyota – Lot 2, DP 1038122 Oliver Street, Inverell S5.10.130

*RESOLVED (Harmon/Dight) that the Committee recommend to Council that:*

- i) *Council renew the agreement with New England Toyota for Lot 2, DP 1038122, Oliver Street, Inverell for a one (1) year period with a further one (1) year option under the same terms and conditions;*
- ii) *The licence fee be \$220.00 per month (GST inclusive); and*
- iii) *The Licence Agreement be subject to any other terms and conditions as negotiated by Council's General Manager.*

#### SECTION E INFORMATION REPORTS

1. OPERA IN THE Paddock 2017 S26.3.14

*RESOLVED (Dight/Harmon) that the items contained in the Information Reports to the Economic & Community Sustainability Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 14 June, 2017, be received and noted.*

#### SECTION F QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

- Cr Dight Council's Engagement Strategy

Cr Dight enquired if Council's Community Engagement Strategy can be reviewed at the next round of committee meetings.

#### SECTION H GOVERNANCE REPORTS

1. BUDGET AND OPERATIONAL PLAN REVIEW S12.5.1

*RESOLVED (Dight/Harmon) that the Committee recommend to Council that:*

- i) *The proposed variations to budget votes for the 2016/2017 financial year be adopted, providing an estimated cash surplus at 30 June, 2017 from operations of \$2,723.00.*

2. MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORT S12.12.2/09

*RESOLVED (Michael/Harmon) that the Committee recommend to Council that:*

- i) *The report indicating Council's fund management position be received and noted; and*  
 ii) *The Certification of the Responsible Accounting Officer be noted.*

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 10.05am.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

*That:*

- i) *the Minutes of the Economic & Community Sustainability Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 14 June, 2017, be received and noted; and*  
 ii) *the following recommendations of the Economic & Community Sustainability Committee be considered by Council:*

1. REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE – EAT DRINK LIVE NEW ENGLAND 2017 S12.22.1/10

*That Council provide a contribution of \$4,000 in this matter, being 50 per cent of the cost of a celebrity chef for the event, funded from the Joint Industry Promotions Budget Allocation*

2. DISABILITY INCLUSION ACTION PLAN S3.16.4

*That the Inclusion Disability Action Plan be adopted.*

3. PUBLIC LIBRARIES NSW NORTH EAST ZONE MEETING S3.6.4

*That:*

- i) *The information be received and noted; and*  
 ii) *That Council support any recommendations by the Public Libraries Association executive to enable voting rights of members attending meetings remotely via technology.*

4. BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT - ARMIDALE REGIONAL COUNCIL S13.1.1

*That:*

- i) *Inverell Shire Council inform the eight (8) property owners of the position taken by the Administrator;*  
 ii) *Council advise the property owners that Inverell Shire will pursue their stated intention with the 'new' Armidale Regional Council following the September Local Government elections;*  
 iii) *That Inverell Shire Council prepares a submission to the Armidale Regional Council, seeking an expansion of the areas to be transferred to Inverell Shire Council to cover the eight (8) properties. Further, that this submission be presented to Armidale Regional Council in October, 2017, after their Local Government election; and*  
 iv) *That the Member for Northern Tablelands, Mr Adam Marshall be respectfully requested to enquire of the Minister's office on the timeframe for dealing with the agreed boundary adjustment.*

- a) Transmitting Station, Transgrid – Lot 22, DP 721168, Mandoe Radio Site, Atholwood S5.10.61

*That:*

- i) *Council renew the agreement with Transgrid, Lot 22, DP 721168, Mandoe Radio Site, Atholwood for a three (3) year period with a further three (3) year option under the same terms and conditions;*
- ii) *The licence fee be \$1100.00 per annum (GST Inclusive); and*
- iii) *The Licence Agreement be subject to any other terms and conditions as negotiated by Council's General Manager.*

- b) Licence Agreement, Mr Colin Moore – Part Unformed Laneway Adjacent to Lot 1, DP 161692 and Lot 5, Sec 8, DP 448428, Inverell 5.10.137

*That:*

- i) *Council renew the agreement with Mr Colin Moore for Part Unformed Laneways Adjacent to Lot 1, DP 161692 and Lot 5, Sec 8, DP 448428, Inverell for a two (2) year period with a further two (2) year option under the same terms and conditions;*
- ii) *The licence fee be \$212.18 per annum (GST inclusive) with a 3% increase per annum; and*
- iii) *The Licence Agreement be subject to any other terms and conditions as negotiated by Council's General Manager.*

- c) Licence Agreement, Tharawonga Mobile Resource Unit – Yetman Recreation Hall, Yetman S5.10.132

*That:*

- i) *Council renew the agreement with Tharawonga Mobile Resource Unit for Yetman Recreation Hall for a one (1) year period with a further one (1) year option under the same terms and conditions;*
- ii) *The licence fee be \$240.40 per annum (GST inclusive); and*
- iii) *The Licence Agreement be subject to any other terms and conditions as negotiated by Council's General Manager.*

- d) Licence Agreement, J.R & B.A Thompson Pty Ltd T/A New England Toyota – Lot 2, DP 1038122 Oliver Street, Inverell S5.10.130

*That:*

- i) *Council renew the agreement with New England Toyota for Lot 2, DP 1038122, Oliver Street, Inverell for a one (1) year period with a further one (1) year option under the same terms and conditions;*
- ii) *The licence fee be \$220.00 per month (GST inclusive); and*
- iii) *The Licence Agreement be subject to any other terms and conditions as negotiated by Council's General Manager.*

5. BUDGET AND OPERATIONAL PLAN REVIEW S12.5.1

*That:*

- i) *The proposed variations to budget votes for the 2016/2017 financial year be adopted, providing an estimated cash surplus at 30 June, 2017 from operations of \$2,723.00.*



6.	<u>MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORT</u>	S12.12.2/09
	<i>That:</i>	
i)	<i>The report indicating Council's fund management position be received and noted; and</i>	
ii)	<i>The Certification of the Responsible Accounting Officer be noted.</i>	

<b>ITEM NO:</b>	3.	<b>FILE NO:</b> S26.5.10
<b>DESTINATION 2:</b>	A community that is healthy, educated and sustained.	<b>C</b>
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b>PUBLIC ART SUNSET COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – 15 JUNE 2017</b>	
<b>PREPARED BY:</b>	Sharon Stafford, Executive Assistant	

**SUMMARY:**

Meeting held on Thursday, 15 June, 2017.

For the consideration of Council.

**COMMENTARY:**

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC ART SUNSET COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, ADMINISTRATIVE CENTRE, 144 OTHO STREET, INVERELL ON THURSDAY, 15 JUNE, 2017, COMMENCING AT 7.30 AM.

PRESENT: Cr A Michael [Chairperson], Mrs J Williams, Mr P Caddey, Mr G Newley, Mr Ian Hooker and Mr Paul Henry (General Manager).

**SECTION A**APOLOGIES:

Nil.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

*RESOLVED (Caddey/Newley) that the Minutes of the Public Art Sunset Committee Meeting held on 23 February, 2017, as circulated to members, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.*

**BUSINESS ARISING****A. POPPY SCULPTURE**

P Henry advised:

- The new sculpture had been repainted with paint suitable for an 'outside structure',
- The President of the Kurrajong Reenactment Committee had chosen the 'permanent site' for the sculpture – north west of the memorial wall,
- The 1916 photo to be displayed on the commemorative plaque had been chosen by the Reenactment Committee, and

- The sculpture will be installed in approximately 3 weeks.

#### AGENDA ITEMS

##### 1. CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS – 2017

The Committee discussed the preferred treatments for the two (2) roundabouts (Byron St/Vivian St and Byron St/Lawrence St. This treatment will complete the planned program for decorating the CBD for Christmas.

It was decided that the following treatments be utilised:

- a) Illuminated stars – 3 metres, 2 metre and 1 metre
- b) Illuminated Christmas rings – 2 metre x 2, 3 metre
- c) Both decorations to utilise 'warm' lights.

The turning on of the lights was suggested to coincide with the start of the Inverell Chamber of Commerce Christmas Promotion (a date to be determined in late November, 2017).

The last night for the illumination of the decorations will be Sunday 7 January, 2018. Efforts will be made to have the decorations dismantled on 8 January, 2018 however this is contingent on the local builder, trained in this task, being available to carry out the work.

##### 2. PUBLIC ART PROJECT – BICENTENNIAL MEMORIAL

The Committee discussed the possible use of the exterior surface of the Memorial as a 'canvas' for a public art project.

G Newley advised the Committee of the results of his inspection. It was agreed that while the structure is sound, the discolouration of the external panels gives the structure a 'neglected look'. The night time illumination is very poor with many of the installed lights not working.

A summary of Mr Newley's observations is attached as an Appendix to these minutes.

It was agreed that the external condition of the structure does not encourage exploration of the interior, which is the highlight of the structure.

The Committee discussed various methods of rejuvenating the exterior of the structure. The preferred approach was to affix prepared metal panels to the exterior of the walls of the structure. These panels could be laser cut to produce selected designs on the metal.

The selection of the designs could occur after a public invitation to submit designs that reflected Inverell or aspects of the interior design of the sculpture.

Other suggestions to achieve a rejuvenation of the structure were:

- Affixing metal strips to the 6 columns to 'brighten' the stark concrete look,
- Create ceramic mosaic panels for inserting in the footpath leading to the sculpture.
- Installing a 'sapphire blue' upright/downlight in the centre of the columns in the central chamber of the sculpture.

#### Recommendation:

- a) Council determine if the refurbishment of the Bicentennial Memorial is a priority project for Council,
- b) If so, would Council authorise Council staff to prepare a report on the issues associated with the preferred treatment of the exterior panels (fixed laser cut panels of a determined design).

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on a date to be advised.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.40 am.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

*That:*

- i) the Minutes of the Public Art Sunset Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 15 June, 2017, be received and noted; and*
- ii) the following recommendations of the Public Art Sunset Committee be considered by Council:*

1. PUBLIC ART – BICENTENNIAL MEMORIAL S26.5.10

*That:*

- i) Council determine if the refurbishment of the Bicentennial Memorial is a priority project for Council,*
- ii) If so, would Council authorise Council staff to prepare a report on the issues associated with the preferred treatment of the exterior panels (fixed laser cut panels of a determined design).*

<b>ITEM NO:</b>	4.	<b>FILE NO:</b> S18.6.11
<b>DESTINATION 5:</b>	The Communities are served by sustainable services and infrastructure.	<b>S</b>
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b>JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES MEETING MINUTES – 10 MAY 2017</b>	
<b>PREPARED BY:</b>	Fiona Adams, Manager Integrated Planning and Reporting	

**SUMMARY:**

Meeting held on Wednesday, 10 May, 2017.

For the consideration of Council.

**COMMENTARY:**

MINUTES OF THE JOINT SITTING OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, 144 OTHO STREET, INVERELL ON WEDNESDAY, 10 MAY, 2017, COMMENCING AT 9.30AM.

PRESENT: Cr P J Harmon (Mayor) [Chairperson], Crs D F Baker, J A Watts, A A Michael, C M Dight, S J Berryman, J N McCosker, M J Peters and P A King.

Also in attendance: Paul Henry (General Manager), Brett McInnes (Director Civil & Environmental Services), Anthony Alliston (Manager Development Services) and Sharon Stafford (Executive Assistant).

## SECTION A

APOLOGIES:

There were no apologies received.

1. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS/PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

There were no interests declared.

SECTION D  
DESTINATION REPORTS1. NSW PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT - DEVELOPMENT ASSESSMENT BEST PRACTICE GUIDE S18.6.11

*RESOLVED (Michael/Baker) that the Joint Committee recommend to Council that:*

- i) Council's current high level of compliance with the Development Assessment Best Practice Guide be acknowledged;*
- ii) The General Manager be delegated authority to determine development applications where a single objection has been received that relates to a development application that complies with Council's adopted development standards; and*
- iii) Where the General Manager proposes to exercise such delegated authority, Councillors be advised accordingly.*

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.55am.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

*That:*

- i) the Minutes of the Joint Standing Committees Meeting held on Wednesday, 10 May, 2017, be received and noted; and*
- ii) the following recommendation of the Joint Standing Committees be considered by Council:*

1. NSW PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT – DEVELOPMENT ASSESSMENT BEST PRACTICE GUIDE S18.6.11

*That:*

- i) Council's current high level of compliance with the Development Assessment Best Practice Guide be acknowledged;*
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<b>ITEM NO:</b>	5.	<b>FILE NO:</b> S4.13.12
<b>DESTINATION 1:</b>	A recognised leader in a broader context.	<b>R</b>
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b>JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES MEETING MINUTES – 14 JUNE 2017</b>	
<b>PREPARED BY:</b>	Fiona Adams, Manager Integrated Planning and Reporting	

**SUMMARY:**

Meeting held on Wednesday, 14 June, 2017.

For the consideration of Council.

**COMMENTARY:**

MINUTES OF THE JOINT SITTING OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, 144 OTHO STREET, INVERELL ON WEDNESDAY, 14 JUNE, 2017, COMMENCING AT 11.05AM.

PRESENT: Cr P J Harmon (Mayor) [Chairperson], Crs D F Baker, J A Watts, A A Michael, C M Dight, S J Berryman, J N McCosker, M J Peters and P A King.

Also in attendance: Paul Henry (General Manager), Ken Beddie (Director Corporate & Economic Services) and Brett McInnes (Director Civil & Environmental Services).

## SECTION A

APOLOGIES:

There were no apologies received.

1. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS/PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

There were no interests declared.

SECTION D  
DESTINATION REPORTS

As a precursor to the discussion on the projects suggested for inclusion in the Delivery Plan, the content of the existing Community Strategic Plan was highlighted. The reason being that this strategic document is the framework under which both the Delivery Plan and yearly Operational Plan are prepared.

*RESOLVED (Watts/Dight) that the Joint Committee recommend to Council that:*

1. COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN S4.13.12

*That:*

- i) Council note the content of the existing Community Strategic Plan 2009-2029;
- ii) That the Community Strategic Plan for the period 2009-2029 be placed on public exhibition.

2. PREPARATION OF DELIVERY PLAN S4.13.2

- i) *The following items be included in the 2017-2021 Delivery Plan; and*
- ii) *The Delivery Plan be placed on public exhibition in accordance with the Integrated Planning and Reporting requirements.*

<i>Project Description</i>
<p>1. <u>Tagged Fish Competition</u>  <i>Investigate the introduction of a Tagged Fishing Competition at Copeton Dam. A prize is offered for a tagged or identified size fish. This will encourage visitation to the area and supplement the work of the fishing clubs.</i></p>
<p>2. <u>Arts North West</u>  <i>Consideration of renewing membership.</i></p>
<p>3. <u>Cultural Plan</u>  <i>Update and Review the current plan to reflect current and future cultural needs, including a cultural audit.</i></p>
<p>4. <u>Ashford Caravan Park</u>  <i>Ascertain the plans of the Ashford Bowling Club to provide accommodation.</i></p>
<p>5. <u>Tourist Information Boards</u>  <i>Prepare designs for tourist boards for the villages of Yetman and Ashford.</i></p>
<p>6. <u>Ashford Community Garden</u>  <i>Assist the Ashford Aboriginal Land Council investigate the establishment of a Community Garden in Ashford.</i></p>
<p>7. <u>Renewable Energy</u>  <i>Promote and encourage Inverell Shire as an alternative renewable energy region/shire to businesses which generate electricity. Investigate opportunities to produce alternative energy close to towns and villages.</i></p>
<p>8. <u>Inverell Equestrian Grounds</u>  <i>Investigate the expansion of the equestrian grounds, including the provision of a granite area on the southern side behind the seating, (in preparation for the stable/storage complex and for parking and possible funding opportunities).</i></p>
<p>9. <u>Invasive Trees</u>  <i>Formulate plan to maximize native species of trees in roadside reserves and eradicate invasive trees.</i></p>
<p>10. <u>Lighting</u>  <i>Investigate the improvement of street lighting including the position of street signs and street lights to illuminate signs at night.</i>   <i>Add lighting to Campbell Park, Victoria Park and intersections at Byron/Campbell, Byron/Otho, Byron/Vivian and along CBD footpaths.</i></p>
<p>11. <u>Land Use</u>  <i>Review Land Use Management Strategy mainly in regards to residential land plus associated developer fees and charges.</i></p>
<p>12. <u>Tingha Road Drainage (vicinity of Pioneer Village/Racecourse)</u>  <i>Investigation study into the creation of wetlands behind the Racecourse and Cameron Park to address stormwater in the low lying area along Tingha Road.</i></p>
<p>13. <u>Riverbanks</u>  <i>Establish an ongoing program to clear riverbanks of willow trees and noxious plants through Inverell township.</i></p>
<p>14. <u>Bonshaw Telstra Tower</u>  <i>Advocate for improving mobile phone coverage. Following installation of tower, reception is still</i></p>



<i>patchy within 3kms of village.</i>	
15.	<u><b>Bonshaw Hall</b></u> <i>Investigate the provision of internal amenities, air conditioning and replacement of side stairs and the hall being designated as an Evacuation Centre for emergencies.</i>
16.	<u><b>Bonshaw Park &amp; Public Toilets</b></u> <i>Investigate the development of the park adjacent to school as a rest area with dry composting toilets.</i>  <i>Bruxner/Ashford T junction rest area – bins and toilet.</i>
17.	<u><b>Yetman Water Supply</b></u> <i>Investigate improvement of water pressure throughout the village.</i>
18.	<u><b>Speed Limit through Yetman</b></u> <i>Investigate the installation of slowing bumpers to reduce traffic speed through village.</i>
19.	<u><b>Yetman Signage</b></u> <i>Reinstatement of Yetman sign at intersection of Warialda Road and the Bruxner Way, 1km from Yetman township.</i>
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21.	<u><b>Heavy Vehicle Route Enhancement Strategy</b></u> <i>Prepare a strategy to facilitate ease of access and usage of the Shire Road Network by heavy vehicles, including the provision of services such as parking, vehicle lay-by and associated amenities.</i>
22.	<u><b>Drainage Upgrade – Granville Street</b></u> <i>Investigate drainage upgrade for northern end of Granville Street / Henderson Street area.</i>
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24.	<u><b>Lake Inverell</b></u> <i>Investigate the reticulation of water sewerage outlet water to above Lake Inverell.</i>
25.	<u><b>Development Control Plans</b></u> <i>Review Council's Development Control Plans.</i>
26.	<u><b>Sealed Cycling/Triathlon Track</b></u> <i>Investigate a Master Plan for Lake Inverell, including the provision of a 1.5km sealed cycling/triathlon track, potential funding sources and supporting infrastructure.</i>
27.	<u><b>Inverell Pound</b></u> <i>Investigate the relocation of Inverell Dog Pound.</i>

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 12.14pm.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

*That:*

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1. COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

That:

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2. PREPARATION OF DELIVERY PLAN 2017-2021 S4.13.12

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**TO ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL 28/6/2017**

<b>ITEM NO:</b>	1.	<b>FILE NO:</b> S5.19.1
<b>DESTINATION 1:</b>	A recognised leader in a broader context	<b>R</b>
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b>PUBLIC LANDS MANAGEMENT ISSUES</b>	
<b>PREPARED BY:</b>	Paul Henry, General Manager	

**SUMMARY:**

Council has received a request to consider accepting Trusteeship of two (2) Crown Reserves. Council is being asked to refer the matter to Closed Committee for consideration.

**COMMENTARY:**

*Local Government Act 1993* (the Act), and the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2005* makes provision for the closure of meetings to the public and media in specified circumstances. In particular s.10A of the Act provides that Council may close to the public and media so much of a meeting as relates to the discussion and consideration of information identified in s.10A(2). The matters which may be closed to the public and media, as stated in the Act, must involve:

- (a) *Personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors.)*
- (b) *The personal hardship of any resident or ratepayer.*
- (c) *Information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.*
- (d) *Commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed:*
  - (i) *prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, or*
  - (ii) *confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council, or*
  - (iii) *reveal a trade secret.*
- (e) *Information that would, if disclosed, prejudice the maintenance of law.*
- (f) *Matters affecting the security of the council, councillors, council staff or council property.*
- (g) *Advice concerning litigation, or advice that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the grounds of legal professional privilege.*
- (h) *Information concerning the nature and location of a place or an item of Aboriginal significance on community land.*

In considering whether to close a part of a meeting to the public and media, Councillors are also reminded of further provisions of s.10D of the Act which states:

***Grounds for closing part of meeting to be specified***

- (1) *The grounds on which part of a meeting is closed must be stated in the decision to close that part of the meeting and must be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.*
- (2) *The grounds must specify the following:*
  - (a) *the relevant provision of section 10A (2),*
  - (b) *the matter that is to be discussed during the closed part of the meeting,*
  - (c) *the reasons why the part of the meeting is being closed, including (if the matter concerned is a matter other than a personnel matter concerning particular individuals, the personal hardship of a resident or ratepayer or a trade secret) an explanation of the way*

*in which discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance, contrary to the public interest.*

Having regard for the requirements stated in s.10D of the Act Councillors should note that the matter listed for discussion in Closed Committee includes information considered to be commercially sensitive.

The recommendation that this item of business be considered in Closed Committee is specifically relied on section 10A(2)(d)(i) of the Act as consideration of the matter involves:

- a) Commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, and
- b) On balance, the public interest in preserving the confidentiality of the matter outweighs the public interest in openness and transparency in Council decision-making by discussing the matter in open meeting.

#### **RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN, DELIVERY PLAN AND OPERATIONAL PLAN:**

**Strategy:** R.08 Council leads the community by influencing and participating in policy development to the benefit of the Shire through partnerships and alliances with government, regional interests, shire groups and communities.

**Term Achievement:** R.08.01 A targeted program of advocacy and policy discussion is being conducted with the active cooperation of others benefiting interests around social, environmental, economic and infrastructure priorities.

**Operational Objective:** R.08.01.01 To facilitate intergovernmental relations to ensure maximum cooperation between the Council and the Federal and State Governments to achieve the optimum support for the Inverell Shire

#### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil.

#### **CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICERS COMMENT:**

Nil.

#### **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

*That the matter be referred to Closed Council for consideration as:*

- i) the matters and information are 'commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.' (Section 10A(2)(d)(i) of the Local Government Act, 1993);*
- ii) on balance the public interest in preserving the confidentiality of the information outweighs the public interest in openness and transparency in Council decision-making by discussing the matter in open meeting; and*
- iii) all reports and correspondence relevant to the subject business be withheld from access to the media and public as required by section 11(2) of the Local Government Act, 1993.*



<b>ITEM NO:</b>	2.	<b>FILE NO:</b> S12.5.3
<b>DESTINATION 5:</b>	The communities are served by sustainable services and infrastructure	<b>S</b>
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b>ADOPTION OF 2017/2018 OPERATIONAL PLAN AND BUDGET</b>	
<b>PREPARED BY:</b>	Ken Beddie, Director Corporate & Economic Services	

**SUMMARY:**

Council adopted the 2017/2018 Draft Operational Plan and Budget, Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP) at its April, 2017, Meeting. These Documents were subsequently placed on public exhibition, along with a copy of the Presentation provided to the April, 2017 meeting in this matter for a period of twenty eight (28) days. The community was invited to provide submissions on the documents in accordance with Section 405 of the *Local Government Act, 1993* and sound community consultation principles.

The purpose of this report is for Council now to adopt the 2017/2018 Operational Plan and Budget, Long Term Financial Plan, to make its rates and charges for 2017/2018, and to vote its expenditure for 2017/2018.

**COMMENTARY:**1. Voting of Expenditure for 2017/2018

Council at its meeting on 26 April, 2017, resolved to adopt the Draft 2017/2018 Operational Plan and Budget. These documents were prepared in accordance with Council's IPART approved Fit for the Future Roadmap and the strategic direction/actions detailed in the Roadmap and the LTFP as required by the NSW Office of Local Government.

The prescribed advertisement was subsequently placed in The Inverell Times on Friday 28 April, 2017, and the Draft Operational Plan and Budget was placed on public display, on Council's website, on Council's Facebook page and at various locations across the Shire. A copy of Council's estimated budget results for 2017/2018 is provided at Appendix 1 (D13-D15).

Operational Plan

In accordance with Section 405 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, the Draft Budget (incorporating Operational Plan) as prepared has been placed on public exhibition. The closing date of submissions in relation to the Operational Plan was Monday 29 May, 2017, at 10.00 am. Council has received no public submissions.

Section 406 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, stipulates that:

*"In deciding the final plan to be adopted, Council must take into consideration any submissions that have been made concerning the Draft Operational Plan prepared and exhibited in accordance with this part."*

It is now necessary for Council to formally vote the respective amounts established for expenditure in 2017/2018. A recommendation to this effect is detailed at the conclusion of this report.

2. Making of Rates and Fixing of Charges for 2017/2018

At its meeting on 26 April, 2017, Council adopted the various rates and charges, for its General, Water and Sewerage activities, and Waste Management Services. In adopting the rates and

charges Council utilised the full maximum rate pegging increase of 1.5% and an IPART approved special rate variation of 4.75%. Council also resolved not to increase the annual waste management charges, water access charge and sewerage charges during 2017/2018 to lessen the impact of the IPART approved SRV.

Council is now required to formally make these rates and charges for the 2017/2018 budget year. The necessary resolutions for making the rates and fixing of charges are contained at the end of this report.

3. Establishment of Rate of Interest Payable on Overdue Rates

The *Local Government Act 1993*, requires councils to establish the rate of interest that it will charge on any overdue rates during 2017/2018. The interest rate set by Council must not exceed the percentage determined by the Minister in accordance with Section 566 (3). Advice has been received that the rate prescribed for the abovementioned section is 7.5% per annum for the 2017/2018 rating year.

It should be noted that the *Local Government Act 1993*, permits Council to amend the level of interest rates and therefore Council is not committed to maintain the same interest rate for the whole of the rating year. Further, the *Local Government Act 1993*, provides a number of means for dealing with approaches from members of the public who claim hardship due to the imposition of interest charges on outstanding rates.

The principle actions available are:

- a) To write off extra charges; and
- b) To accept payments by instalments and write off or reduce extra charges.

The necessary resolution for the setting of the interest rate for overdue rates and charges is contained at the end of this report.

4. Long Term Financial Plans

Council at its meeting on 26 April, 2017, resolved to adopt the Draft 2017/2028 Long Term Financial Plan. This document was prepared in accordance with Council's IPART approved Fit for the Future Roadmap and the strategic direction detailed in the Roadmap as required by the NSW Office of Local Government. This document was the subject of comprehensive presentations provided to the April, 2017 Economic and Community Sustainability Committee and Council meeting.

To ensure sound community consultation an advertisement was placed in The Inverell Times on Friday 28 April, 2017, and the Draft Long Term Financial Plan was placed on public display, on Council's website and Council's Facebook Page. The closing date of submissions in relation to the Long Term Financial Plan was Monday 29 May, 2017, at 10.00 am. Council has received no public submissions.

It is now necessary to formally adopt the 2017-2028 Long Term Financial Plan. A recommendation to this effect is detailed at the conclusion of this report.

5. Public Submissions

In accordance with the provisions of Section 405 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, to ensure good governance, transparency and to enable sound community consultation, the abovementioned documents were placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days. This matter was widely publicised in the local media (press release, prescribed advertisement and article in Inverell Times, and discussed on local Radio Talkback), on Council's website and on Council's Facebook page. Hard copies of the documents were also provided at eight (8) locations across the Shire as detailed in the advertisement and the community was provided with the opportunity to obtain copies of the documents "free of charge".

At the close of public exhibition period Council had not received any public submissions

**RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN, DELIVERY PLAN AND OPERATIONAL PLAN:**

**Strategy:** S.01 Sound Local Government Administration, Governance and Financial Management are provided.

**POLICY IMPLICATIONS:**

The Operational Plan is one of Council's major policy documents. It sets out how Council will discharge its responsibilities to the community. The adoption of the Operational Plan and Budget enables the process of Council setting its rates and charges and voting of its expenditures for 2017/2018.

**CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICERS COMMENT:**

The 2017/2018 Operational Plan and Budget provides the basis of Council's operations for the ensuing year. The Budget provides the finances necessary for Council to conduct its operations during the 2017/2018 Financial Year. The following matters are highlighted.

- A Balanced Budget has been achieved in all Funds,
- The Budget provides for a CONTINUATION OF ALL of Council's existing services and works/asset management programs in accordance with Council's IPART approved Fit for the Future Roadmap as required by the NSW Office of Local Government.

**LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Council is required under the provisions of Sections 401 - 407 of the *Local Government Act, 1993*, to prepare, publicise and adopt an Operational Plan and Budget with respect to Council's works and activities for at least the next three years. Council is required under the NSW State Government Integrated Planning and Reporting Guidelines, 2013 to prepare a Long Term Financial Plan and Asset Management Plan. These Plans must accord to Council's IPART approved Fit for the Future Roadmap.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

*That:*

*1. Voting for Expenditure for 2017/2018*

*That the respective amounts set out in the 2017/2018 Operational Plan and Budget vide Resolution Number 28/17 be confirmed and voted for the carrying out of the various works and services of the Council for 2017/2018.*

*2. Operational Plan*

*That the 2017/2018 Operational Plan and Budget as exhibited in accordance with Section 405 of the Local Government Act 1993, incorporating the SRV as approved by IPART (General Rate Increase of 6.25%) be adopted. Noting that under this scenario Council will meet the NSW State Government FFF Program requirements and be "Fit For the Future"*

*3. Fees and Charges for 2017/2018*

*That the Fees and Charges as adopted on 26 April, 2017, Resolution Number 28/17, be fixed for 2017/2018 including, the Stormwater Management Charge of \$25.00 per residential assessment, \$12.50 per Residential Strata lot and \$25.00 for Business Premises for each 350 square metres or additional part thereof, subject to a maximum on Business Premises of \$200.*

4. *Fixing of Rates*

a) *General Activities*

- i) *Whereas the Estimates of Income and Expenditure of the Consolidated Fund for the year 2017/2018 were adopted by Council on 26 April, 2017, and whereas such estimates were advertised in The Inverell Times on 28 April 2017, and in accordance with S.535 of the Local Government Act, 1993, it is hereby recommended that:*

*RESIDENTIAL – INVERELL*

*A Residential – Inverell rate of 1.24395 cents in the dollar on the 2016 land value of all rateable residential land in the town of Inverell;*

*RESIDENTIAL – GENERAL*

*A Residential - General rate of 0.88290 cents in the dollar on the 2016 land value of all other rateable residential land including the villages of Bonshaw, Wandera, Bukkulla, Graman, Mount Russell, Oakwood, Elsmore, Gum Flat, Little Plain and Nullamanna;*

*RESIDENTIAL VILLAGES – ASHFORD*

*A Residential Villages – Ashford rate of 2.29680 cents in the dollar on the 2016 land value of all rateable residential land in the village of Ashford;*

*RESIDENTIAL VILLAGES – DELUNGRA*

*A Residential Villages – Delungra rate of 1.49670 cents in the dollar on the 2016 land value of all rateable residential land in the village of Delungra;*

*RESIDENTIAL VILLAGES – GILGAI*

*A Residential Villages – Gilgai rate of 1.12230 cents in the dollar on the 2016 land value of all rateable residential land in the village of Gilgai;*

*RESIDENTIAL - YETMAN*

*A Residential Villages – Yetman rate of 1.93110 cents in the dollar on the 2016 land value of all rateable residential land in the village of Yetman;*

*BUSINESS – INVERELL INDUSTRIAL / COMMERCIAL*

*A Business Inverell / Commercial rate of 3.43925 cents in the dollar on the 2016 land value of all non-residential lands zoned as Industrial or Business in the Shire;*

*BUSINESS – OTHER*

*A Business – Other rate of 2.34820 in the dollar on the 2016 land value of all other business lands in the Shire;*

*FARMLAND*

*A Farmland rate of 0.39956 cents in the dollar on the 2016 land value of all rateable land in the Shire being farmland;*

*RESIDENTIAL RURAL*

*A Residential Rural rate of 0.59970 cents in the dollar on the 2016 land value of all*

rateable land that satisfies the description of Rural Residential land as defined by the Local Government Act, 1993;

**MINING**

A Mining rate of 2.8000 cents in the dollar on the 2016 land value of all rateable land in the Shire being mining land (Coal and Metalliferous Mines);

Now be made for the year ending 30 June, 2018;

- ii) The Base Amount for each rateable assessment be \$198.00 for all categories and sub-categories. The percentage, in conformity with Section 500 is:

<u>Category/Sub-category</u>	<u>Percentage of levy for Category/Subcategory raised from base amount (must be &lt; 50%)</u>
Residential Inverell	19.92%
Residential General	31.73%
Residential Villages - Ashford	41.52%
Residential Villages - Delungra	39.43%
Residential Villages - Gilgai	34.86%
Residential Villages – Yetman	40.35%
Business - Inverell Industrial / Commercial	3.93%
Business - Other	13.86%
Farmland	7.25%
Residential Rural	21.40%
Mining	0.00%

- b) Water Supply

- i) Whereas the estimates of Income and Expenditure for the Consolidated Fund for the year 2017/2018 were adopted by Council on 26 April, 2017, and whereas estimates including notice of the proposal to make and levy a charge in connection therewith were advertised in The Inverell Times newspaper on 28 April, 2017, IT IS hereby resolved that a Water Supply Charge of \$364.00 on all land rateable to the Water Supply charge in pursuance of Section 552 of the Local Government Act, 1993, be now made for the year ending 30 June, 2018.
- ii) The annual water availability charge for properties with more than one meter be \$364.00 per additional water meter.
- iii) The charge for water consumed and charged for by meter be fixed at \$1.48 per kilolitre for commercial water users.
- iv) The charge for water consumed be charged for by meter and be A STEPPED TARIFF at a cost of \$1.48 per kilolitre for water consumption between 0 to 600 kilolitres, and \$1.73 for water consumed over 600 kilolitres for all users excluding raw water users, commercial, abattoirs, sporting associations, and Armidale Regional Council.
- v) The charge for water consumed and charged for by meter be fixed at 78.00 cents per kilolitre for Abattoirs, plus a 20% early settlement discount for 2017/2018.
- vi) The charge for water consumed by sporting associations be charged at \$1.05 per kilolitre.
- vii) The charge for water consumed by Armidale Regional Council be charged at \$1.48 per kilolitre.

viii) *The charge for water consumed and charged for by meter be fixed at 38.0 cents per kilolitre for raw water users.*

c) *Sewerage Services*

i) *Whereas the Estimates of Income and Expenditure for the Consolidated Fund for the year 2017/2018 were adopted by Council on 26 April, 2017, and whereas Estimates including notice of the proposal to make and levy a charge in connection therewith were advertised in The Inverell Times newspaper on 28 April, 2017, it is hereby resolved that a Sewerage Charge Occupied of \$500.00 on all land rateable to the sewerage charge in pursuance of Section 552 of the Local Government Act, 1993, now be made, excepting any assessment in respect of land not built upon and not supplied with sewerage in which case a Sewerage Charge Unoccupied of \$313.00.*

*In accordance with Section 501(1) the following charges be made for the year ending 30 June, 2018, for the provision of other sewerage services:*

*Hotels/Licensed Clubs Charge* *\$1,500.00*

*(Excludes motels, clubs, hostels, nursing home hostels)*

*Nursing Homes/Supported Aged Care Sewerage Charge*

*\$2,342.00*

*Charge for Residential Flat or Unit Buildings, Attached and Detached Dual Occupancy developments, Multi Housing developments, Retirement Living Units, and Boarding Houses.*

*1 Service = 1 Unit/Flat, eg a six (6) Unit/Flat development used for residential purposes on a single General Assessment will pay for six (6) services, ie \$2065.00 for 2017/2018. One (1) Duplex = two (2) Units.*

<i>Number of Services per Assessment</i>	<i>Annual Charge Per Assessment</i>
<i>1</i>	<i>\$ 500.00</i>
<i>2</i>	<i>\$ 813.00</i>
<i>3</i>	<i>\$ 1,126.00</i>
<i>4</i>	<i>\$ 1,439.00</i>
<i>5</i>	<i>\$ 1,752.00</i>
<i>6</i>	<i>\$ 2,065.00</i>
<i>7</i>	<i>\$ 2,378.00</i>
<i>8</i>	<i>\$ 2,691.00</i>
<i>9</i>	<i>\$ 3,004.00</i>
<i>10</i>	<i>\$ 3,317.00</i>
<i>11</i>	<i>\$ 3,630.00</i>
<i>12</i>	<i>\$ 3,943.00</i>
<i>13</i>	<i>\$ 4,256.00</i>
<i>14</i>	<i>\$ 4,569.00</i>
<i>15</i>	<i>\$ 4,882.00</i>
	<i>etc</i>

Non-rateable Properties Charges

Schools - w/c's	\$75.00*
Other - w/c's	\$124.40*
Urinals	\$75.00*

(\* these charges are per receptacle).

Motels Charges

Motel Residence	\$500.00
Motel Restaurant	\$500.00
Ensuite/Room per service*	\$156.60

\* Eg A six (6) room motel will pay for six (6) services, ie \$939.60

Motel/Hotel Complex Charges

Hotel	\$1,500.00
Motel Residence	\$500.00
Ensuite/Room per service*	\$156.60

\* Eg A six (6) room motel will pay for six (6) services, ie \$939.60

Caravan Parks Charges

Caravan Park Residence	\$500.00
Caravan Park Amenities Block	\$1,500.00
Ensuite Cabin per service	\$156.60

5. Waste Management Charges

Waste Management Charge

In accordance with Section 501 of the Local Government Act, 1993 a Waste Management Charge of \$80.00 per assessment be made for the year ending 30 June, 2018, on all rateable land.

Domestic Waste Management

In accordance with Section 496 the following charges be made for the year ending 30 June, 2018, for the provision of domestic waste management services:

Domestic Waste Management Charge – Un-Occupied      \$50.00

Domestic Waste Management Charge - Occupied

Number of Services Per Assessment	Annual Charge Per Assessment
1	\$ 320.00
2	\$ 640.00
3	\$ 960.00
4	\$ 1,280.00
5	\$ 1,600.00
6	\$ 1,920.00
7	\$ 2,240.00
8	\$ 2,560.00

9	\$	2,880.00
10	\$	3,200.00
11	\$	3,520.00
12	\$	3,840.00
13	\$	4,160.00
14	\$	4,480.00
15	\$	4,800.00
		etc

Other Waste Management Services

*In accordance with Section 502 the following charges be made for the year ending 30 June, 2018, for the provision of other waste management services (Collection from Business/Commercial Premises):*

**Other Waste Management Charge**

<i>Number of Services</i>	<i>Yearly Charge Per Service (excl GST)</i>
1	\$ 320.00
2	\$ 640.00
3	\$ 960.00
4	\$ 1,280.00
5	\$ 1,600.00
6	\$ 1,920.00
7	\$ 2,240.00
8	\$ 2,560.00
9	\$ 2,880.00
10	\$ 3,200.00
11	\$ 3,520.00
12	\$ 3,840.00
13	\$ 4,160.00
14	\$ 4,480.00
15	\$ 4,800.00
	etc

*Weekly Commercial Recycling Charge \$ 110.00 plus GST  
Fortnightly Commercial Recycling Charge \$ 55.00 plus GST*

**6. Interest Charges on Overdue Rates and Charges**

*Extra charges on overdue rates and charges will be levied at the rate of seven and half (7.5%) per cent per annum on a daily simple interest basis for the year ending 30 June 2018.*

**7. Long Term Financial Plan**

*That the 2017-2028 Long Term Financial Plan as exhibited, be adopted in accordance with Council's IPART FFF Roadmap approved scenario.*



<b>ITEM NO:</b>	3.	<b>FILE NO:</b> S5.19.1
<b>DESTINATION 5:</b>	The communities are served by sustainable services and infrastructure	<b>S</b>
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b>ACQUISITION OF LAND – OLIVER STREET EXTENSION</b>	
<b>PREPARED BY:</b>	Paul Henry, General Manager	

**SUMMARY:**

Council resolved to authorise the resumption of an area of land bounded by Arthur Street, Swanbrook Road and Evans Street in October 2015 to enable the regularising of roads in that vicinity. Council is being asked to authorise the making of the application to the Department of Local Government following registration of the Plan of Acquisition.

**COMMENTARY:**

In October 2015 Council considered plans for the regularising of roads where Byron Street, Arthur Street and Swanbrook Roads converge to address road safety concerns and traffic congestion in that vicinity.

The roadwork plans involved an extension of Oliver Street through the parcel of land bounded by Arthur Street, Swanbrook Road and Evans Street.

Following consideration of the issue, Council resolved that the General Manager be authorised to deal with the Department of Primary Industries - Lands to resume the necessary land.

The Department of Primary Industries – Lands subsequently consented to the acquisition proceeding.

A Plan of Acquisition was then prepared and lodged with Land & Property Information. The Plan is now registered and the parcel of land is identified as Lot 1 DP 1231314.

Council is now asked to authorise the making of the application to the Department of Local Government to compulsorily acquire Lot 1 DP 1231314. It must be noted that the resolution could not be put to Council until such time as the Plan of Acquisition had been registered.

Following approval of the acquisition by the Department Local Government, Council will need to issue a Proposed Acquisition Notice to the Department of Primary Industries – Lands, the New South Wales Aboriginal Land Council and the registered claimant (Gomerioi People). Council must then notify the Registrar-General and the Valuer General.

A Proposed Acquisition Notice must be given at least 90 days before the land is compulsorily acquired.

A Notice of Acquisition must then be published in the Government Gazette.

Following gazettal, Council must forward a copy of the gazette notice, the compensation determination (as determined by the Valuer-General) and Council's cheque for the compensation amount.

**RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN, DELIVERY PLAN AND OPERATIONAL PLAN:**

**Strategy:** S.10 Maintain and enhance a safe, efficient and effective local road network.

**Term Achievement:** S.10.01 Road network capacity, safety and efficiency are improved and traffic congestion is reduced.

**Operational Objective:** S.10.01.01 A program is being implemented to address deficiencies and areas of congestion in the local road network.

**POLICY IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil.

**CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICERS COMMENT:**

Nil.

**LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Nil.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

*That:*

1. *Council proceed with the compulsory acquisition of the land described as Lot 1 DP 1231314 for the purpose of extending Oliver Street to improve road safety in accordance with the requirements of the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991.*
2. *Council make an application to the Minister and the Governor for approval to acquire Lot 1 DP 1231314 by compulsory process under section 177(1) of the Roads Act.*

## APPENDIX 1

**INVERELL SHIRE COUNCIL  
ESTIMATES OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE  
(COMBINED GENERAL, WATER AND SEWERAGE FUNDS)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE 2018**

ESTIMATES FOR	ESTIMATED Expenses	ESTIMATED Revenues	ESTIMATED Operating Result
<b>Functions/Activities</b>			
Governance	317,695	-	317,695
Administration	6,745,226	(4,893,053)	1,852,173
Public Order & Safety	1,026,043	(521,728)	504,315
Health	(245,187)	(20,750)	(265,937)
Environment	2,991,996	(3,351,295)	(359,299)
Community Services & Education	104,705	(1,260)	103,445
Housing & Community Amenities	966,615	(267,690)	698,925
Water Supplies	3,344,292	(4,413,725)	(1,069,433)
Sewerage Services	1,747,629	(2,627,550)	(879,921)
Recreation & Culture	2,092,478	(171,490)	1,920,988
Mining Manufacturing & Construction	329,630	(177,600)	152,030
Transport & Communication	5,293,763	(4,586,226)	707,537
Economic Affairs	1,287,635	(308,000)	979,635
General Purpose Revenue	4,000	(17,608,118)	(17,604,118)
<i>Sub Totals - Functions</i>	26,006,520	(38,948,485)	(12,941,965)
<b>Add Expenses not Involving Flows of Funds</b>			
Depreciation			8,226,350
Increase in Employee's Leave Entitlements			2,388,960
Carrying Amount of Assets Sold			239,800
<b>Subtract Income not Involving Flow of Funds</b>			
Non-Cash Contributions (eg Land)			
<i>Sub Total - Funds Not Involving Flow of Funds</i>			10,855,110
<b>Less Non-Operating Funds Employed</b>			
Proceeds from Sale of Assets			(436,000)
Costs of Real Estate Asset Sold			
Loan Fund Used			-
Other Debt Finance			
Repayment by Deferred Debtors			-
<i>Sub Total - Non-Operating Funds Employed</i>			(436,000)
<b>Add Funds Deployed for Non Operating Purposes</b>			
Acquisition of Assets			11,377,563
Development of Real Estate			
Advances to Deferred Debtors			
Repayment of Loans			552,390
Repayment of Other Debts			
<i>Sub total - Funds Deployed for Non operating Purposes</i>			11,929,953
<b>Subtract Unexpended Grants &amp; Contributions Received During the Year</b>			
Unexpended Specific Purpose Grants			-
Developer Contributions (S.94 and Water & Sewer)			(167,250)
<i>Sub Total - Unexpended Grants &amp; Contributions Received During the Year</i>			(167,250)
<b>Total Income and Expenditure</b>			9,239,848
Add Back Non Cash Amounts			(8,466,150)
Add Transfers to/(from) Internally Restricted Assets			(776,965)
<b>BUDGET (SURPLUS)/DEFICIT</b>			(3,267)

BUDGET SUMMARY FOR YEAR ENDING 30JUNE 2018				
The anticipated result for the year is a deficit of \$9,239,848 which consists of:				
GENERAL	7,697,947	Deficit		
WATER SUPPLY	836,952	Deficit		
SEWERAGE SERVICES	704,949	Deficit		
<b>TOTAL*</b>	<b>9,239,848</b>	<b>Deficit</b>		
*These reflect the results of activities EXCLUDING the net movement of internally restricted asset (Reserves)				
To assist in understanding the result under the old "Working Funds" format the result are as listed in the following table				
	GENERAL	WATER	SEWERAGE	TOTAL
Anticipated (Surplus)/ Deficit	7,697,947	836,952	704,949	9,239,848
Deduct Depreciation	(6,682,350)	(838,000)	(706,000)	(8,226,350)
Net Reserves Utilised	(776,965)	-	-	(776,965)
Carrying Amount of of Assets Sold	(239,800)	-	-	(239,800)
<b>Working Funds Results (Surplus) / Deficit</b>	<b>(1,168)</b>	<b>(1,048)</b>	<b>(1,051)</b>	<b>(3,267)</b>

**INVERELL SHIRE COUNCIL  
BUDGETED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
(COMBINED GENERAL, WATER AND SEWERAGE FUNDS)**

ESTIMATES FOR	2017/2018 \$000
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>	
<b><u>Receipts</u></b>	
<i>Rates &amp; Annual Charges</i>	( 18,473)
<i>User Charges &amp; Fees</i>	( 3,446)
<i>Interest &amp; Investment Revenue</i>	( 1,027)
<i>Other Revenue</i>	( 423)
<i>Grants &amp; Contributions provided for operating purposes</i>	( 9,964)
<i>Grants &amp; Contributions-Capital</i>	( 926)
<b><u>Payments</u></b>	
<i>Employee Benefits &amp; On Costs</i>	13,312
<i>Borrowing Costs</i>	182
<i>Materials &amp; Contracts</i>	5,847
<i>Other Expenses</i>	4,198
<i>Suspense / Disbursement Accounts</i>	-
<i>Net Cash provided by (or used in) operating activities</i>	( 10,720)
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>	
<b><u>Receipts</u></b>	
<i>Sale of investments</i>	
<i>Sale of Real Estate Assets</i>	
<i>Sale of Property, Plant &amp; Equipment</i>	( 436)
<i>Sale of interest in joint ventures/associates</i>	
<i>Other</i>	
<b><u>Payments</u></b>	
<i>Purchase of Investments</i>	
<i>Purchase of Property, Plant &amp; Equipment</i>	11,378
<i>Purchase of Real Estate</i>	
<i>Other</i>	
<i>Net cash provided by (or used in) investing activities</i>	10,942
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>	
<b><u>Receipts</u></b>	
<i>Borrowings &amp; Advances</i>	-
<i>Other</i>	
<b><u>Payments</u></b>	
<i>Borrowings &amp; Advances</i>	552
<i>Lease Liabilities</i>	
<i>Other</i>	
<i>Net cash provided by (or used in) financing activities</i>	552
<i>Net Increase/(decrease) in cash assets held</i>	774

**COUNCIL OF THE SHIRE OF INVERELL  
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET  
(COMBINED GENERAL, WATER AND SEWERAGE FUNDS)  
INCLUDING FFF ROADMAP STRATEGY (14.25% REVENUE PATH)**

	Audited Actual 2016 \$'000	Estimated 2017 \$'000	Estimated 2018 \$'000	Estimated 2019 \$'000	Estimated 2020 \$'000	Estimated 2021 \$'000	Estimated 2022 \$'000
<b>ASSETS</b>							
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>							
Cash and Cash Equivalents	3,824	3,792	2,962	2,641	2,525	2,640	3,952
Investments	43,010	43,010	43,010	43,010	43,010	43,010	43,010
Receivables	4,785	4,795	4,805	4,815	4,825	4,835	4,845
Inventories	605	605	605	605	605	605	605
Other	83	83	83	83	83	83	83
Non-Current assets classified as held for sale	481	481	481	481	481	481	481
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>52,788</b>	<b>52,766</b>	<b>51,946</b>	<b>51,635</b>	<b>51,529</b>	<b>51,654</b>	<b>52,976</b>
<b>NON - CURRENT ASSETS</b>							
Investments	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Receivables	250	240	230	220	210	200	190
Infrastructure, Property, Plant and Equipment	615,575	620,504	623,416	626,701	630,140	633,544	635,126
Investment Property	2,725	2,725	2,725	2,725	2,725	2,725	2,725
<b>TOTAL NON - CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>623,550</b>	<b>628,469</b>	<b>631,371</b>	<b>634,646</b>	<b>638,075</b>	<b>641,469</b>	<b>643,041</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>676,338</b>	<b>681,235</b>	<b>683,317</b>	<b>686,281</b>	<b>689,604</b>	<b>693,123</b>	<b>696,017</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>							
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>							
Payables	2,969	2,914	2,858	2,801	2,743	2,684	2,624
Borrowings	529	552	575	600	626	653	617
Provisions	4,024	4,024	4,024	4,024	4,024	4,024	4,024
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	<b>7,522</b>	<b>7,490</b>	<b>7,457</b>	<b>7,425</b>	<b>7,393</b>	<b>7,361</b>	<b>7,265</b>
<b>NON - CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>							
Payables	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Borrowings	4,692	4,141	3,566	2,966	2,340	1,687	1,070
Provisions	1,704	1,704	1,704	1,704	1,704	1,704	1,704
<b>TOTAL NON - CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	<b>6,396</b>	<b>5,845</b>	<b>5,270</b>	<b>4,670</b>	<b>4,044</b>	<b>3,391</b>	<b>2,774</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>13,918</b>	<b>13,335</b>	<b>12,727</b>	<b>12,095</b>	<b>11,437</b>	<b>10,752</b>	<b>10,039</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<b>662,420</b>	<b>667,900</b>	<b>670,590</b>	<b>674,186</b>	<b>678,167</b>	<b>682,371</b>	<b>685,978</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>							
Retained Earnings	502,078	507,558	510,248	513,844	517,825	522,029	525,636
Revaluation Reserves	160,342	160,342	160,342	160,342	160,342	160,342	160,342
Council equity interest	662,420	667,900	670,590	674,186	678,167	682,371	685,978
Minority equity interest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>	<b>662,420</b>	<b>667,900</b>	<b>670,590</b>	<b>674,186</b>	<b>678,167</b>	<b>682,371</b>	<b>685,978</b>

**TO ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL 28/6/2017**

<b>ITEM NO:</b>	1.	<b>FILE NO:</b> S7.2.4/10
<b>DESTINATION 3:</b>	An environment that is protected and sustained.	<b>E</b>
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b>CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATES APPROVED FOR MAY 2017</b>	
<b>PREPARED BY:</b>	Christy Galbraith, Administration Officer	

**SUMMARY:**

The following details the Construction Certificates approved by Council for May 2017.

**INFORMATION:**

<b><u>Construction Certificate Number</u></b>	<b><u>Applicant</u></b>	<b><u>Property</u></b>	<b><u>Construction</u></b>	<b><u>\$ Amount</u></b>
CC-146/2016	Ray White Rural – Inverell	23 Lawrence Street, Inverell 2360	Additions/Alterations to Building. Partial Use of Building as a Gym	150,000
CC-25/2017	Mr Andrew Joshua Cameron	16 Brissett Street, Inverell 2360	Construct Storage Shed	70,000
CC-27/2017	Jorgensen Building	44 Copeton Dam Road, Inverell 2360	Alterations/Additions to Dwelling. Tennis Court	399,000
CC-34/2017	Mr Geoffrey Gordon Potter	1195 Elsmore Road, Elsmore 2360	Construct Garage	19,000
CC-37/2017	Danbuilt Pty Ltd	6-8 Cloonan Terrace, Inverell 2360	Extension to Garage	30,000
CC-38/2017	CBS Partnership	21 Oliver Street, Inverell 2360	Construct Fence	4,500
CC-39/2017	Optus Mobile Pty Ltd	38 Lawrence Street, Inverell 2360	Telecommunications Facility (slim-line monopole design)	180,000
CC-43/2017	Mr Samuel Geoffrey Horwood	10 Box Tree Place, Inverell 2360	New Shed	5,000
<b>Monthly estimated value of Approvals: May 2017</b>			<b>8</b>	<b>857,500</b>

**SUMMARY:**

The following details the Amended Construction Certificates approved by Council for May 2017.

**INFORMATION:**

Nil

**SUMMARY:**

The following details the Construction Certificates approved by Private Certifier for May 2017.

**INFORMATION:**

<u>Construction Certificate Number</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Property</u>	<u>Construction</u>	<u>\$ Amount</u>
CC-42/2017	Ms Rhonda Wilczak	34 – 36 Bannockburn Road, Inverell 2360	Shed	40,000
<b>Monthly estimated value of Approvals: May 2017</b>			<b>1</b>	<b>40,000</b>

**AMENDED CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATES****SUMMARY:**

The following details the Amended Construction Certificates approved by Private Certifier for May 2017.

**INFORMATION:**

Nil

<b>ITEM NO:</b>	2.	<b>FILE NO:</b> S7.2.4/10
<b>DESTINATION 3:</b>	An environment that is protected and sustained.	<b>E</b>
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b>COMPLYING DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATES APPROVED DURING MAY 2017</b>	
<b>PREPARED BY:</b>	Christy Galbraith, Administration Officer	

**SUMMARY:**

The following details the Complying Development Certificates approved by Council during May 2017.

**INFORMATION:**

<b><u>Complying Development Number</u></b>	<b><u>Applicant</u></b>	<b><u>Property</u></b>	<b><u>Construction</u></b>	<b><u>\$ Amount</u></b>
CD-27/2017	Mr Alexander Peter George Eddy	5 Chisholm Street, Inverell 2360	Alterations and Additions	48,000
CD-28/2017	Mr Gregory Baxter	370 Fernhill Road, Inverell 2360	Addition to Shed	6,500
CD-30/2017	Integrity New Homes New England	333 Fernhill Road, Inverell 2360	New Dwelling	435,000
CD-31/2017	Mr Hayden Anthony Sutton	48 Clancys Drive, Inverell 2360	Verandah Addition	25,520
CD-33/2017	Mr Robert Bruce Rogers	102 Fullers Lane, Inverell 2360	New Shed	19,200
CD-34/2017	Mr Bruce William Wall	44 Caloola Drive, Inverell 2360	New Shed	19,500
<b>Monthly estimated value of Approvals: May 2017</b>			<b>6</b>	<b>553,720</b>

**AMENDED COMPLYING DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATES****SUMMARY:**

The following details the Amended Complying Development Certificates approved by Council for May 2017.

**INFORMATION:**

Nil

**SUMMARY:**

The following Complying Development Certificates were approved by Private Certifier for May 2017.

**INFORMATION:**

<b><u>Complying Development Number</u></b>	<b><u>Applicant</u></b>	<b><u>Property</u></b>	<b><u>Construction</u></b>	<b><u>\$ Amount</u></b>
CD-26/2017	Fox Building Certifiers	53 Clancys Drive, Inverell 2360	New Shed	39,000
CD-29/2017	Fox Building Certifiers	144 Old Bundarra Road, Inverell 2360	Additions to Dwelling	64,134
CD-32/2017	Fox Building Certifiers	26 George Street, Inverell 2360	New Shed	12,800
<b>Monthly estimated value of Approvals: May 2017</b>			<b>3</b>	<b>115,934</b>



ITEM NO:	3.	FILE NO: S7.2.4/10
DESTINATION 3:	An environment that is protected and sustained.	E
SUBJECT:	SUMMARY OF BUILDING CONSTRUCTION FOR MAY 2017	
PREPARED BY:	Christy Galbraith, Administration Officer	

### SUMMARY:

The following report summarises the Building Construction for the Inverell Shire in May 2017.

**INFORMATION:**

Total Building Construction for Inverell Shire for May 2017:

Type of Consent	Number	Amount
Construction Certificates – Council Approved	8	857,500
Construction Certificates – Private Certifier	1	40,000
Complying Development – Council Approved	6	553,720
Complying Development – Private Certifier	3	115,934
<b>Totals</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>1,567,154</b>

Estimated Value of Approvals issued in the financial ytd in:	<b>2016/2017</b>	<b>(186)</b>	<b>\$25,922,872</b>
	<b>2015/2016</b>	<b>(150)</b>	<b>\$52,073,043</b>

ITEM NO:	4.	FILE NO: S18.10.2/10
DESTINATION 3:	An environment that is protected and sustained	E
SUBJECT:	DEVELOPMENT CONSENTS AND REFUSALS DURING MAY 2017	
PREPARED BY:	Christy Galbraith, Administration Officer	

**SUMMARY:**

The following details the Development Consents and Refusals during May 2017.

**INFORMATION:**

**APPROVALS**

<b>Development Application Number</b>	<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Property</b>	<b>Development</b>	<b>\$ Amount</b>
DA-30/2017	Lagobon Pty Ltd	62 Oswald Street, Inverell 2360	One (1) into Two (2) Lot Subdivision	NIL
DA-31/2017	Jorgensen Building	44 Copeton Dam Road, Inverell 2360	Alterations/Additions to Dwelling. Tennis Court	399,000
DA-33/2017	Miss Kareena Lee Mitchell	Lot 1, Rifle Range Road, Inverell 2360	Additions to Dwelling	22,000
DA-38/2017	Mrs Frances Ann Enchelmaier	18 Brissett Street, Inverell 2360	Industrial Building	140,000
DA-40/2017	J I Noad & Co	3071 Yetman Road, Cherry Tree Hill 2360	Subdivision	NIL
DA-41/2017	Mrs Zoe Hannam	126 Otho Street, Inverell 2360	Change of Use - Shop to Fitness Studio	NIL
DA-42/2017	Mr Colin John Moore	169 Glen Innes Road, Inverell 2360	Multi Dwelling Housing and Subdivision	430,000
DA-43/2017	Danbuilt Pty Ltd	6 – 8 Cloonan Terrace, Inverell 2360	Extension to Garage and Boundary Adjustment	30,000
DA-44/2017	CBS Partnership	21 Oliver Street, Inverell 2360	Construct Fence	4,500
DA-45/2017	Australia Resource Development Group Pty Ltd	2816 Kings Plains Road, Sapphire 2360	Extractive Industry	\$30,000
DA-49/2017	Mr Samuel Geoffrey Horwood	10 Box Tree Place, Inverell 2360	New Shed	5,000
DA-50/2017	Mr Terrence Noel Lawlor	48 Queens Terrace, Inverell 2360	Install retaining wall along part portion of boundary	1,500
DA-56/2017	Mr Michael Paul Lewis	388 Goberts Road, Limestone 2361	Construct Dwelling	650,000
<b>Monthly estimated value of Approvals: May 2017</b>			<b>13</b>	<b>1,712,000</b>

**DEVELOPMENT AMENDMENTS**

<b>Development Application Number</b>	<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Property</b>	<b>Development</b>	<b>\$ Amount</b>
DA-59/2015/B	Mrs Lynda Grace Partridge	6C Brewery Street, Inverell 2360	Modification - Increase Number of Children from 28 to 30 and Use Additional Room for Child Care Service	N/A
DA-182/2015/A	Eastern Feeder Holdings Pty Ltd	176 Western Feeder, Kingsland 2370	Modification to DA-182/2015 - Expansion of Yarrandoo Open Cut Sapphire Mine	N/A
<b>Monthly estimated value of Approvals: May 2017</b>			<b>2</b>	<b>N/A</b>

**REFUSALS**

Nil

<b>ITEM NO:</b>	5.	<b>FILE NO:</b> S29.19.1
<b>DESTINATION 3:</b>	An environment that is protected and sustained	<b>E</b>
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b>SEPTIC TANK APPROVALS FOR MAY 2017</b>	
<b>PREPARED BY:</b>	Christy Galbraith, Administration Officer	

**SUMMARY:**

The following details the Septic Tank approvals for May 2017.

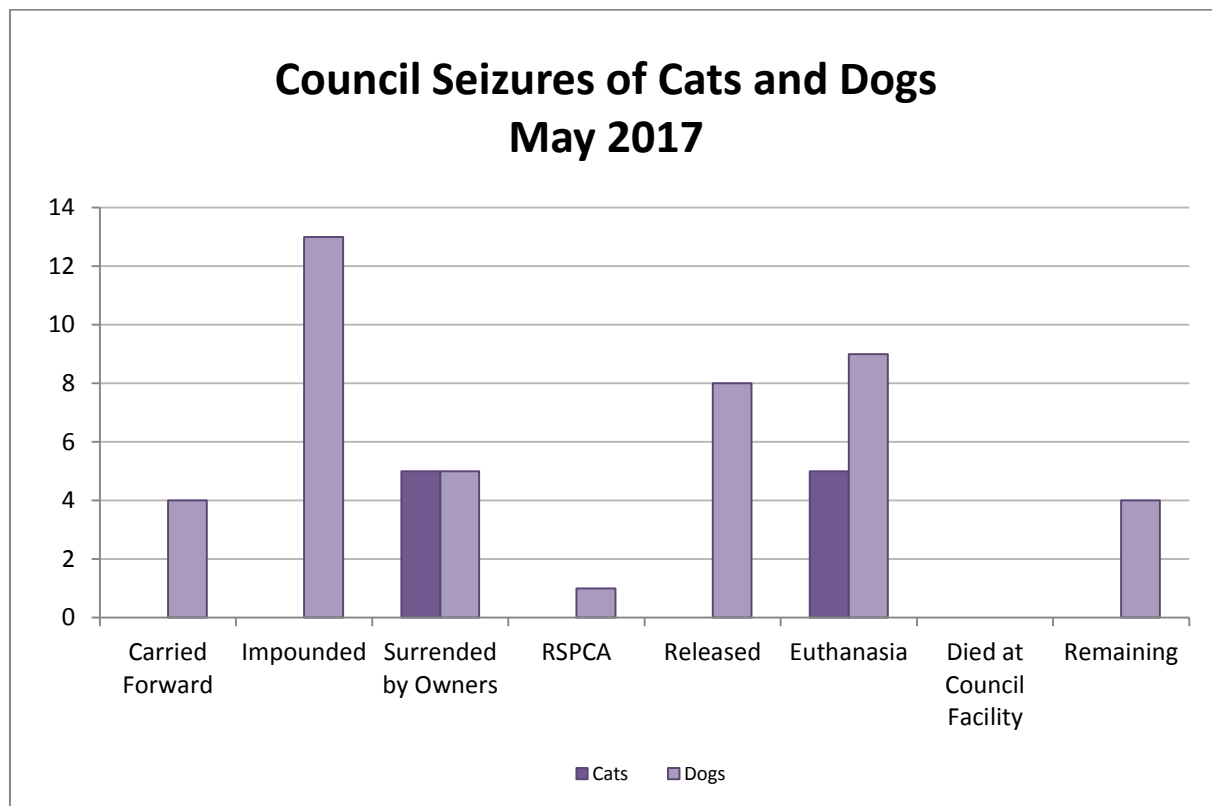
**INFORMATION:**

<b>Application Number</b>	<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Property</b>
S-13/2017	Integrity New Homes New England	333 Fernhill Road, Inverell 2360

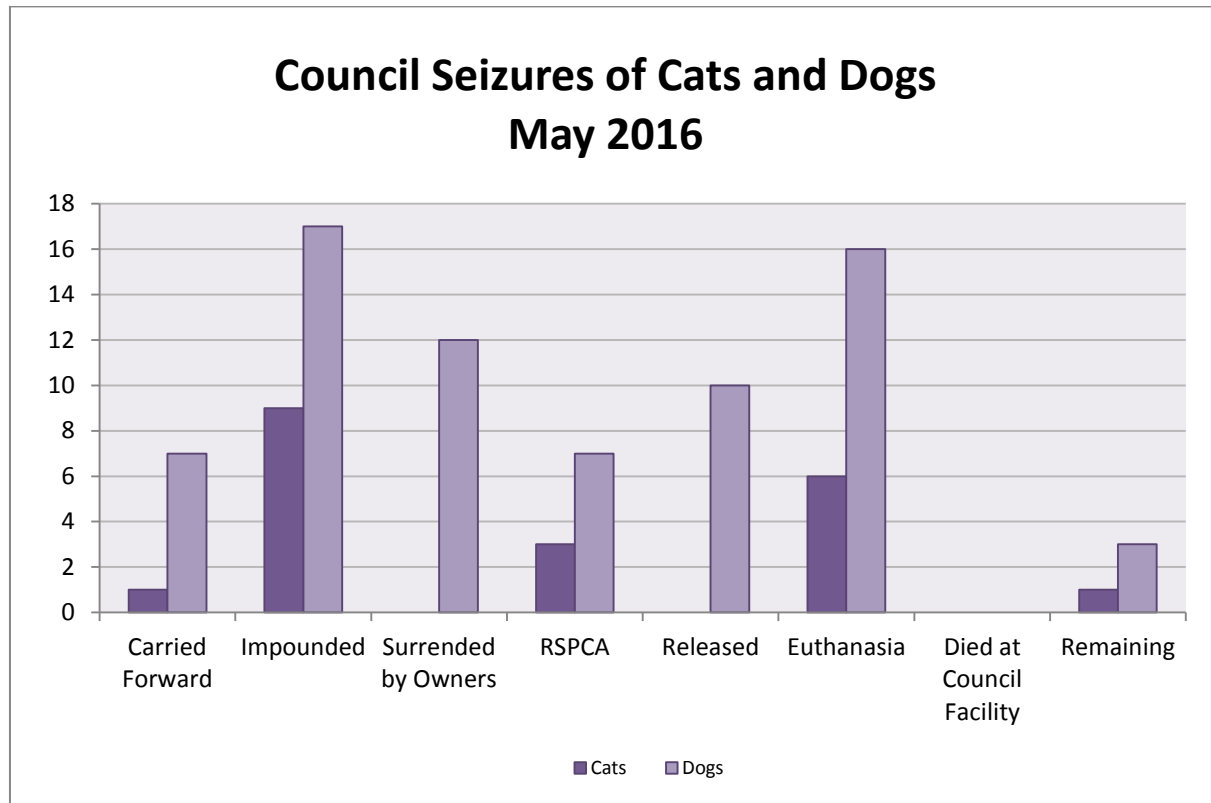
<b>ITEM NO:</b>	6.	<b>FILE NO:</b> S18.10.1
<b>DESTINATION 3:</b>	An environment that is protected and sustained	<b>E</b>
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b>ORDINANCE ACTIVITIES REPORT FOR MAY 2017</b>	
<b>PREPARED BY:</b>	Christy Galbraith, Administration Officer	

**SUMMARY:**

The following details the number of various Ordinance activities carried out during May 2017, in comparison to the same month in 2016.

**INFORMATION:****COMPLIANCE****Inverell Shire Council Pound Monthly Report May 2017**

Inverell Shire Council Pound Monthly Report May 2016



ITEM NO:	7.	FILE NO: S4.13.2
DESTINATION 1:	A recognised leader in a broader context.	<b>E</b>
SUBJECT:	<b>STRATEGIC TASKS – ‘SIGN OFF’ MAY 2017</b>	
PREPARED BY:	Paul Henry, General Manager	

**SUMMARY:**

A part of a successful governance program is a need for administration to indicate to the policy makers that the requirements of the legislation, under which the organisation operate, has been provided. As a result, this information report provides Councillors with a statement of assurance from the General Manager that in accordance with the *Local Government Act, 1993*; the tasks have been complied with.

**COMMENTARY:**

The May, 2017 tasks required to be undertaken are detailed below. Other tasks may be added to as Council become familiar with this new initiative.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Compliance Required</b>	<b>Achieved/Not Achieved</b>	<b>Comments</b>
24 May 2017	Federal Budget	Achieved	Summary report provided at Ordinary Meeting held 24 May, 2017.
31 May 2017	LIRS claim period for all projects approved for funding.	Achieved	Claim submitted 17 May, 2017.
31 May 2017	Fourth instalment of 2016.17 Financial Assistance Grants	Achieved	Received June, 2017.
31 May 2017	Responsible Accounting Officer (RAO) to submit QBRS review to Council (LGGR cl.203(1)).	Achieved	Submitted to June Economic and Community Sustainability Committee Meeting.
31 May 2017	Fourth quarterly rates instalment due (s.562).	Achieved	Due end of May, 2017.
31 May 2017	Requests to Valuer General for estimates of changes in value of land for supplementary valuations (s.513).	Achieved	Ongoing

I confirm that the performance criteria as set out in the criteria for scheduled tasks have been met for the months of May, 2017. I confirm the accuracy and completeness of the information provided above, in that to the best of my knowledge and understanding, all material information has been herein disclosed.

P J HENRY PSM

GENERAL MANAGER

<b>ITEM NO:</b>	8.	<b>FILE NO:</b> S13.5.5/09
<b>DESTINATION 1:</b>	A recognised leader in a broader context	<b>R</b>
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b>QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE – MAY 2017</b>	
<b>PREPARED BY:</b>	Alice Holton, Corporate Support Office - Telephonist	

**SUMMARY:**

The following details the Questions without Notice items raised at the Ordinary Meeting held 24 May, 2017.

Council is requested to note the actions taken to date.

**COMMENTARY:**

<b>BP/REF: ITEM NO:</b>	<b>SUBJECT and FILE REFERENCE:</b>	<b>COMMENTS:</b>
<b>QWN/ORD 12/17</b> Cr Baker	<u>Street Lighting</u>  Cr Baker reported that the street lights positioned over the crossing in Sweaney Street, adjacent to Woolworths, are not working and kindly requested that Council staff log the outage.	The fault has been reported to Essential Energy for their attention.
<b>QWN/ORD 13/17</b> Cr Baker	<u>Leave of Absence</u>  Cr Dight requested a leave of absence for the June 2017 Ordinary Meeting of Council, as she will be absent from the area for personal reasons.	<b>46/17 RESOLVED</b> <i>(Michael/Baker) that Cr Dight be granted a Leave of Absence for the June, 2017, Ordinary Meeting for personal reasons.</i>

<b>ITEM NO:</b>	9.	<b>FILE NO:</b> S14.10.1
<b>DESTINATION 1:</b>	A recognised leader in a broader context	<b>R</b>
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b>BORDER REGIONAL ORGANISATION OF COUNCILS (BROC) MEETING MINUTES – 2 JUNE 2017</b>	
<b>PREPARED BY:</b>	Paul Henry, General Manager	

**SUMMARY:**

A meeting of the Border Regional Organisation of Councils (BROC) was held on Friday, 2 June, 2017 in Warwick. The Minutes of the meeting and the proposal to construct the Mole River Dam are attached at Appendix 1 (E11-E30). Council is requested to note receipt of these documents.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

*That the items contained in the Information Reports to the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Wednesday, 28 June, 2017, be received and noted.*

**APPENDIX 1**

## MINUTES

### 2 June 2017 – SDRC, Warwick

Venue:	Council Chambers, SDRC 64 Fitzroy St Warwick	Date:	2 June 2017
Chair:	Cr Peter Petty, Deputy Chairperson	Time:	10am – 12.20pm
Attendees:	Cr Rod Kelly David Keenan, CEO	Southern Downs Regional Council	
	Cr Frances Young Cr Catherine Egan, Deputy Mayor Robyn Phillips, Admin	Gwydir Shire Council	
	Cr Peter Petty, Mayor Cr Brian Murray	Tenterfield Shire Council	
	Cr Rick Kearney	Goondiwindi Regional Council	
	Cr Richard Marsh Matthew Magin	Balonne Shire Council	
	Cr Kate Dight	Inverell Shire Council	
	Annalisa Haskell	CEO LG Professionals Australia	
	Bryan Gray, Executive Officer	RDA Darling Downs and Sth West	
	Jim Grassick Damon Meadows	Dept Infrastructure, Local Govnt and Planning, Qld	
File ref:	S1242		

Item	Agenda Item	
<b>1</b>	<b>Meeting Opened 10.15 am</b>	
<b>2</b>	<b>Apologies</b>	
	Cr Jo McNally	Sthn Downs Regional Council
	Cr John Coulton, Mayor Max Eastcott, GM	Gwydir Shire Council
	Cr Joan White	Goondiwindi Regional Council
	Paul Henry GM	Inverell Shire Council
	Cr Stephen Ritchie Lester Rodgers, GM Angus Witherby, Director Planning and Community Development	Moree Plains Shire Council



	Mr Vic Pennisi	RDA Darling Downs and Sth West
	Moved that apologies be accepted: Cr Murray <b>Seconded</b> Cr Marsh	
<b>3</b>	<b>Minutes of Meeting 17 February 2017 (Inverell)</b>	
3.1	Moved minutes be accepted: Cr Young <b>Seconded:</b> Cr Marsh <b>Carried</b>	
<b>4</b>	<b>Correspondence</b>	
4.1	<b>Inwards:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Transfer of Border Rivers Committee funds</li> <li>• Warwick Credit Union - Term Deposit maturing 22 April</li> <li>• NAB and Warwick Credit Union statements</li> <li>• Response from Attorney General – Natural Disaster Recovery Funding</li> <li>• Response from The Hon Barnaby Joyce – Murray Darling Basin and Mole River dam</li> <li>• Verified Contractor – seeking business to ensure compliance of contractors</li> </ul>	
4.2	<b>Outwards:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BROCC submission Senate Enquiry – location of Corporate Commonwealth Entities</li> <li>• Notification to Inverell Shire Council – Border Rivers Committee funds deposited</li> <li>• Invoices to member councils for 2016-2017 affiliation</li> <li>• Letter of thanks to John Barilaro – building better regional collaboration</li> <li>• Letter to QLD Local Government expressing disappointment lack of support</li> <li>• Invitation to David Littleproud, Member for Maranoa, to attend next meeting</li> <li>• Federal Minister Barnaby Joyce – support for MDB and request for Mole River update</li> <li>• Request to NSW Members Councils for 'wish list' of projects for funding prior to meeting with Ken Gillespie on 27 April</li> </ul>	
<b>5</b>	<b>Financial Report as at May 2017</b>	
5.1	<u>Fixed Deposit acct - Warwick Credit Union</u> Renewed for 3 months from 22 April 2017 mature 22 July 2017 (@ 2.5%) Interest paid \$91.17      Closing balance - \$13,822.49	
5.2	<u>NAB account</u> Opening balance 11 February 2017 - \$2,223.61 + Deposit of Border Rivers Cheque \$12,671.23 leaving balance \$14,894.84 + affiliations paid by Gwydir, Walgett, Tenterfield, Inverell, Balonne, Moree, SDRC leaves balance as at 11 April 2017 of <b>\$18,395.00</b>	
5.3	Moved CR Young that BROCC invest 13 thousand dollars (K\$13) from the operating account into term deposit for either 3 months or 6 months, whichever is the better interest rate. <b>Seconded</b> Cr Dight <b>Carried</b>	
5.4	Moved that the financial report be accepted: Cr Kearney <b>Seconded</b> Cr Marsh <b>Carried</b>	
<b>6</b>	<b>Guest Speakers</b>	
6.1	Cr Kelly SDRC presentation – Regional Promotion Tourism/Arts	
	Cr Kelly introduced himself as being newly elected to Council and his portfolio is Regional Promotion of Tourism and the Arts. Cr Kelly delivered a presentation that had been prepared for Australian Regional	

	<p>Tourism Network (Attachment 1)</p> <p>Points of interest included the change in the way technology has affected tourism e.g. much less support for visitor information centres, where once accommodation would be booked through the VIC, tourists are now booking ahead via an app or website.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Tourism was rated as one of the more important industries of the local economy</li><li>• Investment in tourism outweighs the costs</li><li>• Regional councils were stronger in the support of benefits outweighing costs of tourism</li><li>• 60% of regional councils have prepared a standalone Tourism plan or Strategy</li><li>• Tourism contributes 5% to SDRC with agriculture being the largest contributor</li></ul> <p>Cr Young enquired does SDRC have a tourism levy? Cr Kelly responded only three Qld councils have a levy – The Gold Coast, Darling Downs and Noosa</p> <p>Attendees were presented with a promotional booklet Sth Downs Granite Belt</p> <p>Cr Petty commented on the benefits to Tenterfield (e.g. accommodation) from events/festivals held in nearby towns.</p>												
6.2	<p>David Littleproud, Member for Maranoa – via telephone conference</p> <p>A summary of David Littleproud's presentation:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. <i>The progression of the Emu Swamp Dam requires the full support of the Southern Downs Regional Council and the Queensland Government.</i></li><li>2. <i>Of the 60 plus submissions received, an Independent Expert Panel recommended it for funding, and in fact Emu Swamp has received more funding than any other dam feasibility study nationally (at \$3,970,000)</i></li><li>3. <i>Milestone payments are made annually, and this project is yet to meet its first. If Council or the QLD Govt choose to suspend the project, then the payments cease.</i></li><li>4. <i>David Littleproud's office is waiting on an update from the Queensland Government regarding the progress of the feasibility study.</i></li></ol> <table><tr><td>Emu Swamp Dam Feasibility Study</td><td>Completion of the strategic assessment of options to meet regional water demand, including the construction of Emu Swamp Dam.</td><td>30 May 2017</td><td>\$4,50,000</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>Completion of the detailed design and analysis of funding options for the construction of Emu Swamp Dam.</td><td>30 April 2018</td><td>\$2,000,000</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>Completion of the final detailed business case for the construction of Emu Swamp Dam.</td><td>30 April 2019</td><td>\$1,520,000</td></tr></table> <p>David Keenan asked where are we up to with the review of RDOs – David Littleproud responded currently in discussions, almost to finalisation stage</p> <p>David Keenan asked where is (Deputy Prime Minister) Barnaby Joyce up to on decentralisation of government agencies – DL responded that he is on a committee (including Government agencies) developing a policy framework to further progress this – need to prove it can be done and is sustainable - David Littleproud asked for suggestions from councils present.</p> <p>DL will be meeting with Senator Fiona Nash to discuss inland rail.</p>	Emu Swamp Dam Feasibility Study	Completion of the strategic assessment of options to meet regional water demand, including the construction of Emu Swamp Dam.	30 May 2017	\$4,50,000		Completion of the detailed design and analysis of funding options for the construction of Emu Swamp Dam.	30 April 2018	\$2,000,000		Completion of the final detailed business case for the construction of Emu Swamp Dam.	30 April 2019	\$1,520,000
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	Completion of the detailed design and analysis of funding options for the construction of Emu Swamp Dam.	30 April 2018	\$2,000,000										
	Completion of the final detailed business case for the construction of Emu Swamp Dam.	30 April 2019	\$1,520,000										
6.3	<p>Update from Department of Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning was provided by Jim Grassick</p>												

**Local Government:**

- Staff have been delivering Training to Councils and Councillors about Councillors conduct and ethical behaviour, and Councils' Complaints management.
- Managing the Work for Queensland funding - \$200m delivered to Councils for projects to be completed by 31 November 2017.
- Councils are currently under pressure to deliver many major projects that are being funded by the state with the hope that the projects are completed ASAP. Some this financial year and most by the end of the year.
- Local Government are getting snowed under with funding projects which need to be delivered by Christmas 2017.
- Paroo Shire Council has a new CEO, Oliver Simons.

**Planning:**

- Work is ongoing to deliver training internally, to our technical agency partners, to Councils, and the development industry on the new *Planning Act 2016* which will come into effect on the 3 July 2017.
- Workshopping with Councils on a new Planning Act for Councils which will come into effect on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2017.
- Quilpie Shire Council's new planning scheme which was drafted by the department as part of the template scheme program is currently on public notification until the 8 June 2017. Two officers went to Quilpie on the 8 May to assist with this process by facilitating a community information session which was well attended.

**Long-term sustainability of Councils: Report by the QLD Audit Office**

The committee will consider the long-term financial sustainability of local governments and the issues arising from the Queensland Audit Office's Report 2: 2016-17 *Forecasting long-term sustainability of local government* and Report 13: 2016-17 *Local government entities: 2015-16 results of financial audit* including consideration of the following matters:

- a. financial planning and long-term forecasting
- b. asset condition data and asset management plans
- c. decision-making frameworks for major infrastructure asset investments
- d. community engagement on future service levels
- e. financial sustainability targets
- f. organisational governance
- g. strategic planning and organisational capacity
- h. budget transparency
- i. financial sustainability ratios
- j. procurement policy and value for money
- k. other matters the committee determines are relevant to the inquiry.

**Local Government Capacity Building:**

The Department was chasing up additional budget from the CBRC to assist Councils following the findings of the Financial Sustainability Review to develop a Financial Sustainability Framework was not forthcoming.

**Fluoridation grant program**

Watch this space targeting smaller The department is currently, in consultation with Queensland Health, are looking at a initial capital works program for smaller councils wanting to introduce fluoride into drinking water.

**W4Q program:**

Part of the \$200m funding program at 100% funding to support job-creation, maintenance and minor infrastructure projects for Council owner assets and or



	<p>projects. Projects are to completed by November 2017. This is an Allocation type program.</p> <p><b>Funding review is happening internally</b></p> <p>The Department is currently undertaking a review of all funding programs. Times lines on this process is still not clear.</p> <p><b>Guidelines on equity and fairness in rating for QLD local governments :</b> This documents put together some principles of rating</p> <p>Equity and fairness Equity for like properties User pays Meaningful contribution Predictability Fairness</p> <p><i>Refer Attachment 2</i></p>
6.4	<p>Annalisa Haskell, CEO LG Professionals Australia</p> <p>Annalisa gave an in depth presentation – refer Attachment 3</p> <p>The Australasian LG Performance Excellence Program is a planning tool that gives councils access to data from surveys carried out allowing councils to monitor and compare their performance and be better able to implement strategic planning. Currently there are 144 councils in NSW, WA, SA and New Zealand participating. Data shows local government is heading for a crisis with an ageing workforce and in 10 years will not be sustainable.</p> <p>Live data site available.</p> <p>The program allows councils to show efficiencies and provide info – costs and profiles of all services.</p> <p>David Keenan advised the meeting that Greg Hallam from LGAQ announced the 'Sherlock' program for Qld today – a data analysis program for Qld councils.</p>
6.5	<p>RDA Darling Downs and Sth West – Bryan Gray – funding for joint ventures</p> <p>Funding for joint ventures – budget outcomes for regional Australia - refer attached presentation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provided update on RDA review currently being undertaken. It has been decided to continue RDA program until end 2021.</li> <li>• Minister Nash wants a regional body - expect changes to metropolitan RDAs first</li> <li>• P Petty – asked where projects e.g. \$20m and input from council – can it be in kind</li> <li>• BG responded 'he believes there is a push towards obtaining private funding for large projects'.</li> <li>• David Keenan asked whether other councils lodged submissions into RDA review.</li> <li>• SDRC lodged a submission and is surprised there has not been an outcome</li> <li>• David Keenan asked will grants still be managed by Australian industry</li> <li>• Bryan G responded Australian industries are just the portal to a buy through</li> </ul>
7	<p><b>General Business</b></p>
7.1	<p>DM (DILGP) requested permission to take photos of attendance of meeting for QLD promotion – permission was granted</p>
7.2	<p>Cr Petty tabled Tenterfield Council's 2007 submission for the Mole River dam project – also available here:</p>

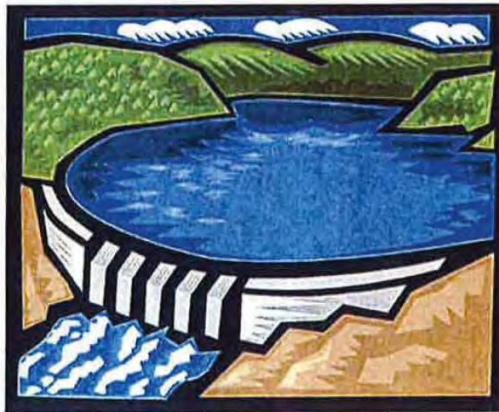
	<p><a href="http://www.tenterfield.nsw.gov.au/sites/tenterfield/files/public/images/documents/tenterfield/Council/Business%20Paaper%20Attachments/2014/August%202014/Proposed%20Mole%20River%20Dam%20Project.pdf">http://www.tenterfield.nsw.gov.au/sites/tenterfield/files/public/images/documents/tenterfield/Council/Business%20Paaper%20Attachments/2014/August%202014/Proposed%20Mole%20River%20Dam%20Project.pdf</a></p> <p><b>Moved</b> Cr Dight that BROCC inform the Border Rivers Food and Fibre (BRFF) group of our actions in seeking to progress the Mole River Dam project and advise we are happy to collaborate with BRFF</p> <p><b>Seconded</b> Cr Kearney <span style="float: right;"><b>Carried</b></span></p> <p>Cr Dight noted that Inverell Council General Manager Paul Henry advised her of the recent DPI NSW Border Rivers Water Resource Plan seeking key issues to be identified and asked whether this group was aware. Submissions were to be received by 26 May 2017.</p> <p>David Keenan advised, yes SDRC was aware, it is an important plan and not sure why consultation has been haphazard – believes a draft will be developed and there will be an opportunity to comment on draft</p> <p><a href="http://www.water.nsw.gov.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0017/711422/Status-and-Issues-Papers-NSW-Border-Rivers-SW-WRP_170413.pdf">http://www.water.nsw.gov.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0017/711422/Status-and-Issues-Papers-NSW-Border-Rivers-SW-WRP_170413.pdf</a></p>
8	<p><b>Next Meeting</b> – 25 August 2017 in Walgett (followed by Moree then Balonne)</p> <p>Host council is to provide 1 speaker.</p>
9	<p><b>Meeting Closed</b> – 12.20pm</p>

Action Item Log:			
Officer	Item	Listed	Outcome
Cr Dight	Inform Border Rivers Food and Fibre group for Mole River dam project	02/06/17	

**Attachments:**

Attach 1	Local Govnt Spend on Tourism	35 pages
Attach 2	Guideline on equity and fairness in rating for Qld local governments	3 pages
Attach 3	Australasian LG Performance Excellence Program	44 pages
Attach 4	RDA Darling Downs and South West – funding for joint ventures	7 pages

# **PROPOSED MOLE RIVER DAM PROJECT**







*Birthplace of Our Nation*

25 January 2007

The Hon Malcolm Turnbull  
Minister for the Environment & Water Resources  
PO Box 6022  
House of Representatives  
**CANBERRA ACT 2600**

**By facsimile: (02) 6277 8510**

Dear Sir,

**Re: Mole River Dam – Increased Water Storage in Murray-Darling Basin**

I write on behalf of Council to congratulate you on your recent appointment to the position of Minister for the Environment and Water Resources, and acknowledge that your appointment to this important role, is as a direct result of your strong performance, in your previous portfolio of Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister.

Council has asked that I firstly convey its best wishes in tackling the challenges that lay ahead in respect to water issues, and secondly to draw your attention to its correspondence dated 6 December 2006, to yourself in your role as Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister, in regard to the need for increased water storage in the Murray Darling Basin, and in particular the proposal for the construction of a dam on the Mole River, within the Tenterfield Local Government Area. A copy of Council's correspondence is attached.

Council in view of the recent announcements by the Prime Minister and the importance placed upon restoring environmental flows to the Murray-Darling River System, would seek your consideration and support of this project. The Mole River Dam would, when constructed have a capacity equivalent to 500,000 mL and have the potential to provide the environmental flows required for the Murray Darling System.

Council at its Ordinary meeting held on 24 January 2007 resolved that in addition to congratulating you on your appointment that I also restate the Council's position in respect to this project, and others designed to increase water storage within the Murray Darling System. Council's position being as follows:-

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Tenterfield Shire Council**

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Minister for the Environment & Water Resources25 January 2007

*"Resolved that:-*

- a) Tenterfield Shire Council fully support any proposal to increase water storage infrastructure in the Murray Darling System; and*
- b) the proposal to build a dam on the Mole River for reason identified previously should be pursued vigorously by Council on the following basis:-*
  - this infrastructure would enable increased environmental flow into the River system.*
  - planning, ground works and financing options have already been suitably documented, allowing for immediate commencement of the building of the infrastructure."*

The planning for the construction of the Mole River Dam undertaken during the early 1990's by the Water Resources Commission (Qld) and the Department of Water Resources (NSW) means that much of the ground work required for the project is already available, as are the feasibility studies undertaken by White Industries Australia Limited for the project.

Finally, on behalf of Council I would ask in your newly appointed role as Minister for the Environmental and Water Resources that the proposal for the construction of the Mole River Dam, be given serious consideration as a project that will assist in the return of the environmental flows to the Murray-Darling River System.

Yours faithfully,



Mark Arnold  
General Manager

Encl



6 December 2006

«Name»  
«Address»  
«Town»

Dear «Dear»,

**Re: Increased Water Storage in Murray Darling Basin**

I write to you on behalf of Council, seeking your support for the investigation of proposals and ultimately the construction of additional water storage infrastructure within the Murray Darling Basin.

Council in view of the current impact of the continuing drought on the river systems in the Murray Darling Basin, and in support of the following resolution adopted at the recent 62<sup>nd</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Murray Darling Association:-

*"That all current potential water storage and options for water storage and diversion in the Murray Darling Basin be interstate as a matter of urgency."*

adopted at its November Ordinary meeting the following position in relation to the construction of additional water storage infrastructure, and in particular the construction of the Mole River Dam within the Tenterfield Shire Local Government Area:-

*"Resolved that:-*

- a) Tenterfield Shire Council fully support any proposal to increase water storage infrastructure in the Murray Darling System; and*
- b) the proposal to build a dam on the Mole River for reason identified previously should be pursued vigorously by Council on the following basis:-*
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6 December 2006

- *planning, ground works and financing options have already been suitably documented, allowing for immediate commencement of the building of the infrastructure."*

In respect to above project, Council is keen to see the proposal for the construction of a dam on the Upper Mole river site to be further investigated and given serious consideration.

During the early 1990's, following work undertaken by the Water Resources Commission (QLD) and the Department of Water Resources (NSW) in appraisal of additional supply options for the Border Rivers, a site known as Upper Mole River Dam site (near "Ringtree") was identified as the next storage for the Border Rivers Catchment.

The site was the subject of further feasibility studies including a submission from White Industries Australia Limited for the construction of the dam funded by private funds and leased.

The Project proposed was described as follows:-

*"To design, construct and finance a roller concrete dam on the Upper Mole River, having a storage capacity of 500,000 mL with a safe yield per annum of 100,000 mL to supplement the Border Rivers System."*

The Mole River Dam Project as indicated has a capacity equivalent to the 500,000 mL sought by the Federal Government for the Murray Darling Basin and the potential to provide an environmental flow into the system.

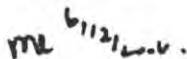
The dam site identified is located in the Tenterfield Shire Local Government area, approximately 25 km south west of Tenterfield on the Mole River near "Ringtree", approximately 39 km from its junction with the Dumaresq River.

Council understands that while the project did not proceed at the time due to a lack of funding, that the work completed by way of feasibility studies was documented and is available for further investigation.

On behalf of Council I ask the «Para1» to «Para2» with the view of constructing a 500,000 mL dam for environmental flows into the Murray Darling Basin.

I seek your support of the proposal for additional water storage and would be pleased to provide, if required any further information in support of Council's request.

Yours faithfully,



Mark Arnold  
General Manager

Name	Address	To v n	Dear	Para1	Para2
The Hon Malcolm Turnbull MP	Parliamentary Secretary to PM PO Box 6022 House of Representatives	C/ NBERRA AC T 2600	Sir	Federal Government	undertake to complete the investigation and feasibility studies for the Mole River Dam proposal
The Hon John Howard MP	Prime Minister PO Box 6022 House of Representatives	C/ NBERRA AC T 2600	Prime Minister	Federal Government	undertake to complete the investigation and feasibility studies for the Mole River Dam proposal,
The Hon Morris Iemma MP	Premier Level 40, Governor Macquarie Tower 1 Farrer Place	SY DNEY NS W 2000	Sir	States of New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia and Victoria	support the completion of the investigation and feasibility studies for the Mole River Dam proposal,
The Hon Peter Beattie MP	Premier PO Box 15185	CI Y EAST QL D 4002	Sir	States of New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia and Victoria	support the completion of the investigation and feasibility studies for the Mole River Dam proposal,
The Hon Mike Rann MP	Premier GPO Box 2343	AL ELAIDE SA 5000	Sir	States of New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia and Victoria	support the completion of the investigation and feasibility studies for the Mole River Dam proposal,
The Hon Steve Bracks MP	Premier Level 1, Treasury Place	EA ST M ELBOURNE VIC 3002	Sir	States of New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia and Victoria	support the completion of the investigation and feasibility studies for the Mole River Dam proposal,



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5 December 2006

Mr Ray Najar  
General Manager  
Murray Darling Association  
PO Box 75  
**WEST RICHMOND SA 5037**

**By facsimile (02) 8226 4408**

Dear Mr Najar

**Re: Increased Water Storage – Murray Darling Basin**

I write on behalf of Council to advise that Council, at its November Ordinary meeting, following consideration of the Delegates Report from it's representatives to the 62<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference of the Murray Darling Association, adopted the following resolutions (CM695/06 and CM696/06).

**"CM695/06**

**Resolved that:-**

- a) *Tenterfield Shire Council fully support any proposal to increase water storage infrastructure in the Murray Darling System; and*
- b) *the proposal to build a dam on the Mole River for reason identified previously should be pursued vigorously by Council on the following basis:-*
  - *This infrastructure would enable increased environmental flow into the River system.*
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Murray Darling Association15 December 2006**"CM696/06**

**Resolved** that Tenterfield Shire Council support any move to dam and/or divert the Clarence River to the Western fall into the Murray Darling headwaters."

The above resolutions were adopted by Council in support of Resolution 13 adopted at the 62<sup>nd</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Murray Darling Association, being:-

*"13. That all current and potential water storages and options for water storage and diversion in the Murray Darling Basin be investigated as a matter of urgency."*

In respect to above projects, Council is especially keen to see the proposal for the construction of a dam on the upper Mole River Site to be further investigated and given serious consideration.

During the early 1990's, following work undertaken by the Water Resources Commission (QLD) and the Department of Water Resources (NSW) in appraisal of additional supply options for the Border Rivers, a site known as Upper Mole River Dam site (near "Ringtree") was identified as the next storage for the Border Rivers Catchment.

The site was the subject of further feasibility studies including a submission from White Industries Australia Limited for the construction of the dam funded by private funds and leased.

The Project proposed was described as follows:-

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The Mole River Dam Project as indicated has a capacity equivalent to the 500 000 mL sought by the Federal Government for the Murray Darling Basin, and the potential to provide an environmental flow into the system.

The dam site identified is located in the Tenterfield Shire Local Government area, approximately 25 km south west of Tenterfield on the Mole River near "Ringtree", approximately 39 km from its junction with the Dumaresq River.

Council understands that while the project did not proceed at the time due to a lack of funding, that the work completed by way of feasibility studies was documented and is available for further investigation.

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9. That the MDA explores and raises awareness of the legal responsibility for river courses, riparian zones and waters within the various rivers in the Murray-Darling Basin.
10. That the MDA is fully committed to reaffirm its commitment to the sustainable economic, social and environmental welfare of Basin communities and as such strongly supports the efficient use of water for irrigation production and the environment.
11. That the MDA opposes paragraph 66(V)b of the National Water Initiative which states that there be 'a continued movement toward upper bound Pricing for all rural systems where practicable', In particular, the MDA opposes the return on capital aim of this objective.
12. That the MDA supports the continued public ownership of the Snowy Mountains Hydro Electricity Scheme and that the NSW, Victorian and Commonwealth governments are advised of this decision.
13. That all current and potential water storages and options for water storage and diversion in the Murray-Darling Basin be investigated as a matter of urgency.
14. That any dams or reservoirs built within the Murray-Darling Basin that have an impact on the flow of water either into the Basin's waterways or the tributaries that run into the Basin, only be constructed after consultation and agreement of the Murray-Darling Basin Commission.
15. That the Murray-Darling Basin Commission be sent our concerns on the use of different names for the geographical regions within the Basin from the headwaters to the Murray Mouth, and recommend to the Ministerial Council that standardised terms be developed across the Basin.
16. That the MDA organise a Basin-wide Conference aimed at exploring the impacts of the Murray-Darling Basin Ministerial Council initiatives, and to place these in a socio-economic framework that may lead to the formation of a frame of reference that may assist communities to achieve more positive outcomes and the prospect of a more secure future, particularly in the face of the drought in many areas within, and adjacent to, the Basin.
17. That the state and federal governments and opposition parties be called upon to undertake an urgent review of the social and economic impacts of separating land & water titles on Basin communities and Local Governments ability to raise revenue.
18. That all new non-domestic effluent plants (excluding Sewage Treatment Effluent Disposal Schemes) be constructed, or existing plants being upgraded within the Murray Darling Basin, or where water is sourced from within the Murray Darling Basin, be built, upgraded where appropriate, to produce A Class Water for either re-use on site, watering within the area, irrigation, returned to a river or watercourse, or where possible, returned to the aquifer.
19. That any packaged produce from the Murray-Darling Basin be marked (similar to the Heart Foundation tick of approval) indicating it was produced within the Basin, and that such a logo be earned by best practise (to be determined) by the water users in the Murray-Darling Basin.
20. That the NSW Government and Opposition commit to allowing CMA's to operate with the necessary autonomy to manage NRM issues within the 13 areas of the state on a catchment by catchment basis.
21. That the MDA seeks to have the Barmah Choke investigated for engineering solutions to allow for peak flow requirements below the choke, and that investigations are carried out with the assistance of the Murray-Darling Commission under the Federal Government's National Water Initiative.

Table B.7

Pipe Diameter: 1600 mm  
Pipe Type: OD MSCL

Item	Unit	Unit Cost (\$)
Supply & delivery of pipeline	per metre	\$1,330
Supply of pipe fittings	per metre	\$67
Laying of pipeline	per metre	\$635
Construction of fittings	per metre	\$32
Rock excavation	per m <sup>3</sup>	\$100
Pumping stations (with power to site)	per item	\$7,300,000
Tunnels	per metre	\$10,000
Main road crossings	per item	\$100,000
Minor road crossings	per item	\$60,000
River crossings	per item	\$500,000
Creek crossings	per item	\$100,000
Terminal structures	per item	\$300,000
Survey, design, geotechnical & supervision		10% of total pipeline cost
Contingencies		30% of total pipeline cost