



COBAR SHIRE COUNCIL

ORDINARY MEETING AGENDA

THURSDAY, 27 OCTOBER 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
 - Nil
 2. Declaration of Interests
 3. Condolences
 - Susan Ann Lawrence
 4. Public Access Forum
 5. Confirmation of Minutes
 - Ordinary Meeting of Council – Thursday, 13 October 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
 - Purchase of property- 34 Marshall Street Cobar & 36 Marshall Street Cobar
 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
13 OCTOBER 2022 COMMENCING AT 5:02PM**

PRESENT (FILE C13-2)

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

OBSERVERS

Messrs Peter Vlatko (General Manager), Kym Miller (Director of Finance and Community Services), Garry Ryman (Director of Planning and Environmental Services), Charles Taveira (Director of Engineering) and Miss Kelly Fairbank (Executive Assistant - General Manager/ Mayor).

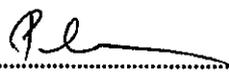
MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR:

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COUNCIL OF THE SHIRE OF COBAR HELD ON THURSDAY 13 OCTOBER 2022



GENERAL MANAGER



MAYOR

APOLOGIES (FILE C13-2)

142.09.2022 RESOLVED: 1. That the apologies received from Councillor Robert Sinclair, Councillor Jarrod Marsden and Councillor Michael Prince be accepted.

2. That Councillor Robert Sinclair, Councillor Jarrod Marsden and Councillor Michael Prince be granted a leave of absence.

Clr Lea- Barrett / Clr Payne

CARRIED

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (FILE C12-3)

- Nil.

CONDOLENCES (FILE M2-3)

- Warren James Byrne
- Colin (Joe) Patrick Jermyn

PUBLIC ACCESS SESSION

- Nil.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL (FILE C13-11)

143.09.2022 RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Thursday, 25 August 2022 be confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

Clr Payne / Clr Maxwell

CARRIED

**CLAUSE 1 – MEETING ARRANGEMENTS – CHRISTMAS AND
NEW YEAR (INCLUDING NOTIFICATION OF STAFF
CHRISTMAS PARTY)**

FILE: C6-16 AOPREFERENCE: 3.1.5 ATTACHMENT: NO
AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

- 144.09.2022 RESOLVED:** That the Mayor and General Manager be delegated authority, jointly, to deal with matters of an urgent nature for the period commencing 08 December 2022 to 23 February 2023 and that if any urgent matters are dealt with under this authority that they be reported to the February 2023 Ordinary Meeting of Council.
Clr Payne /Clr Chaplain **CARRIED**

CLAUSE 2 – LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING

**FILE: C6-14 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1 ATTACHMENT: YES
(PAGE 37-39)**

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

- 145.09.2022 RESOLVED:** 1. That the recommendations from the Local Traffic Committee be received and noted.
Clr Payne / Clr Winders **CARRIED**

2. That Council consider the following recommendations from previous minutes:

- 146.09.2022** a) To approve the preparation of a report outlining changing current rear to kerb parking, to nose in parking along Marshall St.
Clr Payne/ Clr Neale **LOST**

A Division was called
Clr Payne/ Clr Maxwell

For
Clr Payne
Clr Winders

Against
Clr Abbott
Clr Chaplain
Clr Lea-Barrett
Clr Maxwell
Clr Neale
Clr Simpson

LOST

- 147.09.2022** b) To approve public consultation regarding the removal of marked pedestrian crossing at Lillian Brady Village.
Clr Payne / Clr Lea- Barrett **CARRIED**

CLAUSE 3 – MONTHLY STATUS REPORT

FILE: C13-10

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

- 148.09.2022 RESOLVED:** That the information contained in the monthly status report be received and noted, with the following items to be removed: 1345,1432,1439,1440,1441,1443 & 1444.
Clr Lea- Barrett / Clr Simpson **CARRIED**

CLAUSE 4 – UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2021/2022

FILE: A12-2 & F2-2-24

AOP REFERENCE: 3.1

ATTACHMENT: YES TO BE TABLED

AUTHOR: *Financial Accountant, Sandra Davey*

- 149.09.2022 RESOLVED:** That Council in accordance with Section 413 (2) (c) Mayor Peter Abbott, a Councillor, General Manager Mr. Peter Vlatko, and the Responsible Accounting Officer sign the required statement as to Council's opinion of the accounts.
Clr Payne / Clr Lea- Barrett **CARRIED**

CLAUSE 5 – DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST – COUNCILLORS AND DESIGNATED PERSONS

FILE: C12-3-1 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

- 150.09.2022 RESOLVED:** That Council note the Annual Disclosure of Interest Returns for Councillors and Designated Persons for the period 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022.
Clr Payne / Clr Simpson **CARRIED**

CLAUSE 6 – INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT AUGUST 2022

FILE: B2-7 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.7

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Financial Accountant, Sandra Davey*

- 151.09.2022 RESOLVED:** That Council receive and note the Investment Report as of August 2022.
Clr Lea- Barrett / Clr Neale **CARRIED**



GENERAL MANAGER



MAYOR

CLAUSE 7 – PURCHASING ANALYSIS OF CONTRACTORS

FILE: T3-15-6 AOPREFERENCE:3.3.4 ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Financial Accountant, Sandra Davey*

152.09.2022 RESOLVED: That Council receive and note the information contained in this report.

Clr Lea- Barrett/ Clr Maxwell

CARRIED

CLAUSE 8 - BANK RECONCILIATION, CASH FLOW & LOAN FACILITY SUMMARIES AS AT AUGUST 2022

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

AUTHOR: *Financial Accountant, Sandra Davey*

153.09.2022 RESOLVED: That Council receive and note the Bank Reconciliation, Monthly Total Funds Available, Cash Flow and Loan Facility Report as of August 2022.

Clr Chaplain / Clr Toomey

CARRIED

CLAUSE 9 – RATES RECONCILIATION – 31 AUGUST 2022

**FILE: R2-1 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.6 ATTACHMENT: YES
(PAGE 40-41)**

AUTHOR: *Customer Service Manager, Jo-Louise Brown*

154.09.2022 RESOLVED: That the information contained in the rates reconciliation as at 31 August 2022 be received and noted.

Clr Payne / Clr Lea- Barrett

CARRIED

CLAUSE 10 – THE IMPROVEMENT OF REGIONAL ROADS (REPAIR) PROGRAM 2022/23 FUNDING CONFIRMATION

FILE: REFERENCE: ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Director of Engineering, Charles Taveira*

155.09.2022 RESOLVED: That Council receive and note the successful grant application under the 2022/23 REPAIR Program and to be directed to RR7518 Fifty-Two Mile Rd.

Clr Maxwell / Clr Lea- Barrett

CARRIED

CLAUSE 11 – EXPENDITURE FOR ROADS NETWORK

FILE: R5-31 AOPREFERENCE:4.3.2 ATTACHMENT: YES
(PAGE 42-49)

AUTHOR: *Director of Engineering, Charles Taveira*

- 156.09.2022 RESOLVED:** That the information detailing the Expenditure for Council's Roads Network be received and noted.
Clr Maxwell/ Clr Lea- Barrett **CARRIED**

CLAUSE 12 – ENGINEERING WORKS REPORT

FILE: C6-20-2AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.2 ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Director Engineering Services - Charles Taveira*

- 157.09.2022 RESOLVED:** That the information contained in the Engineering Works Report detailing construction and maintenance activities on Shire and Regional Roads, State Highways, Water and Sewer Mains, Parks and Gardens, and other Council assets be received and noted.
Clr Lea- Barrett/ Clr Payne **CARRIED**

CLAUSE 13 – DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS: 17 AUGUST 2022 - 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

FILE: T5-1 AOP REFERENCE: 1.6.3.1 ATTACHMENT: NO

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

- 158.09.2022 RESOLVED:** That the information detailing the Local Development and Construction Certificate approvals for the period 17 August 2022 - 30 September 2022 be received and noted.
Clr Payne / Clr Lea- Barrett **CARRIED**

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

- 159.09.2022 RESOLVED:** That Council move into the Committee of the Whole with the press and public excluded at 5.21pm as matters to be discussed are considered to be confidential vide 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.
Clr Maxwell / Clr Winders **CARRIED**

CLAUSE 1C- INSTALLATION OF SHIRE WIDE CULVERTS (T3-22-1)

FILE: T3-22-1 AOP REFERENCE: ATTACHMENT: NO
AUTHOR: Kane Kreeck, Works Manager

- 160.09.2022 RESOLVED:** That Council:
1. Award the contract T3-22-1 Installation of Shire Wide Culverts to As Per Plan Constructions and the General Manager be authorised to sign the contract for \$642,649 excluding GST.
 2. That the information contained within this report remains confidential within the Committee of the Whole Closed Council.
- Clr Payne / Clr Lea- Barrett* **CARRIED**

CLAUSE 2C- INSTALLATION OF BOX CULVERTS ON YATHONG ROAD AT SANDY CREEK AND ANGELS PASS (T3-22-2)

FILE: T3-22-2 AOP REFERENCE: ATTACHMENT: NO
AUTHOR: Kane Kreeck, Works Manager

- 161.09.2022 RESOLVED:** That Council:
1. Award the contract T3-22-2 Yathong Road Box Culvert Installation to Cynend Building & Construction and the General Manager be authorised to sign the contract for \$311,845 excluding GST.
 2. That the information contained within this report remains confidential within the Committee of the Whole Closed Council.
- Clr Maxwell / Clr Lea-Barrett* **CARRIED**

The meeting resumed in open council at 5.25pm

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 5.25 PM

CONFIRMED.....

MINUTE NO.....

MAYOR..... 


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GENERAL MANAGER


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MAYOR

CLAUSE 1 – MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT POLICY

FILE: P5-8 AOP REFERENCE: 3.3.3 ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 44-91)

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

Purpose

To review the Model Code of Conduct for Council to approve and adopt.

Background

A council must, within 12 months after each ordinary election, review its adopted code and make such adjustments as it considers appropriate.

Councillors, administrators, members of staff, independent conduct reviewers and members of council committees including delegates of the council must comply with the provisions of Council's Code of Conduct in carrying out their functions as Council officials.

The Code of Conduct Policy adopted by Council in August 2020 has not been amended.

Discussion

The Model Code of Conduct is prescribed under section 440 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (LGA) and the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2005* (the Regulation).

The attached code has not been changed and is recommended to be placed on Public Exhibition for the prescribed 28 days as required under the Act.

RECOMMENDATION

That the draft Code of Conduct Policy be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days.

CLAUSE 2 – MODEL CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE

FILE: P5-8 AOP REFERENCE: 3.3.3 ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 92-132)

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

Purpose

To review the Model Code of Meeting Practice policy

Background

Council is required to adopt a Code of Meeting Practice within 12 months of Councils Ordinary Elections.

This code applies to all meetings of councils and committees of councils of which all the members are councillors (committees of council). Council committees whose members include persons other than councillors may adopt their own rules for meetings unless the council determines otherwise.

Discussion

The current Code of Meeting Practice has not been amended and meets *Section 360* of the Local Government Act 1993 which requires all councils to adopt a Code of Meeting Practice that incorporates the provisions of the Model Code.

The Local Government Act also requires that the code be placed on public exhibition for 28 days and seek submissions which Council is to consider.

RECOMMENDATION

That the draft Code of Meeting Practice be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days.

CLAUSE 3 – PAYMENT OF EXPENSES AND PROVISION OF FACILITIES TO THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS’ POLICY

FILE: C12-2, P5-4

AOP REFERENCE: 3.3.3

ATTACHMENT: YES

(PAGE 133-154)

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

Purpose

To review the Payment of Expenses and Provision of Facilities to the Mayor and Councillors Policy.

Background

Council is required to adopt a Payment of Expenses and Provision of Facilities to the Mayor and Councillors Policy within 12 months of the Council Ordinary Elections.

Issues

The current Policy has not been amended significantly and therefore the attached draft Policy still complies with the requirements of the Local Government Act and follows the template. There is a requirement that the draft Policy be placed on public exhibition for 28 days with written submissions invited from the general public and considered by Council.

Financial Implications

Any financial implications are being considered in the preparation of the Council’s Budget.

RECOMMENDATION

That the draft Payment of Expenses and Provision of Facilities to the Mayor and Councillors Policy be placed on public exhibition for a minimum of 28 days.

CLAUSE 4- LIQUID TRADE WASTE POLICY

FILE: P5-13 AOP REFERENCE: 3.3.3 ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 155-195)

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

Purpose

To review the Liquid Trade Waste policy

Background

Council is required to adopt a Liquid Trade Waste Policy within 12 months of Councils Ordinary Elections.

Discussion

The current Liquid Trade Waste Policy has not been amended from previous years.

The Local Government Act also requires that the policy be placed on public exhibition for 28 days and seek submissions which Council is to consider.

RECOMMENDATION

That the draft Liquid Trade Waste Policy be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days.

CLAUSE 5- SUPPLY OF ROAD CREW CARAVANS (T3-22-4)

FILE: T3-22-4

AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.1

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Director of Engineering, Charles Taveira*

Purpose

To consider the tender submissions received for the Supply of Road Crew Caravans tender.

Background

The Request for Tender (RFT) for the Supply of Road Crew Caravans was prepared and issued on Thursday 8 September 2022 through advertising in the local paper and through Tenderlink. The deadline for the lodgement of tenders was 10am on Friday 30 September 2022.

In total, zero (0) tender submissions were received electronically via Tenderlink.

Council has previously tendered for the Supply of Road Crew Caravans and have received zero (0) tender submissions each time.

Discussion

Due to the unsuccessful tenders Council has received it is therefore recommended that Council approve the General Manager be authorised to conduct direct negotiation with suppliers of caravans in order to purchase the 10 single caravans required.

Legal Situation

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

RECOMMENDATION

That:

- **Due to the lack of previous responses, Council resolves not to invite fresh tenders.**
- **Under the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 Part 7 Clause 178, Council resolves to authorise the General Manager to conduct direct negotiations with any person or persons to enter into a contract for the provision of the supply of road crew caravans.**

CLAUSE 6 – MEETING MINUTES

FILE: R5-36 AOP REFERENCE: 1.6.1.1 ATTACHMENT: YES(PAGE196-197)

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

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 Report of those meetings which have been held recently for the information of Councillors. They include:

- Cobar Liquor Accord – 04 October 2022

No resolutions for Council adoption.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the Cobar Liquor Accord be received and noted.

CLAUSE 7 – CONSTRUCTION OF STORAGE SHED AT THE FILTRATION PLANT

FILE: A10-41

AOP REFERENCE: 1.6.4

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

Report to be tabled

CLAUSE 8- MONTHLY STATUS REPORT

FILE: C13-10

AUTHOR: General Manager, Peter Vlatko

ATTACHMENT: NO

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> <p>Matter raised with the new Manager and appointment to be booked for further discussions.</p>

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 9 MARCH 2017

1007	Council – Clause 7B – Expenditure for Roads Network	59.3.2017	DES	That a Rest Area be built along The Wool Track and that it be named after Duncan Gay.	<p>The Wool Track application was submitted on 31/12/2019 – Rest Area incident in submission.</p> <p>May 2020 funding announcement expected – Council was not successful for this round.</p> <p>Advised that the submission is still being considered.</p> <p>New round of funding to be called soon.</p> <p>Preliminary discussions on application have been held by staff.</p> <p>Draft application almost complete for review by Wool Track working group.</p> <p>Draft application complete to be circulated at workshop group for comment.</p> <p>Meeting scheduled with Cobar Shire Council and Central Darling Shire Council GM to confirm the next steps.</p> <p>It was decided to joint highlight the project with State Members of Parliament with CDSC.</p> <p>Rest area to be incorporated with the design and application of the Wool Track.</p> <p>The matter be held over until Council receives Grant Funding for the Wool Track.</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.	<p>With footpath complete Council is applying to Department of Transport for funding.</p> <p>Transport for NSW has applied for funding & Council will know more after the 30 September 2021.</p> <p>Still awaiting funding approval</p> <p>After meeting with the Minister, a letter requesting funding has been forwarded.</p> <p>Council received a letter from the Government confirming project is a high priority</p> <p>Transport for NSW have informed council that the pedestrian crossing at the railway line will be subject strategic design process this year</p> <p>Confirmed- development of the project with design is currently being undertaken to achieve funding allocation.</p>

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	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>	<p>Submission being prepared and discussions held with local mines.</p> <p>Met with accountant – draft position paper to be completed for Councils consideration.</p> <p>Council has engaged an Accountant to provide details of the Tax matters.</p>

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 28 JULY 2021

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
1438	Council Meeting- Clause 2- Purchasing land from the Government	101.07.2022	GM	<p>1. That Council purchase Lot 1 SP 1172700, Lot 1 DP 125387, Lot 1 Section 13 DP 758254 and lot 1110 DP 1257955 and be classified as operational land.</p> <p>2. That the Mayor and General Manager be delegated the authority and under seal to purchase the properties at a negotiated price up to the valuation price provided by the valuer</p>	<p>Matter with Council Lawyers for contract</p> <p>Contract signed and awarding finalised</p> <p>No further action</p>

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 25 AUGUST 2022

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
1442	Council Meeting – Clause 4 – Meeting Minutes	128.08.2022	DES/DFCS	<p>Cobar Shire Council Tourism Manager to investigate funding opportunities to develop the Tiipa Weir site as a tourist location.</p> <p>Council to Complete Grid Policy and for Grid responsibility be taken to council meeting and workshopped.</p> <p>Cobar Shire Council Director of Engineering to liaise with Central Darling Director of Engineering on potential business case to improved shared roads.</p> <p>Council to gather legal advice from Marsden Law on this matter to improve reports and look into opportunities at recovering costs and issuing fines.</p>	<p>Investigations happening</p> <p>Drafts being completed</p> <p>Still working with Central Darling Director</p> <p>Initial advice obtained working with Marsden's Law awaiting written advice</p>

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 13 October 2022

NUMBER	ITEM	RESOLUTION NUMBER	ACTION BY	ACTION REQUIRED	OUTCOME
1445	Council Meeting- Clause 2- Local Traffic Committee Meeting	147.09.2022	DES	To approve public consultation regarding the removal of marked pedestrian crossing at Lillian Brady Village.	Consultation to be undertaken in November- No further action
1446	Council Meeting- Clause 4- Unaudited Financial Statements 2021/2022	149.09.2022	DFCS	That Council in accordance with Section 413 (2) (c) Mayor Peter Abbott, a Councillor, General Manager Mr. Peter Vlatko, and the Responsible Accounting Officer sign the required statement as to Council's opinion of the accounts	Completed- No further action
1447	Council Meeting- Clause 1C- Installation of Shire wide culverts (T3-22-1)	160.09.2022	DES/GM	That Council award the contract T3-22-1 Installation of Shire Wide Culverts to As Per Plan Constructions and the General Manager be authorised to sign the contract for \$642,649 excluding GST.	Completed- No further action
1448	Council Meeting Clause 2C- Installation of Box Culverts on Yathong Road at Sandy Creek and Angels Pass (T3-22-2)	161.09.2022	DES/GM	That Council Award the contract T3-22-2 Yathong Road Box Culvert Installation to Cynend Building & Construction and the General Manager be authorised to sign the contract for \$311,845 excluding GST.	Completed- No further action

RECOMMENDATION

That the information contained in the monthly status report be received and noted, with the following items to be removed: 1007,1438,1445,1446, 1447 & 1448.

CLAUSE 9 – INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT SEPTEMBER 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 September 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	\$ 6,707,141	\$ 3,618,660	\$ 4,922,757	\$ 9,304	\$ 5,412,348
Dec-22	3.60%	NAB	\$ 2,008,074	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 2,008,074	\$ 592	\$ 2,000,592
Aug-22	4.45%	AMP	\$ 2,007,072			\$ 7,341	\$ 2,014,413
Jun-23	3.00%	NAB	\$ 2,013,840			\$ 4,966	\$ 2,018,805
Oct-22	1.30%	NAB	\$ 3,014,130			\$ 3,221	\$ 3,017,351
Mar-23	4.00%	NAB	\$ 5,020,365	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 5,020,365	\$ 2,192	\$ 5,002,192
Jan-23	2.74%	NAB	\$ 3,017,599			\$ 6,796	\$ 3,024,395
TOTALS	Average Int	3.18%	\$23,788,221	\$10,618,660	\$11,951,196	\$34,410	\$22,490,096

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 September 2022.

**CLAUSE 10 - BANK RECONCILIATION, CASH FLOW & LOAN FACILITY
SUMMARIES AS AT SEPTEMBER 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	-
Less Unpresented Cheques	-
Reconciled Balance	10,000

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.

S. Davey

Financial Accountant

Monthly Total Funds Available for the Last 12 Months

Month	Investment Balances	Operating Account	Total Available Funds
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
May 22	25,552,375	(13,646)	25,538,729
Jun 22	23,440,807	13,196	23,454,003
Jul 22	21,870,880	26,524	21,897,404
Aug 22	23,788,221	12,696	23,800,917
Sep 22	22,490,096	10,000	22,500,096

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
12,696	12,696	Bank Balance Forward	10,000
750,000	905,000	FAG / R2R / RMCC	750,000
15,043	15,043	Services NSW	15,043
750,000	542,451	Rates /Water/User Charges	750,000
200,000	192,316	Private Works/Debtors	200,000
250,000	18,506	LBV – Residents Fees & Subsidies	450,000
150,000	145,787	Children’s Services (net)	150,000
2,000,000	1,332,536	Net Movement of Investments	2,000,000
400,000	1,726,348	Sundry Income & Grants	400,000
		<i>Less</i>	
(3,500,000)	(4,087,708)	Creditors	(3,500,000)
(850,000)	(812,975)	Wages / Salaries	(850,000)
10,000	10,000	Bank Reconciliation Cr/(Dr)	10,000

Loan Facility Report as of September 2022

Swimming Pool and Street Upgrade Loan (6.22%) <i>Principal and Interest = \$22,265</i>	(320,520)
Grids and Culverts Loan	(2,500,000)

RECOMMENDATION

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

CLAUSE 11 – 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, 2022 – September 30, 2022, and the method of procurement used.

CONTRACTOR	DESCRIPTION OF WORKS AND METHOD OF PROCUREMENT	CURRENT MONTH	2022/2023
KILLARD INFRASTRUCTURE PTY LTD	RETICULATION UPGRADE (TENDER)	360,991	937,795
CRUSHRITE PTY LTD	GRAVEL CRUSHING (TENDER)	141,419	761,532
VINIDEX PTY LTD	STORMWATER PIPES (TENDER)	446,117	732,832
COUNTRY WIDE ASPHALT PTY LTD	ROAD WORKS (TENDER)	0	504,650
STANAWAY PTY LTD T/AS DAVID PAYNE	COBAR HERITAGE CENTRE (TENDER)	0	443,281
DEPPERLER EARTHMOVING	PLANT HIRE (TENDER)	104,756	415,325
THE MINING PTY LTD	RMS CONTRACT (RFQ)	113,788	414,139
BRUNO ALTIN & CO PTY LTD	CULVERTS (TENDER)	108,900	272,250
COUNTRY MILE CONSTRUCTIONS	CONSTRUCTION WORK (RFQ)	98,900	249,698
CASTLYN PTY LTD T/A INLAND PETROLEUM	FUEL (TENDER)	36,421	173,009
BLUEDOG FENCES AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	FENCING (RFQ)	0	166,001

AQUA WEST	WARD OVAL IRRIGATION (RFQ)	46,573	143,213
AG BARKLIMORE PTY LTD T/A PARKES TO	PLANT PURCHASE (RFQ)	0	142,299
APRILLA GRIDS PTY LTD	GRIDS (RFQ)	0	134,915
NOME'S TIDY HOMES	CLEANING SERVICES (RFQ)	86,969	117,117
MODUS AUSTRALIA	EUABALONG TOILET BLOCK (RFQ)	0	87,707
JR MAY & JR MAY EARTHMOVING PTY LTD	PLANT HIRE (TENDER)	2,046	82,830
ROLLERS AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	PLANT HIRE (TENDER)	58,113	81,164
TRACSERV PTY LTD	PLANT PURCHASE (RFQ)	9,691	80,675

Local Suppliers	\$1,369,620
Non-Local Suppliers	\$4,570,812
Total purchases over \$80,000 2022/2023	<u>\$5,940,432</u>

RECOMMENDATION

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

CLAUSE 12 – RATES RECONCILIATION –30 SEPTEMBER 2022

FILE: R2-1 AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.6

AUTHOR: Customer Service Manager, Jo-Louise Brown

ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 198-199)

Purpose

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

RATES RECONCILIATION 30 SEPTEMBER 2022										
FUND	LEVY 2022-2023	Pensioner Rebates	Abandoned Levy	Additional Levies	Sub Total 2022-2023	Arrears 30th Jun 2022	Payments	Total Outstanding	Total Outstanding Previous Year	% Outstanding of Sub Total Plus Arrears
Business	466,606.21		2,504.82	-	464,101.39	105,553.56	278,721.43	290,933.52	309,793.35	51.07%
Farm/land	750,002.15		-	-	750,002.15	49,225.92	409,560.50	389,667.57	451,977.41	48.76%
Mining	1,854,955.67		-	-	1,854,955.67	227,479.51	470,543.73	1,611,891.45	1,366,846.86	77.40%
Residential	1,214,193.42	43,949.42	520.00	2,995.98	1,172,719.98	205,243.71	451,722.28	926,241.41	940,691.25	67.22%
Overpayments					-	-212,797.24	- 152,028.63	-60,768.61	-55,249.41	28.56%
Legal Costs			-	16,687.60	16,687.60	20,497.87	2,702.54	34,482.93	25,424.29	92.73%
Interest	-		-	4,625.40	4,625.40	87,993.25	17,903.66	74,714.99	65,146.23	80.67%
General Rates	4,285,757.45	43,949.42	3,024.82	24,308.98	4,263,092.19	483,196.58	1,479,125.51	3,267,163.26	3,104,629.98	68.84%
Domestic Waste	697,216.00	18,008.92	372.00	596.00	679,431.08	79,837.21	306,979.57	452,288.72	451,382.94	59.57%
Sewerage	1,072,619.00	17,922.91	625.00	-	1,054,071.09	147,310.16	440,595.54	760,785.71	538,449.48	63.33%
Cobar Water	1,225,636.00	19,147.91	1,625.00	-	1,204,863.09	89,522.79	544,522.93	749,862.95	570,958.79	57.93%
Nymagee Water	33,950.00	525.00	350.00	1,050.00	34,125.00	17,313.69	20,158.56	31,280.13	30,068.71	60.81%
Euabalong Water	51,100.00	1,137.50	2,555.00	-	47,407.50	8,632.00	18,351.41	37,688.09	36,728.80	67.25%
Euab West Water	32,200.00	525.00	-	-	31,675.00	9,113.23	16,941.05	23,847.18	22,744.76	58.47%
Mt Hope Water	7,650.00	-	-	-	7,650.00	556.01	3,745.99	4,460.02	3,104.37	54.35%
Water Access	1,350,536.00	21,335.41	4,530.00	1,050.00	1,325,720.59	125,137.72	603,719.94	847,138.37	663,605.43	58.39%
Water Usage			2,187.10	-	2,187.10	541,057.35	428,301.87	110,568.38	60,731.18	20.52%
TOTAL	7,406,128.45	101,216.66	10,738.92	25,954.98	7,320,127.85	1,376,539.02	3,258,722.43	5,437,944.44	4,818,799.01	62.53%

RECOMMENDATION

That the information contained in the rates reconciliation as at 30 September 2022 be received and noted.

CLAUSE 13 – GRANT FUNDING

FILE: G4-17

AOP REFERENCE: 3.1.1.3

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: Project Coordinator, Carly Hunter

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	Highly likely to be unsuccessful	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%) – equaling 25% combined from both parties.	Total project cost: \$3,531,587.00. Outcome was expected in June 2022, but this is now delayed due to the recent Federal Elections. ETA now unknown. Advice received that no further funds to be provided to the Parkes Electorate.
2022-23 - Crown Reserves Improvement Fund Program	Build a compliant kitchen at the Dalton Park Racecourse, that community groups can use to cater for various events held at the racecourse.	\$279,592.00	Pending	NIL	October/ November 2022, currently only a bench, fridge and oven on premises, nothing there at the moment is compliant or useable, an entire new kitchen will need to be built and this is what was applied for.
Resources for Regions – Round 9	1. Louth Road Reservoir Asset Renewal Project. This project upgrades one of Cobar township's two potable water	\$12,277,764.00	Pending	NIL	February 2023 is when it should be approved

<p>reservoirs, Louth Road Reservoir improving safety and resilience of this critical infrastructure asset. \$4,031,426.00</p>	<p>2. Euabalong Pump Station Disaster Resilience and Safety Upgrades. This project replaces critical infrastructure, the Euabalong raw water pumping station and reticulation system which provides the only water utility source for two small, remote communities: Euabalong and Euabalong West. \$1,016,051.00</p>					
	<p>3. Booberoi Road Bridge Replacement – This project replaces the bridge, 30m downstream from the current location increasing the flood resilience of the asset and improving road safety by re-aligning both the bridges road approaches by removing the current bends in the road. \$2,733,750.00.</p>					
	<p>4. Round Hill Road Bridge Replacement. This project replaces the bridge 30 meters from the current site and includes construction of the bridge approaches. \$2,733,750.00.</p>					

				<p>5. Cobar Footpath connector and DDA project. This project is stage 2 of the implantation of the Cobar Active Transport Plan and aims to improve linkages between key locations and community infrastructure. \$1,130,622.00</p> <p>6. Cobar Airport Masterplan. This project will fund the Cobar Airport Masterplan. The master planning will map out the areas of need and develop a strategic plan for the asset. \$101,250.00</p>	
				<p>7. Cobar Early Intervention Program Phase 2. This is phase 2 of the early intervention program that will deliver psychology and allied health services to preschoolers in the Cobar LGA. \$117,000.00.</p>	
				<p>8. Cobar Museum phase 2 & 3 exhibition and object display project. This project is to fund the implementation of the Great Cobar Museums exhibition design plan. \$313,875.00.</p>	

Stronger Country Communities Fund	9. Youth services program phase 2. This is to extend the current youth program. \$100,000.00.		Pending	NIL	February 2023
1. New LED lighting Ward Oval Cobar. This project is to install new energy efficient lighting at Cobar's recently realigned War Oval. \$972,000.00 2. Euabalong Hall Revitalisation. This project will revitalize, make safe, and expand the functionality of the Euabalong Hall located at the Euabalong racecourse. \$100,000.00.	\$1,072,000.00	Pending	NIL	November 2022	
2022 Summer Holiday Break program	To host various creative art workshops during the summer school holidays.	\$15,000.00	Pending	NIL	November 2022
NSW Seniors Festival 2023	To host a number of events for Seniors throughout senior's week (20 th Feb – 24 th Feb 2023). Unfortunately, the dates are dictated to us, and given it is a Cobar summer, most events will need to be held indoors.	\$5000.00	Pending	\$3100.00 (approximately how much Council contributes every year, through wages, advertising, catering etc). This comes from Councils Festivals budget.	November 2022

The Wool Track	Seal extension from end of bitumen to intersection of Balerabon Road. Grant application submitted to Fixing Country Roads.	\$7,139,000.00	Pending	February 2023	
Flood Damage	Declaration for October 2022 storm event. Emergency works applied for which includes reinstating roads to there pre-storm event condition.	\$1,600,000.00	Accepted		

Grants Applied For					
Aurelia Community Grant	Sound equipment for the Miners Memorial	\$5,651.00	Pending	Nil	Outcome due November 2022.

Council has committed \$1.1 million in the 2022/2023 budget to put towards grant proposals as a co-contribution.

Current Grant Opportunities:

- **Fixing Local Roads Round 4** - Fixing Local Roads will provide funding to councils to repair, maintain or seal priority or important local roads. There is a maximum funding limit of \$3 million of State contribution per council per application (for an individual road project). Council can apply for up to 100 per cent of the value of the project, but co- contributions from council are strongly encouraged and will be considered relevant to Council's funding position. A general rule of thumb is a minimum co-contribution of 25 per cent. Applications close 9th September 2022.
- **COVID-19 Aged Care Support Program Extension Grant** - The Australian Government continues to support approved aged care providers with the additional costs associated with managing COVID-19 and has extended the COVID-19 Aged Care Support Program Extension grant to 31st January 2023.
- **Electronic National Residential Medication Charts** - The Supporting Medication Management in Residential Aged Care Initiative was announced as part of the Residential Aged Care Quality and Safety - Improving Access to Primary Care and other Health Services 2021-22 Budget measure. The Government will provide funding of up to \$45.4 million over four financial years from 2021-22 to 2024-25 for implementation of the initiative. Applications close on 30th March 2023 – or when the funding has been fully exhausted.

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 end 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. Project complete.
- **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. Project complete.
- **NSW Government - Stronger Country Communities Fund (SCCF) – Round 3 - Youth Development Officer – 18-month tenure** – With Youth Development officer shortages at the moment programs have been lower than normal, however still occurring. This will now be a priority of the Youth Development and Community Services Coordinator, assessing gaps and ensuring programs are well advertised and easy to access/ attend. After discussions with the local Police, we will work together with an aim to also tap into the demographic currently widely missed, that is contributing to anti-social behaviours etc in hope that we can curve this behaviour.

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- **Euabalong Scenic Walking Trail** – Survey and design completed. Approval process currently underway, on-site visit was undertaken with key stakeholders on 17th February 2022 and another site visit was held on 24th May, both site visits had representation from the LALC. REF and Due Diligence reports received. Project impacted by Lachlan River flooding.
 - **NSW Government – Regional Growth Fund & Federal Government - Building Better Regions Fund (Round 4) - Ward Oval Multi-Purpose Building and Early Learning Centre** –Tender closes 28 July. Currently undertaking tender review and waiting future funding.
 - **Safe and Secure Water Fund** – The Reservoir roof replacement project is anticipated to be completed in September 2022.
 - **Showgrounds Stimulus Funding phase 2B** – Sealing of the Ward Oval Car Park. To be completed in November / December 2022.
 - **Resources for Regions round 7 (R4R7) - Water reticulation upgrade – stage 2** - Killards Infrastructure have been awarded the contract, to be completed in FY22/23.
 - **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** – All subsurface drainage pipes have been ordered and are awaiting their delivery. Drainage works have been commenced on the swale drains. Tender released on 5th October and closes 2nd November.
 - **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 at the Youth Centre has been installed, tested and is working. Entrance road and off-road carpark works at the Sound Chapel has been completed. Euabalong toilet replacement, toilets have been completed.
 - **SR26 - Sealing of Wilga Downs Road** – Wilga Downs Road Sealing – Sealing works are complete. The sealing of the two sections along Wilga Downs Road (totaling 14kms of new seal) has created an all-weather road for its entire length.
 - **Bus Shelters** – Slab poured; shelter currently being manufactured.
 - **SR12 – Yathong Road - Gravel Resheeting (80kms)** Gravel is currently being carted and spread with 45kms having been spread to date. Inclement weather has unfortunately, hampered progress this month.
 - **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.

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- **Resources for regions – round 8 (R4R8) Business Case Studies (BCS) Including: Activating Cobar's CBD (BCS)** consultants have been engaged for the Activating Cobar's CBD business case. Consultation have been undertaken. **and Dalton Park's Wetlands project (BCS)** currently seeking quotes for investigation report.
 - **Resources for regions round 8 - (R4R8) - Great Cobar Museum - Coach House and Landscaping - (Stage 2 works)** - Consultants have been engaged, including Architect and Project Manager.
 - **Stronger Country Communities Round 4 - Ward Oval sporting fields realignment STAGE 1** – realignment of both ovals at Ward Oval (as per adopted masterplan). Works commenced on site and progressing well.
 - **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. Project progressing, when weather allows.
 - **School Zone Infrastructure Program RD 1 - Cobar Public School - Barton Street Pedestrian Access Refuge** – The existing marked pedestrian crossing at the Cobar Public School will be changed to a school crossing only and will only be operational during school operating times. The new school crossing is being shifted away from the intersection to improve road safety. Works to commence at the end of October.
 - **School Zone Infrastructure Program Round 2 - Maidens Ave, Cobar** – Complete. Refreshing of line marking at Cobar School Zones – Council is awaiting designs to start re-marking the 40km/hr school zone patches, dragon's teeth and warning lines at Cobar Public School. Barton and Marshall Street, Cobar walking route upgrade – Complete by the end of October.
 - **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.
 - **Bulk water metering project** - Bulk water meter installation. Design work to be completed in August 2022 and construction to be completed in December 2022.
 - **Resources for regions – round 8 (R4R8) - Early Intervention Outreach Program** - Funding deed signed. Working with stakeholders.
 - **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 – still awaiting approval.

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- **NSW Planning Portal API Grant Program** - To assist with integrating Councils new finance system, with the planning portal. The funding has been received and will be incorporated into the ERP implementation project to go towards the Planning Portal API component of the project.
Councils' new ERP system provider are currently developing the API and hope to be delivered by April 2023.
 - **Reconnecting Regional NSW – Community Event Program** – Three events to be hosted by Cobar Shire Council in September in conjunction with the ROEF, and one event 'Bands in the Bush' to be held by Cobar Shire Council in March 2023. ROEF events successfully delivered. Planning commenced for 'Bands in the Bush'.
 - **Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Phase 3** – Airport runway sealing upgrades – (Est) \$1,000,000.00, Industrial Estate – (Est) \$920,422.00, Town Beautification – (Est) \$150,000.00, 99KW solar project at the Filtration plan - \$100,000.00.

RECOMMENDATION

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

CLAUSE 14- TOURISM & EVENTS UPDATE REPORT

FILE: M5-1 & T4-1 AOP REFERENCE: 2.2.1.1 ATTACHMENT: YES

(PAGE 200-206)

AUTHOR: *Tourism Manager, Demi Smith*

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with an update on Tourism, Events and the tourism teams activities carried out over the six-month period.

Background

This report provides an update to Council as a status and activity report for the previous six months in relation to Tourism, Events and Projects carried out by the Tourism team at Cobar Shire Council.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the information contained within this report.

CLAUSE 15 – ENGINEERING WORKS REPORT

FILE: C6-20-2

AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.2

ATTACHMENT: NO

AUTHOR: *Director Engineering Services - Charles Taveira*

Purpose

To inform Council of completed and ongoing Engineering Works for the period up to October 2022.

Background

State Highways

Major Maintenance Work

- Heavy Patching works along the Kidman Way have been postponed due to wet weather. These works will re-commence once the pavement dries out sufficiently to stabilise.
- The upgrade of the Bulla Park rest area is now complete with the installation of a new shelter and accompanying table and chairs.

Construction Work

- 78 Mile and Barrier Highway intersection – A tender for culvert installation has been awarded as an initial stage for the upgrade of this intersection. Commencement date is yet to be confirmed.

Urban Roads/Shire Roads/Regional Roads

- Wilga Downs Road Sealing – Sealing works are complete. The sealing of the two sections along Wilga Downs Road (totaling 14kms of new seal) has created an all-weather road for its entire length.
- Yathong Road Gravel Resheeting – Gravel is currently being carted and spread with 45kms having been spread to date. Inclement weather has unfortunately, hampered progress this month.
- Blakey Street Pedestrian Crossing – The existing marked pedestrian crossing at the Cobar Public School near the intersection of Barton St will be changed to a school crossing only and will only be operational during school operating times. Council is currently awaiting the formal approval from Transport for NSW for this to occur.
- Barton Street crossing point – the existing crossing point for pedestrians across Barton St at the intersection of Blakey St has been shifted away from the intersection to improve road safety. These works are now complete.

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- Maidens Ave Pedestrian Access Upgrade – the installation of kerb outstands (blisters) along Maidens Avenue to enhance pedestrian safety and permit large vehicle access has now been completed. These works will complement the works being conducted in Ward Oval as part of its Masterplan.
 - Refreshing of linemarking at Cobar School Zones – Works have commenced for the re-marking of the 40km/hr school zone patches, dragon’s teeth and warning lines at Cobar Public School, Cobar High School and St John’s Primary School. It is anticipated that these works will be completed by end of October.
 - Barton St & Marshall St Upgrade - Council has awarded the tender for pedestrian access improvements at Barton Street at Marshall Street and the island treatment for crossing Marshall Street located mid-block near Cobar Motor Inn and Cobar Town & Country Motor Inn. It is anticipated that these works will be completed by end of December.
 - Cobar Industrial Estate Road and Stormwater Upgrades – Tender is to be released to the market this month with tender award scheduled to be presented at the Ordinary Council meeting in December 2022. Works are underway on the swale drains.

Flood Damage

- Council have engaged a consultant to gather more evidence of flood damage as a result of the March 2022 event which destroyed a significant amount of infrastructure throughout the shire. This funding is expected to be in the vicinity of \$2.5 – 3M with 2 years to complete the works.

Water and Sewer

- The Water Treatment Plant produced an average of 1.6ML/day through September with no water quality incidents.
- Burrendong Dam level is at 129.5% as of 28 September 2022.
- Cobar Storages are at 69% capacity as of 28 September 2022.

Parks & Gardens

- Ward Oval Master Plan – the releveling of the playing surfaces for both Ovals 1 and 2 has been completed. The installation of the new irrigation system is well underway. The construction of the new shared footpath and the new picket fencing around Ovals 1 and 2 are both complete, however a section of shared footpath and fencing has not been installed intentionally, to facilitate the creation of a work zone for the new Early Learning Centre and Multipurpose Hall construction works.

Depot Works

- Depot Truck Wash – the facility is operational; however, Council is currently awaiting the delivery of small equipment from the installer that needs to be replaced to ensure it operates at its optimum. The installer has confirmed that all equipment has been dispatched. Council’s Building Certifier has been engaged to inspect the facility and issue it with an occupancy certificate. Council is also working closely with Essential Energy for the connection of mains power to this facility.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information contained in the Engineering Works Report detailing construction and maintenance activities on Shire and Regional Roads, State Highways, Water and Sewer Mains, Parks and Gardens, and other Council assets be received and noted.

CLAUSE 16- EXPENDITURE FOR ROADS NETWORK

FILE: R5-31 AOP REFERENCE: 4.3.2 ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 207-214)

AUTHOR: *Director of Engineering, Charles Taveira*

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 17 – DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS: 30 SEPTEMBER 2022 - 20 OCTOBER 2022

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 approved under delegated authority for the period 30 September 2022 - 20 October 2022.

The value of Complying Development approvals for 2022/2023 to date is \$0.00.
The value of Complying Development approvals for the similar period in 2021/2022 was \$0.00

Local Development Approvals

The following Local Development Applications were approved under delegated authority for the period 30 September 2022 - 20 October 2022

CERTIFICATE NO.	ADDRESS	DESCRIPTION	VALUE (\$)
2022/LD-00038	Lot 1, Denman St, Cobar	Alts & Adds to Existing Dwelling	\$40,000.00
2022/LD-00022	Lot 2, 13 Murray St, Cobar	Inground Swimming Pool	\$78,350.00
2022/LD-00037	Tipping Way, Euabalong	Expansion of Existing Grain Handling Facility	\$1,166,000.00

The value of Local Development approvals for 2022/2023 to date is \$44,806,152.00
The value of Local Development approvals for the similar period in 2021/2022 was \$44,184,798.00

Construction Certificates

The following Construction Certificates were issued for the period 30 September 2022 - 20 October 2022.

CERTIFICATE NO.	ADDRESS	DESCRIPTION
2022/ CB -00015	Lot 7, Murray St, Cobar	Fence & Gates
2022/CB-00021	Lot 32, Monaghan St, Cobar	Detached Metal Shed

RECOMMENDATION

That the information detailing the Local Development and Construction Certificate approvals for the period 30 September 2022 - 20 October 2022 be received and noted.

**CLAUSE 1C– PURCHASE OF PROPERTY 34 MARSHALL STREET COBAR AND
36 MARSHALL STREET COBAR**

FILE: A10-1-1 AOP REFERENCE: 2.1.1.1 ATTACHMENT: YES (PAGE 215)

AUTHOR: *General Manager, Peter Vlatko*

Purpose

To consider the purchase of two properties in Marshall Street

Background

The Council and the Community have been under some pressure to purchase the Grand Hotel and the Shop next door in order to remove the look of the main street because of the state these properties are in at the moment.

Discussions with the owner have occurred and the properties are for sale.

Discussion

Should Council purchase the properties it is anticipated that the Grand Hotel be demolished and conceptually look at creating an arcade type development.

This would allow the main street to link with the car park at the back of the Grand Hotel and also encourage additional retail or commercial space to attract new businesses to Cobar.

The properties in question are the Grand Hotel – 34 Marshall Street Cobar, Lot 91 DP 1145359 and Café – 36 Marshall Street Cobar-, Lot 11 DP 91740, Lot 1 & 2 DP 575000 and Lot A DP 1145359 (see attached).

The intent if purchased will be categorised the properties as operational and seek grant funding to develop the site. The actual design has not been developed; however, this will be undertaken if Council purchase the sites.

Budget Implication

Funds are available within this year's budget.

RECOMMENDATION

That a further report regarding the purchase of property- 34 Marshall Street Cobar and 36 Marshall Street Cobar 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.