



COBAR SHIRE COUNCIL

ORDINARY MEETING AGENDA

THURSDAY, 26 MAY 2022

~ ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY ~

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

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

~ ORDER OF BUSINESS ~

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

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1. Apologies
 - Councillor Michael Prince
 2. Declaration of Interests
 3. Condolences
 - Enid Margaret Coath
 - Patricia Mary Smith
 4. Public Access Forum
 5. Confirmation of Minutes
 - Ordinary Meeting of Council – Thursday, 28 April 2022
 6. Matters Arising from Minutes
 7. Notice of Motions
 - Nil
 8. Mayoral Report
 9. General Manager's Report – Action/Recommendation
 10. General Manager's Report – Confidential
 - Provision of Commercial Cleaning
 - Dry & Wet Hire Plant & Equipment
 11. Matters of Urgency
 12. Correspondence
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~ COUNCIL'S VISION ~

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

~ COUNCIL'S MISSION ~

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

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

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

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

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

~ COUNCIL'S CHARTER ~

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

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

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

PRESENT (FILE C13-2)

Councillors Peter Abbott (Mayor), Jarrod Marsden (Deputy Mayor), Janine Lea-Barrett, Lillian Simpson, Harley Toomey, Julie Payne, Kate Winders and Peter Maxwell.

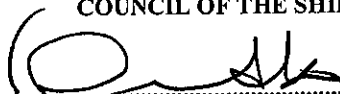
OBSERVERS

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


MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR:

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COUNCIL OF THE SHIRE OF COBAR HELD ON THURSDAY 28 APRIL 2022



GENERAL MANAGER



MAYOR

APOLOGIES (FILE C13-2)

38.04.2022 RESOLVED: 1. That the apology received from Councillor Kain Neale, Councillor Robert Sinclair, Councillor Michael Prince and Councillor Tony Chaplain be accepted.

2. That Councillor Kain Neale, Councillor Robert Sinclair, Councillor Michael Prince and Councillor Tony Chaplain be granted a leave of absence.

Clr Payne / Clr Winders

CARRIED

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (FILE C12-3)

- Nil.

CONDOLENCES (FILE M2-3)

- William Martin
- Shirley Anne Mitchell

A minute's silence was observed by those in attendance.

PUBLIC ACCESS SESSION

- Nil.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL (FILE C13-11)

39.04.2022 RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Thursday, 24 March 2022 be confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

Clr Toomey / Clr Payne

CARRIED

CLAUSE 1A – MAYORAL MINUTE

FILE: C13-1-5

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: Mayor, Mr Peter Abbott

40.04.2022

RESOLVED: That under *Section 377 of The Local Government Act* Council delegate to the Mayor to re-negotiate the current General Managers package.

Clr Payne / Clr Lea-Barrett

CARRIED

CLAUSE 1 – COBAR MEMORIAL SWIMMING POOL UPGRADE

FILE: S9-2 AOP REFERENCE: 4.4.2.5 ATTACHMENT: YES

(PAGE 42-76)

AUTHOR: General Manager, Peter Vlatko

41.04.2022

RESOLVED: 1. That the Design and Viability Report for the Cobar Memorial Swimming Pool upgrade be placed on public display for comments

2. That Council advises the community that its preferred option is option 1 for consideration.

3. That a full report be bought back to Council following the public display for Council to determine its position.

Clr Payne / Lea- Barrett

CARRIED

**CLAUSE 2 – CLASSIFICATION OF LAND AS OPERATIONAL –
LOT 2 DP 513804, LOT 1 DP 133446 & LOT 1 DP 940015**

FILE: A10-51 AOP REFERENCE: 1.3.2 ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: General Manager, Peter Vlatko

42.04.2022

RESOLVED: That Council, in accordance with section 31 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, propose to classify Lot 2 DP 513804, Lot 1 DP 133446 & Lot 1 DP 940015 as Operational Land and in accordance with section 34 put on public notice for a period of not less than 28 days for submissions from the public.

Clr Lea- Barrett / Clr Payne

CARRIED

CLAUSE 3 – COUNCIL DELEGATES

FILE: C6-15 AOP REFERENCE: 3.2.2.2

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: General Manager, Peter Vlatko

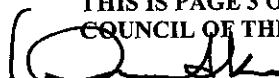
43.04.2022

RESOLVED: That Councillor Kain Neale be elected as a delegate to the Cobar Water Board.

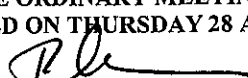
Clr Payne / Clr Lea- Barrett

CARRIED

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GENERAL MANAGER



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MAYOR

CLAUSE 4 – COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT STRATEGY

FILE: L5-22 AOP REFERENCE: 3.3 ATTACHMENT: YES

(PAGE 77-85)

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

- 44.04.2022 RESOLVED:** 1. That Council resolves to adopt the draft Cobar Shire Council Community Engagement Strategy and that it be made publically available and reviewed in four years' time.
2. That Council notes the engagement plans in the appendices which will be used in the review of the integrated planning and reporting documents and the development of the Disability Inclusion Action Plan.
3. That Councillors endeavor to participate as much as possible in the community engagement activities that will be undertaken in the development of the Cobar 2032 Plan and associated documents.
- Clr Payne / Clr Simpson* **CARRIED**
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CLAUSE 5 – RUNNING ON EMPTY FESTIVAL

FILE: T4-10 AOP REFERENCE: 1.3.3.1 ATTACHMENT: NO

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

- 45.04.2022 RESOLVED:** That the matter be deferred for further information to be brought before the Council
- Clr Marsden / Clr Payne* **CARRIED**
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CLAUSE 6 – VOLUNTARY PLANNING AGREEMENT - NEW COBAR COMPLEX UNDERGROUND PROJECT (SSD-10419)

FILE: M4-22AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.7 ATTACHMENT:

YES (PAGE 86-109)

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

- 46.04.2022 RESOLVED:** 1. That Council enters into the proposed Planning Agreement with Peak Gold Mines Pty Ltd for the New Cobar Complex Underground Project (SSD-10419) and authorises the Mayor and General Manager to sign all relevant documentation under the Common Seal of Council.
2. That the Planning Agreement Register required by section 206 of the *Environmental Planning Assessment Regulation 2021* be posted on the Cobar Shire Council website.
3. That required reporting on the Peak Gold Mine's (SSD-10419) Planning Agreement be included in future Annual Reports.
- Clr Payne / Clr Simpson* **CARRIED**
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GENERAL MANAGER


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MAYOR

CLAUSE 7 – GENERAL MANAGERS OPERATIONAL REPORT

FILE: C13-1-4 AOP REFERENCE:3.2.1.1 ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

47.04.2022 RESOLVED: That the General Managers Operational Report be received and noted.
Clr Toomey / Clr Payne **CARRIED**

CLAUSE 8 – THIRD QUARTERLY REVIEW OF THE ANNUAL OPERATIONAL PLAN 2021/2022 (Q3)

**FILE: L5-22 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1 ATTACHMENT: YES
(Under Separate Cover)**

48.04.2022 RESOLVED: That Council receives and notes the Third quarterly review of the 2021/2022 Annual Operational Plan, covering the period January to March 2022.
Clr Payne / Clr Simpson **CARRIED**

CLAUSE 9 – MONTHLY STATUS REPORT

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

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

49.04.2022 RESOLVED: That the information contained in the monthly status report be received and noted.
Clr Lea- Barrett / Clr Toomey **CARRIED**

CLAUSE 10 – INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 31 MARCH 2022

FILE: B2-7 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.7 ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Financial Accountant, Sandra Davey*

50.04.2022 RESOLVED: That Council receive and note the Investment Report as of 31 March 2022.
Clr Lea- Barrett / Clr Payne **CARRIED**

CLAUSE 11 - BANK RECONCILIATION, CASH FLOW & LOAN FACILITY SUMMARIES AS AT 31 MARCH 2022

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

AUTHOR: *Financial Accountant, Sandra Davey*

51.04.2022 RESOLVED: That Council receive and note the Bank Reconciliation, Monthly Total Funds Available, Cash Flow and Loan Facility Report as of 31 March 2022.
Clr Payne / Clr Simpson **CARRIED**

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GENERAL MANAGER


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MAYOR

CLAUSE 12 – PURCHASING ANALYSIS OF CONTRACTORS
FILE: T3-15-6 AOP REFERENCE:3.3.4 ATTACHMENT: NO
AUTHOR: *Financial Accountant, Sandra Davey*

52.04.2022 RESOLVED: That Council receive and note the information contained in this report.
Clr Lea- Barrett / Clr Toomey **CARRIED**

CLAUSE 13 – RATES RECONCILIATION REPORT AS AT 31 MARCH 2022
FILE: R2-1 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.6 ATTACHMENT: YES
(PAGE 110-111)
AUTHOR: *Customer Service Manager, Jo-Louise Brown*

53.04.2022 RESOLVED: That the Rates Reconciliation Report as at the 31 March 2022 be received and noted.
Clr Lea- Barrett / Clr Payne **CARRIED**

CLAUSE 14 – GRANT FUNDING
FILE: G4-17 AOP REFERENCE:3.1.1.3 ATTACHMENT: NO
AUTHOR: *Grant Officer, Brytt Moore*

54.04.2022 RESOLVED: That the information contained in the grant funding report detailing grants applied for, grants announced and grants available be received and noted.
Clr Payne / Clr Simpson **CARRIED**

CLAUSE 15 – EXPENDITURE FOR ROADS NETWORK
FILE: R5-31 AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.2 ATTACHMENT: YES
(PAGE 112-120)
AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

55.04.2022 RESOLVED: That the information detailing the Expenditure for Council's Roads Network be received and noted.
Clr Lea- Barrett / Clr Payne **CARRIED**

CLAUSE 16 – DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS: 17 MARCH 2022 – 19 APRIL 2022

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

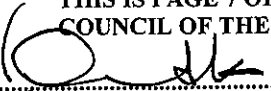
56.04.2022 RESOLVED: That the information detailing the Complying Development Certificates, Local Development and Construction Certificate approvals for the period 17 March 2022 – 19 April 2022 be received and noted.
Clr Payne / Clr Lea- Barrett **CARRIED**


THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 5.21 PM

CONFIRMED.....

MINUTE NO.....

MAYOR..... 


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GENERAL MANAGER


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MAYOR

CLAUSE 1–REVIEW OF AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

FILE: L5-26

AOP REFERENCE: 1.1.2.1

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

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

Purpose

The purpose of this report is for Council to be made aware of the requirements for all Councils and Joint Organisations to establish an Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee as detailed in section 428 of the Local Government Act 1993 (the Act)

Background

Council currently has an Audit Committee, and which needs to be reviewed due to the resignation of the independent chair.

428A of the Local Government Act 1993 requires Councils to have Audit, Risk, and Improvement Committee (ARIC) to independently review and advise on the following areas of Councils operations:

- compliance
- risk management
- fraud control
- financial management
- governance
- implementation of the strategic plan, delivery program and strategies
- service reviews
- collection of performance measurement data by the council
- and any other matter prescribed by regulation

The ARIC must develop a strategic plan every four years and must develop an annual work plan. A report must be provided to Council after every committee meeting detailing its opinion and activities. A quarterly report must be provided to Council – the content to be determined by Council. The ARIC must also provide an annual assessment.

Section 428B of the Act provides for the establishment of shared Committee Members.

With this in mind it is proposed that the Far North West Joint Organisation and all member Councils participate in a shared Committee which will be appointed by the Far North West Joint Organisation and service The JO and all three (3) member Councils

The establishment of a Shared Committee is seen as a way of reducing costs but retaining the ability to attract suitably qualified and skilled persons to be part of the committee given that the draft guidelines will be reasonably prescriptive in this regard.

Composition of Committee

All member Councils and the JO falls into tier one general purpose Councils ie. population less than 20,000 and predominately rural in nature.

Under the proposed guidelines tier one Councils are required to have as a minimum:

- Three independent voting members, a Chair who must be prequalified under the NSW Government Scheme. Two voting committee members – who not being required to be prequalified are required to meet independence requirements, and eligibility requirements.
- One non-voting Councillor, who must also have the appropriate experience and exposure to business operations.

At this stage Councils do not have access to the prequalification scheme and as such need not have a pre-qualified chairperson.

Core Requirement 2 – Risk Management

Each Council and Joint Organisation must implement a risk management framework that is consistent with current Australian Standards for Risk Management.

Councils risk management framework must demonstrate the following six elements:

1. Leadership and commitment: - management must demonstrate strong leadership.
2. Integration: - risk must be managed in every part of Council's operations.
3. Design: - the design must be structured to meet Council's needs.
4. Implementation: - risk management activities must be understood and practiced.
5. Evaluation: - Councils must regularly evaluate the framework to ensure relevance.
6. Improvement: - each Council must continually adapt and improve the design of the framework

Councils must provide sufficient resources to deliver and implement the risk management framework. Council's provide strategic leadership, the General Manager operational leadership, Internal Function – provides review and assurance and the ARIC provides advice and assurance.

Core Requirement 3 – Internal Audit

Each Council must have an independent internal audit function that reports to the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee and is consistent with current international standards for internal audit.

The Councils internal audit function must operate independently of the Council and cannot be subject to direction by Council. It reports administratively to the General Manager and functionally to the ARIC.

Each Council must have a head of in-house internal audit function. This must be a Council employee and cannot be outsourced, other than through a shared arrangement with another Council, and meet the eligibility and independence criteria for the position.

Internal audit documents can be accessed by the governing body (Council), subject to the approval of the Chair of the committee.

Councils are required to have an ARIC of some type by June 2022 and will then have two years, until 30 June 2024 to comply with the risk management and internal audit requirements under the guidelines, and five years to comply with the audit, risk and improvement committee requirements.

However, advice to the JO has been that the establishment of a committee proposed would be regarded as part of the implementation phase.

Legal Framework

Section 428B of the Local Government Act provides as follows

A council may enter into an arrangement with another council, or a body prescribed by the regulations for the purposes of this section, to jointly appoint an Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee to exercise functions for more than one council or body.

Section 355 of the Local Government Act details how Councils can exercise their functions

355 How a council may exercise functions

A function of a council may, subject to this Chapter, be exercised—

- (a) by the council by means of the councillors or employees, by its agents or contractors, by financial provision, by the provision of goods, equipment, services, amenities, or facilities or by any other means, or
- (b) by a committee of the council, or
- (c) partly or jointly by the council and another person or persons, or
- (d) jointly by the council and another council or councils (including by means of a joint organisation or a Voluntary Regional Organisation of Councils of which the councils concerned are members), or
- (e) by a delegate of the council (which may, for example, be a joint organisation or a Voluntary Regional Organisation of Councils of which the council is a member).

Section 377 of the Local Government Act details the ability of Councils to Delegate

377 General power of the council to delegate

(1) A council may, by resolution, delegate to the general manager or any other person or body (not including another employee of the council) any of the functions of the council under this or any other Act, other than the following—

- (a) the appointment of a general manager,
- (b) the making of a rate,
- (c) a determination under section 549 as to the levying of a rate,
- (d) the making of a charge,
- (e) the fixing of a fee,
- (f) the borrowing of money,
- (g) the voting of money for expenditure on its works, services or operations,
- (h) the compulsory acquisition, purchase, sale, exchange or surrender of any land or other property (but not including the sale of items of plant or equipment),
- (i) the acceptance of tenders to provide services currently provided by members of staff of the council,
- (j) the adoption of an operational plan under section 405,
- (k) the adoption of a financial statement included in an annual financial report,
- (l) a decision to classify or reclassify public land under Division 1 of Part 2 of Chapter 6,
- (m) the fixing of an amount or rate for the carrying out by the council of work on private land,
- (n) the decision to carry out work on private land for an amount that is less than the amount or rate fixed by the council for the carrying out of any such work,
- (o) the review of a determination made by the council, and not by a delegate of the council, of an application for approval or an application that may be reviewed under section 82A of the [Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979](#),
- (p) the power of the council to authorise the use of reasonable force for the purpose of gaining entry to premises under section 194,
- (q) a decision under section 356 to contribute money or otherwise grant financial assistance to persons,
- (r) a decision under section 234 to grant leave of absence to the holder of a civic office,
- (s) the making of an application, or the giving of a notice, to the Governor or Minister,
- (t) this power of delegation,
- (u) any function under this or any other Act that is expressly required to be exercised by resolution of the council.

(1A) Despite subsection (1), a council may delegate its functions relating to the granting of financial assistance if—

- (a) the financial assistance is part of a specified program, and
- (b) the program is included in the council's draft operational plan for the year in which the financial assistance is proposed to be given, and
- (c) the program's proposed budget for that year does not exceed 5 per cent of the council's proposed income from the ordinary rates levied for that year, and
- (d) the program applies uniformly to all persons within the council's area or to a significant proportion of all the persons within the council's area.

(2) A council may, by resolution, sub-delegate to the general manager or any other person or body (not including another employee of the council) any function delegated to the council by the Departmental Chief Executive except as provided by the instrument of delegation to the council.

(3) A council may delegate functions to a joint organisation only with the approval, by resolution, of the board of the joint organisation.

Additionally, the proposed guidelines provide for the establishment of a Audit Risk and Improvement Committee (ARIC) by a Joint Organisation which may be shared with the member Councils.

It is important to note that the Guidelines are yet to be adopted, however, given they will be at some stage in the not too distant future it would be prudent utilise the guidelines as the basis on which to establish a committee.

The guidelines are some 116 pages in length and cover a wide variety of provisions in relation to establishment and operation of an ARIC.

Current Situation

At the last meeting of the Far West Joint Organisation (JO) a report tabled detailing the establishment of an ARIC Committee by the JO to be utilised by the JO and each of the member Councils and there was an agreement by all members that the proposal would have significant benefits for each of the member Councils and should deliver economies of scale.

The Board of the FNWJO have agreed to undertake the necessary steps to appoint a ARIC the Committee members of which would also be the membership of the ARIC of each member Council

Whilst the Committee Members would be on a shared basis each of the Councils are still required to have their own committee meeting utilising the same three (3) appointed committee members with the meetings to be held on the same day to reduced travel costs and make it easier to schedule meetings and it may also be advantageous for the Committee to review the same areas for each Council at the one time.

The guidelines refer to pre-qualified chairs and committee members, however, as detailed earlier, at this stage Local Government does not have access to the pre-qualification list.

In respect of tier 1 Councils only the chair needs to be pre-qualified but until the pre-qualification list is available to Local Government this requirement need not be met.

A Terms of Reference for the proposed Audit Risk and Improvement Committee has been developed and is consistent with the model as provided in the guidelines issued by the Office of Local Government.

The Terms of Reference document is attached.

Each Council and the FNWJO is required to adopt their own terms of reference document which will effectively mirror that contained within the guidelines, subject to any minor amendments that may be required including references to a JO instead of a Council as appropriate.

The JO have developed an expression of interest document to be provided to potential applicants who respond to an advertising process and within that document is a schedule of fees payable which has been adopted by the JO Board.

The fees payable have been determined following a review of the fees payable by other Councils including those are operating on a shared basis as is proposed by the FNWJO and the fees as detailed are fair and reasonable and reflect both the fact that there are four entities involved and time taken in attending meetings, travel and preparatory work.

The fees adopted by the Far North West Joint Organisation are as follows

The Independent Chair be paid \$650.00 per meeting per FNWJO member (ie. \$2600.00 per day exclusive of GST).

The Independent Members be paid \$500.00 per meeting per FNWJO member (ie. \$2000.00 per day exclusive of GST).

In both instances the daily rate is inclusive of preparation time and travel time for any face to face meeting(s).

Reasonable travel, accommodation and sustenance costs of members required to travel to meetings upon provision of tax invoices. A cents per kilometre travel costs will be paid in line with the Local Government Award (NSW).

No additional costs will be provided for members attending meetings remotely

The Committee would be required to meet four (4) times a year and it would be proposed that at this stage only one (1) of these would be face to face and the others via audio visual means.

Financial Implications

It is difficult to accurately determine the actual cost for each Council as it will depend, in part, where each of the committee members are located and travel costs involved.

A figure of around \$10,000 per Council and the JO per year is seen as an indicative budgetary figure which would include the fees and estimated travel costs together with some of the secretarial work associated with the committee.

This figure does not include all staff time, nor does it include the cost involved in the appointment of an internal auditor who will need to be appointed in 2024 under the current guidelines.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That Council join with the Far North West Joint Organisation and all member Councils in the establishing a Shared Audit Risk and Improvement Committee in accordance with *section 428B of the Local Government Act 1993***
- 2. That Council delegate authority to the Far North West Joint Organisation to appoint the chair and two (2) independent members to form the Shared Audit Risk And Improvement Committee to serve the Far North West Joint Organisation and all three member Councils.**
- 3. That Council appoint a Councillor to serve as the non-voting board member on the ARIC for this Council only**
- 4. That Council adopt the Draft Terms of Reference developed for the operation of the Audit Risk and Improvement noting the initial revised term to cater for the shorter period to be served by the current Council and the fact that there is no current need for the Chair to be pre-qualified at this stage.**
- 5. That Council note the Expression of Interest document developed by the Far North West Joint Organisation for distribution to potential applicants for persons to serve as the Chair or one of the two (2) independent Committee Members including the fees payable to the Chair and Committee members**
- 6. That applications as detailed in the Expression of Interest document be called for by the placement of advertisements in the local papers circulating in each of the towns within the FNWJO area together with the websites of each of the member Councils to provide local residents the opportunity to apply to become a member of the Shared Committee if they are suitably qualified and wish to apply.**

CLAUSE 2 – COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN, DELIVERY PLAN & ANNUAL OPERATIONAL PLAN

FILE: L5-22 AOP REFERENCE: 3.3

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

Purpose

To confirm the process to deliver the Community Strategic Plan, Delivery Plan and Annual Operational Plan.

Background

In accordance with the *Local Government Act Section 402* the council must review the community strategic plan before 30 June following the election. The council may endorse the existing plan, or develop or endorse a new community strategic plan, as appropriate, to ensure that the area has a community strategic plan covering at least the next 10 years.

This requirement is based on the Council election being held in September 2021 however, for Cobar Shire Council the completion of the Election process occurred in February 2022. Our process to deliver the Plans was stalled due to the restrictions on consultations with our Community due to COVID-19.

Proposal

Council has commenced our public consultations with public meetings:

- Cobar
 - Council Chambers 13 May 2022
 - Drummond Park 14 May 2022
 - Council Chambers 23 May 2022

- Euabalong Communities
 - Community Centre 24 May 2022

- Nymagee
 - Community Hall 25 May 2022

And an online survey to gain input to its drafting.

It is proposed that following the public consultation the draft plans will be workshopped by Council at the Council Workshop on the 09 June 2022 and then to be considered at an Extraordinary Council Meeting on 16th June 2022.

This will allow the plans to then be placed on Public Display and then finalised at the Ordinary Council meeting on the 28 July 2022.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information on the delivery of Councils Community Strategic Plan, Delivery Plan and Annual Operational Plan be received and noted.

CLAUSE 3 – COUNCIL’S BUDGET, FEES AND CHARGES AND REVENUE POLICY

FILE: L5-22 AOP REFERENCE: 3.3 ATTACHMENT:(YES PAGE 46-95)

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

Purpose

For Council to place the draft 2022/2023 Budget, Fees and Charges and Revenue Policy on public exhibition for 28 days to gain feedback from the community so that appropriate comments can be considered prior to adoption.

Background

The draft documents will be placed in the Shire Libraries, the Administration Building and on Council’s Website. The community will be alerted to the release of the draft documents through the media and Council’s Website.

Council will hold a Public Meeting on Wednesday, 15 June 2022 at 6:00pm in the Council Chambers to explain the documents to those interested and to receive feedback.

Executive Summary – Whole of Council Operating

A surplus budget is proposed as follows.

FUND	**REVENUE \$000	EXPENDITURE \$000	SURPLUS/DEFICIT \$000
General	\$37,993	\$38,012	-\$19
Water	\$4,629	\$4,359	\$270
Sewer	\$1,265	\$1,229	\$36
Total	\$39,727	\$43,600	\$287
	**Excluding Capital grants & contributions		

The General fund which forecasts a deficit of \$19k has been prepared on a conservative basis with only known factors being included. It is likely that the current level of grant activity will continue and provide much opportunity for an improved result. These opportunities will be included in the budget process via the quarterly reviews as they become known.

Higher Development Application income from the mining sector provides continued improvement to the Shire business model.

The community center (‘the youthie’) is anticipated to reopen towards the end of the first quarter. A manager is currently being advertised for.

Forecast occupancy for the Lilliane Brady Village shows no growth and it still presents a challenge both financially and in attracting staff to the Western regions.

The Water Fund has been the subject of much review by Officers and Councilors leading up to this draft budget. This budget takes the view that the State Government must assist in keeping water charges for consumers to a reasonable level and accordingly \$1,096k of Resources for Regions allocated to Cobar has been applied to the Water Fund as operating income. This is still requiring approval from the government as traditionally Resources for Regions has been unavailable to support operating income. Even under this scenario a significant increase has been applied to the water access fee. It is the view of Council Officers that applying an increase to the access charge (fixed) assists to make the water fund income stream less volatile than relying on price increases in the usage component (variable).

The management team is comfortable in recommending a nominal surplus budget for the following reasons

1. It appears to have no significant risks in the General Fund and Sewer Fund. Whilst inflationary pressures are entering the economic dialogue this budget has used a rate of 5% and this is considered safe. The oil price presents a risk to plant running costs but can be absorbed in the overall scale of the budget.
2. Council has recorded surpluses over recent years and on a rolling performance has performed well.
3. The budget assumes all vacant positions will be filled for the entire year – this is unlikely to happen.
4. Stimulus grant activity will continue and will more than likely create some opportune its deficit.
5. Council on balance is well managed financially and has the maturity to absorb a small deficit should it occur.
6. The Water Fund has been the subject of extensive discussions and Council is aware of the risks. If the State Government were to deny approval to apply some of the R4R grant to support the operating budget of the Water Fund Council will need to recover the consequent shortfall in 23/24 and possibly thereafter. This will have a major impact on the fund's cash position and will force internal borrowings.

Executive Summary – Capital

A conservative approach has also been applied to capital projects. A capital expenditure forecast of \$15.7 m is proposed but of this only \$3.0 m is funded 'by the rate payer' with the remainder being grant dependent. Capital works will still be occurring at a very high level as the Ward Oval Development and Early Learning Precinct will be occurring in 22/23.

A major inclusion in the capital plan is an additional \$2m for footpath renewal and upgrade.

Executive Summary -Fees and Charges

Where possible fees and charges have been either not increased or the increase has been kept to a nominal percentage. Rates have increased to the rate peg level of 0.7%.

Executive Summary – Borrowings

No additional borrowings are required for this budget. It is too be noted that previously approved borrowings of \$2.5 m will be drawn down in 22/23.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That Council place the draft 2022/2023 Budget, Fees and Charges, Revenue Policy, and Ten-Year Financial Plan on public exhibition for 28 days.**
- 2. That Council hold a public meeting on Wednesday, 15 June 2022 at 6:00pm to present the documents and seek community.**

CLAUSE 4 – QUARTER 3 – 2021/2022 BUDGET REVIEW

FILE: L5-22 AOP REFERENCE: 3.3 ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 96-97)

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

Purpose

To present to Council the budget review for the third quarter of the 2021/2022 financial year. The resolved changes will be made to the budget which was adopted in June 2021 and adjusted with carried forward items and the first two quarterly budget reviews. The end of year statutory reports report against the originally adopted budget.

Background

Council is required to receive a budget review statement that shows the estimate of income and expenditure as set out in its Annual Operational Plan and a revised estimate of the income and expenditure for that year at the end of each quarter except the fourth quarter.

Appearing as attachments to this report are:

1. Section 94 Contribution details (Attachment 1);
2. A report from the Director of Finance and Community Services indicating that he believes the financial position is satisfactory having regard to the adopted estimates for the 2020/2021 year (Attachment 2);

Summary

A robust review of operating and capital expenditure for the third quarter of this financial year has been conducted. The outlook for the remaining portion of this financial year has also been reviewed.

Councilors receive and review monthly reports on expenditure on major projects and roads (operating and capital).

Capital

A further \$100k is required to finish the CCTV project. The core funding for this project was part of the drought allocation monies. As the project evolved it became necessary to install extra cameras to those in the original scope. This included additional cameras in the main street which had a 'dead spot'. Cameras have also been installed at the depot in a security upgrade.

It is recommended that this requirement is transferred from the unallocated amount set aside for topping up grant allocations as it has not yet been called upon and the financial year is almost completed.

The project has been very successful.

There will be significant carry over of project allocations on foot and some projects which have been unable to be commenced. These will be presented to Council in June for endorsement.

Operating – General Fund

No variations to the operating budget. There will be some technical accounting entries to recognize the value of the recently acquired *Kubby* building and *The Hostel*. They do not impact our operating budget and will be formally reported to Council at the June Ordinary Meeting under Regulation 202 of the Ordinary Regulations Schedule.

RECOMMENDATION

1. **That no amendments be made to the capital budget in the quarter 3 budget review, but it is noted that \$100,000 is to be shifted internally.**

2. **That no amendments be made to the operating budget in the quarter 3 budget review.**

CLAUSE 5 – GENERAL MANAGERS OPERATIONAL REPORT

FILE: C6-20-2 AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.2 ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 98)

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

Purpose

To provide Council with an update on strategic operational matters.

Discussion

Running on Empty Festival

Council to support the Running on Empty Festival by providing additional community event and will consider its future as an iconic event for Cobar.

Critical Communications Enhancement Program in Cobar Shire Council LGA

Council has received a letter from NSW Government Telco Authority with details of Critical Communications Enhancement Program in Cobar Shire Council LGA (see attached map).

Council will now look at requesting that these towers can be used by other networks to provide phone coverage throughout our shire.

The New Director of Infrastructure Services

The new Director of Infrastructure Services will commence on Tuesday 24 May 2022.

Council initiative of Post Cards

Council's implantation of Post Cards for the Community Consultations has been very well received as an initiative to encourage greater involvement by the community.

RECOMMENDATION

That the General Managers Operational Report be received and noted.

CLAUSE 6 – REALIGNMENT AND DEDICATION OF YATHONG ROAD

FILE: SR1-12

AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.2

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

Report to be tabled

CLAUSE 7 – MONTHLY STATUS REPORT

FILE: C13-10

AOP REFERENCE: 3.1

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: General Manager, Peter Vlatko

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 25 SEPTEMBER 2014					
NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
627	Council – Clause 10A – Adoption of Management Plan for Lot 18 DP213415	188.9.2014	GM	<p>That Council authorise the General Manager to negotiate a lease or licence for an appropriate term and conditions with the Cobar Bowling and Golf Club Ltd.</p> <p>That Council authorise the Mayor and General Manager to sign any lease or licence under the Common Seal of Council.</p>	<p>December 2017 target was not met. Timeframe to be reviewed.</p> <p>Staff working on this subject to resources available.</p> <p>Discussions commenced with Club Board to resolve the issue; however, the matter is on hold until resources are available.</p> <p>Staff has been allocated to prepare information to negotiate appropriate terms & complete lease or licence with Cobar Bowling & Golf Club.</p> <p>New Meeting to be arranged with the Club Board to discuss lease terms.</p> <p>Meeting held with the General Manager of Cobar Bowling & Golf Club and discussed licence, meeting to be held with Golf Club Board in the new year.</p> <p>Matter on hold at the moment due to resourcing</p>

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 9 MARCH 2017

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

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
1142	Council Meeting – Notice of Motion – Installation of an Independent Pedestrian Crossing	47.3.2018	GM	That Council write to John Holland Rail, being the entity that maintains the RailCorp assets for Rural NSW, to increase the width to accommodate two vehicles crossing at same time on the level crossing on Bourke Road between Railway Parade South and Railway Parade North and install an independent pedestrian crossing.	With footpath complete Council is applying to Department of Transport for funding. Transport for NSW has applied for funding & Council will know more after the 30 September 2021. Still awaiting funding approval After meeting with the Minister, a letter requesting funding has been forwarded.

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 24 APRIL 2019

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

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 27 JUNE 2019

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

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS COUNCIL MEETING 13 DECEMBER 2019

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

						Designs for HPAA area complete and presented to LTC. TFNSW to provide input and comments. Project to start next year.
COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 25 MARCH 2021						
NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME	
1432	Council Meeting- Clause 7- Landfill Operations – Cobar Landfill	50.04.2021	DES	That Council proceed with Community & Industry Consultations using the approach of the LTPoM as proposed by Bob Bailey & Robert Amaral.	To be actioned.	

RECOMMENDATION

That the information contained in the monthly status report be received and noted.

CLAUSE 8 – INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT APRIL 2022**FILE: B2-7****AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.7****ATTACHMENT: NO****AUTHOR: *Financial Accountant, Sandra Davey*****Purpose**

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

Issues

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

Investments	Rate	Bank	Opening Balance	Transfers to Investment	Transfers from Investment	Interest Earned	Closing Balance
NAB Sweep Acct	Variable	NAB	\$ 4,727,517	\$ 9,044,616	\$ 7,058,483	\$ 589	\$ 6,714,238
Jun-22	0.52%	NAB	\$ 2,001,739			\$ 856	\$ 2,002,595
Jul-22	0.95%	AMP	\$ 2,003,072			\$ 1,564	\$ 2,004,636
Jun-22	0.50%	NAB	\$ 2,002,714			\$ 823	\$ 2,003,537
Oct-22	1.30%	NAB	\$ -	\$ 3,000,000		\$ 962	\$ 3,000,962
Jun-22	0.31%	NAB	\$ 5,009,009			\$ 1,276	\$ 5,010,286
Jun-22	0.35%	NAB	\$ 3,008,439			\$ 865	\$ 3,009,305
TOTALS	Average Int	0.66%	\$ 18,752,491	\$12,044,616	\$7,058,483	\$6,935	\$ 23,745,558

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



Financial Accountant**RECOMMENDATION**

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

**CLAUSE 9 - BANK RECONCILIATION, CASH FLOW & LOAN FACILITY
SUMMARIES AS AT APRIL 2022**

FILE: B2-7

AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.5

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Financial Accountant, Sandra Davey*

Purpose

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

Issues

Bank Reconciliation

Balance as per Bank Statement	10,000
Add Outstanding Deposits & Receipting	715
Less Unpresented Cheques	(5,566)
Reconciled Balance	5,149

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



Financial Accountant

Monthly Total Funds Available for the Last 12 Months

Month	Investment Balances	Operating Account	Total Available Funds
May 21	24,904,316	11,500	24,915,816
June 21	29,035,984	(3,314)	29,032,670
July 21	26,094,243	15,802	26,110,045
Aug 21	28,008,116	14,974	27,474,138
Sep 21	24,631,161	(14,678)	24,616,483
Oct 21	22,041,841	(15,805)	22,057,646
Nov 21	20,595,009	(11,412)	20,583,597
Dec 21	21,502,408	(5,937)	21,496,471
Jan 22	19,937,094	9,330	19,946,424
Feb 22	20,099,836	10,000	20,199,836
Mar 22	18,752,491	5,149	18,757,640
Apr 22	23,745,558	9,116	23,754,674

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

Cash Flow

Current Month		Description	Forecast
Forecast	Actual		Next Month
5,149	5,149	Bank Balance Forward	9,116
7,000,000	7,221,437	FAG / R2R / RMCC	2,500,000
15,043	15,043	Services NSW	15,043
555,000	531,915	Rates /Water/User Charges	550,000
200,000	209,359	Private Works/Debtors	200,000
200,000	240,476	LBV – Residents Fees & Subsidies	200,000
100,000	35,309	Children’s Services (net)	100,000
(4,270,000)	(4,986,132)	Net Movement of Investments	500,000
550,000	1,202,249	Sundry Income & Grants	550,000
		<i>Less</i>	
(3,500,000)	(3,678,181)	Creditors	(3,500,000)
(850,000)	(805,740)	Wages / Salaries	(850,000)
10,000	9,116	Bank Reconciliation Cr/(Dr)	10,000

Loan Facility Report as of April 2022

Swimming Pool and Street Upgrade Loan (6.22%) <i>Principal and Interest = \$22,265</i>	(401,798.13)
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RECOMMENDATION

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

CLAUSE 10 – RATES RECONCILIATION REPORT AS AT 30 APRIL 2022

FILE: R2-1

AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.6

ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 99-100)

AUTHOR: Customer Service Manager, Jo-Louise Brown

Purpose

To provide Council details of the Rate Reconciliation as at 30 April 2022.

RATES RECONCILIATION 30 APRIL 2022										
FUND	LEVY 2021-2022	Pensioner Rebates	Abandoned Levy	Additional Levies	Sub Total 2021-2022	Arrears 30th Jun 21	Payments	Total Outstanding	Total Outstanding Previous Year	% Outstanding of Sub Total Plus Arrears
Business	465,700.78		274.00	-	465,426.78	93,120.23	399,795.12	158,751.89	130,428.55	28.42%
Farmland	733,736.95		-	305.37	734,042.32	67,466.52	635,240.02	166,268.82	175,865.21	20.74%
Mining	1,841,821.80		-	-	1,841,821.80	19,723.01	1,405,505.91	456,038.90	435,706.89	24.50%
Residential	1,211,059.72	45,791.84	601.57	1,308.75	1,165,975.06	194,859.68	966,074.36	394,760.38	360,171.60	29.01%
Overpayments					-	-184,838.33	- 50,842.90	-133,995.43	-126,717.46	72.49%
Legal Costs					-	26,237.43	4,290.86	21,946.57	25,866.03	83.65%
Interest			253.32	14,839.04	14,585.72	66,297.65	12,602.71	68,280.66	52,607.62	84.42%
General Rates	4,252,319.25	45,791.84	1,128.89	16,453.16	4,221,851.68	282,866.19	3,372,666.08	1,132,051.79	1,053,928.44	25.13%
Domestic Waste	673,560.00	18,333.15	332.82	929.81	655,823.84	69,628.38	549,269.18	176,183.04	150,388.95	24.29%
Sewerage	711,713.00	18,462.50	308.33	162,845.65	855,787.82	136,477.87	745,134.21	247,131.48	237,216.79	24.91%
Cobar Water	886,374.00	19,775.00	389.16	665.33	866,875.17	69,941.09	723,288.52	213,527.74	154,871.73	22.79%
Nymagee Water	28,970.00	415.63	-	-	28,554.37	13,435.76	21,979.86	20,010.27	17,011.50	47.65%
Euabalong Water	45,890.00	1,225.00	310.00	-	44,355.00	12,572.30	41,282.57	15,644.73	18,769.12	27.48%
Euab West Water	28,420.00	765.62	-	-	27,654.38	8,675.20	23,491.43	12,838.15	11,875.79	35.34%
Mt Hope Water	6,570.00	-	-	-	6,570.00	357.69	4,920.20	2,007.49	893.92	28.98%
Water Access	996,224.00	22,181.25	699.16	665.33	974,008.92	104,982.04	814,962.58	264,028.38	203,422.06	24.47%
Water Usage			31,557.81	1,722,916.32	1,691,358.51	513,653.84	1,652,929.94	552,082.41	644,035.61	25.04%
TOTAL	6,633,816.25	104,768.74	34,027.01	1,903,810.27	8,398,830.77	1,107,608.32	7,134,961.99	2,371,477.10	2,288,991.85	24.95%

RECOMMENDATION

That the Rates Reconciliation Report as at the 30 April 2022 be received and noted.

CLAUSE 11 – GRANT FUNDING

FILE: G4-17

AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.3

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: Grants Officer, Brytt Moore

Grant Update

Council Grants

Grants Applied For	Activity	Amount Applied For	Status	Council Funding Required	Outcome expected/ comments
Building Better Regions Fund - Round 6	Major upgrades to the Cobar Caravan Park	\$ 2,648,690.00	Pending	Contribution of 25% of total project cost is required. \$441,449.00 from Cobar Shire Council (12.5%) subject to Council approval if the grant is successful and \$441,448.00 from Sustainable Park Solutions (current lessee) (also 12.5%) – equalling 25% combined from both parties.	Total project cost: \$3,531,587.00. Outcome expected in June 2022, but this is now expected to be delayed due to the Federal Elections.
LRIC – phase 3	- Airport runway sealing upgrades - (Est) \$1,000,000 - Industrial Estate – (Est) \$920,422 - Town Beautification – (Est) \$150,000 - 99KW Solar project at the Filtration plant - \$100,000	\$2,170,422.00 (entire amount allocated to Cobar LGA)	Pending	NIL	June 2022

Grant Outcomes

Grant Applied For	Proposed Activity	Status	Comments
Planting Trees for The Queen's Jubilee – EOI	EOI submitted for Planting Trees for The Queen's Jubilee, Council will be required to hold at least one event to celebrate The Queen's Jubilee with the community (in conjunction with the planting of trees). Council applied to plant 32 trees at two separate locations (Barrier Hwy – Eastern entrance) and Maidens Avenue (Ward Oval entrance).	Unsuccessful	An overwhelming response from local community organisations and local Councils were received. A total of 18 applications with over \$200,000 worth of funding requested. (There was only \$100,000 available per electorate). This meant we were unfortunately unsuccessful.
Aged Care Workforce Retention Grant	A bonus payment for eligible aged care workers, the bonus payment will be paid in two instalments and is fully grant funded with no cost to Council.	Successful	\$20,480.00 total funding received
Winter Holiday Break	Council applied to hold a school holiday event in Euabalong during the July (winter) school holidays. Funding will be provided to successful applicants to deliver youth activities, events, services and programs between 4 July 2022 and 17 July 2022.	Successful	\$7000 received, possible co-contribution required from the (already approved) SCCF3 – Youth Development Officers/ activities grant program.

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

Current Grant Opportunities:

- **Community Event Program** - Community Events Program will promote the social and economic recovery of regional communities, by renewing social connections and providing a revenue boost to local businesses, following the extended COVID-19 restrictions across regional NSW and impacts of border closures. \$119,826 is available to the Cobar Shire Council to apply for funding towards these events. Applications close 24th June 2022 and Council will be allocating funds to support the Running on Empty Festival and a new event in March 2023 “Bands in the bush.”

Grant Funded Projects – Implementation

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

- **NSW Government - Stronger Country Communities Fund (SCCF) Round 2 – Cobar Youth and Fitness Centre Upgrade – Stage 1** – Main building works in progress practical completion for the project expected July 2022, stage 1 and 2 to be combined as one package of works. Name change of the centre to the ‘Youth and Community Centre’ went to the April council workshop and has been released to the community and so far, – well received.
- **NSW Government - Stronger Country Communities Fund (SCCF) – Round 3 - Cobar Youth and Fitness Centre Upgrade – Stage 2** - works to be combined with stage 1 and be delivered as one package of works, practical completion as above.
- **NSW Government - Stronger Country Communities Fund (SCCF) – Round 3 - Youth Development Officer – 18-month tenure** – The Youth Development Officers are on track to achieve milestone two of the contract by September. Large community events such as pool movie nights and inflatable nights in the park have been well attended, with excess of 350 people, creating a good foundation for community connectedness to improve post COVID lock downs. Social inclusion programs are seeing an overwhelming demand for creative arts focussed sessions with Ukulele lessons and school holiday art programs expanding to include public performances and school term programs in the second half of 2022.
- **NSW Government - Stronger Country Communities Fund (SCCF) – Round 3 - Euabalong Scenic Walking Trail** – Survey and design completed. Approval process currently underway, on-site visit was undertaken with key stakeholders on 17th February 2022, this included the LALC. Draft REF received. Procurement to commence in May.
- **NSW Government – Regional Growth Fund & Federal Government - Building Better Regions Fund (Round 4) - Ward Oval Multi-Purpose Building and Early Learning Centre** – Grandstand demolition complete, no further demolition or works will occur until after the 2022 Cobar Show. Tender panel has been selected. Currently working on getting tender package out.

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- **Safe and Secure Water Fund** – The cast-iron pipe replacement is complete. Work as executed drawings are currently being produced. The Reservoir roof replacement project is anticipated to be partially completed in October. The remaining work, to epoxy coat the reservoir, is expected to be completed in May/June 2022.

 - **Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program RD 1** – This program included 5 projects: sealing of two car parks, Town CCTV, Shade structures in Drummond Park, rotunda upgrade and Town beautification. Status update: Grand Carpark - complete; the Town Hall Cinema carpark to be completed by mid-June. Town CCTV - complete. Shade structures in Drummond Park - complete. Rotunda upgrade works - complete. Town beautification program projects - complete.

 - **Showgrounds Stimulus Funding phase 2B** – Sealing of the Ward Oval Car Park. To be completed in conjunction with other works at Ward Oval, extension received.

 - **Resources for Regions round 7 (R4R7) - Water reticulation upgrade – stage 2** - Killards Infrastructure have been awarded the contract and have completed approximately 25% of contracted works.

 - **Resources for Regions round 7 (R4R7) - Stage 1 – existing industrial estate - including roads and storm water upgrades and Resources for regions round 8 (R4R8) Cobar Industrial Estate Road and Storm water Upgrades - Stage 2** – Project in start-up phase and will commence construction of open drains 23rd May weather permitting.

 - **Resources for Regions round 7 (R4R7) - Business Case study for the Upgrading of Ageing Infrastructure at the Cobar Memorial Swimming Pool combined with Resources for regions – round 8 (R4R8) Master plan for the Cobar Memorial Swimming Pool** – Consultant engaged. Community consultation undertaken. Plans and viability report received. Design and viability report was adopted at the April Council meeting. It is now open to the public for review until the 3rd June 2022.

 - **Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program RD 2** – This program included 4 projects: additional funding for the Fabrication and Installation of horse stables at Ward Oval, a lift to be installed at the Cobar Youth and Fitness Centre, Euabalong toilet replacement and an entrance road and off-road carpark works at the Sound Chapel. Stable project Complete, the lift has been ordered and the footings have been poured for the lift. Installation will follow and be combined with the entire Youth Centre works. Euabalong toilet replacement, toilets have been delivered to Euabalong, awaiting planning advice (working directly with the builders) – needs to be completed (fully built) by 30th June 2022. Entrance road and off-road carpark works at the Sound Chapel has been completed.

 - **Sealing of Wilga Downs Road** – Culvert install to start weather permitting. Continuation of gravelling will commence when dry enough.

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- **Bus Shelters** – Council is currently scoping these and have begun early discussions with key stakeholders before any works commence.
 - **Fixing Local Roads – Tranche 3 – SR12** – Gravel has been crushed at Bindi and grading is ongoing. Pushing up at Gravel pit at Buckambool has commenced. Graveling has commenced through Bindi.
 - **Resources for regions round 8 (R4R8) - Cobar Youth and Fitness Centre - upgrades to services and Harry Marshall Gym** – works to be undertaken with the entire Youth Centre project these works will be completed along with SCCF2, SCCF3, and the lift installation.
 - **Resources for regions – round 8 (R4R8) Business Case Studies (BCS) Including: Activating Cobar's CBD (BCS) and Dalton Park's Wetlands project (BCS)**, currently undertaking procurement to engage consultants to complete BCS's.
 - **Resources for regions – round 8 (R4R8) - Early Intervention Outreach Program** - Funding deed still being prepared by the state for signing.
 - **Resources for regions – round 8 (R4R8) - Ward Oval Refurbishment & Additions to Existing Pavilions and New Poultry Pavilion** – A variation has been applied for to transfer these funds to the Ward Oval Multi-Purpose Building.
 - **Resources for regions round 8 - (R4R8) - Great Cobar Museum - Coach House and Landscaping - (Stage 2 works)** - Funding deeds still being prepared by the state for signing.
 - **Stronger Country Communities Round 4 - Ward Oval sporting fields realignment STAGE 1** – realignment of both ovals at Ward Oval (as per adopted masterplan). Survey and irrigation design for both ovals have been received. RFQ for irrigation is now out on VendorPanel, in the process of creating a RFQ for fencing. Receiving quotes for earthmoving works.
 - **Crown Reserves Improvement Fund Program - Euabalong Sportsground and Racecourse** – Project is to purchase and erect a permanent showground arena and cattle yards that can safely facilitate horse and cattle sports competitions such as Team Penning, Barrel Races, Ranch Sorting, Camp Drafting, Steer and Bull Rides, Cutting, Horsemanship clinics and Gymkhana events and Pony Club. Currently on hold as they seek the appropriate planning advice and approvals, this is due to a location change, what was originally applied for is different to where they would like to place the yards now.
 - **School Zone Infrastructure Program RD 1 - Cobar Public School - Barton Street Pedestrian Access Refuge** – Final design phase, an extension is currently being applied for, if successful completion date will be 31st Dec 2022.
 - **School Zone Infrastructure Program Round 2 - Maidens Ave, Cobar** – pedestrian access upgrade, Cobar High School – repaint of line marking on Woodiwiss Ave, St. John's Primary School, Cobar – repaint of line marking on Bourke St, Cobar Public School – repaint of line marking on Blakey St, Barton and Marshall St, Cobar walking route upgrade – line marking to begin in May, an extension is currently being applied for, if successful completion date will be 31st Dec 2022.
 - **Local Roads and Community Infrastructure phase 3** – Works schedule submitted, awaiting approval before the projects can commence.
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- **Regional Tourism Activation Fund – Stream One - Unique and High Impact Visitor Experiences** - Stage 3 of The Great Cobar Museum upgrades, including a Mine Walk and Underground Experience. Funding deed still being prepared by the state for signing.

 - **The Festival of Place Summer Night Fund** – To be held on 30th April, from 4pm, in Drummond Park. Early stages of planning propose Council will host a family fun night in with markets, music, dancers, and possibly other entertainment.

 - **Drought Communities – Extension – Round 2 – \$1 million projects and Active transport funding (Bathurst Street footpath)** – Dalton Park shade structure - complete. Dalton Park Horse complex toilets - complete. CWA Hall ramp - complete. Main street speaker system - complete. Shade structure at the Cobar Memorial Swimming Pool - complete. Caravan Park photo fence - complete. The footpath construction is complete, with only a small section of Bathurst Street outstanding (Bathurst Street is Active Transport funding combined with contributions from Cobar Shire Council and is being held up due to a Telstra issue). Bus shelter upgrade's structure complete, landscaping complete.

RECOMMENDATION

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

CLAUSE 12 – PURCHASING ANALYSIS OF CONTRACTORS**FILE: T3-15-6****AOP REFERENCE: 3.3.4****ATTACHMENT: NO****AUTHOR: *Financial Accountant, Sandra Davey*****Purpose**

The purpose of this report is to provide information on works let over \$80,000 inclusive of GST.

Background

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

These Contractors and Suppliers are engaged by quotations for small projects and tenders for larger projects following Councils Procurement Policy.

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

The table below indicates the contractors and suppliers that were engaged for services over \$80,000 inclusive of GST for the period July 1, 2021 – April 30, 2022, and the method of procurement used.

CONTRACTOR	DESCRIPTION OF WORKS AND METHOD OF PROCUREMENT	CURRENT MONTH	2021/2022
COUNTRY WIDE ASPHALT PTY LTD	ROAD WORKS (TENDER)	0	3,225,209
CENTRAL DARLING SHIRE COUNCIL	ROAD WORKS (GOV)	1,551,872	2,897,174
CRUSHRITE PTY LTD	GRAVEL CRUSHING (TENDER)	275,819	2,595,193
NORTH CONSTRUCTION & BUILDING PL	CONSTRUCTION WORK (RFS)	0	1,324,993
CASTLYN PTY LTD T/A INLAND PETROLEUM	FUEL (TENDER)	36,725	1,014,364
DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL NSW	GOVERNMENT CONSULTING SERVICES (GOV)	36,593	899,574
STANAWAY PTY LTD T/AS DAVID PAYNE	COBAR HERITAGE CENTRE (TENDER)	243,946	830,868
DEPPELER EARTHMOVING	PLANT HIRE (TENDER)	102,836	759,873
BROUGHTON CONTRACTING PTY LTD	PLANT HIRE (TENDER)	23,635	759,552
AS PER PLAN CONSTRUCTION	CONSTRUCTION WORK (TENDER/RFQ)	53,390	741,509
STABILISED PAVEMENTS OF AUSTRALIA	PAVEMENT STABILISING (TENDER)	0	521,324

COUNTRY MILE CONSTRUCTIONS	CONSTRUCTION WORK (RFQ)	160,337	500,337
KILLARD INFRASTRUCTURE PTY LTD	RETICULATION UPGRADE (TENDER)	463,539	497,623
STEELWORKS ENGINEERING PTY LTD	RESERVOIR ROOF UPGRADE (TENDER)	0	468,843
DUNN & HILLAM ARCHITECTS	VARIOUS PROJECTS (YOUTH CENTRE, EARLY LEARNING CENTRE) (QUOTES)	25,910	445,860
TRACSERV PTY LTD	PLANT PURCHASE (RFQ)	388,609	388,609
JMG MAINTENANCE AND FABRICATION PTY	WARD OVAL STABLES (TENDER)		363,948
SMARTIN BUILDING PTY LTD	CONSTRUCTION OF FOOTPATHS (TENDER)	0	358,088
JR MAY & JR MAY EARTHMOVING PTY LTD	PLANT HIRE (TENDER)	10,736	353,927
CYNEND BUILDING & CONSTRUCTION	CONSTRUCTION WORK (TENDER/RFQ)	0	306,394
ROLLERS AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	PLANT HIRE (TENDER)	56,041	285,185
JNK CONTRACTING PTY LTD	GRAVEL CARTING	0	283,089
LEISURE & RECREATION GROUP	POOL MANAGEMENT (TENDER)	0	273,535
BR & GC DANSON	GRAVEL CARTING	0	264,072
KILLEEN PLANT HIRE	ACRES BILLABONG (TENDER)	0	256,344
NOME'S TIDY HOMES	CLEANING SERVICES (RFQ)	986	254,413
BOB BRUCE EARTHWORKS PTY LTD	PLANT HIRE (TENDER)	24,464	239,646
TRONIC GROUP PTY LTD	IT SERVICES (RFQ)	113,659	226,194
BTX GROUP	CHEMICALS	50,795	212,804
CADIA GROUP PTY LTD	WATER AND SEWER (TENDER)	0	179,804
COLDALE CONSULTING PTY LTD	PROJECT MANAGEMENT (RFQ)	11,357	160,490
JHA CONSULTING ENGINEERS (NSW) PTY	CONSULTANT SERVICES (RFQ)	10,780	148,231
MAGIQ SOFTWARE LTD	ERP SOFTWARE (TENDER)	0	138,732
AG BARKLIMORE PTY LTD T/A PARKES TO	PLANT PURCHASE (RFQ)	133,676	133,676
KML INDUSTRIES	TRADES SERVICE/HARDWARE	6,191	122,197
TRAYLAON PATNERSHIP	PLANT HIRE (TENDER)	6,757	112,464
ACCESS ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING PTY L	BORE LICENCING	16,380	103,462
LOOKNOFURTHER.COM.AU PTY LTD	LABOUR HIRE (RFQ)	0	94,383
COATES HIRE OPERATIONS	PLANT HIRE (TENDER)	0	89,660

KENNARDS HIRE PTY LTD	PLANT HIRE (TENDER)	0	86,569
KENSAW PTY LTD T/A SCONE OUTDOORS	PLANT PURCHASE (RFQ)	2,109	86,474
TCTJ PTY LTD T/AS WESTERN AUTO & EN	MECHANICAL REPAIRS (RFQ)	2,400	85,926
THE MINING PTY LTD	RMS CONTRACT (RFQ)	84,350	84,350
WEBTURN PTY LTD (SAINSBURY AUTOMOTIVE)	PLANT PURCHASE (RFQ)	83,438	83,438
BARRIER SIGNS PTY LTD	SIGNS (TENDER)	939	82,743
COBAR STEEL PTY LTD	TRADE SERVICES (RFQ)	9,295	82,379
COPPER CITY TYRE SERVICE	TYRE SERVICES (RFQ)	7,187	81,824
SPIKYRHINO PTY LTD T/A MARK'S ENVIR	PLANT HIRE (RFQ)	0	81,512
ELLIS & SONS GROUP PTY LTD	CONSTRUCTION WORK (TENDER/RFQ)	0	81,142

Local Suppliers	\$8,789,215
Non-Local Suppliers	\$14,878,785
Total purchases over \$80,000 2021/2022	<u>\$23,668,000</u>

RECOMMENDATION

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

CLAUSE 13 – EXPENDITURE FOR ROADS NETWORK

FILE: R5-31 AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.2 ATTACHMENT: YES(PAGE 101-109)

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), Regional Roads Network (green) and Flood Damage Claim (Grey) is provided as an attachment for Council's information.

RECOMMENDATION

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

CLAUSE 14 – DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS: 19 APRIL 2022 – 17 MAY 2022**FILE: T5-1****AOP REFERENCE: 1.6.3.1****ATTACHMENT: NO****AUTHOR: Director of Planning & Environmental Services, Garry Ryman****Complying Development Approvals**

The following Complying Development Certificates were approved under delegated authority for the period 19 April 2022 – 17 May 2022

CERTIFICATE NO.	ADDRESS	DESCRIPTION	VALUE (\$)
2022/LD-00013	Lot 3 Linsley St, Cobar	Inground Fibre Glass Swimming Pool	55,550

The value of Complying Development approvals for 2021/2022 to date is \$149,770.00

The value of Complying Development approvals for the similar period in 2020/2021 was Nil.

Local Development Approvals

The following Local Development Applications were approved under delegated authority for the period 19 April 2022 – 17 May 2022

CERTIFICATE NO.	ADDRESS	DESCRIPTION	VALUE (\$)
2021/LD-00047 REV01	Lot 41 Lamrock St, Cobar	Awning Carport Addition to Existing Shed	-

The value of Local Development approvals for 2021/2022 to date is \$45,973,303.00

The value of Local Development approvals for the similar period in 2020/2021 was \$36,092,856.00

Construction Certificates

The following Construction Certificates were issued for the period 19 April 2022 – 17 May 2022

CERTIFICATE NO.	ADDRESS	DESCRIPTION
2021/CB-00022	Lot 23 Marshall St, Cobar	Refurbishment of Existing Food Service Business

RECOMMENDATION

That the information detailing the Complying Development Certificates, Local Development and Construction Certificate approvals for the period 19 April 2022 – 17 May 2022 be received and noted.

CLAUSE 15 PROVISION OF COMMERCIAL CLEANING (T3-22-5)

FILE: T3-22-5

AOP REFERENCE:

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to consider the tenders submitted for the Provision of Commercial Cleaning for Cobar Shire Council.

Background

A Request for Tender (RFT) document was prepared and issued via Vendor Panel in April 2022. Tender submissions closed 28 April 2022.

In total six (6) tenders were received electronically via Vendor Panel:

- Jazo's Cleaning
- Independent Safe Caring at Home
- Klean Sweep Cleaning Services
- Nomes Custom Cleaning
- Cleveland Services Pty Ltd
- Cleandeal Dubbo

Legal Situation

Council has complied with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1993 and Section 55 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 Part 7.

Given the sensitive nature of the information provided it is recommended that Council considers a further report in the Committee of the Whole Closed Council with the press and public excluded.

RECOMMENDATION

That a further report regarding the tender to for Provision of Commercial Cleaning (T3-22-2) be considered in the Committee of the Whole Closed Council with the press and public excluded for the reason as stated in Section 10A (2)(d)(i) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, as it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed in open Council, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

CLAUSE 16 DRY AND WET HIRE PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (T3-22-6)

FILE: T3-22-5

AOP REFERENCE:

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Peter Vlatko, General Manager*

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to consider the tenders submitted for the Panel of Dry and Wet Hire Plant and Equipment for Cobar Shire Council.

Background

A Request for Tender (RFT) document was prepared and issued via VendorPanel in April 2022. Tender submissions closed 9 May 2022.

In total twenty-six (26) tenders were received electronically via VendorPanel:

1. A-Plant Equipment Pty Ltd
2. As Per Plan Construction Pty Ltd
3. Brooks Hire Service Pty Ltd
4. Broughton Field Services TA Broughton Contracting Pty Ltd
5. Coates Hire Operations Pty Limited
6. Conplant Pty Ltd
7. Crushrite Crushing & Screening TA Crushrite Pty Ltd
8. Deppeler Earthmoving Pty Ltd
9. Ezyquip Hire Pty Ltd
10. I.J. Chase Grader Contracting
11. J.A McClure & J.J McClure & McClure Pastoral Co Pty Ltd TA Kallara Partners
12. J.R & E.G. Richards (NSW) Pty Ltd TA JR Richards & Sons
13. JR May & JR Earthmoving Pty Ltd
14. Jum's H20
15. Killeen Plant Hire Pty Ltd
16. Komatsu Australia Pty Ltd
17. McMullen Group Constructions
18. Premiair Hire
19. R Bruce's Contracting Services Pty Ltd
20. Riverina Stabilisers Pty Ltd
21. Rollers Australia Pty Ltd
22. Smartin Building Pty Ltd TA Cynend Building & Construction Pty Ltd
23. The Mining Pty Ltd
24. Tolbra Earthmovers & Haulage Pty Ltd
25. Total Drain Cleaning Services Pty Ltd
26. Tutt Bryant Hire Pty Ltd

The objective of the tender was to select a panel of contractors to provide plant and equipment for wet and dry plant hire when needed. Prices were requested on the following items:

- Wet Hire and Dry Hire
- Skid Steer
- Backhoe
- Loader
- Roller
- Excavator
- Bulldozer
- Tanker/Water carts
- Float
- Grader
- Jet Vacuum
- Cherry Picker
- Tractor
- VSM Message Board
- Concrete Barriers
- Lighting Tower
- Trailer mounted generator
- Skid mounted generator
- Graders with 3D GPS
- Pulvi Mixers
- Prime mover with Low loader
- Traffic Lights
- Scissor lifts
- Trucks (combinations) single trailer and road train and whether side tipper or rear tipper
- Excavators with 3D GPS
- Barriers
- Generators

The RFT seeks the provision of the dry and wet plant and equipment hire for a period of two years commencing 1 July 2022.

The successful tenderer(s) will be reporting to the Roads Works Manager, Engineering Services, to fulfil the requirements as described in the specifications.

Legal Situation

Council has complied with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1993 and Section 55 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 Part 7.

Given the sensitive nature of the information provided it is recommended that Council considers a further report in the Committee of the Whole Closed Council with the press and public excluded.

RECOMMENDATION

That a further report regarding the tender to for Dry and Wet Hire Plant and Equipment (T3-22-6) be considered in the Committee of the Whole Closed Council with the press and public excluded for the reason as stated in Section 10A (2)(d)(i) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, as it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed in open Council, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.