

INVERELL SHIRE COUNCIL

NOTICE OF ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING

3 September, 2015

An Economic & Community Sustainability Committee Meeting will be held in the Committee Room, Administrative Centre, 144 Otho Street, Inverell on Wednesday, 9 September, 2015, commencing at 10.30am.

Your attendance at this Economic & Community Sustainability Committee Meeting would be appreciated.

P J HENRY PSM

GENERAL MANAGER






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Below is a legend that is common between the:

- Inverell Shire Council Strategic Plan
- Inverell Shire Council Delivery Plan
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<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
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<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

ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, 9 September, 2015

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MINUTES OF THE ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD AT THE YETMAN HALL, YETMAN ON WEDNESDAY, 12 AUGUST,
2015, COMMENCING AT 11.41 AM.

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), Stephen Golding (Executive Manager Corporate and Community Services), Anthony Alliston (Manager Development Services) and Justin Pay (Manager Civil Engineering).

APOLOGIES:

There were no apologies received.

SECTION A

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED (Michael/Harmon) that the Minutes of the Economic and Community Sustainability Committee Meeting held on 8 July, 2015 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

The following interests were declared:

- Cr Jones declared a non-pecuniary interest in Section G, Confidential Reports, Item #2, "Appointment of State Emergency Service (SES) Controllers". The nature of the interest relates to Cr Jones being the Deputy SES Unit Controller.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil.

SECTION B
ADVOCACY REPORTS

Cr Michael Henderson Street Roundabout Art Sculpture

Cr Michael informed the Committee that following the closing date for Expressions of Interest, approximately 20 submissions had been received. Four (4) submissions have been shortlisted. The two (2) week voting period is now open with the final art work being chosen on 12 September, 2015. Voting is available at the Inverell Art Gallery and the Council Administration Centre.

SECTION D
DESTINATION REPORTS

1. ROADS TO RECOVERY PROGRAM 2015/2016 S15.8.23/09

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

- i) *the additional \$0.78M to be received for the 2015/2016 Roads to Recovery Program be allocated as follows:*

- a) *Additional Bitumen Reseals* \$0.12M
b) *Additional Gravel Resheeting* \$0.66M

- ii) *a further Report be submitted to the Committee in respect of the specific projects that can be undertaken from the additional \$2.1M 2016/2017 allocation in the areas of Bitumen Roads Shoulder Widening, Bitumen Road Re-alignment and New Bitumen; and*

- iii) *Council write to the Deputy Prime Minister, Hon Warren Truss expressing Council's gratitude for the substantial additional allocation of funds for the Roads to Recovery Program and respectfully request that the Roads to Recovery Program additional allocations be maintained in future years from the Fuel Excise indexation.*

2. COMMUNITY BUILDING PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM S15.8.25/08

DCS-A *RESOLVED (Harmon/Michael) that the Committee recommend to Council that the 2015 Community Building Partnership Applications be endorsed.*

3. EXPIRING LEASE AGREEMENT – BILLABONG BLUE S5.10.105

CSOP-A *RESOLVED (Harmon/Girle) that the Committee recommend to Council that:*

- i) *Council renew the Agreement for a further three (3) year period with a further three (3) year option under the same terms and conditions;*
ii) *the Lease Fee be \$5850 per annum (GST Inclusive) with a 3% increase per annum; and*
iii) *the Lease Agreement be subject to any other terms and conditions as negotiated by Council's General Manager.*

4. REQUEST FOR REDUCTION ON WATER ACCOUNT (LISTING)
S32.10.1/08

RESOLVED (Michael/Harmon) that the matter be referred to Closed Committee for consideration as:

- i) *the matters and information are 'the personal hardship of any resident or ratepayer.' (Section 10A(2)(b) 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.*

5. APPOINTMENT OF STATE EMERGENCY SERVICE (SES) CONTROLLERS (LISTING) S9.1.2

RESOLVED (Michael/Harmon) that the matter be referred to Closed Committee for consideration as:

- i) *the matters and information are 'Personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councilors).' (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.*

SECTION F QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

Cr Michael Newstead Homestead

Cr Michael enquired about the status of the historic Newstead Homestead and the ongoing arrangement to oversee and direct the long term management and conservation of the Homestead.

Cr Watts Delungra Police Officer

Cr Watts asked if the vacant Delungra Police Officer position was going to be refilled.

The General Manager advised that there is a lengthy process to be followed and that filling of the vacancy is currently in progress.

Cr Harmon Drugs – ICE

Cr Harmon informed the Committee that the Police and Hospital advised that reports of the ice drug epidemic is not reflective through the Hospital Service and Police statistics.

Cr Watts Homelessness Awareness Event

Cr Watts noted the criticism of Council in the Inverell Times Newspaper regarding non attendance by a Council representative.

The General Manager advised that Council was not invited to send a representative to the event. The event was to inform people that are or may be homeless about services available to assist them.

Cr Johnston Yetman Community

Cr Johnston made mention of Council's Waste Management Strategy and the direction of landfill sites inline with the EPA; such as transfer stations and closing of small village tips.

The Director Civil and Environmental Services informed the Yetman public at the Committee Meeting of the reason, issues and current situation. There are a number of factors that will determine the specific date for establishing the Yetman transfer station.

SECTION H GOVERNANCE REPORTS

1. STORES & MATERIALS STOCKTAKE S23.16.5/08

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

- i) *the stores and materials Stocktake information be received and noted; and*
- ii) *the adjustment of **\$600.03** be made in the Stores Ledger.*

2. GOVERNANCE - MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORT S12.12.2/08

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

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

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

At 12.05pm, 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 (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 12.06pm, the Chair verbally reported that the Committee, with the Press and Public excluded, having considered the matters referred to it, recommends as follows:

1. REQUEST FOR REDUCTION ON WATER ACCOUNT S32.10.1/08

DC-A *That the Committee recommend to Council that Council issue an amended account of \$136.00 for the past two (2) quarters based on the average consumption for the last five (5) accounts and write off \$699.90.*

It is noted that, having declared a non-pecuniary interest in Section G, Confidential Reports, Item #2, "Appointment of State Emergency Service (SES) Controllers", Cr Jones did not participate in discussion or voting.

2. APPOINTMENT OF STATE EMERGENCY SERVICE (SES) CONTROLLERS
S9.1.2

GM-A *That the Committee recommend to Council that the Acting Regional SES Controller, North West Region be advised that Council concurs with the following recommended appointments:*

*Ms Melanie Press - Ashford Unit Controller.
Ms Marie Crompton - Yetman Unit Controller.
Mr Dale Hersee - Inverell Unit Controller.*

ADOPTION OF RECOMMENDATION

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

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 12.19pm.

CR J A WATTS

CHAIRPERSON

TO ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING 09/09/2015

ITEM NO:	1.	FILE NO: S12.22.1/09
DESTINATION 5:	The communities are served by sustainable services and infrastructure	S
SUBJECT:	SPONSORSHIP REQUEST – 2016 INVERELL TOUGHEN UP CHALLENGE	
PREPARED BY:	Hayley Nichols, Corporate Support Officer - Publishing	

SUMMARY:

Council has received a request from Lynn Lennon, Inverell Toughen Up Challenge Secretary requesting Council become a sponsor for the 2016 event.

COMMENTARY:

Council has received a request from Lynn Lennon, Inverell Toughen Up Challenge Secretary requesting Council again become a sponsor for the event. The 2016 Inverell Toughen Up Challenge is to be held 5 March, 2016.

The 2015 Inverell Toughen Up Challenge was a success with participants travelling from all across NSW and QLD. To date, a total of \$13,667 has been raised and donated back to the community. It is advised that the proceeds from the 2016 event will be retained by the Toughen Up Committee to build permanent obstacles for future years event.

Council has been provided with three (3) different sponsorship packages to consider. A Gold sponsorship package to the value of \$1000 (plus GST), a Silver sponsorship package to the value of \$500 (plus GST) and a Bronze sponsorship package to the value of \$250 (plus GST). A copy of the correspondence received from the Inverell Toughen Up Challenge Committee which entails what is included within each sponsorship package is attached as Appendix 1 (D7 – D8).

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN, DELIVERY PLAN AND OPERATIONAL PLAN:

Strategy: S.03 Council provides equitable services, consistent with available resources and priorities to meet the Shire's identified needs and preferences.

Term Achievement: S.03.01 Services and programs that Council provides are determined based on equity, customer requirements and community benefits, best value and excellence.

Operational Objective: S.03.01.01 Appropriate services and programs are selected based on considerations of equity, best value, relevance and benefit to the community.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Management Policy: Donation Policy – 'The purpose of providing Donations from public funds is to help promote or assist individuals or organisations for which there is a recognised public benefit, Generally the maximum donation provided will be \$200.00.'

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICERS COMMENT:

Council provided sponsorship of \$500 to the 2015 Event on the basis of the economic and social benefits it would bring to the Shire.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil.

RECOMMENDATION:

A matter for the Committee.

ITEM NO:	2.	FILE NO: S5.10.148	
DESTINATION 5:	The communities are served by sustainable services and infrastructure		S
SUBJECT:	REQUEST TO LICENCE LAND – DANAHER		
PREPARED BY:	Hayley Nichols, Corporate Support Officer - Publishing		

SUMMARY:

Council has received a request from Ms Sarah Danaher to licence land known as Part Lot 1 DP 758036, Semmes Street, Ashford.

The Committee is requested to consider the request to licence the land.

COMMENTARY:

Council has received a request from Ms Sarah Danaher to licence land known as Part Lot 1 DP 758036, Semmes Street, Ashford for \$120.00 (GST Inclusive) per annum for a two (2) year period.

The land in question surrounds the newly developed Ashford SES Facility. The SES Deputy Region Controller has been consulted and has indicated that SES do not require the additional ground and have no objection to the land being licenced.

Ms Danaher wishes to utilise the land for the purpose of grazing horses.

It is suggested that Council enter into an agreement with Ms Danaher for a two (2) year term with a further two (2) year option and that the licence fee be \$120.00 per annum, being subject to a 3% yearly increase.



RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN, DELIVERY PLAN AND OPERATIONAL PLAN:

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

Term Achievement: S.01.10 Best Practice in Land Use Administration has been adopted and implemented.

Operational Objective: S.01.10.01 To provide and maintain a modern efficient and reliable land use administration system which enables the effective and efficient management of Shire land.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Nil.

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICERS COMMENT:

Nil.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Committee recommend to Council that:

- i) Council enter into a Licence Agreement with Ms Sarah Danaher for Part Lot 1 DP 758036, Semmes Street, Ashford for a two (2) year period with a further two (2) year option;
- ii) the Licence fee be \$120.00 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.*

ITEM NO:	3.	FILE NO: S26.4.8
DESTINATION 1:	A recognised leader in a broader context	R
SUBJECT:	REQUEST TO CONDUCT "CAR BOOT SALE" MARKETS - LIONS CLUB OF INVERELL MACINTYRE INC.	
PREPARED BY:	Megan Debreceeny, Corporate Support Officer - Telephonist	

SUMMARY:

Council has received a request for permission to conduct "car boot sale" style markets from the Lions Club of Inverell Macintyre Inc. It is proposed by the Club that these markets be held on the second and fourth Sunday of each month, from 8am to 1pm, in Turnham car park. The Committee are being asked to make a determination in respect of this matter.

COMMENTARY:

Council has received a request for permission to conduct "car boot sale" style markets from the Lions Club of Inverell Macintyre Inc. It is proposed by the Club that these markets be held on the second and fourth Sunday of each month, from 8am to 1pm, in Turnham car park.

A copy of the Club's letter of request is attached as Appendix 2 (D9).

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN, DELIVERY PLAN AND OPERATIONAL PLAN:

Strategy: R.02 Inverell exhibits the qualities of and operates as one of the three principal centres of the New England North West area as reflected by its strong economic, cultural and social diversity.

Term Achievement: R.02.01 Inverell's attractive Central Business District provides an expansive range of economic, social and lifestyle services to the New England North West area and South Queensland.

Operational Objective: R.02.01.01 Facilitate the activities of local non-government organisations to undertake servicing of the Shire and the wider region.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Nil.

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICERS COMMENT:

Nil.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Committee recommend to Council that Council grant a 12 month licence agreement to be reviewed prior to offering a further option, with the following conditions:

- a) *the Club be responsible for the tidying of the area after each event; and*
- b) *the Club continuing to support community events & activities.*

ITEM NO:	4.	FILE NO: S12.22.1/08
DESTINATION 5:	The communities are served by sustainable services and infrastructure	S
SUBJECT:	SPONSORSHIP REQUEST – TINGHA UNITED ABORIGINAL RUGBY LEAGUE CLUB	
PREPARED BY:	Hayley Nichols, Corporate Support Officer - Publishing	

SUMMARY:

Council has received a request from the Tingha United Aboriginal Rugby League Club requesting sponsorship towards the 2015 Koori Knockout. The Committee are being asked to make a determination in respect of this matter.

COMMENTARY:

Council has received a request from the Tingha United Aboriginal Rugby League Club requesting sponsorship for the Tingha United Aboriginal Rugby League Club to attend the 2015 Koori Knockout to be held on the October long weekend. The Club are asking Council to become a Major Sponsor by contributing towards the \$5K-\$7K required to attend the Knockout.

A copy of the correspondence received from the Tingha United Aboriginal Rugby League Club is attached as Appendix 3 (D10).

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN, DELIVERY PLAN AND MANAGEMENT PLAN:

Strategy: S.03 Council provides equitable services, consistent with available resources and priorities to meet the Shire's identified needs and preferences.

Term Achievement: S.03.01 Services and programs that Council provides are determined based on equity, customer requirements and community benefits, best value and excellence.

Operational Objective: S.03.01.01 Appropriate services and programs are selected based on considerations of equity, best value, relevance and benefit to the community.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:**Policy statement**

Council in accordance with the provisions of Section 356 of the *Local Government Act, 1993* may provide financial assistance by way of Donations to others, including charitable, community and sporting organisations. These Donations may be a "One-off Donation" or an "Annual Donation". The purpose of providing Donations from public funds is to help promote or assist groups or organisations for which there is a recognised public benefit.

Procedures

The following procedure will be utilised in assessing requests for Donations:

- a) Donations will only be provided to support projects, events and activities which benefit the local community,
- b) Generally the maximum donation provided will be \$200.00,
- c) Only one (1) Donation will be made to any particular group or organisation within a financial year,
- d) Donations will not be provided to:
 - Individuals, Individual sports people or sporting teams; and
 - Projects, events and activities outside the Shire boundaries.
- e) An annual allocation of funds will be provided in Council's Management Plan for Donations,
- f) Requests for Donation will be dealt with by Council's Economic and Community Sustainability Committee,
- g) Annual Donations will be provided to Community Organisations in accordance with Council's Policy. These donations will be provided on receipt of a written request from the organisation to the General Manager,
- h) A listing of Donations provided by Council will be included in Council's Annual Report.

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICERS COMMENT:

While Council does on occasions provide sponsorship to local organisations, this is on the basis of the event providing significant economic social or cultural benefits to the Shire community.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil.

RECOMMENDATION:

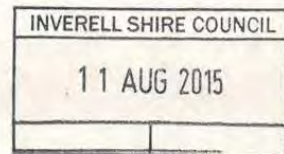
A matter for the Committee.

APPENDIX 1



11th August 2015

The General Manager
Inverell Shire Council
PO Box 138
INVERELL NSW 2360



Dear General Manager.

RE: Inverell Toughen Up Challenge – 5th March 2016

We would like to acknowledge your generous support to the 2015 event, which again a very successful event was bringing competitors from as far as Brisbane, Sydney, Central Coast as well as regional NSW and QLD. The event is an extremely successful day with nothing but positive feedback from participants, volunteers, spectators and business houses from not just the Inverell Township but from others who have visited on the day or have heard about the success of the day after the event.

To date a total of \$13, 667 has been raised and donated back into the Inverell Community. Due to the growing nature of the event all proceeds from the 2016 event will be maintained by the Committee to build permanent obstacles in Inverell for future years.

To make our Challenge the success it is requires the generous support of our sponsors and we would like to again invite you to support the Toughen Up Challenge for 2016.

It would be appreciated if you could consider the sponsorship packages below and offer support for this amazing project which has captured the hearts of the Inverell community:

PO Box 990
INVERELL NSW 2360

Lynn Lennon – 0417.788.673
Brett Hawkins – 0427.612.400

**GOLD SPONSORSHIP****Cost \$1,000 + GST**

- Logo acknowledgement on promotional materials such as posters, flyers, invites and event forms.
- Logo acknowledgement on the event website and link to your business.
- Logo acknowledgement on the event Facebook page and link to your business.
- Logo acknowledgement through signage display at the event (to be supplied by your business).
- Acknowledgement on TV commercials.
- Acknowledgement in print media.
- Acknowledgement through live radio broadcasts on the day.
- A prominent site for your business on the day of the event.

SILVER SPONSORSHIP**Cost \$500 + GST**

- Logo acknowledgement on the event website and link to your business.
- Logo acknowledgement on the event Facebook page and link to your business.
- Logo acknowledgement through signage display at the event (to be supplied by your business).
- Acknowledgement through live radio broadcasts on the day.
- A prominent site for your business on the day of the event.

BRONZE SPONSORSHIP**Cost \$250 + GST**

- Logo acknowledgement on the event website and link to your business.
- Logo acknowledgement on the event Facebook page and link to your business.
- Logo acknowledgement through signage display at the event (to be supplied by your business).
- A prominent site for your business on the day of the event.

Thank you for considering the Inverell Toughen Up Challenge as part of your business' involvement in the community. To view highlights from the 2013, 2014 and 2015 event please go to www.inverelltoughenup.net or check out our Facebook page Inverell Toughen Up.

If you would like to discuss this sponsorship proposal further please contact Lynn Lennon, 0417.788.673 or email lynnl@pathfinders-aus.org.

Yours sincerely,

(Lynn Lennon)
Secretary

APPENDIX 2

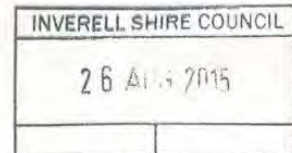


LIONS CLUB OF INVERELL MACINTYRE Inc.
PO Box 603, Inverell NSW 2360
Email: inverell-macintyre@lionsdistrict201n1.org.au

President: Heather Fitzgerald
Secretary: Janelle Manning

20th August 2015

Mr Paul Henry
The General Manager
Inverell Shire Council
PO Box 138
INVERELL NSW 2360



Dear Mr Henry,

Our club wishes to apply to Council for approval to hold a "Car Boot Sale" on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month. Community members would pay a small fee to the club to set up a stall to sell their items and to hire a table from our club if needed. The Lions Club's Public Liability insurance policy would cover this activity as a Lions Club project. Our club's food van would most likely be operated on the market days.

Turnham Carpark in Campbell Street has been suggested as a suitable venue for the markets, but we would consider any other venue the Council suggests. The times suggested are from 8am to 1pm approximately.

Please advise if there is a formal application process we need to follow or if you require further information in regard to the proposed project. I can be contacted on 0429323180 or by email (see above).

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Yours sincerely

Janelle Manning
Secretary
Inverell Macintyre Lions Club

APPENDIX 3

TINGHA UNITED
ABORIGINAL RUGBY
LEAGUE CLUB
ABN. 49890110752.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, *Inverell Shire Council*

I AM WRITING THIS LETTER ON BEHALF OF THE TINGHA AND INVERELL UNITED ABORIGINAL KNOCKOUT TEAM

TO SEEK SPONSORSHIP FOR THE UP COMING 2015 KOORI KNOCKOUT.

TINGHA HAVE NOT ENTERED A TEAM IN THE KNOCKOUT SINCE 2010 DUE TO THE CLUB FINDING IT HARD TO SECURE SPONSORSHIP TO COVER THE ON GOING COST OF EQUIPMENT SUCH AS:

* NOMINATION FEE \$1,500

* TEAM UNIFORM (JERSEY'S, SHORTS, SOCKS AND POLO SHIRTS) WHICH WORKS OUT TO THE VALUE OF \$3500.

* ACCOMODATION \$5000-\$7000 WHICH WOULD ACCOMODATE FOR 25 PLAUERS.

THE TINGHA AND INVERELL UNITED RUGBY LEAGUE TEAM WOULD NEED SPONSORSHIP TO THE SUM OF \$5000- \$7000 AND WOULD APPRECIATE IF YOU COULD CONTRIBUTE TO THESE EXPENCES AND BECOME A MAJOR SPONSOR.

EACH YEAR THIS EVENT BRINGS OUR COMMUNITIES TOGETHER FROM YOUNG TO OUR OLDER GENERATION AND TO REPRESENT EACH COMMUNITY WITH PRIDE AND HONOUR.

THIS OPPORTUNITIE GIVES OUR YOUNGER GENERATION A CHANCE TO TAKE PART IN AN EVENT THAT CAN GIVE THEM A LIFE TIME CHANGE, SUCH HAS SCOUTS FROM NRL TEAMS AND NITV COVERAGE THROUGHOUT THE WHOLE WEEKEND.

TINGHA AND INVERELL IS A PROUD ABORIGINAL COMMUNITIES WHOM HAS MANY OF TALENTED PLAYERS WHICH MANY ARE NOW PLAYING IN THE GROUP 19 COMP WHICH ARE VERY PROUD YOUNG MEN TO WEAR AND REPRESENT THERE TOWNS.

I LEONARD BLAIR, & CARL BLAIR AND OUR COMMUNITY ELDERS PERSONALLY WOULD LIKE TO SUPPORT THIS FOOTBALL TEAM IN ANY WAY POSSIBLE AS I SEE TINGHA AND INVERELL ARE GREAT COMMUNITY AND ALL WE ASK IS FOR SOME SUPPORT TO GET THIS TEAM UP AND RUNNING SO THEY CAN TAKE PART IN THE ABORIGINAL KNOCKOUT WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE ON THE LONG WEEKEND IN OCTOBER.

THANKING YOU,

TINGHA UNITED ABORIGINAL FOOTBALL TEAM. LEONARD BLAIR - 0407786614. CARL BLAIR- 0474283740.

TO ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING 09/09/2015

ITEM NO:	1.	FILE NO: S2.17.7
DESTINATION 1 DESTINATION 4:	A recognised leader in a broader context. A strong economy.	RB
SUBJECT:	YETMAN PUBLIC FORUM NOTES – 12 AUGUST 2015	
PREPARED BY:	Hayley Nichols, Corporate Support Officer - Publishing	

SUMMARY:

Public Forum held in Yetman on Wednesday, 12 August, 2015.

For the information of the Committee.

COMMENTARY:

NOTES OF THE YETMAN PUBLIC FORUM HELD IN THE YETMAN HALL,
YETMAN ON WEDNESDAY, 12 AUGUST, 2015, COMMENCING AT 12.20 PM.

PUBLIC FORUM

Peter Venables Peter noted disabled parking requirements in general where there is nose in parking (like Texas). The disabled parking does not accommodate ramps for wheelchair access via the back of a vehicle.

The Director Civil and Environmental Services advised of the new standards for disabled parking.

Gwen Hallam Gwen asked if the amalgamation of Gwydir and Moree Council's and Inverell Council was going to happen.

The Mayor noted the Fit for the Future program and advised that the submissions from each Council has been to remain a stand alone Council.

A visitor from Victoria advised that the Shire provides great visitor amenities. The visitor asked if a dump point could be provided in Yetman as it would encourage longer stays and increased opportunity for tourism around the Shire. Can additional maintenance be carried out around the Caravan Park and Sports Ground as the current level of maintenance is inadequate.

Iris Barry Iris noted the need for a television repeater at the Yetman Caravan Park to allow improved reception. Iris agreed with the Victorian visitor and suggests that a dump point is required. One not located near the Caravan Park yet perhaps located in Apex Park. As requested last year, could the gutters be cleaned out on the shelter and a higher level of maintenance be provided.

Marie Crompton - Yetman SES Unit Controller	The Yetman SES Unit thanked Council for its continual support of the community and the current upgrade works.
Lorna Loy	Mrs Loy runs the mail service from Yetman to North Star and asked if additional maintenance could be undertaken on the Yetman/North Star Road.
Rowan Wood	Rowan noted the quality of the gravel on the Yetman West Road and the Gravel Pit on his property. Mr Wood noted he has another site if Council was interested which he believes has better quality gravel.
Kate Dight	Kate advised the Councillors of an apology from the Yetman Police Officer for being unable to attend the public forum. John passed on the Police's appreciation of the support the community receives and the road improvement works that have been undertaken from Council.
John Hill	John asked when further works would be undertaken on the Bedwell Downs Road and raised the need for the Bruxner Highway to be upgraded for road trains. The Manager Civil Engineering addressed the issues noting the Polycom trial on the Bedwell Downs Road and the Higher Mass Limits study being completed for the Bruxner Highway.
Kate Dight	Kate noted poor internet data download speeds. Another person in the public gallery also advised of the poor upload speeds that affect his business, with an example being that it takes up to three (3) days to upload data with the same size only taking 17 minutes in Texas. Kate asked when will 4G services be provided to Yetman. Cr Jones advised that on the information he had received, Yetman should receive 4GX data services before the end of 2015.
Sam Dight	Sam asked if the Polycom with the gravel that has been used in certain areas of Yetman would be continued. Sam stated that it made a significant difference. The Director Civil & Environmental Services advised of the product trials within the Shire and the associated costs. At present, it is still being evaluated due to varying results and the cost effectiveness.
Peter Venables	Peter advised that Yetman does not receive information regarding the activities of Inverell Shire Council. While Council's information is in the Inverell Times and on the local radio station, Yetman's paper is in the Texas Newspaper and they do not receive the Inverell local radio station clearly.
Kate Dight	Kate spoke in regards to the Yetman Hall. The following items were raised: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Main exit light needs repairing, • Extra lighting is needed in the Hall,

- Sensor light outside needs repairing,
- Painting is required.

The Director Corporate and Economic Services advised that these matters will be attended to.

Kate also asked if water could be provided to the village entry tree lines as a matter of urgency as summer approaches. This would reduce the amount of time staff needed to water these trees. The residents have installed the watering system to the trees, but the link back to the supply is required.

There being no further business, the discussion closed at 1.02pm.

ITEM NO:	2.	FILE NO: S8.12.3/08
DESTINATION 4:	A strong local economy	B
SUBJECT:	VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE STATISTICS	
PREPARED BY:	Peter Caddey, Manager Tourism and Marketing	

SUMMARY:

Inverell Visitor Information Centre has been listed as one of the top performing Visitor Information Centres (VIC) in the State. Council is asked to receive and note the information.

COMMENTARY:

Council's Manager of Tourism and Marketing was recently contacted by Mr Peter Lipman, Manager Visitor Services Destination NSW (DNSW) for the purpose of confirming the Inverell VIC statistics.

The DNSW statistics demonstrate that on average, Inverell LGA attracts 234,000 visitors annually. Of this figure, 55,000 visit the Inverell VIC. What this tells us is that out of every 100 visitors to the LGA, 23.5 utilise the VIC. This equates to 23.5%.

Mr Lipman confirmed that these are some of the highest figures in the State, placing Inverell third in NSW. He stated that Inverell is definitely doing something right as the state average is only 8%. Mr Lipman passed on his congratulations in saying that these are excellent figures and something that Council can be extremely proud of.

ITEM NO:	3.	FILE NO: S4.12.2
DESTINATION 5:	The communities are served by sustainable services and infrastructure	S
SUBJECT:	2013/2014 COMPARATIVE DATA REPORT	
PREPARED BY:	Ken Beddie, Director Corporate and Economic Services	

SUMMARY:

The Office of Local Government (OLG) has released its 2013/2014 Comparative Data Report for NSW Councils. The information is provided for the Committee's information.

COMMENTARY:

The OLG has released its 2013/2014 Comparative Data Report for NSW Councils. While in previous years an individual report was provided for each Council, the 2013/2014 Report was presented in excel spreadsheet format. Council's data has now been extracted by Council Staff and placed in an individual report for Council's Information.

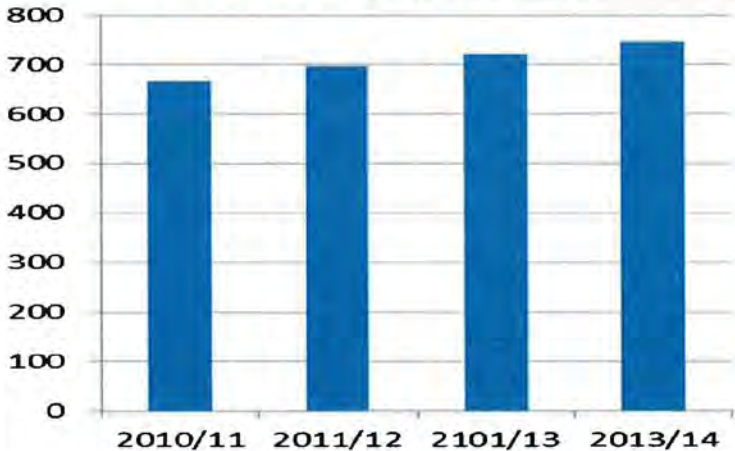

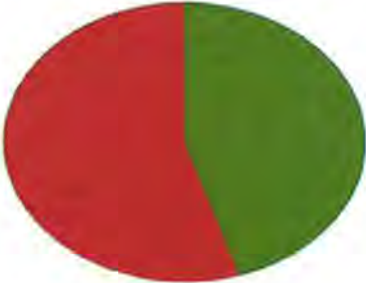

A review of the data will show that Council's performance is sound in all areas against the industry. The major standout as advised to the July, 2015 Committee meeting is in respect of Council's Governance and Administration Costs. A review of the data will clearly show that Council's Governance and Administration costs are 50% lower than the Group 11 Council average and also 52% lower than the NSW Councils average. This means that more funds are available for Service and Infrastructure delivery. Council's performance in respect of Water and Sewerage Services and costs, Waste Activities and costs, Roads, Development Application processing times and a range of other functions is very sound. Council's Financial Performance against the industry is also very sound. A Press Release will be prepared in this matter and copy of this information will be placed on Council's Website.

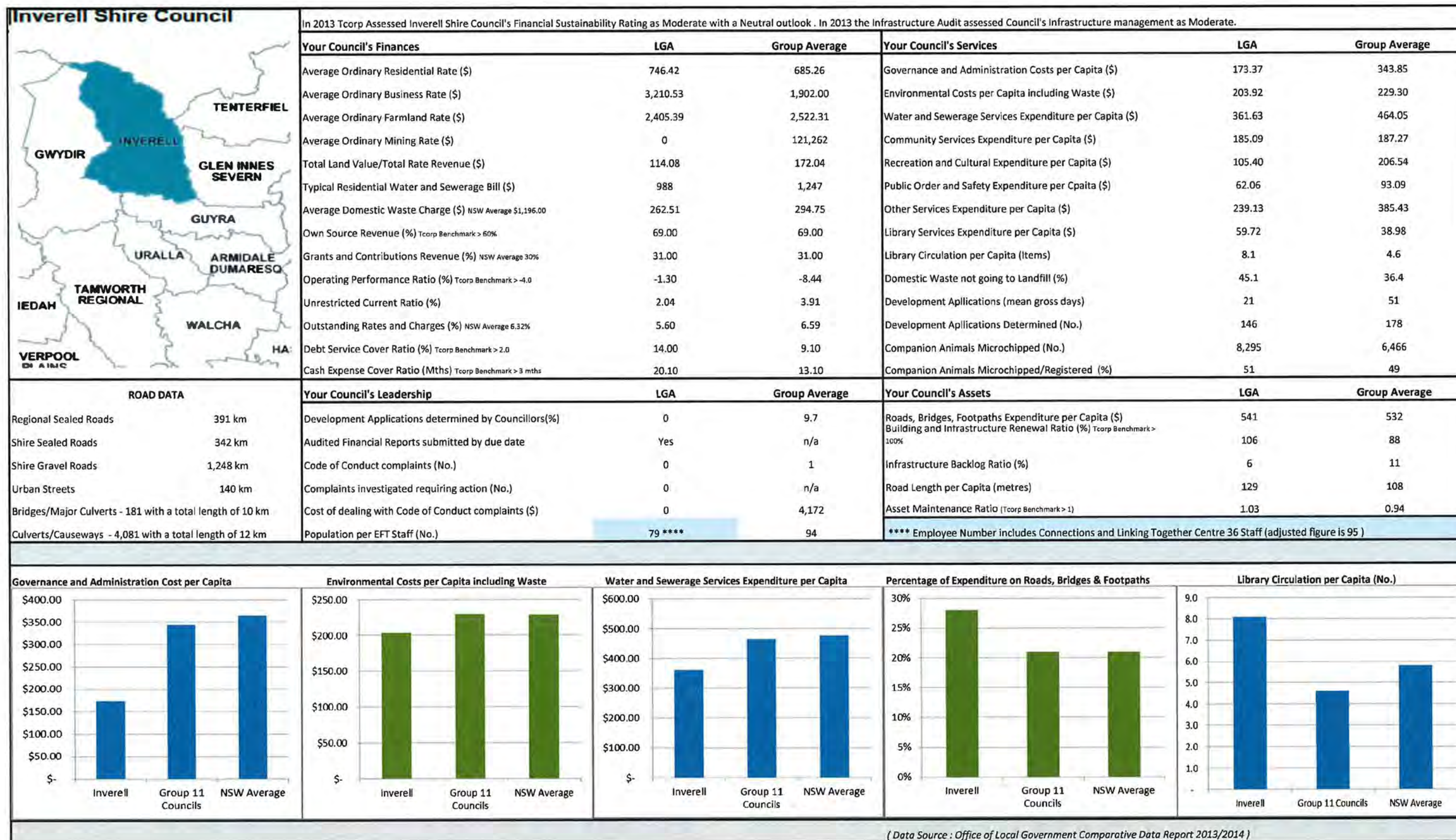
A copy of the report is included as Appendix 1 (E5 – E6).

RECOMMENDATION:

That the items contained in the Information Reports to the Economic & Community Sustainability Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 9 September, 2015, be received and noted.

APPENDIX 1

OFFICE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMPARATIVE DATA REPORT 2013/2014		Inverell Shire has an area of approximately 8,605 square kilometres with a population of 16,727 for 2013/2014. Located in the north west slopes region, the Shire is an agricultural region which produces a wide range of crops, including wheat barley, ots, sorghum, wine grapes and maize. There is some mining of tin, sapphires, zircons and dimonds, with Inverell being known as the Sapphire City.					
Council		KEY: LGA = Local Government Area, Group Average = Group 11 Council Average being large rural Councils, Tcorp = NSW Treasury Corporation					
Inverell Shire Council		Your Local Population	LGA	Group Average	Your Council	LGA	Group Average
144 Otho Street		Five year population change (%)	4	4	Councilflors (No.)	9	9
Inverell NSW 2360		Population aged 19 or less (%)	28	28	Population per Councillor (No.)	1,859	1,495
Postal Address		Population aged between 20 & 60 (%)	46	48	Equivalent Full Time Staff (EFT) (No.)	212 ****	151
PO Box 138		Population aged above 60 (%)	26	24	2013/2014 Total Revenue (\$'000)	35,738	36,264
Inverell NSW 2360		Aboriginal ann Torres Strait Islanders (%)	6.5	5.8	2013/2014 Total Expenses (\$'000) (excludes Capital Exp.)	32,303	33,600
Contacting Council		Language spoken other than English (%)	2.2	2.8	Residential Pensioner Rebates (%)	29	22
Phone: 02 6728 8288		Socio-Economic Index Rank (1 low, 152 high)	18	n/a	Population Density (residents per square km)	1.9	4.0
Fax: 0267288277		Your Local Economy	LGA	Group Average	Your Public FacilitiesCouncil	LGA	Group Average
Email: council@inverell.nsw.gov.au		Unemployment Rate (%)	8.7	6.4	Public Swimming Pool Complexes (No.)	2	3
Website: www.inverell.nsw.gov.au		Average Taxable Income (\$)	35,598	44,416	Public Halls (No.)	15	8
Water Conservation (Source NSW Office of Water)		Average Household size (No.)	2.5	2.5	Public Libraries (No.)	1	2
Inverell Median Water Consumption 183 KL p.a.		Largest Industry Employer	Retail Trade	Retail Trade	Open Space (ha)	260	230.8
NSW Median Water Consumption 199 KL p.a.		Value of DA's determined (\$'000)	25,099	27,532	Total Road Length (km)	2,143.00	1,450.80
NSW Median Inland Water Consumption 257 KL p.a.		Active Businesses in LGA (No.)	1,665	1,410	Access to Internet at Home (%)	60.6	65.3
Average Residential Ordinary Rates		Expenditure on Services					
		 <ul style="list-style-type: none">Governance and AdministrationPublic Order, Safety and HealthWater and Sewerage ServicesEnvironmental, including WasteCommunity Services and AmenitiesRecreation and CulturalRoads, Bridges and FootpathsOther Services					
		 <ul style="list-style-type: none">RecyclingGarden OrganicsHousehold Waste					
		 <ul style="list-style-type: none">RESIDENTIALRURAL RESIDENTIALBUSINESSFARMLANDMINING					
In 2013 Tcorp Assessed Inverell Shire Council's Financial Sustainability Rating as Moderate w							



TO ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING 09/09/2015

ITEM NO:	1.	FILE NO: S12.12.2/08
DESTINATION 5:	The communities are served by sustainable services and infrastructure	S
SUBJECT:	GOVERNANCE - MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORT	
PREPARED BY:	Paul Pay, Manager Financial Services	

SUMMARY:

To report the balance of investments held as at 31 August, 2015.

COMMENTARY:

Contained within this report are the following items that highlight Council's Investment Portfolio performance for the month to 31 August, 2015 and an update of the investment environment:

- (a) Council's Investments as at 31 August, 2015.
- (b) Council's Investments by Fund as at 31 August, 2015.
- (c) Interest – Budgeted vs Actual.
- (d) Investment Portfolio Performance.
- (e) Investment Commentary.
- (f) Certification – Responsible Accounting Officer.

A) Council Investments as at 31 August, 2015.

Term Deposit Investment Group											
<i>Investment No.</i>	<i>Borrower</i>	<i>Account No.</i>	<i>FUND</i>	<i>Rating</i>	<i>Risk Rating</i>	<i>Purchase Date</i>	<i>Maturity Date</i>	<i>Current Yield</i>	<i>Principal Value</i>	<i>Current value</i>	<i>Term (days)</i>
15/11	St George Bank	354191684	Water	A1+	1	02-Sep-14	02-Sep-15	3.70%	1,000,000	1,000,000	365
14/09	NECU (community mutual)	704899-35656	General	NR	3	04-Sep-13	04-Sep-15	4.00%	1,000,000	1,000,000	730
14/11	NECU (community mutual)	704899-28732	General	NR	3	12-Sep-13	11-Sep-15	4.00%	1,000,000	1,000,000	729
15/28	ING	135175	General	A1	2	16-Mar-15	14-Sep-15	3.03%	1,000,000	1,000,000	182
14/13	CBA	255650139260	General	A1+	1	16-Sep-13	16-Sep-15	4.00%	1,000,000	1,000,000	730
14/15	National Australia Bank	94-942-1426	General	A1+	1	16-Sep-13	16-Sep-15	4.11%	1,000,000	1,000,000	730
15/23	National Australia Bank	73-096-3984	Sewer	A1+	1	17-Dec-14	17-Sep-15	3.61%	2,000,000	2,000,000	274
14/16	NECU (community mutual)	704899-28833	General	NR	3	23-Sep-13	23-Sep-15	4.00%	1,000,000	1,000,000	730
15/29	St George Bank	353307121	General	A1+	1	08-Apr-15	08-Oct-15	2.80%	2,000,000	2,000,000	183
15/16	National Australia Bank	11-976-1659	General	A1+	1	15-Oct-14	15-Oct-15	3.60%	1,000,000	1,000,000	365
15/30	St George Bank	352507702	General	A1+	1	16-Apr-15	16-Oct-15	2.77%	1,000,000	1,000,000	183
15/18	Westpac	032-555 21-2740	General	A1+	1	28-Oct-14	28-Oct-15	3.59%	3,000,000	3,000,000	365
15/31	Bank West	4356369	Sewer	A1+	1	28-May-15	28-Oct-15	3.00%	2,000,000	2,000,000	153
16/04	Bank West		General	A1+	1	28-Aug-18	26-Nov-15	2.80%	2,000,000	2,000,000	90
15/20	CBA	255650139682	Sewer	A1+	1	11-Dec-14	11-Dec-15	3.55%	1,500,000	1,500,000	365
15/35	National Australia Bank	84-516-3709	General	A1+	1	17-Jun-15	14-Dec-15	3.00%	2,000,000	2,000,000	180
15/33	National Australia Bank	94-191-1076	General	A1+	1	01-Jun-15	04-Jan-16	3.00%	2,000,000	2,000,000	217
15/34	National Australia Bank	13-782-7359	General	A1+	1	10-Jun-15	11-Jan-16	3.00%	1,000,000	1,000,000	215
15/37	St George Bank	354564217	General	A1+	1	22-Jun-15	22-Jan-16	3.05%	2,000,000	2,000,000	214
15/36	Suncorp	4010002104	General	A1+	1	22-Jun-15	18-Jan-16	3.00%	1,000,000	1,000,000	210
15/32	CBA	255650138612	General	A1+	1	28-May-15	28-Jan-16	3.05%	1,000,000	1,000,000	245
16/01	National Australia Bank	94-943-0648	Water	A1+	1	13-Aug-15	09-Feb-16	2.90%	1,000,000	1,000,000	180
16/05	IMB		General	A2	2	28-Aug-15	01-Mar-16	2.80%	1,000,000	1,000,000	186
16/03	AMP BANK		General	A1	2	28-Aug-15	01-Mar-16	2.90%	2,000,000	2,000,000	186
16/06	Suncorp		General	A1+	1	28-Aug-18	01-Mar-16	2.80%	1,000,000	1,000,000	186
15/38	National Australia Bank	16-437-5597	Water	A1+	1	22-Jun-15	23-Mar-16	3.05%	1,000,000	1,000,000	274
16/01	National Australia Bank	39-818-0450	General	A1+	1	15-Jul-15	11-Apr-16	2.95%	2,000,000	2,000,000	271
15/19	CBA	255650139690	General	A1+	1	11-Dec-14	11-Dec-16	3.80%	1,000,000	1,000,000	732
14/22	Westpac	032-555 23-2282	General	A1+	1	17-Dec-13	16-Dec-16	4.31%	2,000,000	2,000,000	1095
15/01	CBA	255650139789	General	A1+	1	15-Jul-14	15-Jul-17	4.05%	1,000,000	1,000,000	1095
15/02	CBA	255650140915	General	A1+	1	15-Jul-14	15-Jul-17	4.05%	1,000,000	1,000,000	1095
15/03	CBA	255650140923	General	A1+	1	15-Jul-14	15-Jul-17	4.05%	1,000,000	1,000,000	1095
15/09	CBA	255650141168	General	A1+	1	01-Sep-14	01-Sep-17	3.90%	1,000,000	1,000,000	1096
15/10	Bank of Queensland	11307	General	A1	2	02-Sep-14	03-Sep-18	4.10%	1,000,000	1,000,000	1462
Sub Total - Term Deposit Investment Group									TOTALS	46,500,000	46,500,000

Cash Deposits Accounts Investment Group												
As at Date	Borrower	Account No.	FUND	Rating	Risk Rating	Purchase Date	Maturity Date	Current Yield	Principal Value	Current value		
31/8/15	National Australia Bank (Cash Maximiser)	83-038-3012	General	A1+	1			2.80%	1,000,000	1,000,000		
31/5/15	UBS Cash Management Account	450193	General	A1+	1			2.25%	43,367	1,043,367		
Sub Total - Cash Deposits Accounts Investment Group									1,043,367	2,043,367		
Floating Rate Notes Investment Group												
As at Date	Borrower	Account No.	FUND	Rating	Risk Rating	Purchase Date	Maturity Date	Current Yield	Principal Value	Current value		
Sub Total - Floating Rate Notes Investment Group									-	-		
Structured Products Investment Group												
As at Date	Borrower	Account No.	FUND	Rating	Risk Rating	Purchase Date	Maturity Date	Current Yield	Principal Value	Written Down Value 30-6-15	Current value	
31/7/15	Lehman Brothers Treasury Co B.V (CPPI-7	7457	Water	DD	5		9/5/2010*	0.00%	300,000	18,000	18,000	
Sub Total - Structured Products Investment Group									-	300,000	18,000	18,000

The written down value of the Structured Product Investment Group as at 30 June, 2015 was \$18,000 and remains at \$18,000. As previously advised, the write down in the value of Structured Products has been funded from previous years above benchmark investment returns (\$6.8M) which had been held in Internal Restricted Assets. These investments were all rated AA- and up to AAA (strong investment grade) when they were entered into and were permissible under the Ministers Investment Order. As Noted by the Auditor in their 2013/2014 Audit Report, the Sewer Fund maintains a sound financial position to meet its operational requirements and the Water Fund maintains a strong financial position.

B) Council Investments by Fund 31 August, 2015

Portfolio by Fund	as at 31-7-15	as at 31-8-15
General Fund	35,043,367	39,043,367
Water Fund	3,018,000	3,018,000
Sewer Fund	5,500,000	5,500,000
TOTAL	43,561,367	47,561,367

Council's investment portfolio has increased by \$4,000,000. This increase was in respect of normal cash flow movements for receipts collected and payments made during August, 2015. It is also noted that the RMS has made a prepayment for Roads to Recovery program of \$1M.

While the level of Investments has been largely maintained over recent years, these will decrease during 2015/2016 as a number of major projects are completed. These include:

- Ashford Water Treatment Plant \$ 1.0M
- Inverell Sewerage Treatment Works \$ 3.0M
- Infrastructure Backlog Program \$ 4.01M

In addition to these amounts, Council also holds substantial unexpended Grant Funds in the General Fund which can only be utilised for the purpose for which they were granted.

C) Interest – Budgeted verses Actual Result to Date

	Ledger	2015/2016 Budget	Actuals to Date
General Fund	128820	938,800.00	19,799.18
Water Fund	812350	50,000.00	6,791.51
Sewer Fund	906320	70,000.00	-
TOTAL		1,058,800.00	26,590.69

The interest received to date (cash basis) is in accordance with Budget and does not include accruals. It is again expected that Council's Investment Portfolio will achieve benchmark returns in 2015/2016.

D) Investment Portfolio Performance

Investment Portfolio Return		Benchmarks	
	% pa	Aus Bond Bank Bill	11am Cash Rate
Benchmark as at 31-8-2015		2.51%	2.00%
Term Deposits	3.42%		
Cash Deposit Accounts	2.38%		
Floating Rate Notes			
Structured Products*	0.00%		

*Structured Products exclude 1 CDO's currently in default and returning zero coupon

E) Investment Commentary

Council's investment portfolio returns exceeded the 11am Cash Rate benchmark in all investment categories except for Structured Products and Term Deposits exceed the UBSA Bank Bill Index benchmark. Money is held in cash deposits accounts for liquidity purposes.

Council's investment portfolio of \$47.5M is almost entirely invested in fixed term deposits. Overall, the portfolio is highly liquid, highly rated and short-dated from a counterparty perspective.

As widely expected, the RBA elected to keep the cash rate at 2% at its Board meeting at the start of August. RBA governor Glenn Stevens reiterated in his statement that inflation was contained and growth remained sub-trend; however employment growth has been "stronger" which helps keep the unemployment rate steady.

Mr Stevens also stated that "The Australian dollar is adjusting to the significant declines in key commodity prices" referring to the Australian dollar's 20% decline against the US dollar over the past year. In his statement, Mr Stevens omitted a reference to the need for the Australian dollar to fall further. However he reiterated "Monetary policy needs to be accommodative...Low interest rates are acting to support borrowing and spending. Credit is recording moderate growth overall."

The AUD currency moved higher on the news as the market reduced the likelihood of further rate cuts this year.

However, the last couple of weeks have been turbulent to say the least, with news from China and the US pushing markets around, while our own Capex data did likewise. Markets have been volatile, with prices fluctuating on news and retracing when initial reactions seemed overblown.

What the movements have left us with is a perceived interest rate cut on the horizon, should the US Fed not hike interest rates as previously forecasted.

Council staff will continue to monitor interest movements to ensure the best possible returns on investments.

F) Certification – Responsible Accounting Officer

I Ken Beddie, hereby certify that the investments listed in this report have been made in accordance with Section 625 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, Clause 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2005 and Council's Investment Policy.

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN, DELIVERY PLAN AND MANAGEMENT PLAN:

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

Term Achievement: S.01.02 A sound long term financial position is maintained.

Operational Objective: S.01.02.01 To manage Council Finances with the view to ensuring Council's ongoing financial health and stability, the discharge of statutory and fiduciary responsibilities, proper accounting systems and standards and an efficient and equitable revenue base.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Nil.

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICERS COMMENT:

It is noted that the volatility for current financial markets and pending legal actions will not impact on Council's Rates and Charges, its ability to deliver its existing Services across the funds, or its medium or long term sustainability. Council's overall Investment Portfolio remains sounds.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil.

RECOMMENDATION:

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.*

ITEM NO:	2.	FILE NO: S23.16.5/08
DESTINATION 5:	The communities are served by sustainable services and infrastructure	S
SUBJECT:	STORES & MATERIALS STOCKTAKE	
PREPARED BY:	Ryan Dick, Expenditure Controller	

SUMMARY:

A physical Stocktake was undertaken of Council's Stores and Materials as at **4 August, 2015 at 10:30am**, for GENERAL, WATER AND SEWER STORES for **INVERELL**.

COMMENTARY:

FUND	ADJUSTMENT	NET
GENERAL	WRITE-ON	339.79
GENERAL	WRITE-OFF	0.00
WATER	WRITE-ON	0.00
WATER	WRITE-OFF	-5.98
SEWER	WRITE-ON	0.00
SEWER	WRITE-OFF	-32.66
	TOTAL	\$301.15

STOCKTAKE DISCREPANCY LIST						
ITEM	DESCRIPTION	DATE & TIME OF COUNT	BOOK BALANCE QTY	COUNT QTY	DIFF	\$ VALUE ADJ
300045	Cap – Access Coupling	04/08/15 – 10:30am	14	12	-2	-10.39
300050	Coupling Access DWV 150		7	5	-2	-22.27
201015	Yorkway No. 12 40mm		4	3	-1	-3.41
201130	Elbow – Brass F&F 20mm		21	20	-1	-2.57
101435	Distillate – On Road Bulk		28,045	28,100	55	62.41
101445	Petrol – Unleaded		7,657	7,890	233	277.37
					TOTAL	\$301.15

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN, DELIVERY PLAN AND MANAGEMENT PLAN:

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

Term Achievement: S.01.05 Best Practice in Procurement and Inventory Management have been adopted and implemented.

Operational Objective: S.01.05.01 To provide and maintain quality stock control of goods and material purchasing activities.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Nil.

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICERS COMMENT:

An adjustment of **\$301.15** is required to be undertaken in the stores ledger.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

The Stocktake is a Financial Regulation and Audit Requirement.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Committee recommend to Council that:

- i) the stores and materials Stocktake information be received and noted; and*
- ii) the adjustment of **\$301.15** be made in the Stores Ledger.*

ITEM NO:	3.	FILE NO: S12.5.1/08
DESTINATION 5:	The communities are served by sustainable services and infrastructure	S
SUBJECT:	JUNE BUDGET REVIEW 2014/2015	
PREPARED BY:	Ken Beddie, Director Corporate and Economic Services	

SUMMARY:

Council's Responsible Accounting Officer is required to report as to whether they believe that the Budget Review Statement indicates that the financial position of the Council is satisfactory, having regard to the original estimate of income and expenditure, and if unsatisfactory, make recommendations for remedial action. It is requested that the Committee adopt the report.

COMMENTARY:**2014/2015 BUDGET VARIATIONS:**

It is advised that Council's financial position remains sound.

The following Appendix (H9) represents variations required to be made to budget for the preparation of the 2014-2015 Annual Financial Statements. Those items identified as requiring funding for the 2014/2015 budget were all funded in full.

All budget variations required to be made to this point, to cover increased or additional expenditures, have been fully funded from either Council receiving additional income or alternately from reductions in expenditures in other areas.

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN, DELIVERY PLAN AND MANAGEMENT PLAN:

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

Term Achievement: S.01.02 A sound long term financial position is maintained.

Operational Objective: S.01.02.01 To manage Council Finances with the view to ensuring Council's ongoing financial health and stability, the discharge of statutory and fiduciary responsibilities, proper accounting systems and standards and an efficient and equitable revenue base.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

No Council or Management Policy is relevant at this time; however, adoption of the recommendation will ensure that Council's philosophy of maintaining "balanced budgets" is continued.

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICERS COMMENT:

Adoption of the proposed budget variations as indicated above will maintain Council's 2014/2015 End of Year Budget in balance, with an indicative surplus of \$4,959.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

Council is required to comply with the provisions of the *Local Government Act, 1993* and *Local Government Regulation, 2005* in these matters.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Committee recommend to Council that the proposed variations to budget votes for the 2014/2015 Financial Year be adopted.

APPENDIX 1

BUDGET VARIATIONS - FINANCE MEETING 9-9-15			
LEDGER No.	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT \$	COMMENT/REASON
GENERAL FUND			
<i>Increase/Decrease in INCOME</i>			
126310-1000	Cemeteries Fees Other	10,000	Additional Income Collected
127330-1000	Copeton Nth Foreshores	23,000	Additional Income Collected
127070-1000	Rents/Fees-Sporting Body	5,000	Additional Income Collected
127120-1000	Insurance Proceeds	63,817	Insurance proceeds for Inverell Swimming Pool
122370-1000	Grant SH12	228,033	Additional RMS Grants for SH12
TOTAL INCREASE IN INCOME		329,850	Positive figure indicates increased income, (Negative) figure indicates decreased income)
<i>Increase/Decrease in EXPENDITURE</i>			
131020-1000	Council Chambers - Interior M & R	8,000	EOY Adjustments for Maintenance works completed
131020-4510	Council Chambers - Electricity	(8,000)	Funding for above
137500-1000	Civic Hall - Inverell M & R	12,000	EOY Adjustments for Maintenance works completed
137500-4510	Civic Hall - Inverell - Electricity	(12,000)	Funding for above
132550-5510	BF subsidised Expenses - Stations & Sheds M & R	12,000	EOY Adjustments for Maintenance works completed
132550-5490	BF subsidised Expenses - Fuel & Oils	(12,000)	Funding for above
148120-1000	Tourist Centre - M & R	20,000	EOY Adjustments for Maintenance works completed
148120-4510	Tourist Centre - Electricity & Gas	(12,000)	Funding for above
131020-4510	Council Chambers - Electricity	(8,000)	Funding for above
136410-1000	Public Cemeteries - Other	10,000	EOY Adjustments for Maintenance works completed
137340-1000	Copeton Nth Foreshores	23,000	EOY Adjustments for Maintenance works completed
137243-3500	Sporting Fields - Varley Oval	5,000	EOY Adjustments for Maintenance works completed
146320-4570	Yetman Depot	10,000	EOY Adjustments for Maintenance works completed
147800-4480	Ashford Caravan Park	(3,500)	Funding for above
147820-4480	Yetman Caravan Park	(1,500)	Funding for above
151100-1000	Other Land & Buildings	(6,000)	Funding for above
140230-1000	Grading North	92,000	EOY Adjustments for Maintenance works completed
139280-1000	Rural Seal Bitumen Mtc	(39,620)	Funding for above
148408-1000	DCES - Mtc Activity from Mgt System	(22,380)	Funding for above
146650-1000	Car Park Expenditure	(8,000)	Funding for above
140400-1000	Bridges - Other Rural Roads	(17,000)	Funding for above
139290-1000	Rural Seal Drainage Strs	(5,000)	Funding for above
148409-1130	Mtc Grading MCE Allocation	39,000	EOY Adjustments for Maintenance works completed
140520-5940	Villages Unpaved Footpaths	8,000	EOY Adjustments for Maintenance works completed
137150-1000	Passive Parks - Ashford	7,000	EOY Adjustments for Maintenance works completed
137214-1000	Parks - Campbell + Bridge Approaches	10,000	EOY Adjustments for Maintenance works completed
137231-1000	Parks - Victoria	10,000	EOY Adjustments for Maintenance works completed
137236-1000	Park - Hopper Street	7,000	EOY Adjustments for Maintenance works completed
137248-3600	Parks - River Fountain	8,000	EOY Adjustments for Maintenance works completed
146800-4700	Work Branch Salaries	(54,000)	Funding for above
148420-1000	DCES - Special Projects	(32,000)	Funding for above
137100-4480	Inverell Swimming Pool	42,000	EOY Adjustments for Maintenance works completed
129380-1000	DCS Special Projects	(42,000)	Funding for above
137840-1000	BLK Traffic Facilities	(32,000)	Correct allocation of funding
137840-2010	BLK Traffic Facilities - Unexpended Grant	32,000	Correct allocation of funding
138910-1000	ACRD Asset Management	(24,000)	Correct allocation of funding
138910-2010	ACRD Asset Management - Unexpended Grant	24,000	Correct allocation of funding
137030-1000	Inverell Memorial	90,000	EOY Adjustments for Maintenance works completed
129390-1000	Special Projects	(90,000)	Funding for above
137102-1000	Inverell Swimming Pool - Insurance works	55,702	Insurance works completed at Inverell Swimming Pool
137101-1000	Inverell Swimming Pool - Capital Works	8,115	Additional Capital Works at Inverell Swimming Pool
138820-1000	SH12 - Heavy Patching	111,056	Additional RMS grant funded works
138880-1000	SH12 - Emergency / Incident Response	1,307	Additional RMS grant funded works
138900-1000	SH12- Miscellaneous Works	115,670	Additional RMS grant funded works
146460-1000	Asset Management	19,790	Additional expenditure incurred
138910-2010	ACRD Asset Management	(19,790)	Funding for above
TOTAL INCREASE IN EXPENDITURE		329,850	Positive figure indicates increased expenditure, (Negative) figure decreased expenditure)
NET CHANGE TO CURRENT BUDGET Surplus/(Deficit)		0	Positive figure indicates increased expenditure, (Negative) figure decreased expenditure)
WATER FUND			
<i>Increase/Decrease in INCOME</i>			
TOTAL INCREASE IN INCOME		-	Positive figure indicates increased income, (Negative) figure indicates decreased income)
<i>Increase/Decrease in EXPENDITURE</i>			
814500-1000	Treatment Works - Inverell	8,000	EOY Adjustments for Maintenance works completed
814610-1000	Reservoir - Copeton BT 2	(8,000)	Funding for above
814500-6390	Treatment Works - Inverell - Telemetry	26,000	EOY Adjustments for Maintenance works completed
814600-1000	Reservoir - Copeton BT 1	(9,000)	Funding for above
814800-1000	Pump Strn - Copeton Ps 1	(17,000)	Funding for above
TOTAL INCREASE IN EXPENDITURE		-	Positive figure indicates increased expenditure, (Negative) figure decreased expenditure)
NET CHANGE TO CURRENT BUDGET Surplus/(Deficit)		-	Positive figure indicates increased expenditure, (Negative) figure decreased expenditure)
SEWER FUND			
<i>Increase/Decrease in INCOME</i>			
TOTAL INCREASE IN INCOME		-	Positive figure indicates increased income, (Negative) figure indicates decreased income)
<i>Increase/Decrease in EXPENDITURE</i>			
906470-1000	Pumping Station & Plant	40,000	EOY Adjustments for Maintenance works completed
906470-6340	Pumping Station & Plant - Electricity	(6,000)	Funding for above
906440-6330	Treatworks Other - EPA Licencing	(13,000)	Funding for above
906460-4510	Pump Statins - Energy	(14,000)	Funding for above
906400-5580	Staff Training - Sewerage	(3,000)	Funding for above
906430-4510	Treatment Works - Energy	(4,000)	Funding for above
TOTAL INCREASE IN EXPENDITURE		-	Positive figure indicates increased expenditure, (Negative) figure decreased expenditure)
NET CHANGE TO CURRENT BUDGET Surplus/(Deficit)		-	Positive figure indicates increased expenditure, (Negative) figure decreased expenditure)