



# **COBAR SHIRE COUNCIL**

## **ORDINARY MEETING AGENDA**

**THURSDAY, 28 MARCH 2019**

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## ~ ORDER OF BUSINESS ~

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Business for the meeting will be as follows:

Message from the Chair:

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1. Apologies:
    - Clr Janine Lea-Barrett;
    - Clr Peter Yench.
  2. Declaration of Interests
  3. Condolences
  4. Public Access Forum
    - Nil.
  5. Confirmation of Minutes
    - Ordinary Meeting of Council – Thursday, 28 February 2019.
  6. Matters Arising from Minutes
  7. Mayoral Report
  8. General Manager's Report – Part A (Action)
  9. General Manager's Report – Part B (Information)
  10. Matters of Urgency
  11. Correspondence
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## ~ COUNCIL'S VISION ~

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Our Vision is for Cobar Shire to be an attractive, healthy and caring environment in which to live, work and play, achieved in partnership with the community through initiative, foresight and leadership.

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## ~ COUNCIL'S MISSION ~

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

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

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

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

- Continually strive for improvement in every aspect of Council's activities and recognise initiative.
- All activities are to be customer focused and provide equity for all.
- Involve the community in decision making through open government and consultative processes.
- Foster and promote sustainable ecological and economic development, rural pursuits and industries that contribute to the wealth of the region and in keeping with the environment and residents lifestyle.
- Conserve and protect the natural beauty of the area.
- Promote a spirit of regional cooperation particularly in regard to planning, infrastructure, economic development, tourism and employment.

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## ~ COUNCIL'S CHARTER ~

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

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

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**CLAUSE 1A – MAYORAL REPORT**

**FILE: C13-1-5**

**AOP REFERENCE: 3.1**

**ATTACHMENT: NO**

**AUTHOR: *Mayor, Councillor Lilliane Brady OAM***

Report to be tabled.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council accepts the information contained in the Mayoral Report for the month of March 2019.**

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**CLAUSE 2A – COBAR MINERS MEMORIAL PROJECT – APPLICATION TO MODIFY DEVELOPMENT CONSENT**

**FILE: 2017/LD-00002      AOP REFERENCE: 1.6.3.1    ATTACHMENT: YES  
(UNDER SEPARATE COVER)**

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

**Purpose**

The purpose of this report is to review the application to modify Development Consent 2017/LD-00002 and make a recommendation regarding determination of the application.

**Background**

Council at its Ordinary Meeting held on 23 March 2017 determined the original application by granting conditional consent.

On 20 March 2019 an application to modify the subject consent was registered with Council. The application was submitted by Council staff and accompanied by a revised set of architectural drawings prepared by Steve Pearse Architecture.

A copy of the revised drawings together with the original consent notice and plans are provided in the attachment to this report. As part of progressing the project the revised drawings have been issued to enable an application for a construction certificate and advertising a tender for the construction of the Cobar Miners Memorial.

The revised drawings include some design changes to the original drawings resulting in the need to modify the subject development consent.

**Legislative Framework**

The development site is owned by Council and is classified as community land under the *Local Government Act 1993*. Therefore, the Council cannot delegate its power to modify the consent pursuant to s47 E(i) of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

The application has been made pursuant to s4.55(1A) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 and Council as the consent authority subject to and in accordance with the regulations may modify the consent if:

- (a) It is satisfied that the proposed modification is of minimal environmental impact, and
- (b) It is satisfied that the development to which the consent as modified relates is substantially the same development as the development for which the consent was originally granted and before that consent as originally granted was modified (if at all), and
- (c) It has notified the application in accordance with:
  - (i) The regulations, if the regulations so require, or
  - (ii) A development control plan, if the consent authority is a Council that has made a development control plan that requires the notification or advertising of applications for modification of a development consent, and

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- (d) It has considered any submissions made concerning the proposed modification within any period prescribed by the regulations or provided by the development control plan, as the case may be.

Further, under s4.55(3) in determining an application for modification of a consent, the consent authority must take into consideration such of the matters referred in s4.15(1) as are of relevance to the development subject of the application. The consent authority must also take into consideration the reasons given by the consent authority for the grant of consent that is sought to be modified.

The following provisions of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000 are noted as being relevant to the subject application with relevant comments provided.

Clause 115 – The application as submitted contains the information prescribed by this clause.

Clause 120 – There are no concurrence authorities and approval bodies relevant to the subject application.

Clause 122 – This clause prescribes the requirements of the Notice of Determination for the application which will be followed if the consent is modified.

### **Assessment Comments**

It is submitted that the pre-conditions to modifying the consent as set out in s4.55 (1A) have been met as described below:

- The proposed changes do not materially affect the extent of the work to be carried out and are of minimal environmental impact.
- The proposed modification application satisfies the substantially of the same development test.
- There is no requirement to notify any concurrence authorities or approved bodies.
- There is no requirement to notify the application under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulations 2000* or a development control plan.
- The reasons for the imposition of conditions on a modified Notice of Determination may remain the same as the reasons originally stated.
- The requirement under s4.55(3) to consider the matters in s4.15(1) as are of relevance to the development has been completed as evidenced in the following points:
  - The relevance of the original s4.15(1) considerations to the proposed design changes have been reviewed relative to the commencement of any new or draft Environmental Planning Instruments.
  - The review also considered the extent and relevance of the original considerations when applied to the proposed changes to the design.
  - This review did not identify any material change or additional considerations warranting further detailed assessment.
  - As detailed earlier in the report there are no submissions to be considered as part of the assessment of the modification application.
  - The proposed changes do not raise any additional public interest matters not already considered.

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- The site of the proposed development is considered to be suitable for the revised design. There are no legislative, environmental or physical constraints to the development proceeding in accordance with the revised architectural drawings for the project.

### **Conclusion**

The proposed design changes have been considered relative to the applicable legislation and planning controls applying to the application. The application to modify the development consent is considered to be worthy of support and no reasons have been identified to warrant Council refusing to modify the subject consent.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

1. That Development Consent 2017/LD-00002 be modified pursuant to s4.55(1A) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* by altering the Notice of Determination dated 28 March 2017 as specified below:

- (a) Amend condition 1 by substituting the existing wording with the following:

The development must be carried out generally in accordance with the documents prepared by Steve Pearse Architecture as listed below:

- (a) Cover sheet – CC/T 00
  - (b) Proposed Site Plan – CC/T 03
  - (c) Ground Floor Plan – CC/T 04
  - (d) First Floor Plan – CC/T 05
  - (e) Elevations – CC/T 06
  - (f) Sections – CC/T 07
  - (g) Floor Finishes and RCP – CC/T 08
  - (h) Balustrade Details – CC/T 13
  - (i) Floor Plan Details – CC/T 09
  - (j) Section Details 02 – CC/T 10
  - (k) Section Details 01 – CC/T 10
  - (l) Landscape – CC/T 12
2. That voting on this matter be recorded on the basis of an automatic division as required by legislation.

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## **CLAUSE 3A – HARD/BULKY WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE**

**FILE: W1-1**

**AOP REFERENCE: 5.1.2.1**

**ATTACHMENT: NO**

**AUTHOR: *Stephen Poulter, Manager Planning and Environment***

### **Purpose**

To provide Council with information relating to a possible future hard/bulky waste collection service for pensioners or disability card holders within the Cobar Shire Local Government Area.

### **Background**

Council resolved at its December Ordinary Council meeting for "*Staff to prepare a report for hard rubbish collection for pensioners or disability card holders within Cobar Shire for the purpose of providing assistance*".

This resolution follows an earlier resolution at the same meeting that "*Council take no further action regarding the provision of a bulky waste collection service*", which decided that Council would not provide a kerbside bulky waste collection service for all residents within Cobar.

### **Discussion**

The report tabled at Councils December Ordinary Council meeting discussed a potential general kerbside bulky waste collection service for all residents in Cobar. The main concerns with that suggested service were:

- The current 2017/2018 waste services budget had not factored in this type of service.
- The possible cost of a scheduled service for all residents in Cobar was unknown and there was a risk that the cost could be considerably large.
- Resources would need to be arranged for a potentially high demand service reducing the performance of other scheduled Council projects due to relocation of resources.
- The availability of free waste disposal options at the Cobar Waste Facility already provided a cost effective disposal option for bulky waste.
- There are already businesses in town that provide a bulky waste collection service.

This current report considers a specialised hard/bulky waste collection service for pensioners or disability card holders within the whole Local Government Area.

A specialised collection service bulky waste collection service across the whole Local Government Area would be costly and difficult to successfully achieve, particularly in areas remote from Cobar. Additionally, the resources needed to undertake this service would be drawn away from other Council projects and services that are already organised and budgeted for. The provision of this service would be an inefficient use of Councils resources.

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These type of specialised kerbside collection services often encounters waste generated from sources other than those eligible for the service and confirming who is eligible is also difficult as pensioners and disability card holders are not specifically linked to property records.

Like the proposed general kerbside collection service, there are already existing businesses and in some cases charities available to assist pensioners and disability card holders with bulky waste requests. Council should not be impacting on their level of service. Despite the existence of suitable alternative options, Council would still be available to reasonably assist any of its residents if all other alternatives are exhausted.

For any function or service that Council provides, these services should be provided in a way that provides the best possible value for residents and ratepayers and Council should work with others to secure appropriate services for local community needs. In this particular case, the provision of this specialised service would not be of good value to all residents and ratepayers and would likely impact on existing businesses and community groups that already offer this service.

Overall, it is considered that this service should not be provided. The lack of demand, inability to effectively and efficiently provide the service and probable impact on existing Council services demonstrates that the service is unwarranted.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

**That the Council note the information contained in this report and take no further action regarding the provision of a bulky waste collection service for pensioners or disability card holders.**

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**CLAUSE 4A – ADOPTION OF THE COBAR SHIRE ACTIVE TRANSPORT PLAN**

**FILE: G4-27**

**AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.2**

**ATTACHMENT: YES  
(UNDER SEPARATE COVER)**

**AUTHOR: *Roads Works Manager, Adrienne Pierini***

**Purpose**

For Council to adopt the Cobar Shire Active Transport Plan.

**Background**

Cobar Shire Council staff have been working with consultants GHD to develop an Active Transport Plan for the Cobar Shire, aimed at improving the bicycle and pedestrian network. A major focus of the Active Transport Plan is to encourage greater participation in walking and cycling activities throughout the Shire, which can also lead to benefits in community health and wellbeing.

Members of the community were invited to contribute their ideas to aid in the formation of the new Active Transport Plan via the completion of an online survey, with three (3) community workshop sessions also held in September 2018.

The new Active Transport Plan will aid Council in applying for grants and funding in the future as there will be a clear program of projects to implement.

**Issues**

The draft Active Transport Plan was presented to the December 2018 Council meeting, where Council resolved to place the plan on Public Exhibition for 28 days. The plan was on exhibition for the period of 4<sup>th</sup> January 2019 to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2019.

Two submissions were received and the plan was updated accordingly.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council adopts the Active Transport Plan.**

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**CLAUSE 1B – DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS: 20 FEBRUARY 2019 – 19 MARCH 2019**

**FILE: T5-1                      AOP REFERENCE: 1.6.3.1                      ATTACHMENT: NO**  
**AUTHOR: Director of Planning & Environmental Services, Garry Ryman**

**Complying Development Approvals**

There were no Complying Development Applications issued for the period 20 February 2019 – 19 March 2019.

**The value of Complying Development approvals for 2018/2019 to date is Nil.**  
The value of Complying Development approvals for the similar period in 2017/2018 was Nil.

**Local Development Approvals**

The following Local Development Applications have been approved under delegated authority for the period 20 February 2019 – 19 March 2019.

<b>CERTIFICATE NO.</b>	<b>ADDRESS</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>VALUE (\$)</b>
2019/LD-00007	Various properties	Cliffhanger 4WD Event	N/A
2018/LD-00026	1-5 Prince St, Cobar	Removal Existing Structure – Presbytery Building	\$6,500
2018/LD-00013	1 Marshall St, Cobar	Demolition of Existing Structures and Construction of Supermarket	\$2,907,080
2019/LD-00002	59 Elizabeth Cr, Cobar	Carport, Shed and Above Ground Swimming Pool	\$18,000

**The value of Local Development approvals for 2018/2019 to date is \$29,049,560.00**  
The value of Local Development approvals for the similar period in 2017/2018 was **\$3,159,761.00.**

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**Construction Certificates**

The following Construction Certificates have been issued for the period 20 February 2019 – 19 March 2019.

<b>CERTIFICATE NO.</b>	<b>ADDRESS</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
2019/CB-00005	31 Murray St, Cobar	Shade Cover
2019/CB-00006	12 Hartman St, Cobar	Commercial Shed
2019/CB-00007	4-8 Cowper St, Cobar	Dwelling

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That the information detailing the Local Development and Construction Certificate approvals for the period 20 February 2019 – 19 March 2019 be received and noted.**

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**CLAUSE 2B – MONTHLY STATUS REPORT****FILE: C13-10****AOP REFERENCE: 3.1****ATTACHMENT: NO****AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*****COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 25 SEPTEMBER 2014**

<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>RESOLUTION NUMBER</b>	<b>ACTION BY</b>	<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>
627	Council – Clause 10A – Adoption of Management Plan for Lot 18 DP213415	188.9.2014	<b>GM</b>	<p>That Council authorise the General Manager to negotiate a lease or licence for an appropriate term and conditions with the Cobar Bowling and Golf Club Ltd.</p> <p>That Council authorise the Mayor and General Manager to sign any lease or licence under the Common Seal of Council.</p>	<p>December 2017 target will not be met.</p> <p>Timeframe to be reviewed.</p> <p>Staff working on this subject to resources available.</p>

**COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 28 APRIL 2016**

<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>RESOLUTION NUMBER</b>	<b>ACTION BY</b>	<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>
870	Committee of the Whole Closed Council – Report 1C – Analysis of Plant and Equipment Hire and Trades and Miscellaneous Services Register	58.4.2016	<b>GM</b>	That any future projects within Cobar Shire that we look at supporting the local businesses (where applicable) to ensure their viability and have a review of the Policy.	Policy to be reviewed and all purchases to have quotes provided and encourage the use of locals.

879	Council – Clause 6A – Raw Water Supply to Dalton Park Horse Complex	68.4.2016	<b>DES</b>	That the Raw Water Supply to Dalton Park Horse Complex be listed on Councils 10 Year Long Term Financial Plan and that Council seek any available grant funding in the interim.	<p>In draft budget. Business Case to be considered.</p> <p>A detailed Estimated Cost will be provided to Council at the August Ordinary Meeting.</p> <p>Cost estimates were presented to Council Workshop in August 2018. A further report will be provided to December 2018 Ordinary Council Meeting.</p> <p>Further information was provided to the February Council workshop.</p>
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**COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 23 FEBRUARY 2017**

983	Council – Notice of Motion – Augmentation of Water Supply Euabalong/ Euabalong West	05.2.2017	<b>DES</b>	That Council seek funding for the establishment of a bore and associated works in the Lachlan River aquifer adjacent to Euabalong for the purpose of augmenting the raw water supply for the two villages.	<p>Expression of Interest application has been assessed as eligible for submission of detailed application within 12 months from 17 November 2017.</p> <p>Consultant engaged to prepare application for funding for Business Case.</p> <p>Submission being prepared to be submitted by 17 November 2018 - Application has been submitted.</p>
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**COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 9 MARCH 2017**

1007	Council – Clause 7B – Expenditure for Roads Network	59.3.2017	<b>DES</b>	That a Rest Area be built along the Wool Track and that it be named after Duncan Gay.	Matter to be raised with funding request for Wool Track. An updated funding application for sealing of the Wool Track is being prepared.
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**COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 27 APRIL 2017**

1021	Council – Clause 11A – Minutes of the Economic Taskforce April Meeting	81.4.2017	<b>MTPR</b>	<p>That Council resolves to further investigate the idea of a freight depot for Cobar and report back to the Taskforce.</p> <p>That a Call for Expressions of Interest from businesses who would like to engage the services of a security company to monitor their premises and answer alarms to establish demand for such a service.</p> <p>That Council resolves to approach Mr Hausler in regards to the future of his rail track and loco for use in a public space in Cobar.</p>	<p>Initial positive discussions held with Livestock and Bulk Carriers Association who will provide further information.</p> <p>Matter on hold due to grant application seeking funding to develop a new industrial estate.</p> <p>One on one visits to potential businesses commenced to determine interest in such a venture. Strong interest so far.</p> <p>No action to date.</p>
1025	Council – Clause 7B – Expenditure for Roads Network	92.4.2017	<b>DES</b>	That RMS be contacted in relation to a turning lane being installed at the Meadow Glen Rest Area as a matter of urgency.	<p>Letter has been sent to RMS to request improvements to entrance to Meadow Glen Rest Area.</p> <p>Letter has been acknowledged by RMS and they are programming</p>

					work subject to available funding.  At this stage RMS has not allocated funds to the project.
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**COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 24 AUGUST 2017**

<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>RESOLUTION NUMBER</b>	<b>ACTION BY</b>	<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>
1066	Council Meeting – Clause 2A – Review of Current Water Restrictions	200.8.2017	<b>GM</b>	That Council staff prepare a report in relation to water catchment damming in the Cobar area to increase water security for Cobar residents.	Currently seeking contractors to undertake the investigation through Department of Water.  Public Works preparing a Desktop Study to be completed by December 2018. Study still be undertaken.
1071	Council Meeting – Clause 6A – Sale of Land at Duffy Drive	205.8.2017	<b>DFCS</b>	That the two blocks of land which are the subject of this report be auctioned with the reserve to be determined by Council at the meeting preceding the advertised auction date.	These blocks will be offered in 2019 with other unpaid rate properties.  Initial report to Council in December. April 2019 auction expected.
1081	Council Meeting – Clause 5B – Meeting Minutes	220.8.2017	<b>DES</b>	That Council look into acquiring Public Stock Watering Points as a method of guaranteeing access to water for Council use.	Investigation to be undertaken.  Lack of staff resources has restricted progress.

**COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 28 SEPTEMBER 2017**

<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>RESOLUTION NUMBER</b>	<b>ACTION BY</b>	<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>
1092	Council Meeting – Clause 12A – Minutes	248.9.2017	<b>MTPR</b>	That Council resolves to accept the recommendations of the Economic	Recommendations accepted.

	of Economic Taskforce Meeting		<p>Taskforce:</p> <p>That Council identify the Pulpulla Road as a high priority for its ability to contribute to tourism and economic development and that Council work with National Parks and Wildlife Service to establish a plan of action and budgets to maintain it to a standard suitable for all vehicle access.</p> <p>That Council investigate options of providing street signage to locate key facilities, such as the pool, sports facilities and water recreation areas.</p> <p>That the celebrations to mark Cobar's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary be an item on Council's agenda and that projects be scoped and indicative budgets developed.</p> <p>That Council convene a meeting of major contractors to identify a list of ideas that could be undertaken to improve the efficiency of working across mine sites and reduce the costs of doing business in Cobar. Discuss options for implementing the ideas with the mines in Cobar Shire.</p>	<p>Initial discussions held with NPWS with positive feedback. Discussion held with Destination NSW - there are possible funding options, success more likely if more developments undertaken at Mt Grenfell. Council awaiting to see what developments the Mt Grenfell Board progress prior to seeking this funding.</p> <p>Ongoing and for budget consideration 2018/2019.</p> <p>Next meeting of the team is scheduled for 15 November 2018, which did not go ahead.</p>
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**COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 14 DECEMBER 2017**

<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>RESOLUTION NUMBER</b>	<b>ACTION BY</b>	<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>
1116	Council Meeting – Clause 3A – RMS Repair Program for 2018/2019	325.12.2017	<b>DES</b>	That Council nominate RR7518 Fifty Two Mile Road for funding for \$400,000 from the 2018/2019 REPAIR Program for seal extension.  That if funding is not obtained that council continues to nominate RR7518 Fifty Two Mile Road in subsequent years until funding is obtained.	Funding application has been submitted for 2018/2019.  Application for 2018/2019 was unsuccessful.  Funding application has been submitted for 2019/2020.

**COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 22 FEBRUARY 2018**

<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>RESOLUTION NUMBER</b>	<b>ACTION BY</b>	<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>
1124	Council Meeting – Notice of Motion – Re-Location of Western Division Office	05.2.2018	<b>GM</b>	That Cobar Shire Council request the NSW Government to re-locate the Western Division Office from Dubbo to Cobar.	No action to date.
1131	Council Meeting – Clause 5A – Development Application 2018/LD-00004	13.2.2018	<b>DPES</b>	That Council establishes a Policy for Fencing in Urban Areas in Cobar.	Resources are not available for this at this time.

**COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 22 MARCH 2018**

<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>RESOLUTION NUMBER</b>	<b>ACTION BY</b>	<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>
1141	Council Meeting – Notice of Motion – Government Incentive Programs for Attracting Health Care Professionals to the Region	46.3.2018	<b>GM</b>	That Council seek an urgent meeting with the Deputy Premier and the Minister for Health to seek a commitment from the NSW Government to establish and provide incentives and programs for the attraction and delivering Doctors, Specialists and other staff to rural communities such as Cobar and in particular the Western Area of NSW.	Letter's sent seeking support. Awaiting response in order to organise the meeting.  Letters of support received and forwarded to Ministers Office.  Mayor to meet with Minister Brad Hazzard in Albury on 21 October 2018.  Minister was an apology. Mayor supported the Gwydir Council in providing representation to Canberra to raise the issue.
1142	Council Meeting – Notice of Motion – Installation of an Independent Pedestrian Crossing	47.3.2018	<b>GM</b>	That Council write to John Holland Rail, being the entity that maintains the RailCorp assets for Rural NSW, to increase the width to accommodate two vehicles crossing at same time on the level crossing on Bourke Road between Railway Parade South and Railway Parade North and install an independent pedestrian crossing.	Negotiations between John Holland Rail, RMS and Council has commenced.  Awaiting RMS funding allocation.
<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 26 APRIL 2018</b>					
<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>RESOLUTION NUMBER</b>	<b>ACTION BY</b>	<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>
1152	Council Meeting – Notice of Motion –	75.4.2018	<b>GM</b>	That Council investigate options and ways of reducing the cost of	Investigations to be undertaken once grant funding is found.

	Investigations into Water Cost Reduction Options			<p>water to the households and to include such things as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Desalination of water;</li> <li>ii. Additional bore water;</li> <li>iii. Reduce the number of parks, gardens and ovals;</li> <li>iv. Increase water storages.</li> </ul> <p>That Council seek grant funding to engage a consultant to undertake the investigations.</p>	
1153	Council Meeting – Notice of Motion – Policy Development for Development Applications for Mining Operations	76.4.2018	<b>GM</b>	That Council develops a Policy to assist in the determination of Development Approvals (DA's) for Mining Operations in order to reduce the impact of Fly-in, Fly-out (FIFO) and Drive-in, Drive-out (DIDO) on our community.	Meeting has been requested with Department of Planning Staff in Sydney to discuss policy issues and report to be provided back to Council.
<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 24 MAY 2018</b>					
<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>RESOLUTION NUMBER</b>	<b>ACTION BY</b>	<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>
1169	Council Meeting – Notice of Motion – Community Consultative Committee – Inland Rail	108.5.2018	<b>GM</b>	That discussions be held in relation to the Inland Rail proposal and the impact on Cobar be put to a Councillor Workshop.	Workshop planned for December 2018.
1176	Council Meeting – Clause 12B – Grant Funding	131.5.2018	<b>DES</b>	That Council lobby the Government to amend the formula for Fixing Country Roads grants applications to include value of freight.	Submission being prepared.

**COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 28 JUNE 2018**

<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>RESOLUTION NUMBER</b>	<b>ACTION BY</b>	<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>
1179	Council Meeting – Notice of Motion – Ward Oval Free Camping	139.6.2018	<b>DPES</b>	That as a matter of urgency Council investigate the opportunity to open Ward Oval to temporary free camping in order to remove the current situation of a lack of organised and appropriate free camping sites within Cobar.	Briefing paper to be prepared for a future workshop not later than May 2019.
1180	Council Meeting – Notice of Motion – Arid Research Centre	140.6.2018	<b>GM</b>	That a submission be made to the Prime Minister of Australia and the Premier of NSW seeking their support and consideration of establishing an Arid Research Centre in Cobar for the Far Western NSW.  That a letter and submission be made to the National Farmers Association that a letter of support be sought.	Submission being prepared.

**COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 24 SEPTEMBER 2018**

<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>RESOLUTION NUMBER</b>	<b>ACTION BY</b>	<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>
1217	Council Meeting – Clause 7A – Bathurst Street Reserve Licence Agreement	240.9.2018	<b>ES</b>	That Council acting as Crown Land Manager for the Bathurst Street Reserve (R64199), resolve to renew 12 month short term license	License agreement to be issued.

				agreements to Cobar Tennis Club to cover the period 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019.	
1219	Council Meeting – Clause 9A – Minutes of the Economic Taskforce Meeting – Tuesday, 14 August 2018	242.9.2018	<b>MTPR</b>	That Council resolve to accept the recommendation of the Economic Taskforce that:  Council investigate the possibility of the local mining companies setting up a buy local scheme for their employees.	No investigation to date.

#### COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 22 NOVEMBER 2018

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
1241	Council Meeting – Matter of Urgency - \$1 Million Community Drought Funds Projects	306.11.2018	<b>SPO</b>	That the projects listed in the tabled resolution be submitted for under the Drought Communities Fund.	Projects submitted awaiting response/ approval.

#### COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 13 DECEMBER 2018

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
1244	Council Meeting – Clause 6A – Sale of Land for Unpaid Rates	313.12.2018	<b>RO</b>	That the sale be conducted during June 2019 with a full list of properties being presented to Council in February 2019 for approval and advertising commencing in March 2019.	

				That the General Manager be given the authority to call for expressions of interest to appoint an auctioneer to conduct the sale.	
1247	Council Meeting – Clause 8A – Annual Rubbish Collection Day	316.12.2018	MPES	That staff prepare a report for hard rubbish collection for pensioners or disability card holders within Cobarr Shire for the purpose of providing assistance.	Report included in March 2019 Agenda – No further action required.
1251	Council Meeting – Committee of the Whole Closed Council - Clause 2C – Consideration of Nymagee Airstrip Runway Crossing into Neighbouring Property	334.12.2018	DFCS	<p>That Council proceed to shorten the northwest runway at Nymagee by 200 metres and advise key stakeholders immediately.</p> <p>That the General Manager be authorized to purchase Lot 2 DP 127362 for up to \$37,000 exc GST should the vendor believe that this becomes the best option for it as recommendation 1 is implemented.</p> <p>That should the demand lead to a requirement to develop the strip at the northern end, the proposal be first considered by Council.</p>	<p>Stakeholders advised.</p> <p>Vendor not proceeding as yet.</p> <p>Investigating extension of other runways.</p>

### COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 28 FEBRUARY 2019

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
1252	Council Meeting – Notice of Motion – Date Change for Clearing	03.2.2019	GM	That Council together with RDA Orana, Far North West Joint Organisation and the Western	Action to be progressed.

	Consent			Division Councils lobby the Federal Government to have the methodology changed that all farms in the Western area have the same opportunity to participate in the emission reduction fund as currently stands for some properties at present and seek the State Government support.	
1253	Council Meeting – Notice of Motion – Lobby for Water Security	04.2.2019	<b>GM</b>	That the Cobar Shire Council lobby the State and Federal Government to provide alternative and viable solutions to provide water security for our towns and villages in the Western Region and seek the support of the Far North West Joint Organisation, RDA Orana and the Western Division Association.	Action to be progressed.
1254	Council Meeting – Clause 3A – April Council Meeting Date Change Request	08.2.2019	<b>GM</b>	That the 2019 April Ordinary Meeting of Council be held in the Council Chambers commencing at 5pm on Wednesday, 24 April 2019.  That the Agendas for the meeting be distributed seven (7) days prior to the meeting on the Wednesday afternoon.	Date changed – No further action required.
1255	Council Meeting – Clause 4A – Conduct of the 2020 Local Government Election for Cobar Shire Council	09.2.2019	<b>GM</b>	That the Cobar Shire Council (“ <i>the Council</i> ”) resolves to engage the New South Wales Electoral Commission for the conduct of the 2020 Cobar Shire Local Government Election:	New South Wales Electoral Commission advised that they will conduct the 2020 Cobar Shire Local Government Election – No further action required.

				<p>Pursuant to s. 296(2) and (3) of the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW) (“the Act”) that an election arrangement be entered into by contract for the Electoral Commissioner to administer all elections of the Council.</p> <p>Pursuant to s. 296(2) and (3) of the Act, as applied and modified by s. 18, that a council poll arrangement be entered into by contract for the Electoral Commissioner to administer all council polls of the Council.</p> <p>Pursuant to s. 296(2) and (3) of the Act, as applied and modified by s. 18, that a constitutional referendum arrangement be entered into by contract for the Electoral Commissioner to administer all constitutional referenda of the Council.</p>	
1256	Council Meeting – Clause 7A – Section 356 Donations 2019/2020	12.2.2019	DFCS	That Council award a cash donation of \$1,000 to ROAR for the year ended 30 June 2020.	Donation awarded – No further action required.
1257	Council Meeting – Clause 7A – Section 356 Donations 2019/2020	13.2.2019	DFCS	That Council award a donation of approximately \$2,200 to Kubby House Child Care to cover garbage, water access and sewer charges for	Donation awarded – No further action required.

				the year ended 30 June 2020.	
1258	Council Meeting – Clause 7A – Section 356 Donations 2019/2020	14.2.2019	DFCS	That Council award a donation to the Auto Club of Cobar Inc of \$5,000 to assist with the purchase of water and rates for the year ended 30 June 2020.	Donation awarded – No further action required.
1259	Council Meeting – Clause 7A – Section 356 Donations 2019/2020	15.2.2019	DFCS	That Council award a donation the Cobar Girl Guides approximately \$750.00 to cover the rates equivalent for the year ended 30 June 2020.	Donation awarded – No further action required.
1260	Council Meeting – Clause 7A – Section 356 Donations 2019/2020	16.2.2019	DFCS	That Council award the Cobar Netball Association a donation of \$1,000 approximately to cover user fees for the year ended 30 June 2020.	Donation awarded – No further action required.
1261	Council Meeting – Clause 7A – Section 356 Donations 2019/2020	17.2.2019	DFCS	That Council award the Cobar Arts Council a donation of \$1,000.00 to assist with activities during the Festival of the Miners Ghost for the year ended 30 June 2020.	Donation awarded – No further action required.
1262	Council Meeting – Clause 7A – Section 356 Donations 2019/2020	18.2.2019	DFCS	That Council award Cobar Mobile Children’s Services a donation of approximately \$3,100 being the equivalent of 50% of the rental levied by Council for the space occupied by the Service.	Donation awarded – No further action required.
1263	Council Meeting – Clause 7A – Section 356 Donations 2019/2020	19.2.2019	DFCS	That Council allocate \$100.00 of Quids to Cobar High School, Cobar Public School and St Johns Primary School for their end of year awards ceremony and \$100.00 cash to Euabalong West Primary School	Donation awarded – No further action required.

				for its end of year awards ceremony.	
1264	Council Meeting – Clause 8A – Landing and Take Off Fees at Cobar Airport for Charter Flights	20.2.2019	DFCS	<p>That a passenger fee of \$17.00 (inc GST) for inbound and outbound passengers on charter flights apply at Cobar Airport commencing on 1 April 2019.</p> <p>That a passenger fee of \$17.00 (inc GST) for inbound and outbound passenger on charter flights be included in the draft fees and charges for 2019/2020.</p>	<p>Known Charter Operators advised – No further action required.</p> <p>Signage displayed – No further action required.</p>
1265	Council Meeting – Clause 9A – Quarter 2 2018-2019 Budget Review	21.2.2019	DFCS	<p>That the changes recommended in the attachment be made to the operating budget for 2019/2020.</p> <p>That the changes recommended in the attachment be made to the capital budget for 2019/2020.</p> <p>That \$416,000, being the balance of funds from gravel road maintenance not used in 2018/2019 be moved to next year’s re-sheeting budget.</p>	Amendments made – No further action required.
1266	Council Meeting – Clause 10A – Cobar BioHub	22.2.2019	DPES	That Council authorise the Director of Planning and Environmental Services to submit formal comments on behalf of Council to the Department of Planning and Environment in respect of the preparation of an Environmental	Completed – No further action required.

				<p>Impact Statement for the Cobar Biohub project in line with matters outlined in the subject report.</p> <p>That Council authorise the Director of Planning and Environmental Services to engage the services of Warwick Giblin, Managing Director, Oz Environmental Pty Ltd to assist Council in its consultation with Renewed Carbon Pty Ltd in respect of the Cobar Biohub project.</p> <p>That the Director of Planning and Environmental Services writes to Renewed Carbon Pty Ltd on behalf of Council to formally commence consultation regarding the Cobar Biohub project.</p> <p>That voting on this matter be record on the basis of an automatic division as required by legislation.</p>	<p>Action will be completed prior to March 2019 meeting.</p> <p>Engagement will be completed prior to March 2019 Meeting.</p> <p>Completed – No further action required.</p>
1267	Council Meeting – Clause 11A – Great Cobar Project – Review of Environmental Factors (REF)	23.2.2019	DPES	<p>That Council recommends to the Resources Regulator that the Great Cobar Project - Review of Environmental Factors Revision 1 dated January 2019 must be further revised in consultation with all relevant stakeholders so that proper consideration and comments can be prepared regarding environmental</p>	<p>Completed – No further action required.</p> <p>Action will be completed prior to March 2019 Meeting.</p>

			<p>impacts associated with the Great Cobar Project.</p> <p>That Council authorise the Director of Planning and Environmental Services to submit a formal response on behalf of Council to the Resources Regulator in line with the matters outlined in the subject report.</p> <p>That Council authorise the Director of Planning and Environmental Services to engage the services of Warwick Giblin Managing Director, Oz Environmental Pty Ltd to assist Council with further consultation with Aurelia Metals Limited regarding the Great Cobar Project.</p> <p>That the Director of Planning and Environmental Services writes to Aurelia Metals Ltd on behalf of Council to formally insist on Council being consulted in regards to all aspects of the Great Cobar Project.</p> <p>That the General Manager on behalf of Council write to the Resources Regulator to advise that Council objects to the Resources</p>	<p>Engagement will be completed prior to March 2019 meeting.</p> <p>Action will be completed prior to March 2019 Meeting.</p> <p>Completed – No further action required.</p>
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				Regulator approving the application as lodged by Aurelia Metals Ltd on or about 5 December 2018 in respect of proposed exploration activities as part of the Great Cobar Project.  That voting on this matter be recorded on the basis of an automatic division as required by legislation.	
1268	Council Meeting - Clause 12A – Proposed Supermarket Development	24.2.2019	MPES	As per tabled resolution.	Notice of Determination issued – No further action required.
1269	Council Meeting - Clause 13A – Raw Water Supply to Dalton Park Horse Complex	25.2.2019	GWSE	That Council resolve to seek grant funding for \$202,140 for the extension of a raw water pipeline to the Dalton Park Racecourse as outlined in Option 3 of the attached report.	Grant funding to be applied for.
1270	Council Meeting - Committee of the Whole Closed Council – Clause 1C – General Manager’s Employment Contract	41.2.2019	Mayor	That the General Manager’s employment contract is renewed for a further period of 5 years.	Action to be progressed.
1270	Council Meeting - Committee of the Whole Closed Council – Clause 1C – General Manager’s Employment Contract	41.2.2019	Mayor	That Local Government Representative attend to facilitate terms and conditions of the General Manager’s contract.	Action to be progressed.

1271	Council Meeting - Committee of the Whole Closed Council – Clause 2C – Sale of Land to Health Administration Corporation	41.2.2019	DFCS	That the sale of land contract for Lot 102, DP 615721 to Health Administration Corporation be signed under seal.	Signed under seal – No further action required.
1272	Council Meeting - Committee of the Whole Closed Council – Clause 3C – Provision of Doubtful Debts – Update Manuka Resources and Mt Boppy Resources Limited Debts	41.2.2019	DFCS	That Council receive advice from Marsdens Law Group to enable Council officers to decide the best course of action and present a recommendation to Council by June 2019.	Action in progress.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

**That the information contained in the monthly status report be received and noted, with the following items to be removed: 1247, 1254, 1255, 1256, 1257, 1258, 1259, 1260, 1261, 1262, 1263, 1264, 1265, 1266 Part 1 and Part 4, 1267 Part 1 and Part 4, 1268 and 1271.**

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**CLAUSE 3B – INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 28 FEBRUARY 2019****FILE: B2-7****AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.7****ATTACHMENT: NO****AUTHOR: Finance Manager, Neil Mitchell****Purpose**

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

**Issues**

The tables below shows the balances of Council's Investments as at the end of February. Term deposits have differing terms to spread the maturity dates throughout the year. The amount restricted in the Audited Financial Report for Employee Leave Entitlements is \$342,042.

<b>Investments for February</b>	<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>Transfers to Investments</b>	<b>Transfers from Investment</b>	<b>Interest Earned</b>	<b>Closing Balance</b>
NAB Sweep Acct	\$3,783,143	\$3,702,224	\$4,575,955	\$3,348	\$2,912,761
NAB Term Deposit					
2.54% (Sep) 4039	\$2,008,386			\$4,206	\$2,012,592
AMP Bank Term Deposits					
2.85% (Feb) 4037	\$2,032,392	\$2,000,000	\$2,033,888	\$5,244	\$2,003,748
2.65% (Jan) 4047	\$1,002,014			\$2,093	\$1,004,107
2.60% (Feb) 4048	\$1,012,491		\$1,013,808	\$1,317	-
2.65% (Jan) 4049	\$1,002,014			\$2,093	\$1,004,107
ME Bank Term Deposit					
2.85% (Jan) 4036	\$2,002,385			\$4,178	\$2,006,563
G & C Mutual Bank Term Deposit					
2.86% (Sept) 4041	\$1,010,622			\$2,217	\$1,012,839
Auswide Bank Term Deposits					
2.75% (Apr) 4038	\$2,016,770			\$4,177	\$2,020,947
2.72% (Feb) 4040	-	\$2,000,000		\$2,385	\$2,002,385
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$15,870,216</b>	<b>\$7,702,224</b>	<b>\$7,623,650</b>	<b>\$31,258</b>	<b>\$15,980,048</b>

*Annualised Average return on Investment for the Month: 2.36%*

*I hereby certify that the above investments have been made in accordance with Section 625 of the Local Government Act 1993 and Clause 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 and the Council's Investment Policy.*



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**Finance Manager****RECOMMENDATION****That Council receive and note the Investment Report as at 28 February 2019.**

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**CLAUSE 4B – BANK RECONCILIATION, CASH FLOW & LOAN FACILITY  
SUMMARIES AS AT 28 FEBRUARY 2019**

**FILE: B2-7**

**AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.5**

**ATTACHMENT: NO**

**AUTHOR: *Finance Manager, Neil Mitchell***

**Purpose**

Council has requested that the following financial information be presented to each meeting of Council: reconciled bank balance, cash flow statement, and loan facility.

**Issues**

**Bank Reconciliation**

Balance as per Bank Statement	10,000
Add Outstanding Deposits & Receipting	6,568
Less Uncleared Cheques	(22,410)
Reconciled Balance	(5,842)

*In accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act, 1993, I hereby certify that the Cash Book has been reconciled with the appropriate Bank Statements on a daily basis during the month and that the reconciliations have been recorded.*



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***Finance Manager***

**Summary of Total Funds Available at Month End for the Last 12 Months**

Month	Investment Balances	Operating Account	Total Available Funds
Mar 18	16,068,503	(7,720)	16,060,783
April 18	15,482,686	5,976	15,488,662
May 18	15,818,138	3,172	15,821,310
Jun 18	18,959,272	6,905	18,966,177
Jul 18	19,692,731	9,114	19,701,845
Aug 18	19,851,551	24,356	19,875,877
Sept 18	17,397,785	9,887	17,407,672
Oct 18	18,088,990	18,099	18,107,089
Nov 18	18,361,800	(163,625)	18,198,175
Dec 18	17,009,717	18,601	17,020,318
Jan 19	15,870,216	(11,175)	15,706,591
Feb 19	15,980,048	(5,842)	15,974,206

*The amount restricted in the Audited Financial Report for Employee Leave Entitlements is \$342,042*

**Cash Flow**

February		Description	Forecast
Forecast	Actual		March
(11,175)	(11,175)	Bank Balance Forward	(5,842)
848,677	1,954,840	FAG / R2R / RMCC	2,169,088
14,336	14,336	RMS Agency	14,336
350,000	747,494	Rates /Water/User Charges	420,000
150,000	147,658	Private Works/Debtors	150,000
200,000	49,650	LBV – Residents Fees & Grant	200,000
170,000	175,218	Child Care/In Home Care	170,000
1,626,839	109,832	Net Movement of Investments	(22,582)
800,000	487,254	Sundry Income & Grants	800,000
		<i>Less</i>	
(2,500,000)	(2,735,282)	Creditors	(2,700,000)
(790,000)	(945,667)	Wages / Salaries	(1,185,000)
10,000	(5,842)	Bank Reconciliation Cr/(Dr)	10,000

*Borrowing Instruments as at 28 February 2019*

Swimming Pool and Street Upgrade Loan (6.22%)	(1,096,349)
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**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council receive and note the Bank Reconciliation, Cash Flow and Loan Facility Report as at 28 February 2019.**

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**CLAUSE 5B – MEETING MINUTES**

**FILE: C8-6-4**

**AOP REFERENCE: 3.1**

**ATTACHMENT: YES**

**(PAGE 48-49)**

**AUTHOR: *Executive Assistant General Manager/ Mayor, Janette Booth***

**Background**

Councillors and Council Staff are required to represent Council at a variety of meetings.

Included in the attachments to this agenda are copies of the minutes and the Status Reports of those meetings which have been held recently for the information of Councillors. They include:

- Cobar Youth Council – Monday, 18 February 2019 (no Status Report).

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That the Minutes of the Cobar Youth Council Committee be received and noted.**

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**CLAUSE 6B – EXPENDITURE FOR ROADS NETWORK**

**FILE: R5-31**

**AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.2**

**ATTACHMENT: YES**

**(PAGE 50-54)**

**AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko***

**Purpose**

To provide Council with financial information on the expenditure on Council's Local and Regional Roads.

**Background**

A report detailing the Expenditure on Capital/R2R (orange), Council's Shire Local Roads (blue) and Regional Roads Network (green) is provided as an attachment to this agenda for Council's information.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That the information detailing the Expenditure for Council's Roads Network be received and noted.**

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## **CLAUSE 7B – ENGINEERING WORKS REPORT**

**FILE: C6-20-2 AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.2 ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 55-58)**

**AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko***

### **Purpose**

To inform Council of completed and ongoing Engineering Works for the period of February 2019.

### **Discussion**

#### **State Highways**

##### **Maintenance Work**

- Sign replacement works as required – **ongoing**;
- Pothole repairs – **ongoing**.

##### **Construction Work**

The Musheroo Project is continuing. Stabilising and sealing is continuing.

#### **Urban Roads/Shire Roads/Regional Roads**

##### **Maintenance Work**

- Maintenance grading – SR12, SR16, SR2, SR21, MR416 and MR419;
- Signs – MR7518, SR23, SR24 and MR228;
- Vegetation maintenance – MR411;
- Patching – SR17, MR416 and MR461.

##### **Construction Work**

- MR7518 – Windara Bend – Minor decommission works are to be completed;
- Urban – line marking at new Dump Point in Caravan Parking area;
- Heavy Patching is due to start week of 25 March;
- Resealing is due to start following Heavy Patching.

#### **Water and Sewer**

##### **Maintenance Work**

- Pest control within sewer reticulation network being carried out where necessary - **ongoing**;
- Clearing and control of vegetation along the Nyngan to Cobar raw water pipeline easement (CWB) – **ongoing**;
- Eight water faults were reported during the month and all were resolved;
- Repairs are being undertaken to the Sewer Treatment Plant embankment – **ongoing**;
- A chlorine installation audit and identified remedial works is being undertaken – **ongoing**.

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## **Water Operations**

The water treatment plant is producing approx. 3.2 ML per day and alternate day water restrictions with hand watering only between 6pm and 9pm have been introduced for Cobar to ensure demand is controlled as Burrendong Dam continues to drop and future restrictions on High Security Town Water are a possibility.

## **Parks and Gardens**

- General maintenance carried out within parks and reserves within the Shire as required – **ongoing**;
- Drummond Park Upgrade.

## **Resources for Regions**

### **Construction of New Water Treatment Plant**

- The contract was let to Laurie Curran Water (LWC) on 23 June 2017.

Work completed to date:

- Site and road reserve clearing;
- Security fence erected around main treatment plant site;
- PAC Contact Tank and Clear Water Tank;
- Clarifier and filter tank;
- Pipelines from new WTP to Fort Bourke Hill reservoirs;
- Sludge Lagoons;
- Construction of the blockwork walls and structural steelwork for the main treatment building is continuing.

Work in progress:

- Mechanical and electrical installation.

Expenditure to end of February on the contract by LWC is \$8,257,984 (75.5% of the contract). Commissioning of the WTP is still programmed for April 2019.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

**That the information contained in the Engineering Works Report detailing maintenance on Shire and Regional Roads, State Highways and Water Sewer Mains, Resources for Regions Projects and other Major Grant Works be received and noted.**

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**CLAUSE 8B – ANALYSIS OF DRY AND WET PLANT AND EQUIPMENT CONTRACT**

**FILE: T3-15-6, P3-19-4      AOP REFERENCE: 3.3.4**

**ATTACHMENT: NO**

**AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko***

**Purpose**

The purpose of this report is to provide information on the analysis and result of the engagement of Contractors under the Dry and Wet Plant and Equipment Contract for works let over \$80,000 inclusive of GST.

**Background**

Throughout the year Council uses various contractors for the supply of plant and equipment and trades and miscellaneous services for many of Council's activities.

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

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

The table below indicates the contractors that were engaged for services over \$80,000 inclusive of GST for the period 1 July 2018 – 28 February 2019.

<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Description of Works</b>	<b>February</b>	<b>2018/2019</b>
Bruces Contracting	Water Cart Hire	\$42,781	\$160,784
Rollers Australia	Roller Hire	\$13,192	\$163,163
McRowe	Water Cart Hire	\$27,484	\$119,125
Urquhart Haulage Contractors	Haulage	\$110,186	\$282,782

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council receive and note the information contained within this report.**

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**CLAUSE 9B – UPDATE ON INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT FINANCES****FILE: G4-29 AOP REFERENCE: 4.1.3.3 & 4.4.4.2****ATTACHMENT: NO****AUTHOR: *Water and Sewer Manager, Eric Poga*****Purpose**

To provide Council with an update on the infrastructure projects budgets and expenditure as at 28 February 2019.

**Background**

Cobar Shire Council was successful in obtaining funding for three projects through the Resources for Regions Restart NSW provided by the NSW State Government. One project has been completed with two ongoing projects.

**Financial Implications**

	<b>Restart NSW Funding</b>	<b>Cobar Shire Council Funding</b>	<b>Expended as at 28 February 2019</b>	<b>Project Status</b>
Water Treatment Plant	\$15,750,000	\$200,000	\$8,257,984	- Installation of chemical dosing and mechanical and electrical equipment is progressing.
Sewerage Scheme Refurbishments Expansion and upgrade	\$2,100,000	\$100,000	\$478,023	- The Ward Oval Pump station refurbishment and Lagoon upgrade have been completed. - Application to change scope of works to include upgrade of all sewer pump stations and pre-treatment screening for sewer influent has been approved. - Investigation and design of upgrades is currently proceeding. - Contract documentation will commence after investigation and design work is completed.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council receive and note the updated financial information for the two Restart NSW Resources for Regions infrastructure projects.**

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**CLAUSE 10B – GRANT FUNDING****FILE: G4-17****AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.4****ATTACHMENT: NO****AUTHOR: Senior Projects Officer, Angela Shepherd****Grant Update**

<b>Grant and Department</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Amount Applied For</b>	<b>Successful?</b>	<b>Council Funding Required</b>	<b>Deadline for project, comment</b>
<b>Grants Applied for</b>					
Youth Opportunities	Series of workshops with year 11 students – job undertaken in conjunction with CHS and NGOs.	\$31,090	Pending	Staff support	Work with CHS and NGOs to implement if successful.
North West JO Tourism Fund	Upgrade exhibitions at GCHCC, construction of the sound chapel and extension to the GCHC are the options put forward.	\$1.5m	Pending	Nil	Funding agreement signed with JO for tourism funds. Individual projects not awarded to date.
Community Child Care Fund	Subsidise administration fees for IHC clients to make care more affordable.	\$350,000 over 2 years	Pending	Nil	Work continues with negotiations with the dept. Focus now on getting individual families a subsidy.
Growing Local Economies Fund	Design and construction of new industrial estate for Cobar.	\$4.405m	Pending – EOI was successful, business case now submitted	\$500,000	Business case being assessed. Council providing further information as requested.

## Grant Outcomes

Grant and Department	Activity	Amount Applied For	Successful?	Council Funding Required	Comment
<b>Grants Announced</b>					
Safe and Secure Water	Nymagee Water Security scoping study to look at alternative water sources and options.	\$43,500	Scoping study application successful.	\$14,500 – 25% must be contributed by Council	Funding agreement being signed. Council funds to come from water fund.
Safe and Secure Water	Euabalong Water Security scoping study.	\$29,250	Scoping study application successful	Council must put in 25% - \$9,750	Funding agreement being signed. Council funds to come from water fund.
Everyone Can Play grants for playgrounds	Sensory garden and accessible paths for Dalton Park.	\$33,015	Unsuccessful	\$33,015	Only 34 awarded across the state
Everyone Can Play grants for playgrounds	Inclusive play in Drummond Park – accessible equipment and pathways.	\$47,296	Unsuccessful	\$47,296	Hoping for a future round to open.

Council, on behalf of the Far North Joint Organisation (JO) has applied for an Environment Officer under the Contaminated Land Management grants. This officer would be shared between the 3 Councils. Councils will contribute \$20k each to the project per year over three years. Cobarr is the lead Council in the grant application, which was successful. The funding agreement is now being drawn up between the JO and the NSW Government.

Council committed \$200,000 in the 2018/2019 budget to put towards grant proposals as a co-contribution. This money has been allocated as follows:

- \$10,000 for the GCHC accessible ramp.
- \$8,000 Dalton Park playground upgrade.
- \$100,000 to Museum upgrade.

## Current Grant Opportunities

- Tough Times Together Trust (TTTT) Grants through the RRR fund – will assist Nymagee Progress Association to apply in April 2019 for a community event grant.

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- Festivals Australia – Council is developing a proposal for a mural on the water tank as part of the 2019 Festival of the Miners Ghost. Due 22 March 2019. Can apply for \$40,000.
  - TfNSW currently calling for Expressions of Interest for electric car stations – Council is likely to apply under this program.
  - Council has met with the Cobarr CWA to advise how to progress a building project they have.

### **Grant Funded Projects - Implementation**

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

- CASP grant – Coppersmithing workshops – to be held in conjunction with the Grey Mardi Gras, tickets almost sold out.
- Reconciliation Week grant to produce a series of story boards in progress.
- SCCF Drummond Park – Equipment being installed at time of writing. Softfall and other elements to be completed following installation. Project expected to be completed by end of March 2019.
- Stronger Communities Program grant for optometrists arcade project – Work completed other than installation of screen due to supply issues. Grant being acquitted.
- RCF Rd 1 Museum project – Damp proofing almost completed. Additional options identified by contractor for works that will preserve the building. These currently being assessed. Inspection of works required undertaken on roof, awaiting quote. Progress report completed.
- Heritage Near Me – accessibility of Museum project – being incorporated into above. Architect engaged, and visited during March. Awaiting report and design for project. Dump point relocated to caravan parking area opposite Museum. Vegetation on northern wall due for removal April 2019.
- RCF Rd 2 exhibition upgrade – plan of works being developed.
- Miners Memorial – Tender currently out, closes 10 April 2019. Aiming for tender analysis to be presented to April Council meeting so contract can be awarded.
- SCCF – Toilet project – Quotes being sought. Images being compiled. Aiming for June/ July completion.
- SCCF – Girl Guides Hall – working on options for location and works required.
- SCCF – Youthie upgrade – architect engaged to prepare designs. Site visit undertaken during March.
- Public Reserves – Boxthorn Removal Euabalong Common – Project for Reserve Trust – extension provided due to drought.
- Public Reserves Fencing at Euabalong Cemetery – design completed, procurement under way.
- Safe and Secure Water Fund – pipe replacement and tank refurbishment – PWA undertaking pipeline design work. Business case being progressed for reservoir refurbishment.
- Drought Projects – at various stages of progress.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

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

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**CLAUSE 11B – RATES RECONCILIATION REPORT AS AT 28 FEBRUARY 2019****FILE: R2-1****AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.6****ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 59-60)****AUTHOR: *Office Coordinator, Jo-Louise Brown*****Purpose**

To provide Council details of the Rate Reconciliation as at 28 February 2019.

FUND	LEVY 2018-2019	Pensioner Rebates	Abandoned Levy	Additional Levies	Sub Total 2018-2019	Arrears 30th Jun 18	Payments	Total Outstanding	Total Outstanding Previous Year	% Outstanding of Sub Total Plus Arrears
Business	409,307.61		530.00	530.00	409,307.61	78,431.59	310,843.37	176,895.83	140,281.15	36.27%
Farmland	694,965.98		-	1,406.20	696,372.18	31,215.47	501,133.25	226,454.40	173,008.15	31.12%
Mining	1,728,262.37		-	-	1,728,262.37	225,987.30	923,246.46	1,031,003.21	871,355.71	52.76%
Residential	1,177,062.40	48,362.77	4,073.67	-	1,124,625.96	233,293.62	810,907.33	547,012.25	486,810.75	40.28%
Overpayments					-	-134,695.26	- 59,993.26	-74,702.00	-71,524.93	55.46%
Legal Costs			-	21,463.56	21,463.56	50,747.28	17,323.47	54,887.37	58,663.17	76.01%
Interest			-	8,762.83	<b>8,762.83</b>	135,920.90	10,961.74	133,721.99	108,349.68	92.42%
<b>General Rates</b>	<b>4,009,598.36</b>	<b>48,362.77</b>	<b>4,603.67</b>	<b>32,162.59</b>	<b>3,988,794.51</b>	<b>620,900.90</b>	<b>2,514,422.36</b>	<b>2,095,273.05</b>	<b>1,766,943.68</b>	<b>45.45%</b>
<b>Domestic Waste</b>	<b>615,210.00</b>	<b>17,973.62</b>	<b>1,694.36</b>	<b>536.67</b>	<b>596,078.69</b>	<b>43,136.57</b>	<b>450,814.13</b>	<b>188,401.13</b>	<b>162,541.20</b>	<b>29.47%</b>
<b>Sewerage</b>	<b>606,975.00</b>	<b>19,074.99</b>	<b>3,060.95</b>	<b>115,364.37</b>	<b>700,203.43</b>	<b>102,726.72</b>	<b>584,196.49</b>	<b>218,733.66</b>	<b>184,740.89</b>	<b>27.24%</b>
Cobar Water	670,280.00	20,562.52	909.28	260.00	649,068.20	39,458.68	495,830.36	192,696.52	166,473.43	27.99%
Nymagee Water	27,937.00	437.50	-	-	27,499.50	10,198.21	17,130.43	20,567.28	16,304.26	54.56%
Euabalong Water	45,129.00	1,028.13	-	-	44,100.87	10,434.18	33,750.85	20,784.20	21,872.40	38.11%
Euab West Water	27,323.00	437.50	-	-	26,885.50	5,775.18	20,623.13	12,037.55	10,643.51	36.86%
Mt Hope Water	6,444.00	-	-	-	6,444.00	1,013.14	5,219.18	2,237.96	2,434.94	30.01%
<b>Water Access</b>	<b>777,113.00</b>	<b>22,465.65</b>	<b>909.28</b>	<b>260.00</b>	<b>753,998.07</b>	<b>66,879.39</b>	<b>572,553.95</b>	<b>248,323.51</b>	<b>217,728.54</b>	<b>30.25%</b>
<b>Water Usage</b>			<b>36,087.58</b>	<b>844,646.68</b>	<b>808,559.10</b>	<b>680,566.13</b>	<b>1,355,355.81</b>	<b>133,769.42</b>	<b>89,649.73</b>	<b>8.98%</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,008,896.36</b>	<b>107,877.03</b>	<b>46,355.84</b>	<b>992,970.31</b>	<b>6,847,633.80</b>	<b>1,514,209.71</b>	<b>5,477,342.74</b>	<b>2,884,500.77</b>	<b>2,421,604.04</b>	<b>34.50%</b>

**RECOMMENDATION****That the Rates Reconciliation Report as at the 28 February 2019 be received and noted.**



# **ATTACHMENTS**

## **ORDINARY MEETING AGENDA**

**THURSDAY 28 MARCH 2019**

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