



The newly developed amenities block in Victoria Park was opened on Monday, 6 June, 2016.

Business Paper Ordinary Meeting of Council 22 June, 2016

INVERELL SHIRE COUNCIL

NOTICE OF ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

17 June, 2016

An Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held in the Council Chambers, Administrative Centre, 144 Otho Street, Inverell on Wednesday, 22 June, 2016, 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
- Inverell Shire Council Management Plan.






<i>Destinations</i>	<i>Icon</i>	<i>Code</i>
<p>1. A recognised leader in a broader context.</p> <p>Giving priority to the recognition of the Shire as a vital component of the New England North West Region through Regional Leadership.</p>		R
<p>2. A community that is healthy, educated and sustained.</p> <p>Giving priority to the Shire as a sustainable and equitable place that promotes health, well being, life long learning and lifestyle diversity.</p>		C
<p>3. An environment that is protected and sustained.</p> <p>Giving priority to sustainable agriculture, the protection and conservation of rivers, waterways bio diversity and the built environment.</p>		E
<p>4. A strong local economy.</p> <p>Giving priority to economic and employment growth and the attraction of visitors.</p>		B
<p>5. The Communities are served by sustainable services and infrastructure.</p> <p>Giving priority to the provision of community focused services and the maintenance, enhancement and upgrade of infrastructure.</p>		S

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MEETING CALENDAR

October 2015 – September 2016

	TIME	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST	SEPT
		Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed
Ordinary Meetings	3:00 pm	28	25	16	No Meeting	24	23	27	25	^22	27	24	*28
Major Committees		Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed	Wed
Civil and Environmental Services	8:30 am	14	11	No Meetings	No Meetings	10	9	13	11	8	13	10	14
Economic and Community Sustainability	10:30 am												

^ Meeting at which the Management Plan for 2016/2017 is adopted. *Mayoral Election, to be conducted. (September)

- Members of the public are invited to observe meetings of the Council.
Should you wish to address Council, please contact the Office of the General Manager on 6728 8206.

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF INVERELL SHIRE COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, ADMINISTRATIVE CENTRE, 144 OTHO STREET, INVERELL ON WEDNESDAY, 25 MAY, 2016, COMMENCING AT 3 PM.

PRESENT: Cr P J Harmon (Mayor) [Chairperson], Crs D F Baker, H N Castledine, P J Girle, B C Johnston, D C Jones, A A Michael, M J Peters and J A Watts.

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

SECTION A

APOLOGIES **S13.6.9/09**

Nil.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES **S13.5.2/09**

36/16 RESOLVED (Baker/Johnston) that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 27 April, 2016, 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

At this juncture, the time being 3.04pm, the following interest was declared:

- Cr Michael declared a pecuniary interest in Section C, Committee Reports, Item 4, "Economic & Community Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes - 11 May 2016". The nature of the interest relates to Cr Michael's association with a developer with a possible interest in the property.

PUBLIC FORUM **S13.5.6/09**

At this juncture, the time being 3.06pm, the Mayor welcomed the members of the public and opened the Public Forum Session by inviting members of the public to speak:

Mrs Sue Moran 2016/2017 Draft Budget and Operational Plan

Mrs Moran spoke in respect of the Town Centre Renewal Plan (TCRP) and broader budgetary issues. Mrs Moran believes the TCRP is too expensive and believes a special rate variation is not warranted.

Mrs Moran spoke on behalf of Mr Greg Moran who was unable to attend the Public Forum. The extensive works that Council are undertaking in a wide range of areas to benefit the Shire was noted. Mrs Moran again queried Council's reported backlog on behalf of Greg Moran.

Ms Caroline Wilson Town Centre Renewal Plan

Ms Wilson noted the 2016/2017 Draft Budget and Operational Plan, particularly the proposed TCRP centre median strip. Ms Wilson proposed the cost of the TCRP, by her calculation is \$15M-\$20M. Ms Wilson also noted the April, 2016 Council resolution in respect of the tree issue and felt that the resolution was flawed and incorrect. It was asked that the Motion be rescinded.

At this juncture, the time being 3.40pm, the Public Forum Session closed and Council resumed the balance of the Agenda.

**SECTION B
ADVOCACY REPORTS**

1. **MAYORAL MINUTE: PUBLIC FORUM - MAY COUNCIL MEETING
S3.15.18**

37/16 RESOLVED (Michael/Watts) that the information be received and noted.

**SECTION C
COMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. **WASTE MANAGEMENT SUNSET COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – 27
APRIL 2016 S31.9.3**

38/16 RESOLVED (Girle/Castledine) that the Minutes of the Waste Management Sunset Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 27 April, 2016, be received and noted.

2. **INVERELL LIQUOR CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – 9
FEBRUARY 2016 S19.9.1**

39/16 RESOLVED (Michael/Baker) that the Minutes of the Inverell Liquor Consultative Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, 9 February, 2016, be received and noted.

3. **CIVIL & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES –
11 MAY 2016 S4.11.16/08**

40/16 RESOLVED (Castledine/Jones) that:

- i) the Minutes of the Civil & Environmental Services Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 11 May, 2016, be received and noted; and
- ii) the following recommendation of the Civil & Environmental Services Committee be adopted by Council:

1. **GRAFTON TO INVERELL S26.3.7/08**

That a letter be sent to Cycling Australia and Cycling NSW seeking support of the event.

2. **SWIMMING POOL INSPECTION PROGRAM S7.9.2/09**

That Council endorse the amended Swimming Pool Inspection Program to reflect current legislative requirements.

3. **ILLEGAL BUILDING WORKS - CORRESPONDENCE FROM WARRINGAH
COUNCIL S19.10.3**

That Council write to the Minister for Planning, Hon. Rob Stokes, and cc the Minister for Local Government, Hon. Paul Toole, in support of Warringah Council's resolution.

4. **REHABILITATION OF BUNDARRA ROAD S28.10.IN44**

That the rehabilitation of Bundarra Road, between Macintyre Street and Lions Park be performed under closed road conditions.

At this juncture, the time being 3.45pm, having previously declared a pecuniary interest in Section C, Committee Reports, Item 4, "Economic & Community Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes - 11 May 2016", Cr Michael left the meeting and did not participate in the vote in this matter.

4. ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – 11 MAY 2016 S4.11.17/08

41/16 RESOLVED (Watts/Girle) that:

- i) *the Minutes of the Economic & Community Sustainability Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 11 May, 2016, be received and noted; and*
- ii) *the following recommendations of the Economic & Community Sustainability Committee be adopted by Council:*

1. EXPIRING LICENCE AGREEMENTS S5.10.65

- 1. Licence Agreement, Mr George Sherry – Part Lot 1, DP 1140913, Cameron Park and Part Closed Road, Inverell.

That:

- i) *Council renew the agreement with Mr George Sherry for Part Lot 1, DP 1140913, Cameron Park and Part Closed Road, Inverell for a three (3) year period with a further three (3) year option under the same terms and conditions;*
- ii) *the licence fee be \$390.00 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.*

- 2. Licence Agreement, Mr Colin Laidlaw – Part Lot 1, DP 1140913, Cameron Park and Part Closed Road, Inverell.

That:

- i) *Council renew the agreement with Mr Colin Laidlaw for Part Lot 1, DP 1140913 Cameron Park and Part Closed Road, Inverell for a three (3) year period with a further three (3) year option under the same terms and conditions;*
- ii) *the licence fee be \$420.00 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.*

3. INVERELL MEN'S HEALTH NIGHT - REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE S12.22.1/09

That a donation of \$1000 be provided in support of the event, subject to further information being provided regarding the event including Hunter New England's involvement and support.

4. ARTS NORTH WEST S26.5.4

That:

- i) *the report be received and noted; and*
- ii) *a representative from Arts North West be invited to attend a Council Meeting to present the benefits and opportunities of being a member of Arts North West.*

5. GOVERNANCE - MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORT S12.12.2/09

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.*

6. QUARTERLY BUDGET AND OPERATIONAL PLAN REVIEW 2015/2016
S12.5.1/09

That:

- i) *Council's Quarterly Operational Plan and Budget Review for 31 March, 2016 be adopted; and*
- ii) *the proposed variations to budget votes for the 2015/2016 Financial Year be adopted providing an estimated Cash Surplus at 30 June, 2016 from operations of \$6,952.*

7. REQUEST FOR REDUCTION ON WATER ACCOUNT S32.10.1/09

That Council issue an amended account of \$254.82 for the quarter in question, based on the average consumption for the last two (2) accounts and write off \$401.41.

8. 104 OTHO STREET, INVERELL – ADDITIONAL DETAIL S5.2.1/18

That the offer from BEST Employment for the purchase of 104 Otho Street, Inverell be declined.

At this juncture, the time being 3.47pm, Cr Michael returned to the meeting.

SECTION D
DESTINATION REPORTS

1. GRAIN HARVEST MANAGEMENT SCHEME S30.9.11

GM-A **42/16 RESOLVED** (Baker/Johnston) *that Council continue to be a participant in the Grain Transport Management Scheme from 1 July, 2016 – 30 June, 2021.*

2. REQUEST FOR LICENCE AGREEMENT – SAPPHIRE WIND FARM PTY LTD
S5.10.65

CSOP-A **43/16 RESOLVED** (Johnston/Watts) *that:*

- i) *Council enter into a Licence Agreement with Sapphire Wind Farm Pty Ltd for three (3) unformed roads known as:*
 - (a) *Unformed Road 1 – approximately 860 metres long, located off Waterloo Road approximately 6 kilometres from the Woodstock Road intersection;*
 - (b) *Unformed Road 2 – approximately 300 metres long, located off Waterloo Road approximately 7.4 kilometres from the Woodstock Road intersection;*
and

(c) *Unformed Road 3 – approximately 1.3 kilometre long, located off Western Feeder approximately 200 metres from Waterloo Road intersection.*

- ii) *the Licence Agreement be for a period of 75 years;*
- iii) *the Licence Fee be \$1.00 per annum while-ever the Community Fund is in place and operates as agreed at the March, 2016 meeting of Council;*
- iv) *should the Community Fund cease to operate as indicated in point iii), that the Licence Fee be reviewed;*
- v) *the Licence Agreement be subject to any other terms and conditions as negotiated by Council's General Manager.*

3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT AMALGAMATIONS S13.1.1

GM-A **44/16 RESOLVED** (Johnston/Michael) *that Council endorse the actions of the Mayor in continuing to pursue the Tingha area community of interest, with the Administrator of Armidale Regional Council and the State Government.*

4. MOBILE PHONE BLACKSPOT COVERAGE S10.12.2/09

GM-A **45/16 RESOLVED** (Johnston/Castledine) *that:*

- i) *Council support the Australian Wide campaign to the Federal Government requesting further funding for genuine mobile phone coverage blackspots;*
- ii) *Council lobby the local Federal Member, Hon. Barnaby Joyce requesting that the Government legislate that where public funds are utilised in the provision of a phone tower, that phone and data roaming services must be provided for all mobile phone providers.*

**SECTION E
INFORMATION REPORTS**

- 1. **INVERELL FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY S3.6.5**
- 2. **QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE – APRIL 2016 S13.5.5/09**
- 3. **STRATEGIC TASKS – ‘SIGN OFF’ – APRIL 2016 S4.13.2**
- 4. **INVERELL MEN'S HEALTH NIGHT – ADDITIONAL INFORMATION S12.22.1/09**
- 5. **OPERA IN THE Paddock 2016 S26.3.14**
- 6. **CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATES APPROVED FOR APRIL 2016 S7.2.4/09**
- 7. **COMPLYING DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATES APPROVED DURING APRIL 2016 S7.2.4/09**
- 8. **SUMMARY OF BUILDING CONSTRUCTION FOR APRIL 2016 S7.2.4/09**
- 9. **DEVELOPMENT CONSENTS AND REFUSALS DURING APRIL 2016 S18.10.2/09**
- 10. **SEPTIC TANK APPROVALS FOR APRIL 2016 S29.19.1**
- 11. **ORDINANCE ACTIVITIES REPORT FOR APRIL 2016 S18.10.1**

12. **INFRASTRUCTURE BACKLOG - NRMA FUNDING LOCAL ROADS 2015 REPORT** **S5.6.2**

46/16 RESOLVED (Johnston/Michael) that the items contained in the Information Reports to the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Wednesday, 25 May, 2016, be received and noted.

SECTION F
QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

QWN/ORD 16/16 Council Property - 104 Otho Street
Cr Peters

Cr Peters asked if this Council property has been sold.

The General Manager advised the property has not been sold.

QWN/ORD 17/16 Danthonia Event – Inverell Ministers Fraternal **S6.8.9**
Cr Watts

Cr Watts asked that she be allowed to take a matter into Closed Council.

47/16 RESOLVED (Watts/Girle) that the matter be referred to Closed Council for consideration as:

- i) the matters and information are 'Personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors.' (Section 10A(2)(a) 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.

GM-N **QWN/ORD 18/16** Border Regional Organisation of Councils (BROC) Meeting
Cr Girle **S14.10.1**

Cr Girle spoke in respect of the recent BROC Meeting held in Bingara and a number of funding opportunities that were discussed by Regional Development Australia - Northern Inland (RDANI).

48/16 RESOLVED (Baker/Watts) that Cr Girle be Council's representative to BROC.

QWN/ORD 19/16 Grant Funding – BOSS Engineering
Cr Girle

The recent grant funding of \$495K from the State Government's Murray Darling Basin Regional Business Fund to construct a new assembly facility to cater for their expansion was noted.

QWN/ORD 20/16 Opera in the Paddock
Cr Baker

Cr Baker noted the success of the 2016 Opera in the Paddock event.

QWN/ORD 21/16 Equestrian Centre
Cr Baker

Cr Baker noted the recent events at the Centre advising that the recent Council improvements of the facility are appreciated by users.

QWN/ORD 22/16 Cameron Park Opening
Cr Harmon

Cr Harmon noted the successful delivery of the project and the recent Official Opening.

QWN/ORD 23/16 White Rock Wind Farm
Cr Harmon

Cr Harmon attended the Ground Breaking Ceremony for the commencement of this project. This project will bring major economic benefits to the region.

QWN/ORD 24/16 Candidate Seminar
General Manager

The General Manager advised that a Candidates Seminar for the 2016 Council Elections will be held in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, 13 July, 2016 at 5.30pm.

SECTION G
CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS IN CLOSED COUNCIL
(SECTION 10A(2) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1993)

At 4.40pm, the Chairperson offered the opportunity to members of the public to make representations as to whether any part of the Council Meeting should not be considered in Closed Council. There was no response.

CLOSED COUNCIL REPORTS

49/16 RESOLVED (*Grile/Jones*) *that Council proceed into Closed Council to discuss the matters referred to it, for the reasons stated in the motions of referral.*

Upon resuming Open Council at 4.52pm, the Chair verbally reported that the Council had met in Closed Council, with the Press and Public excluded, and had resolved to recommend to Council the following:

1. DANTHONIA EVENT – INVERELL MINISTERS FRATERNAL **S6.8.9**

That the information be received and it be noted that a Certificate was presented at the event to the Danthonia community.

ADOPTION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

50/16 RESOLVED (*Michael/Baker*) *that the recommendations of Closed Council be adopted.*

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 4.54pm.

CR P J HARMON

CHAIRPERSON

TO ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL 22/06/2016

ITEM NO:	1.	FILE NO: S4.11.16/08
DESTINATION 2 DESTINATION 3 DESTINATION 5:	A Community that is healthy, educated and sustained. An environment that is protected and sustained. The Communities are served by sustainable services and infrastructure.	CES
SUBJECT:	CIVIL & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – 8 JUNE 2016	
PREPARED BY:	Hayley Nichols, Corporate Support Officer - Publishing	

SUMMARY:

Meeting held on Wednesday, 8 June, 2016.

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, 8 JUNE, 2016, COMMENCING AT 8.30 AM.

PRESENT: Cr H N Castledine (Chairperson), Crs A A Michael, B C Johnston, P J Harmon and D C Jones.

Also in attendance: Crs J A Watts, D F Baker and P J Girle.

Paul Henry (General Manager), Brett McInnes (Director Civil and Environmental Services), Ken Beddie (Director Corporate and Economic Services), Stephen Golding (Executive Manager Corporate and Community 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 (Michael/Jones) that the Minutes of the Civil and Environmental Services Committee Meeting held on 11 May, 2016, 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. PUBLIC FORUM S13.5.6/09

There were no members of the public present to speak.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil.

**SECTION B
ADVOCACY REPORTS**

Cr Watts Delungra District Development Council

Cr Watts noted the recent meeting of the Delungra District Development Council. Matters discussed at the meeting were;

- minor maintenance issues, and
- entry signage. It was suggested that the theme for signage could be related to the Aboriginal meaning of Delungra including water holes with reeds.

At this juncture, the time being 8.34am, Cr Johnston arrived at the meeting.

Cr Harmon Inverell Chamber of Commerce Business Awards

Cr Harmon congratulated the Chamber for a sensational night. The event was very well attended and the new format worked extremely well.

Cr Castledine Victoria Park Amenities Building

Cr Castledine noted the completion of the new Victoria Park amenities building and the Official Opening that was held on Monday, 7 June, 2016.

**SECTION D
DESTINATION REPORTS**

1. EXHIBITION - DRAFT BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION ACT AND AMENDED LOCAL LANDS SERVICES ACT S11.12.7

RESOLVED (Michael/Jones) that the Committee recommend to Council that the draft submission in response to the land management and biodiversity reforms be endorsed.

2. DA-59/2015/A – 'CHILD CARE CENTRE' – MODIFICATION TO HOURS OF OPERATION - 6C BREWERY STREET, INVERELL DA-59/2015/A

RESOLVED (Jones/Harmon) that the Committee recommend to Council that Development Application Modification to 59/2015 be approved subject to the following conditions of consent:

Preliminary

1. Inverell Shire Council issues its consent, subject to conditions stated hereunder, in accordance with Section 80A of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

Consent is granted for:

- The use of the existing KCL facility as child care centre, incorporating:
 - Long Day Care;

- After School Care; and
- ~~Playgroup~~; and
- Vacation Care.

- The construction of a bus turning bay.

To confirm and clarify the terms of consent, the development must be carried out in accordance with the stamped and approved plans and accompanying documentation, unless modified by any following condition. Any deviation will require the consent of Council.

2. The applicant must comply with all relevant prescribed conditions as contained in Division 8A of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Regulation 2000 (as detailed at the end of this consent).
3. The long day care, after school care and vacation care uses must not commence operation until an Occupation Certificate has been issued.

Prior to Construction of the Bus Turning Bay

4. Prior to the construction of the bus turning bay a Construction Certificate must be issued in accordance with Section 109C (1)(b) and 81A (2) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*. The application for a Construction Certificate, made to Council or an Accredited Certifier, must include plans and specifications demonstrating full compliance with the Building Code of Australia and associated standards.
5. The following is to be incorporated into the design bus turning bay:
 - The kerb of the bus turning bay is to be connected with the kerb of the disabled parking space;
 - The southern access crossing from Brewery Street is to be designated as a 'In Only'; and
 - The northern access crossing from Brewery Street is to be designated as an 'Out Only'.

Prior to issue of a Construction Certificate, revised engineering plans showing the above details are to be submitted to and approved by Council.

6. Prior to issue of a Construction Certificate, approval under Section 138 of the Roads Act 1993 is to be obtained from Council for the construction of the northern access crossing from Brewery Street.

During Construction

7. To safeguard the local amenity, reduce noise nuisance and to prevent environmental pollution during the construction period:
 - Works on site are to be carried out in accordance with the Protection of the *Environment Operations Act 1997* in relation to noise, dust and associated nuisances from the site. The carrying out of works shall not interfere with the quiet enjoyment of the surrounding neighbourhood;
 - Construction may only be carried out between 7.00am and 5.00pm, Monday to Saturday, and no construction is to be carried out at any time on a Sunday or Public Holiday. Council may consent to vary these hours in particular circumstances where it can be demonstrated that it is unavoidable;

- Stockpiles of topsoil, sand, aggregate, spoil or other material shall be stored clear of any drainage path of easement, natural watercourse, footpath, kerb or road surface and shall implement measures to prevent the movement of such material off site;
- Building operations such as brick cutting, washing tools, concreting and bricklaying shall be undertaken on the building block. The pollutants from these building operations shall be contained on site;
- Builders waste must not be burnt or buried on site. All waste (including felled trees) must be contained and removed to a waste disposal depot;
- Sediment and erosion control measures are to be implemented onsite and maintained until the site is fully stabilised, in accordance with Council's Erosion and Sedimentation Control Policy 2004; and
- Where the proposed development involves the disturbance of any existing survey monuments, those monuments affected will need to be relocated by a registered surveyor under the *Surveying and Spatial Information Act* 2002. A plan showing the relocated monuments will then be required to be lodged as a matter of public record at the Lands Titles Office.

Prior to Operation of Long Day Care, After School Care and Vacation Care

8. Prior to the operation of Long Day Care, After School Care and Vacation Care, an Occupation Certificate must be issued in accordance with Section 109M of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

Note: Prior to issue of the Occupation Certificate, the Principal Certifying Authority is required to be satisfied, amongst other things, that:

- all required inspections (including each applicable mandatory critical stage inspection) have been carried out; and
 - any preconditions to the issue of the certificate required by a development consent have been met.
9. Prior to issue of an Occupation Certificate, the bus turning bay is to be constructed in accordance with the approved engineering plans.
 10. Prior to issue of an Occupation Certificate, all landscaping as per the approved plans is to be completed.

Ongoing Use

11. The operation of the Long Day Care is limited to:
 - The hours of 8.00am to 3.00pm, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, during School Term Periods;
 - No more than two (2) hours of outdoor activity, between the hours of 8.30am and 12.00pm; and
 - A maximum of twenty-eight (28) children.
12. The operation of the After School Care is limited to:
 - 3.00pm to 6.00pm, Monday to Friday, during School Term Periods;
 - No more than two (2) hours of outdoor activity, between the hours of 3.00pm and 5.30pm; and
 - A maximum of twenty-eight (28) children.
13. ~~The operation of the Playgroup is limited to:~~

- ~~A maximum of two (2) hours (generally between 9.30am and 11.30am), Wednesday and Thursday, during School Term Periods; and~~
- ~~A maximum of thirty-two (32) children.~~

14. The operation of the Vacation Care is limited to:

- 8.00am to 6.00pm, Monday to Friday, during School Holiday periods; and
- No more than two (2) hours of outdoor activity, between the hours of 8.30am and 12.00pm;
- No more than two (2) hours of outdoor activity, between the hours of 3.00pm and 5.30pm; and
- A maximum of twenty-eight (28) children.

15. Any food preparation and handling must comply with all applicable legislation/regulation and standards including:

- The *Food Act 2003*;
- Food Regulation 2004;
- Food Standards Australia and New Zealand – Food Standards Code 2001;
- Relevant Australian Standards for Design, Construction and Fit out of Food Premises; and
- Mechanical ventilation – Australian Standard 1668.2-2002 The use of ventilation and air conditioning in buildings - Ventilation design for indoor air contaminant control.

16. All parking areas, the bus turning bay and landscaping must be maintained in a reasonable manner, in perpetuity.

17. All waste bins and storage areas are to be located and/or screened to not be visible from adjacent public or private land.

18. Any other condition deemed appropriate by the Director Civil and Environmental Services.

S375A Record of Voting	Councillors For:	Councillors Against:
Cr A A Michael	✓	
Cr H N Castledine	✓	
Cr P J Harmon	✓	
Cr B C Johnston	✓	
Cr D C Jones	✓	

3. HIGH PRODUCTIVITY VEHICLE ACCESS - YETMAN AREA S28.15.3/06

RESOLVED (Michael/Harmon) that the Committee recommend to Council that retain the existing policy with the addition of a clause being added that Council apply for grant funding from the State and Federal Government for any applications that have a significant benefit to the wider community.

At this juncture, the time being 9.55am, Cr Jones declared a pecuniary interest in Section D, Destination Reports, Item 4, "Service Level Requirements – Flood Monitoring". The nature of the interest relates to Cr Jones being Council's Flood Controller.

4. SERVICE LEVEL REQUIREMENTS - FLOOD MONITORING S18.6.19

RESOLVED (Harmon/Michael) that the Committee recommend to Council that Council defer the payment of the servicing charge to enable the following matters to be undertaken:

- i) Council approach the Insurance Council to seek the determination of a position on insurance companies contributing to the cost of flood monitoring;*
- ii) Council discuss funding of the system with the State Government, noting the 100% increase in charges; and*
- iii) Council write to the Office of Water seeking details on the cost break-up of servicing the flood monitoring system in the Inverell Local Government Area,*

At this juncture, the time being 10.02am, Cr Jones returned to the meeting.

5. ADMINISTRATION OF WEIGHT OF LOADS GROUPS S28.11.1

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

- i) the function and administration of the Weight of Loads remain as per the current arrangements; and*
- ii) after the governance framework for Joint Organisations are determined by the State Government, then a reexamination of the "best fit" for the Weight of Loads function be undertaken.*

6. CONSIDERATION OF THE LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS
S30.8.1

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

1. LINE MARKING ON OLD BUNDARRA ROAD S28.9.16

Linemarking be applied to Old Bundarra Road from Devon Street to Leviathan Road.

2. LINEMARKING OF MACINTYRE, CAMERON AND MEDORA STREETS, INVERELL
S28.9.16

Linemarking be applied to MacIntyre, Cameron and Medora Streets from Old Bundarra Road to Bundarra Road.

3. STOP SIGN – INTERSECTION OF SHORT STREET AND RUNNYMEDE DRIVE
S28.9.18

A stop sign be installed on the Short Street approach to the intersection.

SECTION E
INFORMATION REPORTS1. WORKS UPDATE S28.21.1/09

RESOLVED (Harmon/Johnston) that the items contained in the Information Reports to the Civil & Environmental Services Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 8 June, 2016, be received and noted.

SECTION F
GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr Harmon Ministry of Transport

Cr Harmon noted the guidelines for Community Transport Infrastructure Grants had changed and asked if Council would be submitting an application.

Manager Civil Engineering, Mr Justin Pay advised that Council, on a continuing basis, applies for funding from the Community Transport Infrastructure Grants for identified projects such as bus shelters and 'pull off' zones in urban areas. If the guidelines have changed and improvements in the rural areas now qualify, then projects in the rural area will be submitted.

Cr Baker Chester Street

Cr Baker questioned if Chester Street was in the forward Urban Works Program.

Manager Civil Engineering, Mr Justin Pay and Director Civil & Environmental Services, Mr Brett McInnes advised that Chester Street is one of the priorities in the Program, however, the works need to be considered in conjunction with the Chester Street/Gwydir Highway intersection upgrade. Council is seeking grant funding for this Highway intersection.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 10.25am.

RECOMMENDATION:

That:

- i) *the Minutes of the Civil & Environmental Services Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 8 June, 2016, be received and noted; and*
- ii) *the following recommendation of the Civil & Environmental Services Committee be considered by Council:*

1. EXHIBITION - DRAFT BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION ACT AND AMENDED LOCAL LANDS SERVICES ACT S11.12.7

That the draft submission in response to the land management and biodiversity reforms be endorsed.

2. DA-59/2015/A – 'CHILD CARE CENTRE' – MODIFICATION TO HOURS OF OPERATION - 6C BREWERY STREET, INVERELL DA-59/2015/A

That Development Application Modification to 59/2015 be approved subject to the following conditions of consent:

Preliminary

1. Inverell Shire Council issues its consent, subject to conditions stated hereunder, in accordance with Section 80A of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

Consent is granted for:

- The use of the existing KCL facility as child care centre, incorporating:

- Long Day Care;
- After School Care; and
- ~~Playgroup; and~~
- Vacation Care.

- The construction of a bus turning bay.

To confirm and clarify the terms of consent, the development must be carried out in accordance with the stamped and approved plans and accompanying documentation, unless modified by any following condition. Any deviation will require the consent of Council.

2. The applicant must comply with all relevant prescribed conditions as contained in Division 8A of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Regulation 2000 (as detailed at the end of this consent).
3. The long day care, after school care and vacation care uses must not commence operation until an Occupation Certificate has been issued.

Prior to Construction of the Bus Turning Bay

4. Prior to the construction of the bus turning bay a Construction Certificate must be issued in accordance with Section 109C (1)(b) and 81A (2) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*. The application for a Construction Certificate, made to Council or an Accredited Certifier, must include plans and specifications demonstrating full compliance with the Building Code of Australia and associated standards.
5. The following is to be incorporated into the design bus turning bay:
 - The kerb of the bus turning bay is to be connected with the kerb of the disabled parking space;
 - The southern access crossing from Brewery Street is to be designated as a 'In Only'; and
 - The northern access crossing from Brewery Street is to be designated as an 'Out Only'.

Prior to issue of a Construction Certificate, revised engineering plans showing the above details are to be submitted to and approved by Council.

6. Prior to issue of a Construction Certificate, approval under Section 138 of the Roads Act 1993 is to be obtained from Council for the construction of the northern access crossing from Brewery Street.

During Construction

7. To safeguard the local amenity, reduce noise nuisance and to prevent environmental pollution during the construction period:
 - Works on site are to be carried out in accordance with the Protection of the *Environment Operations Act 1997* in relation to noise, dust and associated nuisances from the site. The carrying out of works shall not interfere with the quiet enjoyment of the surrounding neighbourhood;
 - Construction may only be carried out between 7.00am and 5.00pm, Monday to Saturday, and no construction is to be carried out at any time on a Sunday or Public Holiday.

Council may consent to vary these hours in particular circumstances where it can be demonstrated that it is unavoidable;

- Stockpiles of topsoil, sand, aggregate, spoil or other material shall be stored clear of any drainage path of easement, natural watercourse, footpath, kerb or road surface and shall implement measures to prevent the movement of such material off site;
- Building operations such as brick cutting, washing tools, concreting and bricklaying shall be undertaken on the building block. The pollutants from these building operations shall be contained on site;
- Builders waste must not be burnt or buried on site. All waste (including felled trees) must be contained and removed to a waste disposal depot;
- Sediment and erosion control measures are to be implemented onsite and maintained until the site is fully stabilised, in accordance with Council's Erosion and Sedimentation Control Policy 2004; and
- Where the proposed development involves the disturbance of any existing survey monuments, those monuments affected will need to be relocated by a registered surveyor under the *Surveying and Spatial Information Act 2002*. A plan showing the relocated monuments will then be required to be lodged as a matter of public record at the Lands Titles Office.

Prior to Operation of Long Day Care, After School Care and Vacation Care

8. Prior to the operation of Long Day Care, After School Care and Vacation Care, an Occupation Certificate must be issued in accordance with Section 109M of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

Note: Prior to issue of the Occupation Certificate, the Principal Certifying Authority is required to be satisfied, amongst other things, that:

- all required inspections (including each applicable mandatory critical stage inspection) have been carried out; and
 - any preconditions to the issue of the certificate required by a development consent have been met.
9. Prior to issue of an Occupation Certificate, the bus turning bay is to be constructed in accordance with the approved engineering plans.
10. Prior to issue of an Occupation Certificate, all landscaping as per the approved plans is to be completed.

Ongoing Use

11. The operation of the Long Day Care is limited to:
- The hours of 8.00am to 3.00pm, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, during School Term Periods;
 - No more than two (2) hours of outdoor activity, between the hours of 8.30am and 12.00pm; and
 - A maximum of twenty-eight (28) children.

12. The operation of the After School Care is limited to:

- 3.00pm to 6.00pm, Monday to Friday, during School Term Periods;
- No more than two (2) hours of outdoor activity, between the hours of 3.00pm and 5.30pm; and
- A maximum of twenty-eight (28) children.

13. ~~The operation of the Playgroup is limited to:~~

- ~~▪ A maximum of two (2) hours (generally between 9.30am and 11.30am), Wednesday and Thursday, during School Term Periods; and~~
- ~~▪ A maximum of thirty-two (32) children.~~

14. The operation of the Vacation Care is limited to:

- 8.00am to 6.00pm, Monday to Friday, during School Holiday periods; and
- No more than two (2) hours of outdoor activity, between the hours of 8.30am and 12.00pm;
- No more than two (2) hours of outdoor activity, between the hours of 3.00pm and 5.30pm; and
- A maximum of twenty-eight (28) children.

15. Any food preparation and handling must comply with all applicable legislation/regulation and standards including:

- The *Food Act 2003*;
- Food Regulation 2004;
- Food Standards Australia and New Zealand – Food Standards Code 2001;
- Relevant Australian Standards for Design, Construction and Fit out of Food Premises; and
- Mechanical ventilation – Australian Standard 1668.2-2002 The use of ventilation and air conditioning in buildings - Ventilation design for indoor air contaminant control.

16. All parking areas, the bus turning bay and landscaping must be maintained in a reasonable manner, in perpetuity.

17. All waste bins and storage areas are to be located and/or screened to not be visible from adjacent public or private land.

18. Any other condition deemed appropriate by the Director Civil and Environmental Services.

3. HIGH PRODUCTIVITY VEHICLE ACCESS - YETMAN AREA S28.15.3/06

That Council retain the existing policy with the addition of a clause being added that Council apply for grant funding from the State and Federal Government for any applications that have a significant benefit to the wider community.

4.	<u>SERVICE LEVEL REQUIREMENTS - FLOOD MONITORING</u>	S18.6.19
<i>That Council defer the payment of the servicing charge to enable the following matters to be undertaken:</i>		
i)	<i>Council approach the Insurance Council to seek the determination of a position on insurance companies contributing to the cost of flood monitoring;</i>	
ii)	<i>Council discuss funding of the system with the State Government, noting the 100% increase in charges; and</i>	
iii)	<i>Council write to the Office of Water seeking details on the cost break-up of servicing the flood monitoring system in the Inverell Local Government Area.</i>	
5.	<u>ADMINISTRATION OF WEIGHT OF LOADS GROUPS</u>	S28.11.1
<i>That:</i>		
i)	<i>the function and administration of the Weight of Loads remain as per the current arrangements; and</i>	
ii)	<i>after the governance framework for Joint Organisations are determined by the State Government, then a reexamination of the "best fit" for the Weight of Loads function be undertaken.</i>	
6.	<u>CONSIDERATION OF THE LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS</u>	S30.8.1
<i>That:</i>		
1.	<u>LINE MARKING ON OLD BUNDARRA ROAD</u>	S28.9.16
<i>Linemarking be applied to Old Bundarra Road from Devon Street to Leviathan Road.</i>		
2.	<u>LINEMARKING OF MACINTYRE, CAMERON AND MEDORA STREETS, INVERELL</u>	S28.9.16
<i>Linemarking be applied to MacIntyre, Cameron and Medora Streets from Old Bundarra Road to Bundarra Road.</i>		
3.	<u>STOP SIGN – INTERSECTION OF SHORT STREET AND RUNNYMEDE DRIVE</u>	S28.9.18
<i>A stop sign be installed on the Short Street approach to the intersection.</i>		

ITEM NO:	2.	FILE NO: S4.11.17/08
DESTINATION 1 DESTINATION 4:	A recognised leader in a broader context. A strong economy.	RB
SUBJECT:	ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – 8 JUNE 2016	
PREPARED BY:	Hayley Nichols, Corporate Support Officer - Publishing	

SUMMARY:

Meeting held on Wednesday, 8 June, 2016.

For the consideration of Council.

COMMENTARY:

MINUTES OF THE ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, INVERELL SHIRE COUNCIL, 144 OTHO STREET,
INVERELL ON WEDNESDAY, 8 JUNE, 2016, COMMENCING AT 10.35AM.

PRESENT: Cr J A Watts (Chairperson), Crs D F Baker, P J Girle, P J Harmon and A A Michael.

Also in attendance: Crs H N Castledine, B C Johnston and D C Jones.

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

SECTION A**APOLOGIES:**

There were no apologies received.

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED (Baker/Girle) that the Minutes of the Economic and Community Sustainability Committee Meeting held on 11 May, 2016 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.

Suspension of Standing Orders

At this juncture, the time being 10.40am, the Chairperson sought agreement to suspend Standing Orders to welcome Ms Caroline Downer, Executive Director of Arts North West. Ms Downer presented the Committee with details of the benefits and opportunities of being a member of Arts North West and the Group's activities.

At this juncture, the time being 11.15am, the Chairperson welcomed Ms Nicole Lavender, CEO of Inverell District Family Services, Mr John Devlin, Director of Inverell District Family Services and Mr Peter Gaukroger, Independent Building Committee Member.

Ms Lavender addressed the Committee in respect of the proposed extension/ redevelopment of Inverell District Family Services premises.

Resumption of Standing Orders

At this juncture, the time being 11.45am, Standing Orders resumed and the Committee considered the balance of the Agenda.

SECTION B
ADVOCACY REPORTS

Cr Watts Air Service

Cr Watts noted a recent meeting held with the Director/Chief Pilot of Airspeed Aviation, Mr Ben Wyndham, Inverell Chamber of Commerce and local business houses. Airspeed Aviation is currently seeking the establishment of an Air Service in Narrabri over the coming months.

Mr Wyndham indicated that once the Narrabri service is up and running successfully there may be an opportunity to investigate the option of an Inverell Air Service as some future time, possibly to Brisbane. Mr Wyndham noted that for any Sydney service to be viable, 10,000 passengers are required at an average return ticket price of \$500.00.

SECTION D
DESTINATION REPORTS

1. ARTS NORTH WEST S26.5.4

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

- i) the report be received and noted; and*
- ii) at this time, Council decline the offer of membership to Arts North West, noting its current ongoing investment in local Cultural Infrastructure and activities.*

2. INVERELL DISTRICT FAMILY SERVICES - FUTURE DIRECTION (LISTING)
 S15.8.25/09

RESOLVED (Baker/Michael) that the matter be referred to Closed Committee 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.*

SECTION E
INFORMATION REPORTS

1. E-WASTE FACILITY AND REVOLVE STORE – WARRA-LI S31.16.22

RESOLVED (Baker/Girle) that the items contained in the Information Reports to the Economic & Community Sustainability Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 8 June, 2016, be received and noted.

SECTION H
GOVERNANCE REPORTS

1. STORES & MATERIALS STOCKTAKE S23.16.5/09

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

- i) the stores and materials Stocktake information be received and noted; and
- ii) the adjustment of **\$964.02** be made in the Stores Ledger.

2. STORES & MATERIALS STOCKTAKE S23.16.5/09

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

- i) the stores and materials Stocktake information be received and noted; and
- ii) the adjustment of **\$47.67** be made in the Stores Ledger.

3. STORES & MATERIALS STOCKTAKE S23.16.5/09

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

- i) the stores and materials Stocktake information be received and noted; and
- ii) no adjustment be made in the Stores Ledger.

4. STORES & MATERIALS STOCKTAKE S23.16.5/09

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

- i) the stores and materials Stocktake information be received and noted; and
- ii) the adjustment of **\$46.13** made in the Stores Ledger.

5. STORES & MATERIALS STOCKTAKE S23.16.5/09

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

- i) the stores and materials Stocktake information be received and noted; and
- ii) an adjustment of **-\$541.42** be made in the Stores Ledger.

6. STORES & MATERIALS STOCKTAKE S23.16.5/09

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

- i) the stores and materials Stocktake information be received and noted; and
- ii) the adjustment of **\$82.82** made in the Stores Ledger.

7. GOVERNANCE - MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORT S12.12.2/09

RESOLVED (Baker/Michael) 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.

8. BUDGET AND OPERATIONAL PLAN REVIEW 2015/2016 S12.5.1/09

RESOLVED (Baker/Michael) that the Committee recommend to Council that the proposed variations to budget votes for the 2015/2016 Financial Year be adopted providing an estimated Cash Surplus at 30 June, 2016 from operations of \$6,952.

SECTION G
CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS IN CLOSED COMMITTEE
(SECTION 10A(2) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1993)

At 12.05pm, the Chairperson noted that no members of the public were present at the meeting to make representations as to whether any part of the Committee Meeting should not be considered in Closed Committee.

CLOSED COMMITTEE REPORTS

RESOLVED (Harmon/Michael) that the Committee proceed into Closed Committee to discuss the matters referred to it, for the reasons stated in the motions of referral.

Upon resuming Open Committee, at 12.14pm, the Chair verbally reported that the Committee, with the Press and Public excluded, having considered the matter referred to it, recommends as follows:

1. INVERELL DISTRICT FAMILY SERVICES - FUTURE DIRECTION S15.8.25/09

That the Committee recommend to Council that the land, being Lot 10, DP 1040067 be offered, in principle, to Inverell District Family Services pending a market valuation of the land and Inverell District Family Services being successful in obtaining grant funding for the project.

ADOPTION OF RECOMMENDATION

RESOLVED (Harmon/Michael) that the recommendation from Closed Committee be adopted.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 12.12pm.

RECOMMENDATION:

That:

- i) *the Minutes of the Economic & Community Sustainability Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 8 June, 2016, be received and noted; and*
- ii) *the following recommendations of the Economic & Community Sustainability Committee be considered by Council:*

1. ARTS NORTH WEST S26.5.4

That:

- i) *the report be received and noted; and*
- ii) *at this time, Council decline the offer of membership to Arts North West, noting its current ongoing investment in local Cultural Infrastructure and activities.*

2. STORES & MATERIALS STOCKTAKE S23.16.5/09

That:

- i) *the stores and materials Stocktake information be received and noted; and*
- ii) *the adjustment of \$964.02 be made in the Stores Ledger.*

3. STORES & MATERIALS STOCKTAKE S23.16.5/09

That:

i) *the stores and materials Stocktake information be received and noted; and*

ii) *the adjustment of **\$47.67** be made in the Stores Ledger.*

4. STORES & MATERIALS STOCKTAKE S23.16.5/09

That:

i) *the stores and materials Stocktake information be received and noted; and*

ii) *no adjustment be made in the Stores Ledger.*

5. STORES & MATERIALS STOCKTAKE S23.16.5/09

That:

i) *the stores and materials Stocktake information be received and noted; and*

ii) *the adjustment of **\$46.13** made in the Stores Ledger.*

6. STORES & MATERIALS STOCKTAKE S23.16.5/09

That:

i) *the stores and materials Stocktake information be received and noted; and*

ii) *an adjustment of **-\$541.42** be made in the Stores Ledger.*

7. STORES & MATERIALS STOCKTAKE S23.16.5/09

That:

i) *the stores and materials Stocktake information be received and noted; and*

ii) *the adjustment of **\$82.82** made in the Stores Ledger.*

8. GOVERNANCE - MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORT S12.12.2/09

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.*

9. BUDGET AND OPERATIONAL PLAN REVIEW 2015/2016 S12.5.1/09

That the proposed variations to budget votes for the 2015/2016 Financial Year be adopted providing an estimated Cash Surplus at 30 June, 2016 from operations of \$6,952.

10. INVERELL DISTRICT FAMILY SERVICES - FUTURE DIRECTION
S15.8.25/09

That the land, being Lot 10, DP 1040067 be offered, in principle, to Inverell District Family Services pending a market valuation of the land and Inverell District Family Services being successful in obtaining grant funding for the project.

ITEM NO:	3.	FILE NO: S4.11.21
DESTINATION 3:	An environment that is protected and sustained.	E
SUBJECT:	AUDIT & RISK COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – 25 MAY 2016	
PREPARED BY:	Hayley Nichols, Corporate Support Officer - Publishing	

SUMMARY:

Meeting held on Wednesday, 25 May, 2016.

For the consideration of Council.

COMMENTARY:

MINUTES OF THE AUDIT & RISK COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE BOARD ROOM, INVERELL SHIRE COUNCIL, 144 OTHO STREET, INVERELL ON WEDNESDAY, 25 MAY, 2016, COMMENCING AT 12.30 PM.

PRESENT: Crs P J Harmon (Chairperson), J A Watts, B C Johnston and H N Castledine.

Also in attendance: Ken Beddie (Director Corporate and Economic Services).

SECTION A**APOLOGIES:**

There were no apologies received.

1. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

RESOLVED (Johnston/Watts) that the Minutes of the Audit and Risk Meeting held on 23 March, 2016 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 D
DESTINATION REPORTS**

1. **INTERNAL AUDIT – TRIM DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM S4.1.1**

RESOLVED (Watts/Castledine) that the Committee recommend to Council that:

- i) *the report be received and noted including the finding that “overall, the current records management policies and procedures, record life cycle controls (capture, access, maintenance and destruction) and compliance with records regulations are of acceptable standard. Also, acceptable standard controls and processes over record management resources, access controls, GIPA requests and TRIM usage (e.g. emails, mail (e.g. in and out), minutes and general documents”; and*
- ii) *Audit Risk Area 6 be subject to external review in the 2016/2017 financial year.*
- 2. ECONOMIC FORECASTS - NSW TREASURY CORPORATION (LISTING) S12.20.3

RESOLVED (Watts/Castledine) that the matter be referred to Closed Committee 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.*
- 3. GOVERNANCE – QUARTERLY INVESTMENT REPORT (LISTING) S12.12.5/09

RESOLVED (Watts/Johnston) that the matter be referred to Closed Committee 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.*

SECTION E INFORMATION REPORTS

- 1. YEAR TO DATE STORES & MATERIALS STOCKTAKE REPORT S23.16.5/09
- 2. 2014-2015 TBL PERFORMANCE REPORTS S14.16.12

RESOLVED (Watts/Johnston) that the items contained in the Information Reports to the Audit & Risk Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 25 May, 2016, be received and noted.

SECTION G CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS IN CLOSED COMMITTEE (SECTION 10A(2) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1993)

At 1.06pm, the Chairperson offered the opportunity to members of the public to make representations as to whether any part of the Committee Meeting should not be considered in Closed Committee. There was no response from the public.

CLOSED COMMITTEE REPORTS

RESOLVED (Watts/Castledine) that the Committee proceed into Closed Committee to discuss the matters referred to it, for the reasons stated in the motions of referral.

Upon resuming Open Committee, at 1.16pm, the Chair verbally reported that the Committee, with the Press and Public excluded, having considered the matters referred to it, recommends as follows:

1. ECONOMIC FORECASTS - NSW TREASURY CORPORATION S12.20.3

That the information be received and noted.

2. GOVERNANCE – QUARTERLY INVESTMENT REPORT S12.12.5/09

That the information be noted.

ADOPTION OF RECOMMENDATION

RESOLVED (Johnston/Watts) that the recommendation from Closed Committee be adopted.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 1.19pm.

RECOMMENDATION:

That:

- i) *the Minutes of the Audit & Risk Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 25 May, 2016, be received and noted; and*
- ii) *the following recommendations of the Audit & Risk Committee be considered by Council:*

1. INTERNAL AUDIT – TRIM DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM S4.1.1

That:

- i) *the report be received and noted including the finding that “overall, the current records management policies and procedures, record life cycle controls (capture, access, maintenance and destruction) and compliance with records regulations are of acceptable standard. Also, acceptable standard controls and processes over record management resources, access controls, GIPA requests and TRIM usage (e.g. emails, mail (e.g. in and out), minutes and general documents”; and*
- ii) *Audit Risk Area 6 be subject to external review in the 2016/2017 financial year.*

2. ECONOMIC FORECASTS - NSW TREASURY CORPORATION S12.20.3

That the information be received and noted.

3. GOVERNANCE – QUARTERLY INVESTMENT REPORT S12.12.5/09

That the information be noted.

ITEM NO:	4.	FILE NO: S19.9.1
DESTINATION 2:	A community that is healthy, educated and sustained.	C
SUBJECT:	INVERELL LIQUOR CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES	
PREPARED BY:	Hayley Nichols, Corporate Support Officer - Publishing	

SUMMARY:

Meeting held on 10 May, 2016.

For the consideration of Council.

COMMENTARY:

MINUTES OF THE INVERELL LIQUOR CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT THE EMPIRE HOTEL, CNR CAMPBELL & BYRON STREET, INVERELL ON TUESDAY, 10 MAY, 2016, COMMENCING AT 10.00AM.

PRESENT: Tim Palmer (Inverell RSM) [Chair], Michael Pianko (Imperial Hotel/Royal Hotel Tingha), Damien Smith (Australian Hotel), Noel Lehane (Empire Hotel), Ewan Wilkinson (Liquorland), Kevin Stoessel (Ashford Bowling Club), Debbie Smith (Royal Hotel), Nic Campbell (Oxford Hotel), Scott Williams (Tatts Hotel), Joel McNamara (Union Bar), Don Carruthers (Imperial Hotel), Donna Thom (Gilgai Store), Leanne Brown (Inverell Jockey Club), Ross Chilcott & Chris Borger (NSW Police).

Also in attendance were Sharon Stafford (Inverell Shire Council) [Secretary] and Anthony Alliston (Manager Development Services, Inverell Shire Council).

SECTION A**APOLOGIES:**

An apology was received from Rowan O'Brien (NSW Police) and Dr Susan Allan (RMS).

RESOLVED (Brown/Stoessel) that the apology received from Rowan O'Brien and Dr Susan Allan be received and noted.

1. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

RESOLVED (Stoessel/Brown) that the Minutes of the Inverell Liquor Consultative Committee held on 9 February, 2016, 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**

Inverell Show – no significant issues

Grafton to Inverell – no significant issues

Drink Spiking – Licensees reminded to keep staff vigilant for suspicious behavior.

SECTION F GENERAL BUSINESS

Council

- Vacancy for Environmental Health Officer. To be advertised shortly.
- Liquor Accord Membership Fees for 2014/15 to be sent out this month. Pubs/Clubs - \$50, Restaurants/Taxi Service \$25.

Inverell Jockey Club

Sponsorship of the Inverell Club is up for grabs. Please speak with Leanne if interested.

Underage Drinking

Liquorland utilise a system they call 'ID40' – where anyone that looks under the age of 40 is asked for ID. Liquorland would like to see this system rolled out across the board.

Police

Chris Borger addressed the Committee on the following documentation:

Prevention of Intoxication on Licensed Premises & Intoxication Guidelines

- Do not permit intoxication on licensed premise.
- Licensees must comply.
- Must be promoted to Staff.
- Staff, in particular 'glassies' must be trained to look for intoxication and report back to the bar.
- Intoxicated persons must leave the premises.
- Serve bottled water well before closing time in order to reduce litter in the streets.
- Police will be closely monitoring the responsible service of alcohol.

Underage Drinking Laws

- If minors are detected consuming alcohol – licensee must show cause as to why premises should not be shut.
- Bottleshops must be particularly vigilant.

Liquor Promotion Guidelines

- Details whether a liquor promotion is undesirable and may be subject to a notice.

Dealing with Disturbance Concerns from Local Residents and Businesses.

- Educating patrons.
- Having an effective complaints handling system.

Mr Borger stressed that licensees must comply with the Intoxication Prevention measures and that they must promote these measures to all staff.

Failure to comply could result in Liquor License being cancelled.

Mr Borger highlighted that licensees must 'stick together'. All must comply with agreed Terms, Code of Conduct, Standard Barring Policy etc. The importance of adhering to lock out rules was also highlighted.

Secretary to arrange for copies of all abovementioned documentation to be emailed/posted to all members of the Inverell & District Liquor Consultative Committee at the earliest opportunity.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Inverell Liquor Consultative Committee will be held at the Australian Hotel on Tuesday, 9 August, 2016 commencing at 10 am.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 10.45am.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the Inverell Liquor Consultative Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, 10 May, 2016, be received and noted.

TO ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL 22/06/2016

ITEM NO:	1.	FILE NO: S13.7.4/03
DESTINATION 1:	A recognised leader in a broader context	R
SUBJECT:	LOCAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS 2016	
PREPARED BY:	Paul Henry, General Manager	

SUMMARY:

The Inverell Shire Local Council Elections are scheduled for Saturday, 10 September, 2016. Council is being asked to receive and note the following information regarding the conduct of the election.

COMMENTARY:

The NSW Local Council Elections are currently scheduled for Saturday, 10 September, 2016, for those Councils not involved in merger proposals.

The Inverell Shire Local Council Election will be administered by the NSW Electoral Commission. Information about the NSW Electoral Commission or the general administration and conduct of elections can be found at www.votensw.info.

The following general information is provided in respect of the election:

Candidate Briefing Session

A briefing session for those persons intending on nominating as a candidate in the election has been scheduled for Wednesday, 13 July, 2016 commencing at 5.30pm and concluding at 8.30pm. The Candidate Briefing Session will be advertised in the local newspaper, online and on social media towards the end of June, 2016.

Election Calendar

Important Calendar Dates for the Election include:

Key Date	Time	Schedule
Monday, 1 August	6.00pm	Nominations Open Close of Rolls
Wednesday, 10 August	12.00 noon	NOMINATION DAY Close of nominations Registration of Electoral Materials commences
Monday, 29 August		Pre-poll voting opens
Friday, 2 September	5.00pm	Registration of Electoral Material closes

Key Date	Time	Schedule
Monday, 5 September	5.00pm	Declared Institution voting commences Postal vote application closes
Friday, 9 September	6.00pm	Declared Institution voting closes Pre-poll voting closes
Saturday, 10 September	8.00am - 6.00pm	Election Day
Monday, 12 September	6.00pm	Return of postal votes closes

Caretaker Provisions

Clause 393B of the Local Government Regulations requires that the council, the General Manager or any other delegate of the council (other than a Joint Regional Planning Panel or the Central Sydney Planning Committee) must not exercise the following functions during the four (4) weeks preceding an ordinary election (caretaker period):

- Entering into any contract or undertaking involving an expenditure or receipt by the council of an amount equal to or greater than \$150,000 or 1% of the council's revenue from rates in the preceding financial year (whichever is the larger).
- Determining a controversial development application, except where a failure to make such a determination would give rise to a deemed refusal, or such a deemed refusal arose before the commencement of the caretaker period. The term "controversial development application" is defined as one for which at least 25 persons have made submissions by way of objection.
- Appointing or renewing the appointment of the General Manager or terminating their employment (this does not include the appointment of an acting or temporary General Manager).

In particular cases these functions may be exercised with the approval of the Minister.

The caretaker period for the September, 2016 Ordinary Local Government Elections commences Friday, 12 August, 2016 and ends on Saturday, 10 September, 2016.

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN, DELIVERY PLAN AND OPERATIONAL PLAN:

Strategy: R.07 Council is recognised for and distinguished by its management, innovation and customer service.

Term Achievement: R.07.01 Council's operating culture is flexible, efficient, integrated and aligned to Council's strategic objectives and program delivery.

Operational Objective: R.07.01.01 Implement a structured program of continuous improvement, based on identifying and adopting leading practice, across the organisation.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Nil.

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICERS COMMENT:

Nil.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the report be received and noted.

ITEM NO:	2.	FILE NO: S13.6.4/09
DESTINATION 1:	A recognised leader in a broader context	R
SUBJECT:	LOCAL GOVERNMENT DETERMINATION	REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL
PREPARED BY:	Paul Henry, General Manager	

SUMMARY:

Council has received advice from the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal in respect of its report on Councillor Fees for 2016/2017.

COMMENTARY:

In handing down its report, taking into account key economic indicators, including the Consumer Price Index and Wage Price Index, and the views of the assessors, the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal has recommended a maximum increase of 2.5% in fees for all Mayors and Councillors.

For the information of Councillors, it should be noted that the Independent Local Government Remuneration Tribunal sets the maximum increase for all Councillors in New South Wales each year after consulting with Councils as well as the Local Government and Shires Association (LGSA). Last year the maximum increase permissible was 2.5% for Councillors, Mayors and Chairpersons.

Inverell is categorised as a Rural Council, which entitles Councillors under the maximum increase of 2.5% permissible to a maximum annual fee of \$11,290, with the Mayor provided an additional \$24,630. This calculation would entitle each of the Councillors of Inverell Shire Council an annual fee of \$11,290, with the Mayor receiving a total combined Councillor Fee and Mayoral Fee of \$35,920.

In handing down its report for 2016/17, the Tribunal noted that in accordance with Section 239 of the Act, the Tribunal is also required to determine the categories of Councils and Mayoral Offices at least once every three (3) years. The Tribunal undertook this review and found that no changes were warranted at this time.

It should be noted that Council has budgeted for this increase, with the increase representing only a small marginal increase when compared to the increases attributable to Councils in categories higher than Inverell Shire.

It should also be noted that Inverell Shire Council's category rating is the third lowest rating, with a further six (6) categories being entitled to more significant increases than awarded to Inverell Shire Councillors, notably ranging from Councillors' Fees at a maximum of \$37,640 as Category 'Principal City' through to Category 'Regional Rural' only marginally above Inverell's rating at \$18,840 and Mayoral entitlements ranging from a maximum of \$206,620 (in addition to the Councillor Fee) to Category 'Regional Rural' payments of \$41,090 (in addition to the Councillor Fee).

The Tribunal has reviewed the key economic indicators, including the Consumer Price Index and Wage Price Index, and finds that the full increase of 2.5% available is warranted. On that basis, and having regard to the above, and after taking the views of the Assessors into account, the Tribunal considers that an increase of 2.5% in the fees for Councillors and Mayors is appropriate.

Pursuant to s.241 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, the annual fees to be paid in each of the categories to Councillors, Mayors, Members and Chairpersons of County Councils effective on and from 1 July, 2016 are determined as follows:

Note: Inverell Shire Council is placed in the 'Rural' category.

Table 3: Fees for General Purpose and County Councils				
Category	Councillor/Member Annual Fee		Mayor/Chairperson Additional Fee	
	Minimum	Maximum	Minimum	Maximum
General Purpose Councils				
Principal City	25,670	37,640	157,030	206,620
Major City	17,110	28,240	36,360	82,270
Metropolitan Major	17,110	28,240	36,360	82,270
Metropolitan Centre	12,830	23,950	27,260	63,640
Metropolitan	8,540	18,840	18,180	41,090
Regional Rural	8,540	18,840	18,180	41,090
Rural	8,540	11,290	9,080	24,630
County Councils				
Water	1,700	9,410	3,640	15,460
Other	1,700	5,630	3,640	10,270

* This fee must be paid in addition to the fee paid to the Mayor/Chairperson as a Councillor/Member (s 249(2)).

Council is required to fix councillor and mayoral fees for the 2016/17 financial year based on the Tribunal's Determination.

A council cannot fix a fee higher than the maximum amount determined by the Tribunal. If a council does not fix a fee, the council must pay the minimum fee determined by the Tribunal.

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN, DELIVERY PLAN AND OPERATIONAL PLAN:

Strategy: R.07 Council is recognised for and distinguished by its management, innovation and customer service.

Term Achievement: R.07.01 Council's operating culture is flexible, efficient, integrated and aligned to Council's strategic objectives and program delivery.

Operational Objective: R.07.01.01 Implement a structured program of continuous improvement, based on identifying and adopting leading practice, across the organisation.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

2016/2017 Schedule of Allowances & Expenses Policy to reflect resolved position of Council.

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICERS COMMENT:

Provision made in 2016/2017 Operational Plan.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil.

RECOMMENDATION:

That an increase of 2.5% in fees for Mayors and Councillors be applied for the 2016/2017 financial year as recommended by the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal.

ITEM NO:	3.	FILE NO: S13.1.2
DESTINATION 1:	A recognised leader in a broader context	R
SUBJECT:	JOINT ORGANISATION OF COUNCILS – PROPOSED MODEL	
PREPARED BY:	Paul Henry, General Manager	

SUMMARY:

The NSW Government has released a discussion paper, *Joint Organisations: Towards a new model for regional collaboration*, for consultation. The NSW Government welcomes submissions on the Model and Council is requested to consider its position in this matter.

COMMENTARY:

The NSW Government has released a discussion paper, *Joint Organisations: Towards a new model for regional collaboration*, for consultation. The full discussion paper can be viewed at <http://www.fitforthefuture.nsw.gov.au/joint-organisations>. This provides a snapshot on progress to date in building Joint Organisations (JOs), key elements of the proposed JO model and the next steps for new JOs of stronger, more connected and Fit for the Future Councils in regional and rural NSW. A summary of the proposed JO, as included in the discussion paper is as follows;

Principles

JOs should:

- have legal status
- be enabled through the Local Government Act and recognised in other relevant laws
- be owned by, and accountable to, member councils rather than be a 'fourth tier' of government
- not impose significant red tape, cost or risks and ensure benefits outweigh costs and risks
- embed collaborative relationships between local government and the State Government, as well as a wide range of other stakeholders and partners
- have a consistent core model with flexible elements
- protect entitlements for council staff through the Local Government (State) Award
- enable significant projects and initiatives, and associated funding and assets, to be managed regionally
- ensure good governance
- serve the best interests of the region and its communities.

Comment

These principles are the same principles that were contained in the final report of the Independent Review Panel (IRP). The principles were supported by Council when the final report was presented to Council in October, 2015. The principle of a "core model with flexible elements" refers to the range of functions to be performed by the JO. Council has on a number of occasions supported the concept of a limited number of core functions being given to the JO however, with the JO having the ability to undertake additional functions. The "protect entitlements for Council staff" principle is a procedural matter and covers the situation where an existing Council employee is transferred to the JO to carryout a function of the JO.

Core functions

- Regional strategic planning and priority setting
- Intergovernmental collaboration
- Regional leadership and advocacy.

Optional functions

Optional functions will be enabled, but not defined, by the legislation. These may include regional service delivery or capacity building activities. JOs should determine the best vehicle to undertake optional functions.

Comment

These functions are also the functions proposed by the IRP, and supported by Council.

A new entity

JOs will be bodies corporate established by proclamation under the Local Government Act. The proclamations will designate JO regions. All general purpose councils within each designated region must be a member of the JO.

The State Government will be an associate member of each JO Board. The legislation will also provide the option for other associate, non-voting members to be on the JO Board such as councils from other JO areas, cross border partners or county councils, where appropriate.

The JO Board must appoint an Executive Officer with appropriate skills based on a flexible standard contract. The JO may also employ additional staff under the Local Government (State) Award.

Comment

Appendix 1 (D22) shows the membership of the New England JO. It is mandatory that the Councils are members. The inclusion of Tenterfield is supported by the New England Group of Councils.

The requirement for the JO to appoint an Executive Officer will result in membership fees needing to be levied on member Councils. Offset is available from State Government seed funding.

Representation and operation of the Board

There will be core requirements for a number of key governance aspects to ensure robust, transparent and effective decision making and operation of the Board.

The requirements for membership and operation of the JO Board will be that:

- the Mayor will be the legislated member council representative on the JO, with the JO enabled to appoint additional elected representatives as long as representation remains equal. General Managers will participate in JO Board meetings in an advisory capacity
- an alternate representative, preferably the Deputy Mayor where there is one, may be appointed in certain circumstances where the Mayor cannot be represented, for example, due to illness or leave
- remote or proxy voting may occur in circumstances where it is impractical for the representative to attend in person
- the relevant Department of Premier and Cabinet (DPC) Regional Coordinator will represent the State Government on the Board in an associate, non-voting capacity
- the Board members will be appointed for a two year term, with the Chair chosen by voting representatives of the Board
- the role of Board members and Chair will be modelled on relevant roles of a councillor and mayor in the Local Government Act, plus the need to act in the best interests of the region as a whole.
- all member councils will have equal voting rights
- a simple majority at a meeting at which a quorum is present will be required for a decision to be made. The Chair of the JO will not have a casting vote
- Board members will not be paid sitting fees. However, a one-off increase to the Mayoral fee will be considered as part of the councillor remuneration review to commence in the coming months.

Planning and reporting

JOs will be required to prepare succinct strategic priorities and work plans and produce succinct annual performance reports.

Financial resourcing

The State Government will provide seed funding of \$300,000 per JO. Member councils will fund the ongoing functions of the JO. These contributions will be worked out by each JO using a regionally negotiated formula.

JOs will have a range of other funding opportunities, including the ability to apply for grants and generate income from activities they undertake.

JO formed corporations and other entities

JOs will be enabled to undertake optional functions directly, through member councils and through corporations and/or other entities.

An emerging direction to inform an appropriate model for JOs to form corporations and other entities has been developed and is included for feedback.

Comment

The allowing of remote or proxy voting is an interesting development. This opportunity has not been raised before. Does Council consider this appropriate? Should there be a limit on the type of matters for which this form of voting is available?

The two (2) year appointment of Board Members is consistent with the intention to increase the tenure of Mayors who are elected by Councillors.

The NSW Government welcomes the views of Councils, Regional Organisations of Councils and others to help inform the successful roll out of JOs from the next Local Government elections to ensure they will bring real benefits to their communities. The NSW Government is receiving submissions up until 5pm on 15 July, 2016. Councillors are asked to determine if it wishes to make a submission on the discussion paper and if so, what matters does it wish to express a view on.

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN, DELIVERY PLAN AND OPERATIONAL PLAN:

Strategy: R.04 Inverell Shire positively influences policy on rural and regional growth.

Term Achievement: R.04.01 Joint responses and initiatives are regularly developed with neighbouring Councils and regional organisations on rural and regional issues.

Operational Objective: R.04.01.01 Establish a program of regular meetings with neighbouring councils to identify and develop approaches to contemporary regional issues.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Nil.

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICERS COMMENT:

Nil.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil.

RECOMMENDATION:

A matter for Council.

ITEM NO:	4.	FILE NO: S5.2.0/09	
DESTINATION 5:	The communities are served by sustainable services and infrastructure		S
SUBJECT:	COUNCIL LAND – MARKET VALUATIONS (LISTING)		
PREPARED BY:	Paul Henry, General Manager		

SUMMARY:

At the Ordinary meeting of Council, held 24 February, 2016, it was resolved that Council approach local real estate agents seeking the provision of market valuations for all unpriced Council operational land that may be available for sale. Council is asked to consider a confidential report in this matter.

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 Council includes information which is 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: B.06 Plan for and promote private and commercial businesses and residential, industrial and commercial development.

Term Achievement: B.06.01 Sufficient and serviced lands are available to meet the Shire's business development and residential needs.

Operational Objective: B.06.01.01 To maintain a suitable portfolio of land for development and sale at a fair market price.

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.*

ITEM NO:	5.	FILE NO: S5.9.24
DESTINATION 5:	The communities are served by sustainable services and infrastructure	S
SUBJECT:	ASHFORD SPORTS GROUND AMENITIES BUILDING CONSTRUCTION PROJECT TENDER (LISTING)	
PREPARED BY:	Stephen Golding, Executive Manager Corporate and Community Services	

SUMMARY:

Tenders for the construction of the Ashford Sports Ground Amenities Building Construction Project closed on 19 May, 2016. Council is requested to consider a confidential report in this respect.

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

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 - (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 provided by the applicants which is considered to be commercially sensitive.

The recommendation that this item of business be considered in Closed Council 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 MANAGEMENT PLAN:

Strategy: S.07 Provide accessible and usable recreation facilities and services meet the needs of the community.

Term Achievement: S.07.01 Recreational and leisure facilities and services that meet community needs and are maintained to promote optimal utilisation.

Operational Objective: S.07.01.01 Facilitate joint use of the Shire's recreation and leisure facilities, sporting and open space facilities including co-location of programs.

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.*

ITEM NO:	6.	FILE NO: S12.5.3
DESTINATION 5:	The communities are served by sustainable services and infrastructure	S
SUBJECT:	ADOPTION OF 2016/2017 OPERATIONAL PLAN AND BUDGET	
PREPARED BY:	Ken Beddie, Director Corporate & Economic Services	

SUMMARY:

Council adopted the 2016/2017 Draft Operational Plan and Budget, Long Term Financial Plan and Asset Management Plans at its April, 2016, meeting. These documents were subsequently placed on public exhibition, along with a copy of the presentation provided to the April, 2016 meeting in this matter, and publicised for a period of 28 days. The community were 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 to now adopt the 2016/2017 Operational Plan and Budget, Long Term Financial Plan and the Road Infrastructure Asset Management Plans to make its rates and charges and to vote its expenditure for 2016/2017.

COMMENTARY:

1. Voting of Expenditure for 2016/2017

Council, at its meeting held 27 April, 2016, resolved to adopt the Draft 2016/2017 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 as required by the NSW Office of Local Government.

A comprehensive presentation was provided to the April, 2016 Council meeting in this matter. This presentation complimented that substantial and lengthy presentation and workshop of this matter at the April, 2016 Economic and Community Sustainability Committee meeting. These meetings and presentations were open to the public.

The prescribed advertisement was subsequently placed in The Inverell Times on Tuesday, 3 May, 2016, and the Draft 2016/2017 Operational Plan and Budget was placed on public display, on Council's website and on Council's Facebook Page. Attached is a copy of Council's estimated budget results for 2016/2017 for your information, refer to Appendix 2, D23-D25).

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 Tuesday, 31 May, 2016, at 10.00 am. Council received one (1) public submission which is detailed below.

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 2016/2017. A recommendation to this effect is detailed at the conclusion of this report.

2. Making of Rates and Fixing of Charges for 2016/2017

At its meeting held 27 April, 2016, 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 1.8%. Council also resolved to increase the waste management charges, water access charge and sewerage charges.

Council is now required to formally make these Rates and Charges for the 2016/2017 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 2016/2017. 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 8% per annum for the 2016/2017 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 held 27 April, 2016, resolved to adopt the Draft 2016/2026 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 the comprehensive presentations provided to the April, 2016 Economic and Community Sustainability Committee and Council meetings.

To ensure sound community consultation, an advertisement was placed in the Inverell Times on Tuesday, 3 May, 2016, and the Draft Long Term Financial Plan was placed on public display on Council's website and Council's Facebook Page. A press release was issued, a newspaper article published and the matter was discussed on Talkback. The closing date of submissions in relation to the Draft Long Term Financial Plan was Tuesday, 31 May, 2016, at 10.00 am. Council received one (1) public submission which is detailed below.

It is now necessary to formally adopt the 2016-2026 Long Term Financial Plan. A recommendation to this effect is detailed at the conclusion of this report.

5. Asset Management Plans

Council, at its meeting held 27 April, 2016, resolved to adopt the Draft Road Infrastructure Asset Management Plans. These documents were 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. To ensure sound community consultation, an advertisement was placed in the Inverell Times on Tuesday, 3 May, 2016, and the Road Infrastructure Asset Management Plans was placed on public display and on Council's website and Council's Facebook Page. A press release was issued, a newspaper article published and the matter was discussed on Talkback. The closing date of submissions in relation to the Road Infrastructure Asset Management Plans was Tuesday, 31 May, 2016, at 10.00 am. Council received one (1) public submission which is detailed below.

The Road Infrastructure Asset Management Plans include:

- 2017-2026 Road Asset Management Plan
- 2017-2026 Paths Asset Management Plan
- 2017-2026 Drainage Asset Management Plan

It is now necessary to formally adopt the Road Infrastructure Asset Management Plans. A recommendation to this effect is detailed at the conclusion of this report.

6. 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 8 locations across the Shire, as detailed in the advertisement and the community were provided with the opportunity to obtain copies of the documents "free of charge".

At the close of submission period only one (1) submission was received (no late submissions were received). This submission was provided by Mrs Betty Moore, a regular participant in community life, a previous long standing Shire Councillor, a previous Inverell Ratepayers Association member and an ongoing observer of Council and its operations (Mrs Moore receives a copy of all Council Business Papers and major Committee Business Papers and has done so for the last 20 years).

Mrs Moore, in her submission, provides a chronological history of Council's major achievements, which she believes is a product of the stable decision making environment provided by Council. Mrs Moore notes Council's strong regional leadership, the continued growth of the Shire, and Council's continuing strong financial management. Mrs Moore expresses her strong support for Council and Council's Senior Staff. Mrs Moore highlights Council's continued "*excellent management outcomes*", including that in 2013 NSW Treasury Corporation stated that "*Inverell is a well managed Council*".

In her summary, Mrs Moore states “therefore I fully support the Inverell Shire Council as detailed in the comprehensive documents required by the Fit for the Future Roadmap for the future, 2016/2017 and 2016 – 2026”.

A full copy of Mrs Moore’s 43 page submission will be tabled at the meeting.

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 it’s 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 2016/2017.

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICERS COMMENT:

The 2016/2017 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 2016/2017 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 a Operational Plan and Budget with respect to Council’s works and activities for at least the next three (3) 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 2016/2017*

The respective amounts set out in the 2016/2017 Operational Plan and Budget vide Resolution Number 29/16 be confirmed and voted for the carrying out of the various works and services of the Council for 2016/2017.

2. *Operational Plan*

The 2016/2017 Operational Plan and Budget, as exhibited in accordance with Section 405 of the Local Government Act 1993, be adopted.

3. *Fees and Charges for 2016/2017*

The Fees and Charges as adopted on 27 April, 2016, Resolution Number 29/16, be fixed for 2016/2017 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 meter or additional part thereof, subject to a maximum on Business Premises of \$150.

4. Fixing of Rates

a) General Activities

- i) Whereas the Estimates of Income and Expenditure of the Consolidated Fund for the year 2016/2017 were adopted by Council on 27 April, 2016, AND WHEREAS such estimates were advertised in the Inverell Times newspaper on 3 May, 2016, and in accordance with S.535 of the Local Government Act, 1993, IT IS HEREBY RECOMMENDED THAT:

RESIDENTIAL – INVERELL

A Residential – Inverell rate of 1.3365 cents in the dollar on the 2013 land value of all rateable residential land in the town of Inverell;

RESIDENTIAL – GENERAL

A Residential - General rate of 0.8784 cents in the dollar on the 2013 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 2.1622 cents in the dollar on the 2013 land value of all rateable residential land in the village of Ashford;

RESIDENTIAL VILLAGES – DELUNGRA

A Residential Villages – Delungra rate of 1.3920 cents in the dollar on the 2013 land value of all rateable residential land in the village of Delungra;

RESIDENTIAL VILLAGES – GILGAI

A Residential Villages – Gilgai rate of 1.0648 cents in the dollar on the 2013 land value of all rateable residential land in the village of Gilgai;

RESIDENTIAL - YETMAN

A Residential Villages – Yetman rate of 1.8262 cents in the dollar on the 2013 land value of all rateable residential land in the village of Yetman;

BUSINESS – INVERELL INDUSTRIAL / COMMERCIAL

A Business Inverell / Commercial rate of 3.2990 cents in the dollar on the 2013 land value of all non-residential lands zoned as Industrial or Business in the Shire;

BUSINESS – OTHER

A Business – Other rate of 2.4088 in the dollar on the 2013 land value of all other business lands in the Shire;

FARMLAND

A Farmland rate of 0.4941 cents in the dollar on the 2013 land value of all rateable land in the Shire being farmland;

RESIDENTIAL RURAL

A Residential Rural rate of 0.5867 cents in the dollar on the 2013 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 2.6000 cents in the dollar on the 2013 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, 2017;

- ii) The Base Amount for each rateable assessment be \$185.00 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 < 50%)</u>
Residential Inverell	19.76%
Residential General	32.14%
Residential Villages - Ashford	41.06%
Residential Villages - Delungra	39.14%
Residential Villages - Gilgai	34.43%
Residential Villages – Yetman	40.93%
Business - Inverell Industrial / Commercial	3.91%
Business - Other	13.74%
Farmland	7.19%
Residential Rural	21.27%
Mining	0.00%

- b) Water Supply

- i) WHEREAS the estimates of Income and Expenditure for the Consolidated Fund for the year 2016/2017 were adopted by Council on 27 April, 2016, AND WHEREAS such estimates including notice of the proposal to make and levy a charge in connection therewith were advertised in the Inverell Times newspaper on 3 May, 2016, 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, 2017;
- 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 \$1.45 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 \$1.45 per kilolitre for water consumption between 0 to 600 kilolitres, and \$1.70 for water consumed over 600 kilolitres for all users excluding raw water users, commercial, Abattoirs, Sporting Associations, and Guyra Shire Council;
- v) The charge for water consumed and charged for by meter BE FIXED at 76.00 cents per kilolitre for Abattoirs, plus a 20% early settlement discount for 2016/2017;

- vi) *The charge for water consumed by Sporting Associations be charged at \$1.02 per kilolitre;*
- vii) *The charge for water consumed by Guyra Shire Council be charged at \$1.45 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 2016/2017 were adopted by Council on 27 April, 2016, AND WHEREAS such Estimates including notice of the proposal to make and levy a charge in connection therewith were advertised in the Inverell Times newspaper on 3 May, 2016, 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, 2017, for the provision of other sewerage services:

Hotels/Licenced 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 2016/2017. One (1) Duplex = two (2) Units.

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

15

\$

4,882.00

etc

Non-rateable Properties Charges

Schools - w/c's

\$ 72.45*

Other - w/c's

\$120.75*

Urinals

\$ 72.45*

(* 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, 2017, on all rateable land.

Domestic Waste Management

In accordance with Section 496 the following charges be made for the year ending 30 June, 2017, 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, 2016, 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

<i>Weekly Commercial Recycling Charge</i>	\$	<i>110.00 plus GST</i>
<i>Fortnightly Commercial Recycling Charge</i>	\$	<i>55.00 plus GST</i>

6. Interest Charges on Overdue Rates and Charges

Extra charges on overdue rates and charges will be levied at the rate of 8% per cent per annum on a daily simple interest basis for the year ending 30 June, 2017.

7. Long Term Financial Plan

The 2016-2026 Long Term Financial Plan as exhibited, be adopted in accordance with Council's IPART approved Fit for the Future Roadmap.

8. Road Infrastructure Asset Management Plans

The Road Infrastructure Asset Management Plans, as exhibited, be adopted.

9. Public Submissions

The public submission from Mrs Betty Moore be received and noted.

APPENDIX 1

Figure 5 - Pilot JOs within the State Regional Plan boundaries



Note:

- Dark blue lines are the Independent Local Government Review Panel's proposed JO boundaries at the time it provided its final report in October 2013.
- Red lines are the State Regional Plan boundaries as at December 2015.
- Light blue shaded areas indicate the councils that participated in the Pilot JOs.

APPENDIX 2

INVERELL SHIRE COUNCIL ESTIMATES OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE (COMBINED GENERAL, WATER AND SEWERAGE FUNDS) FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE 2017				
<i>ESTIMATES FOR</i>	<i>ESTIMATED Expenses</i>	<i>ESTIMATED Revenues</i>	<i>ESTIMATED Operating Result</i>	
Functions/Activities				
Goverance	310,360	-	310,360	
Administration	6,226,124	(5,445,020)	781,104	
Public Order & Safety	963,979	(558,982)	404,997	
Health	(205,508)	(20,750)	(226,258)	
Environment	2,855,658	(3,321,515)	(465,857)	
Community Services & Education	107,395	(1,260)	106,135	
Housing & Community Amentities	965,685	(267,684)	698,001	
Water Supplies	3,320,814	(4,368,945)	(1,048,131)	
Sewerage Services	1,767,297	(2,618,993)	(851,696)	
Recreation & Culture	2,139,871	(175,100)	1,964,771	
Mining Manufacturing & Construction	310,475	(177,600)	132,875	
Transport & Communication	5,039,882	(6,536,248)	(1,496,366)	
Economic Affairs	1,323,998	(308,000)	1,015,998	
General Purpose Revenue	-	(16,787,853)	(16,787,853)	
<i>Sub Totals - Functions</i>	25,126,030	(40,587,950)	(15,461,920)	
Add Expenses not Involving Flows of Funds				
Depreciation			8,218,950	
Increase in Employee's Leave Entitlements			2,333,515	
Carrying Amount of Assets Sold			286,612	
Subtract Income not Involving Flow of Funds				
Non-Cash Contributions (eg Land)				
<i>Sub Total - Funds Not Involving Flow of Funds</i>			10,839,077	
Less Non-Operating Funds Employed				
Proceeds from Sale of Assets			(689,500)	
Costs of Real Estate Asset Sold			-	
Loan Fund Used			-	
Other Debt Finance			-	
Repayment by Deferred Debtors			-	
<i>Sub Total - Non-Operating Funds Employed</i>			(689,500)	
Add Funds Deployed for Non Operating Purposes				
Acquisition of Assets			13,435,372	
Development of Real Estate				
Advances to Deferred Debtors				
Repayment of Loans			527,560	
Repayment of Other Debts				
<i>Sub total - Funds Deployed for Non operating Purposes</i>			13,962,932	
Subtract Unexpended Grants & Contributions Received During the Year				
Unexpended Specific Purpose Grants			-	
Developer Contributions (S.94 and Water & Sewer)			(167,250)	
<i>Sub Total - Unexpended Grants & Contributions Received During the Year</i>			(167,250)	
Total Income and Expenditure			8,483,339	
Add Back Non Cash Amounts			(8,505,562)	
Add Transfers to/(from) Internally Restricted Assets			19,500	
BUDGET (SURPLUS)/DEFICIT			(2,723)	
BUDGET SUMMARY FOR YEAR ENDING 30JUNE 2017				
The anticipated result for the year is a deficit of \$8,483,339 which consists of:				
GENERAL	6,954,006	Deficit		
WATER SUPPLY	822,464	Deficit		
SEWERAGE SERVICES	706,869	Deficit		
TOTAL *	8,483,339	Deficit		
*These reflect the results of activities EXCLUDING the net movement of internally restricted assest (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	6,954,006	822,464	706,869	8,483,339
Deduct Depreciation	(6,688,450)	(823,500)	(707,000)	(8,218,950)
Net Reserves Utilised	19,500	-	-	19,500
Carrying Amount of of Assets Sold	(286,612)	-	-	(286,612)
Working Funds Results (Surplus) / Deficit	(1,556)	(1,036)	(131)	(2,723)

INVERELL SHIRE COUNCIL
BUDGETED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
(COMBINED GENERAL, WATER AND SEWERAGE FUNDS)
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE 2017

<i>ESTIMATES FOR</i>	<i>\$000</i>
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
<u>Receipts</u>	
<i>Rates & Annual Charges</i>	(17,724)
<i>User Charges & Fees</i>	(3,371)
<i>Interest & Investment Revenue</i>	(1,027)
<i>Other Revenue</i>	(427)
<i>Grants & Contributions provided for operating purposes</i>	(7,670)
<i>Grants & Contributions-Capital</i>	(5,128)
<u>Payments</u>	
<i>Employee Benefits & On Costs</i>	12,670
<i>Borrowing Costs</i>	209
<i>Materials & Contracts</i>	4,887
<i>Other Expenses</i>	4,287
<i>Suspense / Disbursement Accounts</i>	-
<i>Net Cash provided by (or used in) operating activities</i>	(13,296)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	
<u>Receipts</u>	
<i>Sale of investments</i>	
<i>Sale of Real Estate Assets</i>	
<i>Sale of Property, Plant & Equipment</i>	(690)
<i>Sale of interest in joint ventures/associates</i>	
<i>Other</i>	
<u>Payments</u>	
<i>Purchase of Investments</i>	
<i>Purchase of Property, Plant & Equipment</i>	13,435
<i>Purchase of Real Estate</i>	
<i>Other</i>	
<i>Net cash provided by (or used in) investing activities</i>	12,746
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES	
<u>Receipts</u>	
<i>Borrowings & Advances</i>	-
<i>Other</i>	
<u>Payments</u>	
<i>Borrowings & Advances</i>	528
<i>Lease Liabilities</i>	
<i>Other</i>	
<i>Net cash provided by (or used in) financing activities</i>	528
<i>Net Increase/(decrease) in cash assets held</i>	(22)

<p style="text-align: center;">COUNCIL OF THE SHIRE OF INVERELL CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET (COMBINED GENERAL, WATER AND SEWERAGE FUNDS)</p>							
	Audited Actual 2014 \$'000	Audited Actual 2015 \$'000	Estimated 2016 \$'000	Estimated 2017 \$'000	Estimated 2018 \$'000	Estimated 2019 \$'000	Estimated 2020 \$'000
ASSETS							
CURRENT ASSETS							
Cash and Cash Equivalents	16,841	3,023	643	611	492	515	736
Investments	16,668	35,518	34,518	34,518	34,518	34,018	33,518
Receivables	6,475	4,132	4,131	4,141	4,151	4,161	4,171
Inventories	576	594	594	594	594	594	594
Other	278	502	502	502	502	502	502
Non-Current assets classified as held for sale	1,024	481	481	481	481	481	481
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	41,862	44,250	40,869	40,847	40,738	40,271	40,002
NON - CURRENT ASSETS							
Investments	7,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000
Receivables	105	195	195	185	175	165	155
Infrastructure, Property, Plant and Equipment	525,214	607,279	616,321	621,250	623,645	627,112	631,053
Investment Property	2,667	2,667	2,667	2,667	2,667	2,667	2,667
TOTAL NON - CURRENT ASSETS	534,986	618,141	627,183	632,102	634,487	637,944	641,875
TOTAL ASSETS	576,848	662,391	668,052	672,949	675,225	678,215	681,877
LIABILITIES							
CURRENT LIABILITIES							
Payables	2,634	2,750	2,750	2,695	2,639	2,582	2,524
Borrowings	166	337	514	552	575	600	626
Provisions	3,863	3,893	3,893	3,893	3,893	3,893	3,893
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	6,663	6,980	7,157	7,140	7,107	7,075	7,043
NON - CURRENT LIABILITIES							
Payables	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Borrowings	1,638	3,221	4,707	4,141	3,566	2,966	2,340
Provisions	1,522	1,608	1,608	1,608	1,608	1,608	1,608
TOTAL NON - CURRENT LIABILITIES	3,160	4,829	6,315	5,749	5,174	4,574	3,948
TOTAL LIABILITIES	9,823	11,809	13,472	12,889	12,281	11,649	10,991
NET ASSETS	567,025	650,582	654,580	660,060	662,944	666,566	670,886
EQUITY							
Retained Earnings	376,510	491,980	495,978	501,458	504,342	507,964	512,284
Revaluation Reserves	190,515	158,602	158,602	158,602	158,602	158,602	158,602
Council equity interest	567,025	650,582	654,580	660,060	662,944	666,566	670,886
Minority equity interest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL EQUITY	567,025	650,582	654,580	660,060	662,944	666,566	670,886

TO ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL 22/06/2016

ITEM NO:	1.	FILE NO: S4.11.5/09	
DESTINATION 1:	A recognised leader in a broader context		R
SUBJECT:	MANAGEMENT TEAM MEETING NOTES		
PREPARED BY:	Hayley Nichols, Corporate Support Officer – Publishing		

SUMMARY:

Management Team notes from April, 2016.

INFORMATION:

The following item was circulated to the Management Team in April, 2016:

- i) Heavy Vehicle National Law - Chain of Responsibility.

ITEM NO:	2.	FILE NO: S4.11.5/09	
DESTINATION 1:	A recognised leader in a broader context		R
SUBJECT:	MANAGEMENT TEAM MEETING MINUTES		
PREPARED BY:	Hayley Nichols, Corporate Support Officer – Publishing		

SUMMARY:

Management Team Meeting held on Thursday, 26 May, 2016.

INFORMATION:

The following items were discussed at the Management Team Meeting:

- i) Workers Compensation Claims Review - Notifications & Open Claims,
- ii) Complaint Handling Procedures,
- iii) Flood Gauges.

ITEM NO:	3.	FILE NO: S28.9.14
DESTINATION 2:	A community that is healthy, educated and sustainable	C
SUBJECT:	SOUTH INVERELL FOOTBRIDGE	
PREPARED BY:	Paul Henry, General Manager	

SUMMARY:

Cr Johnston recently requested information regarding the sufficiency of the flood warning system located at the South Inverell footbridge. Council is being asked to receive and note the advice provided.

COMMENTARY:

During the Questions Without Notice session at the April 2016 Ordinary Meeting of Council, Cr Johnston asked if the current flood warning system in the vicinity of the South Inverell Footbridge was sufficient.

I wish to confirm that the following advice has been provided to Cr Johnston in respect of this matter:

The Flood Warning Lights on the footpath either side of the river are in good working order. The use of the flood warning lights is supplemented by physical barriers which are placed across the footpath by Council. In times of flood, warning messages are conveyed to the public through all available media outlets.

ITEM NO:	4.	FILE NO: S13.5.5/09
DESTINATION 1:	A recognised leader in a broader context.	R
SUBJECT:	QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE – MAY 2016	
PREPARED BY:	Hayley Nichols, Corporate Support Officer - Publishing	

SUMMARY:

The following details the Questions without Notice items raised at the Ordinary Meeting held 25 May, 2016.

Council is requested to note the actions taken to date.

COMMENTARY:

BP/REF: ITEM NO:	SUBJECT and FILE REFERENCE:	COMMENTS:
QWN/ORD 18/16 Cr Girle	<u>Border Regional Organisation of Councils (BROC) Meeting S14.10.1</u> Cr Girle spoke in respect of the recent BROC Meeting held in Bingara and a number of funding opportunities that were discussed by Regional Development Australia - Northern Inland (RDANI). 48/16 RESOLVED (Baker/Watts) that Cr Girle be Council's representative to BROC.	Noted. Details have been included in Council's Community Involvement booklet and Councillor history document.

ITEM NO:	5.	FILE NO: S4.13.2
DESTINATION 1:	A recognised leader in a broader context	R
SUBJECT:	STRATEGIC TASKS – 'SIGN OFF' – MAY 2016	
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 operates, 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, 2016 tasks required to be undertaken are detailed below. Any of these tasks may be added to as Council becomes familiar with this new initiative.

Date	Compliance Requirement	Achieved/Not Achieved	Comments
10 May, 2016	Federal Budget	Achieved	Federal Budget analysed to determine impact on Council's financial plan.
16 May, 2016	LIRS claim period for all projects approved for funding.	Achieved	LIRS claims submitted May, 2016.
17 May, 2016	Fourth instalment of 2015/2016 Financial Assistance Grants.	Achieved	Payment received.

31 May, 2016	Last day for RAO to submit QBRS review to Council (LGGR cl.203(1)).	Achieved	The budget review was presented to the May, 2016 Economic & Community Sustainability Committee meeting.
31 May, 2016	Fourth quarterly rates instalment due (s.562).	Achieved	Rates notices issued and fourth quarterly rates instalment due 31 May, 2016.
31 May, 2016	Requests to Valuer General for estimates of changes in value of land for supplementary valuations (s.513).	Achieved	The Valuer General is to provide an estimate of the value of rateable land.

I confirm that the performance criteria as set out in the criteria for scheduled tasks have been met for the month of May, 2016. 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

ITEM NO:	6.	FILE NO: S3.16.5
DESTINATION 4:	A strong local economy	B
SUBJECT:	TAFE NEW ENGLAND	
PREPARED BY:	Paul Henry, General Manager	

SUMMARY:

Council is in receipt of correspondence from Peter Heilbuth, Institute Director, Tafe New England regarding the future vision for Tafe. The Committee is asked to receive and note the information provided.

COMMENTARY:

Council is in receipt of correspondence from Peter Heilbuth, Institute Director, Tafe New England regarding the future vision of the Government entity.

The initiative of Tafe New England is to provide support to young people and provide them with a genuine alternative to school, provide them with lifestyle and career advice, nurture them to find their passion and find employment. Tafe New England acknowledges this bold vision cannot be achieved without the support of community organisations, families, schools and Council.

Tafe New England seeks to engage Council in the delivery of their vision. Tafe have suggested the development of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that supports this vision; the basis of the MOU being:

- Agreement on the vision,
- Commitment to the partnership,
- Support and resourcing for initiatives that come from the MOU,
- Development of strong statements and messages for young people,
- Coordination and collaboration to get young people into training and jobs,
- A partnership that actively seeks to collaborate with others and pool resources for the initiative,
- An opportunity to jointly promote this partnership to our community.

Tafe New England have indicated they will make contact with Council in the near future to further explore this matter. An additional report will be presented following the meeting with Tafe.

ITEM NO:	7.	FILE NO: S10.12.2/09
DESTINATION 2:	A community that is healthy, educated and sustainable	C
SUBJECT:	MOBILE PHONE COVERAGE	
PREPARED BY:	Paul Henry, General Manager	

SUMMARY:

Council is in receipt of a submission regarding Mobile Phone Coverage issues. The submission is attached for the information of Councillors.

COMMENTARY:

Council is in receipt of a submission from Betty Moore OAM JP which entails the history of events surrounding mobile phone coverage for Copeton Dam, Gilgai, Tingha and adjacent localities.

Ms Moore expresses her full support of Inverell Shire Council's endeavours for mobile blackspot funding and of Inverell Country Women's Associations lobby of the Government to provide service to the said locations.

A copy of Ms Moore's submission is attached as Appendix 1 (E14-E19) for the information of Councillors.

ITEM NO:	8.	FILE NO: S6.8.9
DESTINATION 2:	A community that is healthy, educated and sustainable	C
SUBJECT:	YETMAN MEMORIAL HALL	
PREPARED BY:	Paul Henry, General Manager	

SUMMARY:

Council is in receipt of correspondence from the Country Women's Association of NSW, Yetman Branch. Council is being asked to receive and note this report.

COMMENTARY:

The Hon Secretary of the Yetman Branch of the Country Women's Association of NSW, Gwen Hallam has written to Council passing on their appreciation to Council for the extensive upgrade of the Yetman Memorial Hall.

A copy of their correspondence is attached as Appendix 2 (E20) for the information of Council.

ITEM NO:	9.	FILE NO: S7.2.4/09
DESTINATION 3:	An environment that is protected and sustained.	E
SUBJECT:	CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATES APPROVED FOR MAY 2016	
PREPARED BY:	Julie Forrester, Temporary Administration Assistant	

SUMMARY:

The following details the Construction Certificates approved by Council for May 2016.

INFORMATION:

<u>Construction Certificate Number</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Property</u>	<u>Construction</u>	<u>\$ Amount</u>
CC-24/2016	Rock and Snow Pty Ltd	46-48 Evans Street, Inverell 2360	Change of use, Chiropractor and Cafe	200,000
CC-26/2016	Mrs Angie Maree Gordon	11 Woodford Place, Gilgai 2360	Construct Garage	9,000
CC-29/2016	Mr Benjamin David McMahon	1 Talbragar Close, Inverell 2360	New Dwelling	432,000
CC-32/2016	Church Communities Australia	"Danthonia" 4188 Gwydir Highway, Elsmore 2360	Additions to Shed	65,000
CC-36-2016	Mr Grahame Jeffrey Bailey	7 Cameron Street, Inverell 2360	Additions to Existing Shed	17,000
CC-37/2016	McMahon Structural	114 Evans Street, Inverell 2360	Shed	15,000

CC-38/2016	Mr Clint William Greentree	386 Old Bundarra Road, Inverell 2360	New Shed	15,000
CC-40/2016	Mr Stephen John Prosser and Mrs Carolyn Mary Prosser	127 Orchard Place, Inverell 2360	Alterations and Additions	80,000
CC-44/2016	Mr Mark Patrick Anthony Hargreaves	7/47 Mulligan Street, Inverell 2360	Unit Development – Villa 7	150,000
CC-45/2016	Mr Mark Patrick Anthony Hargreaves	18/47 Mulligan Street, Inverell 2360	Unit Development – Villa 18	150,000
CC-46/2016	Micate Pty Ltd	16 Jack Street, Inverell 2360	Relocation of Existing Carport	Nil
CC-50/2016	Mr Scott Anthony Vinecombe	70 Caloola Drive, Inverell 2360	New Shed	19,300
Monthly estimated value of Approvals: May 2016			12	\$1,152,300

AMENDED CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATES

Nil.

SUMMARY:

The following details the Construction Certificates approved by Private Certifier for May, 2016.

INFORMATION:

<u>Construction Certificate Number</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Property</u>	<u>Construction</u>	<u>\$ Amount</u>
CC-41/2016	John Green Pty Ltd	326 Swanbrook Road, Inverell 2360	Shed & Carport	116,000
CC-49/2016	White Rock Wind Farm Pty Ltd	Grahams Valley Road to the Gwydir Highway, approx. 20 km west of Glen Innes (in Glen Innes Severn and Inverell Local Government Areas)	Construction of Access Roads and Hardstands for Windfarm Site of 70 Turbines	37,000,000
Monthly estimated value of Approvals: May 2016			2	\$37,116,000

ITEM NO:	10.	FILE NO: S7.2.4/09
DESTINATION 3:	An environment that is protected and sustained.	E
SUBJECT:	COMPLYING DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATES APPROVED DURING MAY 2016	
PREPARED BY:	Julie Forrester, Temporary Administration Assistant	

SUMMARY:

The following details the Complying Development Certificates approved by Council during May, 2016.

INFORMATION:

<u>Complying Development Number</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Property</u>	<u>Construction</u>	<u>\$ Amount</u>
CD-19/2016	Danbuilt Pty Ltd	183 Copeton Dam Road, Inverell 2360	New Shed	17,400
CD-20/2016	Mr Kenneth John Hill	100 Runnymede Drive, Inverell 2360	New Verandah and Construct New Shed	51,500
CD-21/2016	McMahon Structural	21 Windoona Drive, Inverell	New Dwelling and Shed	745,000
Monthly estimated value of Approvals: May 2016			3	\$813,900

AMENDED COMPLYING DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATES

Nil.

SUMMARY:

The following details the Complying Development Certificates approved by Private Certifier for May, 2016.

INFORMATION:

Nil.

ITEM NO:	11.	FILE NO: S7.2.4/09
DESTINATION 3:	An environment that is protected and sustained.	E
SUBJECT:	SUMMARY OF BUILDING CONSTRUCTION FOR MAY 2016	
PREPARED BY:	Julie Forrester, Temporary Administration Assistant	

SUMMARY:

The following report summarises the Building Construction for the Inverell Shire in May, 2016.

INFORMATION:

Total Building Construction for Inverell Shire for May, 2016:

<u>Type of Consent</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>\$ Amount</u>
Construction Certificates – Council Approved	12	1,152,300
Construction Certificates – Private Certifier	2	37,116,000
Complying Development – Council Approved	3	813,900
Complying Development – Private Certifier	Nil	Nil
Totals	17	\$39,082,200

Estimated Value of Approvals issued in the financial ytd in:	2015/2016	(150)	\$52,073,043
	2014/2015	(167)	\$ 26,647,648

ITEM NO:	12.	FILE NO: S18.10.2/09
DESTINATION 3:	An environment that is protected and sustained	E
SUBJECT:	DEVELOPMENT CONSENTS AND REFUSALS DURING MAY 2016	
PREPARED BY:	Julie Forrester, Temporary Administration Assistant	

SUMMARY:

The following details the Development Consents and Refusals during May, 2016.

INFORMATION:**APPROVALS**

<u>Development Application Number</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Property</u>	<u>Development</u>	<u>\$ Amount</u>
DA-199/2015	Mr Paul Anthony Retallack	191 Halls Lane, Bukkulla 2360	Boundary Adjustment	Nil
DA-35/2016	Rock and Snow Pty Ltd	46-48 Evans Street, Inverell 2360	Change of use, Chiropractor and Cafe	200,000
DA-37/2016	Mrs Angie Maree Gordon	11 Woodford Place, Gilgai 2360	Construct Garage	9,000
DA-38/2016	Andrea Horwood	56 Otho Street, Inverell 2360	Shop – top residence	70,000
DA-39/2016	Inverell Shire Council	1312 Ashford Road, Wandera 2360	Expansion of Extractive Industry (Wandera Gravel Pit)	Nil
DA-41/2016	Mr Benjamin David McMahon	1 Talbragar Close, Inverell 2360	New Dwelling	432,000
DA-42/2016	Micate Pty Ltd	16 Jack Street, Inverell 2360	Relocation of Existing Carport	Nil
DA-43/2016	BJ & RE House Pty Ltd	113 Henderson Street, Inverell 2360	Demolition of Dwelling and Construction of New Duplex	350,000
DA-44/2016	Church Communities Australia	“Danthonia” 4188 Gwydir Highway, Elsmore 2360	Additions to Shed	65,000
DA-45/2016	Mr Grahame Jeffrey Bailey	7 Cameron Street, Inverell 2360	Additions to Existing Shed	17,000
DA-46/2016	New England North West Planning Services	121 Brae Street, Inverell 2360	Alterations & Additions	19,800
DA-48/2016	Mrs Louise Hunter Campbell	44 McFertridge Lane, Inverell 2360	Tourist & Visitor Accommodation	Nil
DA-49/2016	Mr Stephen James Buxton	Elsmore Road, Elsmore 2360	Demolition of Dwelling & Single Dwelling Use	Nil
DA-50/2016	McMahon Structural	114 Evans Street, Inverell	Shed	15,000
DA-51/2016	Mr Clint William Greentree	386 Old Bundarra Road, Inverell 2360	New Shed	15,000

DA-52/2016	Mrs Emma Alice Murphy and Mr Michael Jason Murphy	60 King Street, Inverell 2360	Install in-ground swimming pool and construct cabana, en- suite and outdoor bathroom	50,000
DA-53/2016	Mr Stephen John Prosser and Mrs Carolyn Mary Prosser	127 Orchard Place, Inverell 2360	Alterations and Additions	80,000
DA-56/2016	Mr Scott Anthony Vinecombe	70 Caloola Drive, Inverell 2360	New Shed	19,300
DA-58/2016	Mr Grant Edwin Ballam	333 Fernhill Road, Inverell 2360	Shed	30,000
DA-64/2016	Mr Mark Anthony Harmon	34 Queen Street, Inverell 2360	New colourbond fence along part of boundary	2,690
Monthly estimated value of Approvals: May 2016			20	\$1,374,790

DEVELOPMENT AMENDMENTS

Nil.

REFUSALS

Nil

ITEM NO:	13.	FILE NO: S29.19.1
DESTINATION 3:	An environment that is protected and sustained	E
SUBJECT:	SEPTIC TANK APPROVALS FOR MAY 2016	
PREPARED BY:	Julie Forrester, Temporary Administration Assistant	

SUMMARY:

The following details the Septic Tank approvals for May, 2016.

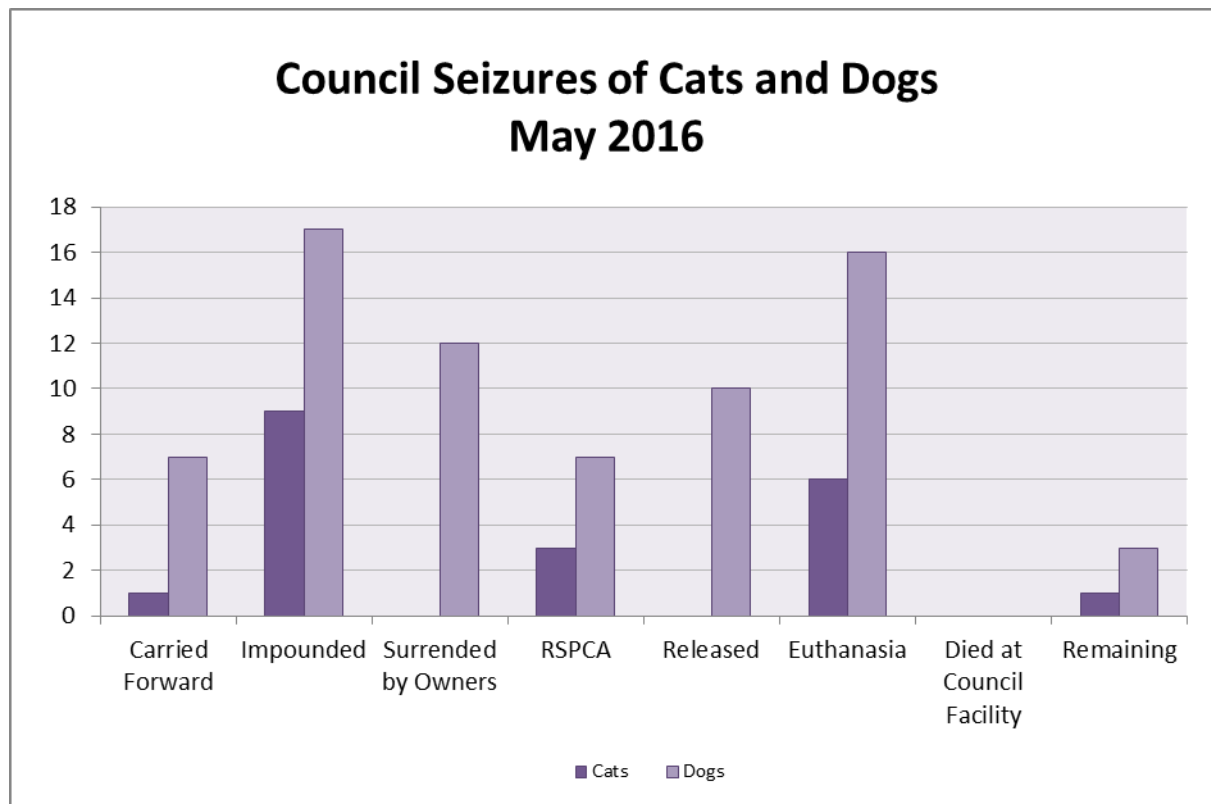
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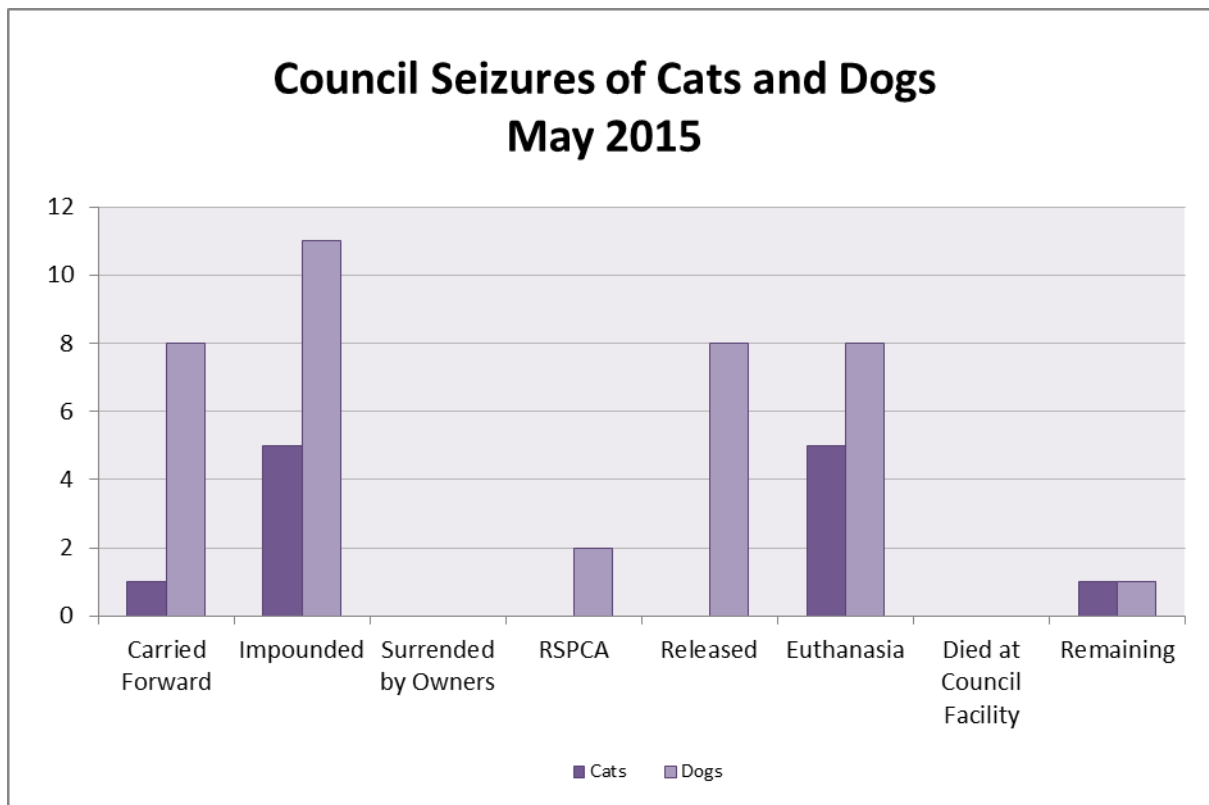
<u>Application Number</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Property</u>
S-16/2015	Mr Terrance Robert McDonald	Ponds Road, Gilgai 2360

ITEM NO:	14.	FILE NO: S18.10.1
DESTINATION 3:	An environment that is protected and sustained	E
SUBJECT:	ORDINANCE ACTIVITIES REPORT FOR MAY 2016	
PREPARED BY:	Julie Forrester, Temporary Administration Assistant	

SUMMARY:

The following details the number of various Ordinance activities carried out during May, 2016, in comparison to the same month in 2015.

INFORMATION:**COMPLIANCE****Inverell Shire Council Pound Monthly Report May 2016**

Inverell Shire Council Pound Monthly Report May 2015**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the items contained in the Information Reports to the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Wednesday, 22 June, 2016, be received and noted.

APPENDIX 1

Sir,

The readers and the local CWA, led by Desi Kearsley, may be interested in the history of events and the efforts of various individuals who became formally very active, over many years, trying to achieve mobile phone coverage around Copeton Dam, Gilgai region total blackout, adjacent localities and Lingha region.

Telecom's maintenance of its fixed phone lines across this New England region had deteriorated to an appalling degree over many years of band-aid patchups.

Public outcry was joined by Manilla, Glen Innes, Guyra, Murrumbidgee, Inverell and other councils, circa 1985 onwards.

In these early years, long term, devoted volunteer RFS and SES, Jerry Kitching, formerly a Sydney radio station and 2NZ maintenance technician (radio), worked hard to develop and instal the Inverell Macintyre River Flood Warning System, assisted by David Jones.

Nationally, Telecom changed its original analogue mobile phone system to the current technology. This mainly serviced the nearby environs of the Pacific and New England Highways, and which denied coverage to much of rural Australia.

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Meanwhile, public outcry grew and grew, recorded in local newspapers everywhere

Ann Cooper - Southam of Lingha and myself persisted; wrote numerous submissions (on public record) to Telcom, later Telstra, and governments. Facts were compiled.

This lobbying resulted in the two of us joining forces to convene a structured public meeting with Telecom's CEO of Rural Australia, Roger Bamber. Council permitted it to be conducted in the chamber.

Mrs Bamber arrived with twelve of his senior key maintenance managers to listen to and note the N.E Region's problems voiced by affected individual line users, various local governments, police, SES, other essential services, local businesses; along with widespread lack of effective mobile phone coverage.

At long last, our collective voices were being heard where it mattered most.

Ann was appointed as Telecom's official national delegate spokesperson on behalf of rural consumers at government negotiations; myself, as its N.E Region community representative on our local issues, particularly the Copeton Dam - Gilgari situations.

This was discussed by ISC, Guyra council & others.

During the 1999-2004 term, initially led by Mayor Colless. My study of the local topographic map revealed that the Fig Tree Hill had potential as an ideal location

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for a mobile phone antenna site, which I tabled at an ISC Planning Committee Meeting to which Mayor Johnston stated 'that he didn't know about that.'

Both he and David Jones, without council knowledge, visited this location - remote, nil road access to its apex. Rumblings of 'ISC's road construction costs' surfaced. The property owner open to negotiations. Everything stalled at ISC level.

Meanwhile, Ann and myself, independently remained active towards a successful outcome.

Whereas, by comparison, Guyra Council, led by its lady Mayor Jackson, continued its positive approach and negotiations, to improve its more localised phone problems, successfully achieved its preferred Mt Lingha site with involved land owners, NPWS, to construct a road with equally difficult access to its apex. This Council, Police, SES, other essential services sought funding.

Telecom's Roger Bamber, local Member Richard Torbay, the public, applied pressure for funding which was achieved. Works proceeded to completion.

By now it was 2004 local government election, which I did not re-contest. However, I was officially invited to and attended the on-site launch of the new Mt. Lingha antenna.

This was held on the same day as the ISC Meeting, again led by Mayor Johnston.

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At this memorable ceremony, Telecom announced and assured me personally that the Fig Tree Hill Site was next on the list to be funded.

Somehow, the funds were switched. A new tower and antenna was developed in the north of the Shire.

Since that time, Fig Tree Hill has been gazumped.

The property owner developed a track to the site, later had a route surveyed, and is still approachable.

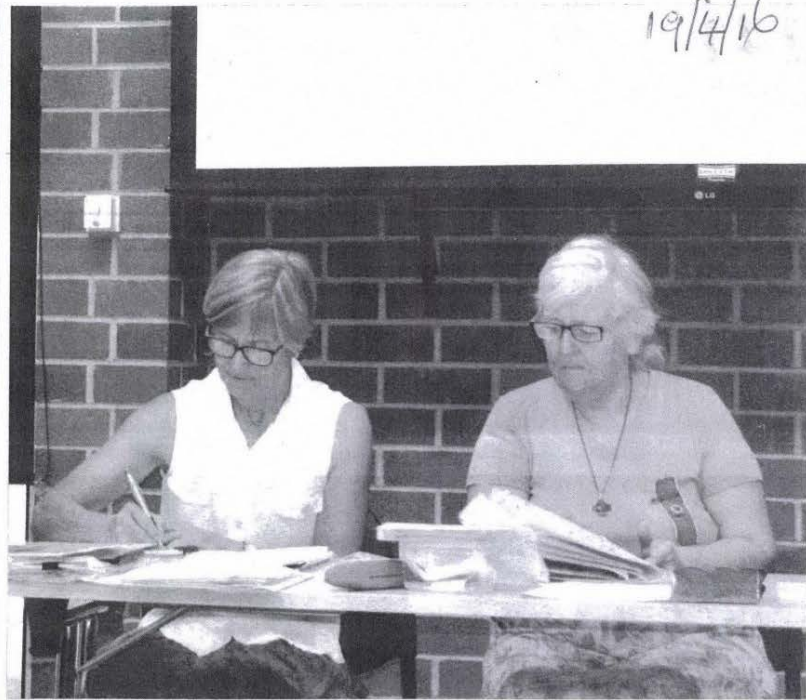
Other essential services support continues to be avail. Myself and other individuals continue to formally lobby towards this end.

The Fig Tree Hill site will provide the largest coverage area for Copeton Dam, Gilgair region, and adjacent localities, of an overdue need of 24/7 mobile phone services.

I fully support the current resolution of the Inverell CWA women to lobby government to bring mobile phone coverage to the above areas. I just hope that I live long enough to see it reach fulfilment and operation.

Yours etc
B. Moore OAM JP.

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FIGHTING BLACK SPOTS: Secretary Pam McLeay and president Desie Kearsey consider the CWA's plan to address the Copeton Dam mobile black spot.

CWA put black spot in sights

By NAOMI SHUMACK

INVERELL Country Women's Association have had enough of Copeton Dam's unreliable mobile phone reception. The group recently declared their intention to fix the mobile blackspot at their monthly meeting.

"We need it. It's mandatory. It's urgent. It has to be done," president Desie Kearsey said. The Inverell branch are hoping to use their national CWA connections to reach out to Telstra.

As a local physiotherapist, Desie often treats injuries from Copeton Dam. She believed that, considering the number of residents and visitors, the current reception was just not good enough.

"I go out there with my fam-

"We need it. It's mandatory. It's urgent. It has to be done."

Desie Kearsey

ily, and you can't ring anyone unless you go on special hills, and then it's only just pot luck if you can get out," she said.

"I've heard of people that have had to run to farmhouses, or they've had to run to the main office to ring triple 0 to get the ambulance. Valuable time is wasted to do that."

"I know over a long weekend, they can have up to 10,

000 people out there on a long weekend. So it's like a whole new town," concerned CWA member Coral Knight said.

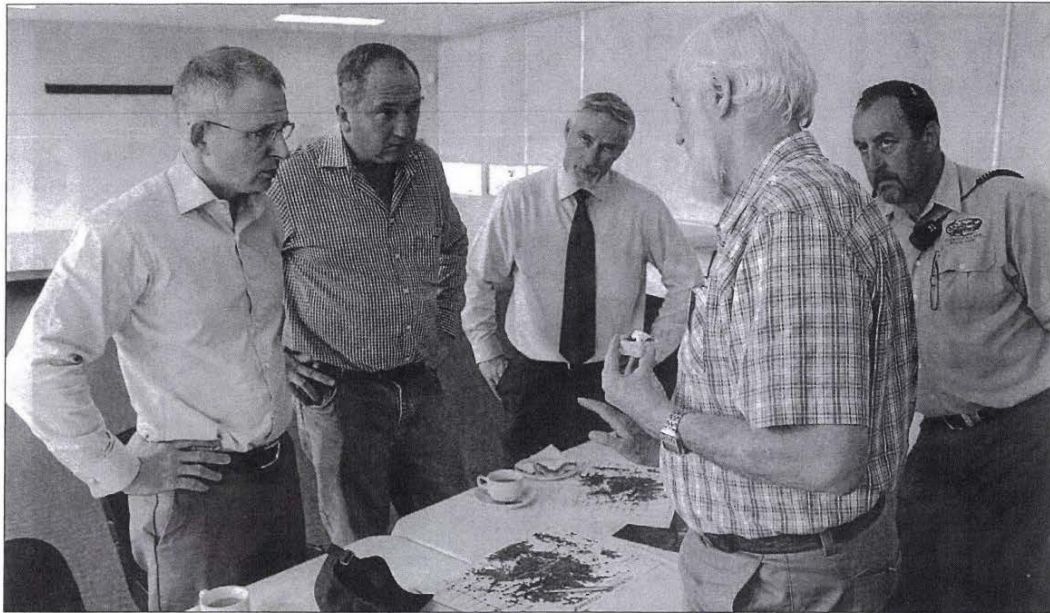
Although the problem was highlighted in 2014 when then Minister for Communications Paul Fletcher toured the dam with the Member for New England Barnaby Joyce, the area missed out on the first round of the government's \$100 million mobile blackspot plan.

"That was very disappointing for the Copeton Dam staff," Desie said.

Noting their eight year fight to make tractor roll bars mandatory, Desie made it clear the CWA will not back down easily. She said small groups of women banded together can have significant influence.

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COMMITMENT: Former Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Communications, Paul Fletcher MP during a visit to Copeton Dam with the Member for New England, Barnaby Joyce, Inverell Shire Council Mayor, Paul Harmon, Copeton Waters Holiday Park manager David Allan and Inverell Shire councillor, David Jones discuss the potential for a mobile phone tower sites at the dam and at Fig Tree Hill.

Election promise 27/5/2016 of phone towers

By STEVE GREEN

BARNABY Joyce said the local area will receive improved mobile phone coverage, if the Coalition is re-elected, as part of an additional \$60 million commitment to extend the successful Mobile Black Spot Program announced on Tuesday.

"New mobile base stations will be constructed at Copeton Dam, Fig Tree Hill south of Inverell, Kingstown and Baldersleigh, west of Guyra, providing benefits to emergency service operators, businesses, and residents," Mr Joyce said.

"We have selected these areas because they have been overlooked by mobile network operators due to commercial factors."

Mr Joyce said a re-elected Turnbull government will invite mobile network operators to bid for the funding to provide coverage from the four locations.

The lack of a mobile service at

Copeton Dam has long been an issue for visitors and locals, and Inverell Mayor Paul Harmon welcomed the announcement.

"We've been working and campaigning for these towers for six to seven years," Cr Harmon said.

"Just a couple of weeks ago, some young people were involved in a motor vehicle accident in a mobile black spot area and they had to wait an hour or more for another vehicle to come along. These towers will provide a significant improvement in safety."

Copeton Waters Holiday Park manager Dave Allan said there were increasing numbers of visitors to the dam and a mobile service was vital.

"In the last four to five years we're getting 80,000 to 90,000 visitors a year. Over Christmas and New Year we're catering for 10,000 visitors," Mr Allan said.

Independent candidate for New England Tony Windsor wel-

comed the news and said it was long overdue and pleasing to see. However, he was slightly cynical about the timing of the announcement.

"I imagine that the tower would be a promise, rather than a guaranteed delivery," Mr Windsor said. "And it could have been guaranteed within the budget, only two or three weeks ago, if it had been a line item. It would have been a certainty then, irrespective of who won government at the next election."

"Mr Joyce may have been sitting around for a couple of years on this issue, but he's come home in the last weeks of the campaign in terms of delivering on this."

"The other thing that needs mentioning on this is that all of this black spot funding would never have come about had not Mr Joyce voted to sell Telstra. This money that's out there now is because a commercial Telstra won't fund these things."

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APPENDIX 2

**Country Women's Association of NSW**

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All Communication to be addressed to the Secretary of _____

Branch/Group

INVERELL SHIRE COUNCIL	
07 JUN 2016	

54 Warialda Street,
YETMAN 241018th May, 2016The General Manager,
Inverell Shire Council,

Dear Mr. Henry,

The Members of the Yetman Branch of the CWA of NSW have asked me to pass on to you and the Inverell Shire Council, our appreciation for the extensive upgrade recently carried out on the Yetman Memorial Hall.

Not only the interior work done with improved lighting, but the earlier addition of the verandah and privacy fence, have made the Hall a very pleasant and convenient venue for those of us who use the Hall on a regular basis.

Again, our appreciation,

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Gwen Hallam', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Hon. Sec. ~~Yetman~~ Branch.