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## MINUTES OF THE WEDDIN SHIRE COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING HELD THURSDAY, 18 FEBRUARY 2016 COMMENCING AT 5.00 PM

11 February 2016

Dear Sir/Madam,

**NOTICE** is hereby given that an **ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE SHIRE OF WEDDIN** will be held in the Council Chambers, Grenfell on **THURSDAY NEXT, 18 FEBRUARY, 2016**, commencing at **5.00 PM** and your attendance is requested.

Yours faithfully

GLENN CARROLL  
GENERAL MANAGER

### BUSINESS

1. APOLOGIES – Leave of Absence – Cllr A Griffiths (Res No. 279)
2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Ordinary Mtg 17 December 2016  
- Extra Ordinary Mtg, 1 February 2016
3. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC
4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
5. CORRESPONDENCE (As per Precis attached)
6. MOTIONS WITH NOTICE
7. MAYORAL MINUTE
8. REPORTS: (a) General Manager  
(b) Director Corporate Services  
(c) Director Engineering  
(d) Director Environmental Services  
(e) Delegates
9. MINUTES - Australia Day Ctee Mtg, 15/12/2015  
- Australia Day Ctee Mtg, 12/01/2016  
- Local Emergency Management Ctee Mtg, 1/02/2016  
- Art Gallery Ctee Mtg, 4/02/2016  
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10. INSPECTIONS, MEETINGS AND DEFERRED ACTIVITIES
11. TENDERS AND QUOTATIONS
12. QUESTIONS
13. CLOSED COUNCIL
14. REPORT ON CLOSED COUNCIL
15. CLOSURE

**PRESENT:** The Mayor Cr M Liebich in the Chair, Crs J Niven, G B Halls, N W Hughes, G McClelland, J Parlett, C Brown and P H Best.  
General Manager (G Carroll), Director Engineering (W Twohill), Director Corporate Services (L Gibson) and Director Environmental Services (B Hayes).

**APOLOGY:** Nil

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE:** Clr A Griffiths (Res No. 279)

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:**

**340** **RESOLVED:** Cr Hughes and Cr McClelland that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting, held on 17 December 2015 be taken and read as **CONFIRMED**.

**341** **RESOLVED:** Cr Hughes and Cr McClelland that the Minutes of the Extra-Ordinary Meeting held on 1 February 2016 be taken and read as **CONFIRMED**.

### **QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Council has resolved that a ten minute “question time” be allowed at the beginning of each meeting, where members of the public can put their concerns before Council for discussion on the following basis:

Requests to speak to be submitted in writing at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting.

Requests to be accompanied by a copy of any questions.

Each speaker to be allowed three minutes.

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The following requests have been received:-

Phillip Diprose, R2.10.58: Requesting permission to speak to Council regarding the naming of Goodes Lane.

**At this point Mr Diprose addressed Council in regard to the naming of Goodes Lane.**

**Noted**

### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

A Declaration of Interest form has been forwarded with the Business Paper, for completion prior to the meeting.

Completed forms may be declared and handed in at this point.

<b>Councillor</b>	<b>Item No.</b>	<b>Nature of Interest</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Left the Room</b>
Cr Liebich	Correspondence Item C4	Meeting Attendee	Pecuniary	Yes
	Director Engineering Report Item 12	Owner of Goods Property on Goodes Lane	Pecuniary	Yes
Cr Brown	Closed Council, Director Engineering Report Item 1	Relation of Tenderer	Pecuniary	Yes

**CORRESPONDENCE TO BE PRESENTED TO THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE  
WEDDIN SHIRE COUNCIL HELD, 18 FEBRUARY 2016.**

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**SECTION A - Matters for information**

- A1. Local Government NSW, A3.9.1: Forwarding Weekly Circular numbered 49/2015.
- A2. Local Government NSW, A3.8.2: Advising the Local Government sector has welcomed a State Government proposal to replace the current Emergency Services Levy with a more broadly-based property tax.
- A3. Central Tablelands Water, E3.6.4: Enclosing a completed W-0IT form for the transfer of Water Access Licence (WAL) 31816 from Central Tablelands County Council to Weddin Shire Council.
- A4. NSW Roads and Maritime Services, T3.4.3: Advising that Roads and Maritime Services intends to conduct a speed zone review of Simpson Drive.
- A5. Local Government NSW, A3.8.2: Advising the NSW Government's delay in announcing its decision about forced amalgamations speaks volumes about its entire approach to Council reform.
- A6. Grenfell Public School, C1.1.3/C1.8.2: Advising the school community of Grenfell Public School wishes to thank you for your generous donation towards our 2015 School Presentation Awards.
- A7. Local Government NSW, A3.9.1: Forwarding Weekly Circular numbered 50/2015.
- A8. Office of Local Government, A3.9.3: Forwarding amendments to the Local Government Act 1993 made by the Local Government Amendment (Councillor Misconduct and Poor Performance) Act 2015 commenced on 13 November, 2015.
- A9. Caragabal Public School, C1.1.3/C1.8.10: Advising the students and staff at Caragabal Public School would like to thank you for your generosity and for providing students with the opportunity to be recognised for their achievements.
- A10. The Hon. Niall Blair MLC, C2.7.5/E3.1.6: Thanking you for your letter of 27 October, 2015 regarding Weeds Action Program (WAP) funding for the 2015/2016 Central West WAP1520 Project.
- A11. The Hon. Paul Toole MP, C2.10.9: Advising today the Government has announced merger proposals for NSW Councils and new measures to strengthen the system of local government.
- A12. Orange City Council, E3.1.6/G2.3: Advising the Minister for Primary Industries has approved funding of \$743,787 for 2015/2016 for the Central West Weeds Action Program 2015/2020 Project.
- A13. StateCover Mutual Ltd, A3.11.3: Advising that to encourage Council to focus on improving current WHS practices, StateCover provides an annual financial incentive.

- A14. Local Government NSW, C2.10.9: Advising on 18 December the Premier and Minister released maps outlining 35 proposals to create new Councils.
- A15. Tim Hurst, Acting Chief Executive, Office of Local Government NSW, C2.10.9: Writing to advise that the Minister for Local Government today referred his 35 Council amalgamation proposals to me for examination and report under the Local Government Act.
- A16. Rural Financial Counselling Service NSW – Southern Region, C1.7.8: Forwarding to you our 2015 Annual Report for the Rural Financial Counselling Service – Southern Region.
- A17. Department of Primary Industries Food Authority, H1.6.8: Advising the Food Regulation Partnership between the NSW Food Authority and all NSW Councils provides the framework for ensuring that food sold in NSW is safe to eat and correctly labelled.
- A18. NSW Government Family & Community Services, C1.4.15: Writing to inform you that unfortunately your application for a 2016 NSW Seniors Festival grant was unsuccessful.
- A19. Robert & Dixie Maslin, C2.10.9: Congratulations and thank you and your staff, Shire Councillors and anybody else who has been involved in achieving this wonderful decision to remain a stand-alone Shire.
- A20. Phillip Foster, Principal, Quandialla Central School, C1.1.3/C1.8.8: Thank You for your kind donation to our 2015 Presentation Day.
- A21. Local Government NSW, A3.9.1: Forwarding Weekly Circular numbered 1/2016.
- A22. Office of Local Government, A3.9.3: Advising consultation has commenced on the first phase of amendments to the Local Government Act 1993.
- A23. NSW Rural Fire Service Association Incorporated, E1.3.1: As we enter a new year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all Councils, on behalf of the Association for the widespread support given to the NSW Rural Fire Service.
- A24. Local Government NSW, A3.9.1: Forwarding Weekly Circular numbered 2/2016.
- A25. Bicycle Network, T3.4.1: Advising on Friday 4 March, 2016 we'll be celebrating the biggest National Ride2School Day.
- A26. Local Government NSW, A3.9.1: Forwarding Weekly Circular numbered 3/2016.
- A27. John Willems, P4.10202: Giving you notice of my intention to retire from my position of Engineering Assistant (part-time) with my last working day being Friday 26 February, 2016.
- A28. Lachlan Regional Transport Committee, T3.5.2: Forwarding the minutes of the November 2015 meeting of LRTC.
- A29. Pauline Tregenza, H2.6.1: Advising since I moved to the township in late December 2015 I have endeavoured to learn its history and have been disappointed to find few landmarks which have a description.

- A30. Local Government NSW, A3.9.1: Forwarding Weekly Circular numbered 4/2016.
- A31. The Hon. Duncan Gay MLC, T3.8.5: Thanking Mr W Twohill for his correspondence as Acting General Manager about the Blayney to Demondrille and Koorawatha to Greenethorpe railway lines, commonly known as the Cowra Lines.
- A32. NSW Rural Fire Service, E1.3.8: Enclosing the Mid Lachlan Valley Team Rural Fire Service 2014/15 Annual Report for your information and records.
- A33. Essential Energy, U1.3.11: Advising Essential Energy will be conducting aerial inspections on the electricity network between February and September 2016 in Grenfell.
- A34. The Hon Sussan Ley MP, Minister for Health, Aged Care & Sport, C2.7.3: Thanking you for your correspondence of 20 August 2015, on behalf of Councillor Bill West, Chair of the Organisation of Central NSW Councils, regarding the eligibility of local government for grants under the Rural and Regional Training Infrastructure (RRTIGs) programme.
- A35. Local Government NSW, A3.9.1: Forwarding Weekly Circular numbered 5/2016.
- A36. The Hon Katrina Hodgkinson MP, A3.19.2: Writing to advise Weddin Shire Council of its eligibility to apply for a one-off grant from the NSW Government's \$4 million Innovation Fund to deliver better services and better infrastructure for regional communities.
- A37. The Hon Katrina Hodgkinson MP, G2.55: Referring to you seeking my representations to the Deputy Premier, The Hon Troy Grant MP, in support of Council's application for funding through the 2015/2016 Club Grants Category 3 Fund.
- A38. NSW Government Fire & Rescue NSW, E1.4: Advising the Minister for Emergency Services recently approved the 2015/2016 estimated expenditure for Fire & Rescue NSW (FRNSW).
- A39. NSW Government Transport Roads & Maritime Services, T3.4.7: Referring to your letter dated 21 September 2015 about the Bumbaldry bus interchange.
- A40. Weddin Tree Advisory Group, E3.5.4: Writing in response to the Weddin Shire Council's Ordinary Meeting held on the 17 December 2015, with particular reference to the Director Engineering's Report 8. Berry's Road Tree.
- A41. Quandialla Progress Association, C1.3.12: Writing to you on behalf of the Quandialla Progress Association about the above mentioned event to be held in March 2017.

## **SECTION B**

### **Matters for Report**

- B1. NSW Government, Health Western NSW Local Health District, P2.3.1: Referring to the recent inspection of Grenfell Public Swimming Pool.
- B2. Department of Primary Industries, Carolyn Connell, R2.1.4: Advising on 6 February 2006 Weddin Shire Council were referenced in relation to the proposed road closure in the Parish of Coba.
- B3. L. J. Morgan, R2.10.058: Advising I have no problem with renaming Goodes Lane as this is a great idea.
- B4. Department of Primary Industries – Lands, R2.1.4: Advising the Minister for Lands and Water proposes to consider the closing of the roads as indicated by black hatch on orange fill on the attached diagram.
- B5. Local Government NSW, A3.8.2: Advising Council was incorrectly categorised in the elections held at our conference last year as a Rural/Regional Council, despite being formally transferred to Metropolitan/Urban Council status.
- B6. The Hon. Angus Taylor MP, A3.19.3: Federal Member for Hume, the Hon. Angus Taylor MP has announced \$425,000 in funding for Weddin Shire Council under Round Two of the Government's Bridges Renewal Programme.
- B7. The Hon. Angus Taylor MP, A3.19.3: Federal Member for Hume, the Hon. Angus Taylor MP has announced the third round of the National Stronger Regions Fund is now open for applications.
- B8. David and Phillipa Frost, R2.10.058: Writing regarding a proposed spelling change of Goode's Lane to Goods Lane.
- B9. Phillip Diprose, R2.10.058: Thank you for your letter of 21 December 2015 seeking comments regarding my proposal to rename Goodes Lane to Goods Lane.
- B10. Gordon Culbard, R2.10.058: Writing this letter with regard to a Council meeting at which I understand you will be discussing the possible correcting of the spelling of Goodes Lane to Goods Lane.
- B11. Catherine Culbard, R2.10.058: Advising my name is Jessica Catherine Culbard nee Good. I am writing this letter with regard to a Council meeting at which I understand you will be discussing the possible correcting of the spelling of Goodes Lane to Goods Lane.

**342**     **RESOLVED:** Cr Brown and Cr McClelland that Correspondence sections A and B be noted.

## **SECTION C - Matters for consideration**

A précis of correspondence to be considered at the meeting is as follows:

1. Office of Local Government, A3.9.3: Advising the NSW Government is pleased to call for applications from eligible councils to apply for one-off grants from the \$4 million Innovation Fund.

### **Copy forwarded to Councillors**

**RECOMMENDATION:** That a grant funding application be submitted on a Regional basis with other interested Councils under the NSW Government's \$4 million Innovation Fund to conduct organisational and service delivery reviews.

**343** **RESOLVED:** Cr Hughes and Cr Parlett that a grant funding application be submitted on a Regional basis with other interested Councils under the NSW Government's \$4 million Innovation Fund to conduct organisational and service delivery reviews.

2. Roads and Maritime Services, R2.54.4: Attaching a copy of your Contractor Performance Report for the four monthly period ending 1 December 2015.

This report is part of the requirements of the Road Maintenance Council Contract for works on roads and bridges on State Roads.

### **Referred to Director Engineering**

**Note:** Council was rated as good in four categories and acceptable in eight categories. Our overall performance was rated as acceptable and we were deemed to be suitable for further work.

**Noted**

3. Greenethorpe Soldiers' Memorial Hall, C1.1.3/P2.13.2: Advising the Greenethorpe Soldiers' Memorial Hall is the heart of our community and our goal for the Hall in 2016 is to produce an external memorial commemorating our local servicemen from World War 1 onwards. The memorial will be erected on the outside walls the Hall for the public to view every day of the year.

To raise funds for the above we are hosting a "Carnivale" themed ball on 12 March 2016.

We are approaching the Weddin Shire Council to consider donating "Go Grenfell" local shopping gift cards towards our raffle. We would also appreciate if we could be provided with extra wheelie bins at the hall on the night of 12 March 2016.

In return for the above we will acknowledge your support on the Greenethorpe Carnivale Facebook page, as well as on the night.

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Council donate (2) "Go Grenfell" local shopping gift cards and provide extra wheelie bins as requested.

**344**     **RESOLVED:** Cr Hughes and Cr Halls that Council donate (2) “Go Grenfell” local shopping gift cards and provide extra wheelie bins as requested.

4.     Weddin Development Committee, C2.6.33: Inviting Weddin Shire Council to sponsor the “Best Business in the Weddin Shire” category at the upcoming business awards on April 30 2016.

The ‘Best Business in the Weddin Shire’ category is the most prestigious category at the business awards and it makes sense that Weddin Shire Council, the major organisation in the shire, would be the sponsor of this category.

In previous years Council has contributed \$500.00 for the sponsorship of this category.

**RECOMMENDATION:** That Council donate \$500.00 towards the ‘Best Business in the Weddin Shire’ category.

**The Mayor Cr Liebich previously submitted a written declaration of interest and left the room.**

**The Deputy Mayor Cr Niven took the Chair.**

**Crs Parlett and McClelland declared conflicts of interest as Committee Members and left the room.**

**345**     **RESOLVED:** Cr Halls and Cr Brown that Council donate \$500.00 towards the ‘Best Business in the Weddin Shire’ category.

**Cr Liebich returned to the room and resumed the Chair.**

**Crs Parlett and McClelland returned to the room.**

5.     Service NSW, A3.24.4: Service NSW – Letter of Offer Weddin Shire Council.

**Copy previously forwarded to Councillors**

**RECOMMENDATION:** That:

- i)     Representatives from Service NSW be invited to address Council prior to the March 2016 Council Meeting.
- ii)    Council write to the Attorney Generals Department seeking confirmation that the Grenfell Courthouse will remain open long term after the proposed transition of services.

**346**     **RESOLVED:** Cr Hughes and Cr Best that:

- i)     Representatives from Service NSW be invited to address Council prior to the March 2016 Council Meeting.
- ii)    Council write to the Attorney Generals Department seeking confirmation that the Grenfell Courthouse will remain open long term after the proposed transition of services.
- iii)   A copy be forwarded to the Local Member for Cootamundra the Hon Katrina Hodgkinson MP.



**SUMMARY OF LATE CORRESPONDENCE TO BE PRESENTED TO THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE WEDDIN SHIRE COUNCIL HELD, 18 FEBRUARY 2016**

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**RECOMMENDATION:** that the late correspondence be received and dealt with because of the urgency of the matters.

**347** **RESOLVED:** Cr Brown and Cr McClelland that the late correspondence be received and dealt with because of the urgency of the matters.

6. Cycling ACT, T3.4.1: Confirming that we will include the proposed cycling race (scheduled for the sporting weekend in Grenfell, March 2017) in our 2017 Road Race/Event Calendar and will assist in promoting the event within the ACT.

**Noted**

7. Cycling NSW, T3.4.1: Writing to support the application from Elite Energy Events with respect to a cycling event they have planned for the Grenfell region in 2017.

Cycling NSW has worked with Elite Energy over a number of years across several events, including as the promoter of the NSW State Teams Time Trail weekend in Nowra. This event has increased in registration numbers in recent years, much can be attributed to the organisation capabilities of Elite Energy.

Our understanding for the event in Grenfell is that it is a mass start recreational style ride which is a similar event structure to that which is run across a number of other events in NSW. Cycling NSW has given an in-principle agreement to sanction this event onto our calendar in 2017. As well as seeking to include this as a race on our State Road Premiership.

We would like to acknowledge our support of the event and would welcome any follow-up from Council to answer any questions or clarify any points.

**Noted**

8. Grenfell Picnic Race Club Committee, C1.2.3/C1.1.3: Seeking assistance and approval on behalf of our Grenfell Picnic Race Club Committee for the following:-

1. Extra bins for race day
2. 2 portaloos for race day
3. Coolroom
4. Donation from Weddin Shire Council to pay for Lions Club children rides

We would like to again propose that if Council decide to donate the toilets, bins and coolroom that we would have "Proudly supported by Weddin Shire Council" printed in the race books.

As in the past Weddin Shire Council have also donated money that has been used to pay for the hire of the Lions Club of Grenfell children's rides. We would like to continue this arrangement for 2016 if Council agrees.

We appreciate your previous support and any support you can provide is welcomed by our volunteer committee.

**Note: 2015 donation \$200.**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the requests be approved and Council donate \$200 towards the hire of the children's rides.

**348** **RESOLVED:** Cr Halls and Cr Parlett that the requests be approved and Council donate \$200 towards the hire of the children's rides.

9. Bob Bryer, Greenethorpe Soldiers Memorial Hall Inc, C1.1.3: Seeking Council's assistance with gifting a 'truck and dog' or 'semi' load of Brundah quarry road gravel to be auctioned at our bi-annual ball to be held on Saturday, 12 March 2016.

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

For Council's Consideration

**349** **RESOLVED:** Cr Hughes and Cr Niven that the request be declined.

10. Grenfell Rugby League Football Club Inc, P2.1.6: Writing on behalf of the Grenfell Rugby League Football Club seeking permission to use Lawson Oval for the 2016 Woodbridge Cup season.

At this stage training will be held on Tuesday and Friday evenings with game days to be Sundays, with the odd Saturday game in the draw.

The Woodbridge Cup are yet to finalise the draw and a copy will be forwarded to Council once received.

**RECOMMENDATION:** that approval be granted as requested subject to the provision of a copy of their public liability policy.

**350** **RESOLVED:** Cr McClelland and Cr Parlett that approval be granted as requested subject to the provision of a copy of their public liability policy.

11. Grenfell Rugby League Football Club Inc, P2.1.6/C1.1.3: The Grenfell Goanna's Rugby League Club would like to advise that they will be hosting a Gala Day at Lawson Park Saturday the 19<sup>th</sup> of March 2016.

**Copy forwarded to Councillors**

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the requests be approved and the Grenfell Rugby League Club be advised accordingly.

**351** **RESOLVED:** Cr Hughes and Cr Brown that the requests be approved and the Grenfell Rugby League Club be advised accordingly.

**352** **RESOLVED:** Cr McClelland and Cr Niven that the Correspondence be noted except where otherwise resolved.

11 February 2016

The Mayor and Councillors  
Weddin Shire Council  
GRENFELL NSW 2810

Dear Councillors

I wish to report as follows: -

### **1. Australia Day Celebrations, C1.5.2**

Australia Day celebrations were held on Tuesday, 26 January, 2016 at Taylor Park in glorious weather conditions with a very good crowd in attendance.

The Australia Day Special Guest Marjorie Nicoll was very well received by the crowd and MC Geoff Nicoll carried out his duties in a very articulate and efficient manner.

Winners of the main awards are detailed below:

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| • Citizen of the Year                      | - Dennis Hughes                                       |
| • Senior Citizen of the Year               | - Terry Carroll                                       |
| • Community Event/Organisation of the Year | - The Weddin Mountain Muster                          |
| • Community Achievement                    | - Garth England                                       |
|  | - John Hunter   |
|  | - Noel Cartwright                                     |
|  | - The Grenfell Picnic Races Committee                 |
|  | - The Grenfell Show                                   |
|  | - The Unveiling of the Len Wallace Memorial Sculpture |
|  | - Julie Wood  |
|  | - Joy Wood  |
|  | - Jack Black  |

Winners of the Greenethorpe awards were as follows:

- Greenethorpe Junior Citizen of the Year – Sophie Bryant
- Greenethorpe Citizen of the Year – Lindsay Swadling

Winners of the student awards were as follows:

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| • Best pass in Higher School Certificate | - Vanessa Knight                 |
| • Henry Lawson High School               | - Clare Hunt                     |
| • St Joseph's Primary School             | - Henry Best                     |
| • Grenfell Public School                 | - Anna Hunt                      |
| • Quandialla Central School              | - Maryanne Wright and Emily Amey |
| • Caragabal Public School                | - Rori Durham                    |
| • Greenethorpe Public School             | - Sophie Bryant                  |

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The award winners from Caragabal, Greenethorpe and Quandialla were presented with their awards at the village ceremonies respectively.

It was wonderful to recognise, acknowledge and reward our residents who give freely of their time to volunteer in our community which is very much part of the Australian way of life. All of the award winners were congratulated and thanked for their contribution to the Weddin Shire Community during 2015.

**For Information**

**Noted**

### **2. Grenfell Sesquicentenary, C1.4.16**

During the Australia Day Ceremony at Taylor Park the 2016 Sesquicentenary celebrations were officially launched.

The Grenfell Sesquicentenary Committee have been hard at work planning the various projects and events that are to take place throughout this year as part of the 150th anniversary celebrations.

The Sesquicentenary theme 'Come Home to Grenfell' was introduced at the ceremony and this theme will be incorporated into many of the events and activities held by various community groups throughout 2016. The celebrations will culminate during the long weekend on 1 – 3 October, 2016 with a Grenfell photo exhibition, bushdance, bus tour and many more activities planned. Jenny Hetherington, Hugh Moffitt and Pene Starr have been working very hard on producing a Sesquicentenary book which will be launched in May 2016. Peter Grossman with the assistance of Ian Pitt has also produced a book depicting large photos of Grenfell which was launched on Saturday, 30 January 2016 and is available for purchase.

The Hon. Dame Marie Bashir AD CVO has accepted the committee's invitation to be the official guest and as approved by Council a civic reception will be held upon her arrival.

The theme of the Sesquicentenary event will hopefully encourage past and present residents to come together to celebrate the rich history of Grenfell.

**For Information**

**Noted**

### **3. Local Government Reform, C2.10.9**

The NSW Premier the Hon. Mike Baird MP and the Minister for Local Government the Hon. Paul Toole MP announced major reforms in NSW Local Government on Friday 18 December, 2015 with a number of proposed mergers in the Sydney and Regional NSW areas.

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The reforms will see the State's 152 Councils reduced to 112 with Metropolitan Councils reduced from 43 to 25 and Regional Councils reduced from 109 to 87. Amalgamation proposals are currently being referred to the Chief Executive of the Office of Local Government before being referred to the Boundaries Commission and then the Minister for final determination. It also appears that there will be no sackings of Councils as part of this process and as a consequence no appointment of administrators at this stage which was recently raised as a possibility. As this process may take time to complete it also appears as though the 2016 Local Government elections which were to be held in September 2016 may be postponed until March 2017 to allow time for the process to be completed. This is yet to be verified.

The announcement was a credit to Councillors, Staff, Mr Stephen Sykes and members of the public who have all been working extremely hard together during the past twelve months to obtain this excellent result and remain as Weddin Shire Council.

**For Information**

**Noted**

### **4. Local Government Reform, C2.10.9**

While the announcement was fantastic news we are certainly under no illusions that we are immune from the reform process as we realise the process is ongoing whereby we will have to embrace change to remain financially sustainable in the future and remain as an independent Council.

It appears at this stage we will be reassessed in June 2016 and then reviewed on a 12 monthly basis to ensure we are implementing our action plan to enable us to become and remain 'Fit for the Future'. We were previously advised that as a Rural Council we were not expected to be 'fit' immediately provided we had an action plan in place to demonstrate how we would become 'fit' over a 3-5 year period. Reassessment guidelines will be issued in February 2016 which should clarify this and pre-assessment workshops will be held in March-April. Revised improvement plans are to be submitted in May with the reassessment of the plans to be undertaken in June 2016.

In resubmitting our 'Fit for the Future' submission it will be very important to be able to demonstrate that we have commenced instigating various actions detailed in our action plan and have dates determined when other actions will be instigated. eg organisational review

In this regard it is proposed to conduct a workshop on Monday, 21 March 2016 run by Glenn Inglis and Stephen Sykes to assist in developing our "Fit for the Future" resubmission as well as reviewing and determining the action plan.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Confirm Proposed Action

**353**     **RESOLVED:** Cr Parlett and Cr Niven that the proposed action be confirmed.

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### 5. 2016/2017 Operational Plan, A3.4

The annual draft Operational Plan will be presented to Council's May Meeting (19<sup>th</sup>) and submitted for adoption at Council's June Meeting (16<sup>th</sup>).

It has been previous practice to hold a workshop and an Extra-Ordinary Council Meeting in late March/early April to commence the prioritising for the annual Plan. At this stage it is proposed to follow the same process as follows:

- Nomination of new projects – 11 March
- Workshop – 31 March (Chambers)
- Extra-ordinary Meeting – 11 April (Chambers)

#### **RECOMMENDATION:** that:-

- i) the following dates be adopted for the 2016/2017 Operational Plan:  
11 March – closing date for new projects  
31 March – workshop (5.00 pm)  
11 April – Extra-ordinary meeting for priorities (5.00 pm)

#### 354 **RESOLVED:** Cr Niven and Cr Brown that:-

- i) the following dates be adopted for the 2016/2017 Operational Plan:  
11 March – closing date for new projects  
31 March – workshop (5.00 pm)  
11 April – Extra-ordinary meeting for priorities (5.00 pm)

### 6. Weddin Regional Health Hub Operation, H1.1.7/P2.12.17

As previously reported to Council consideration is currently being given to the future operation of the Weddin Regional Health Hub.

Expressions of Interest (EOI's) were recently called to engage a Service Provider and as there was only one expression received it is now planned to recall EOI's.

It is also planned to invite Dr Estrella Lowe from the NSW Doctors Network to address Council in regard to the operation of the Centre. However, before this occurs it may be best to invite Mr Stephen Sykes and Helen Milne (an advisor to the Federal Government in regards to the establishment of Primary Healthcare Networks who has been assisting Stephen in the process) to address Council in regards to the process and our future direction.

Once the Service Provider is engaged EOI's will be then called for medical practitioners to operate from the Weddin Regional Health Hub.

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Council invite Mr Stephen Sykes and Helen Milne to address Council in regards to the operation of the Weddin Regional Health Hub and its future direction.

#### 355 **RESOLVED:** Cr Brown and Cr McClelland that Council invite Mr Stephen Sykes and Helen Milne to address Council in regards to the operation of the Weddin Regional Health Hub and its future direction.

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### 7. Grenfell Taxi Service, T3.6.3

Council's Taxi Operator Mr Paul Van Der Made is currently operating the taxi service in an excellent manner with some very good feedback received.

The extended hours of operation on Friday and Saturday nights are in operation and will be reviewed after six months.

**Noted**

**GLENN CARROLL**  
**GENERAL MANAGER**

**356**     **RESOLVED:** Cr Hughes and Cr Niven that except where otherwise dealt with the General Manager's Report be adopted.

## THE DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES' REPORT

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11 February 2016

The General Manager  
Weddin Shire Council  
GRENFELL NSW 2810

Dear Sir

I wish to report as follows: -

### 1. Statement of Bank Balances as at 31 January 2016:

Bank Account	
Westpac	\$ 245,540.13

Investments	
Westpac	<u>6,250,000.00</u>
<b>Total Investments</b>	<b><u>\$6,250,000.00</u></b>

### CERTIFICATE OF RECONCILIATION

I certify that the Cashbook for each Bank Account has been reconciled with the appropriate Bank Statement as at 31 January 2016.

The investments shown above are made with the Westpac Bank. I certify that these investments have been made in accordance with the Local Government Act, 1993, the Regulations and Council's investment policies.

For Information

Noted

### 2. A Summary of Income for The Month of January follows:

Rates Receipts	39,054.66
Credit Union Agency Commission	607.20
Block Grant Instalment	187,500.00
RMS Works	109,233.47
Diesel Fuel Rebate	8,290.00
Development & Building Application Fees	5,207.00
Section 64 Contributions	3,730.00
CTC Income	1,410.60
Caravan Park Income	5,922.00
Swimming Pool Entrance Charges	2,251.70
Other	10,585.57
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$373,792.20</u></b>

For Information

Noted



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### 3. Roads and Other Expenditure:

Following are the up to date maintenance figures as at 31 January 2016.

ITEM	VOTE	EXPENDITURE
Rural Roads Maintenance	717,479	407,373
Grenfell Town Streets Maintenance	168,722	102,316
Village Maintenance - Caragabal	6,000	3,681
Village Maintenance - Greenethorpe	6,000	6,022
Village Maintenance - Quandialla	6,000	6,064
Garbage / Recycling Collection	129,000	70,492
Quandialla Recycling Station	8,000	2,689
Greenethorpe Collections	8,000	4,025
Commercial Waste Collection	18,000	5,848
Grenfell Waste Depot Manning / Plant Hire	135,000	74,334
Tips Working Expenses	49,000	42,822
Grenfell Tip Green Waste Processing	20,000	0
Grenfell Cemetery Maintenance	39,000	12,276
Grenfell Lawn Cemetery Maintenance	30,000	32,845
Grenfell Lawn Cemetery Sites etc. income	(33,000)	(37,918)
Noxious Plants	84,500	41,791
Noxious Plants - Extra	20,000	8,169
Parks & Gardens	206,262	98,532
Library Expenditure	95,053	47,859
Baths Income	(25,000)	(17,518)
Baths Expenditure	134,909	71,872
Caravan Park Income	(57,000)	(38,918)
Caravan Park Expenditure	103,635	49,547

**RTA GRANT WORKS**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Vote</b>	<b>Expenditure</b>
2015/16 State Roads (SH6)	541,108	452,421
2015/16 National Roads (SH17)	637,984	402,820
2015/16 Regional Roads Block Grant	907,584	272,368

<b>2015/16 Rural Local Roads (FAG)</b>	<b>Vote</b>	<b>Expenditure</b>
Reconstruct Village Streets	36,520	0
Quandialla Drainage	151,657	0
Greenethorpe - Bumbaldry road	500,000	500,000
Grenfell Medical Centre - K&G & Footpath	142,036	0
Grenfell Streets Construction	121,507	5,611
Grenfell Kerb & Gutter	104,545	0
Grenfell Streets - Foot paving	37,387	0
Gravel Resheeting	175,984	95,435
Asbestos Mgmt Plan	6,800	0
Memory St/Holy Camp Road Construction	30,000	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,306,436</b>	<b>601,046</b>

<b>2015/16 Roads to Recovery</b>	<b>Vote</b>	<b>Expenditure</b>
RESEALS (R2R)	200,000	22,774
BALLENDENE ROAD (R2R)	345,593	38,015
DRIFTWAY ROAD (R2R)	512,292	0
TYAGONG CREEK ROAD (R2R)	221,393	221,393
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,279,278</b>	<b>282,182</b>

**For Information**

**Noted**

**4. Debt Recovery – Rates and Debtors, A1.7**

Debt recovery activity for January has been ongoing and is as follows:

Batch of 21 that were referred to Outstanding Collections for further action resulted in:

- 11 paid in full
- 2 part payments
- 1 pending payment
- 3 responses – action held
- 2 no response
- 2 notifications of bankruptcy

2<sup>nd</sup> Instalment outstanding reminder letters issued

Continued liaison with Council's Debt Recovery Firm Outstanding Collections.

Continued monitoring of existing payment arrangements and following up with further action where required and other debt collection activity of a routine nature.

**For Information**

**Noted**

### **5. Quarterly Budget Review Statement (QBRS) – 31 December 2015, A1.6**

The QBRS is a financial reporting system that presents a summary of Councils financial position at the end of each quarter of the financial year.

The QBRS consists of the following statements:

1. Responsible Accounting Officers Statement
2. Income and Expenditure Budget Review Statement
3. Income and Expenditure Budget Review Statement by function
4. Capital Budget Review Statement
5. Cash and Investments Budget Review Statement
6. Contracts and other expenses Budget Review Statement

The QBRS is designed to:

- Facilitate progress reporting against the original and revised budgets at the end of each quarter
- Provide explanations for major variations
- Enable the responsible accounting officer (RAO) to indicate if council will be in a satisfactory financial position at the end of the financial year.

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the Quarterly Budget Review Statement to the 31 December 2015 be adopted as presented.

**357** **RESOLVED:** Cr McClelland and Cr Best that the Quarterly Budget Review Statement to the 31 December 2015 be adopted as presented.

### **6. Grenfell Festival of Fitness/Reggie McNamara Cycling Race, C1.4.5**

Reference is made to the attached DRAFT Business case for the Grenfell Festival of Fitness/Reggie McNamara race and the associated documentation.

This professionally run multi event sporting tourism festival has exciting potential to provide many varied positive benefits to the shire including the obvious positive economic impacts that flow from attracting 'new' money into the local economy. The conservative but basic Net Present Value (NPV) calculation in the attached DRAFT Business Case shows a positive return on the investment by Council. This analysis shows the estimated total benefits exceed the estimated total costs indicating a positive investment outcome.

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This event provides the opportunity to diversify the tourism product within our shire and to capitalise on a lucrative and new tourism market away from our traditional offerings. The use of an external event management company allows establishment of the event in a way that minimises resources required from Council.

The event has exciting potential and offers an achievable economic development opportunity/initiative to Council.

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Council commit \$15,000 funding towards the Grenfell Festival of Fitness to be funded via a transfer from the economic development reserve.

- 358**     **RESOLVED:** Cr Hughes and Cr Parlett that:
- i) Council commit \$15,000 funding towards the Grenfell Festival of Fitness to be funded via a transfer from the economic development reserve.
  - ii) A Memorandum of Understanding be developed and signed in relation to the funding.

### 7.     **Grenfell Library, C2.8.15**

Activities by the Librarian over the last month included the following:-

The **travelling exhibition** relating to the 'great Aussie meat pie' has been returned. It was probably the best travelling exhibition to come to the library and attracted some interest with most of the vouchers for correctly answering simple questions based on the exhibition claimed.

Distribution of the reading kits for the annual **Summer Reading Club** began on 15<sup>th</sup> December. To date thirty-five people have registered (fifty-two last year). Paul Westman has been approached to be guest entertainer at the awards function next year.

The **2015/6 Local Priority Project/s grant** application form has been submitted with the money (\$5,050) to be spent on new magazine subscriptions and continued purchasing of audio books in CD and MP3 formats with a portion reserved for funding author visits and/or workshop presentations if the opportunity arises.

A substantial DVD order with a new supplier resulted in over fifty **new DVDs** being added to the collection.

Forty-three people made use of the half-day **opening between Christmas and New Year**, a slight decrease on last year.

The librarian undertook a one-day **first aid course** offered by Grenfell TAFE.

Otherwise activities were of a routine nature.

**For Information**

**Noted**

### 8. Economic Development, C2.8.13

Council's Economic Development Officer has been involved in the following activities:

Ongoing support of the newly launched Go Grenfell Card which has been working well. To date there has been \$7,285 loaded onto the cards with \$2,820 already redeemed. Most card sales and redemptions were in December prior to Christmas as expected. It will be important to tie card promotions into annual events to boost sales and we will look to strategically market these cards in conjunction with future events. It is pleasing to note that the cards are being used widely with 25 of the 49 registered stores having redeemed cards.

Researched content for Weddin Development Committee feature in Discover Magazine.  
Distributed funding opportunities to interested community groups.

Assisted the Weddin Development Committee with organisation of the upcoming Weddin Business Awards.

**For Information**

**Noted**

### 9. Tourism/Promotions, C2.8.11

Council's Tourism Officer has been involved in the following activities:-

Coordinated Art Gallery volunteer Christmas thankyou dinner.

Coordinated bump out of the Grenfell Arts and Crafts Group exhibition and letters of payment. Prepared and produced art gallery program until July 2016. Exhibitions have been scheduled until January 2017.

Coordinated exhibition hanging on January 18<sup>th</sup> and exhibition opening on January 19<sup>th</sup> and promotion of the new exhibition. Introduced and prepared 'appreciation notes' for exhibition.

Took community hub bookings, distributed and collected paperwork from clients.

Prepared agenda for February tourism meeting.

Researched and recorded 4 radio interviews, 5 Facebook posts and updated TV screen 4 times.

Continued to liaise with a sporting event company over the development of a Reggie McNamara themed cycling race and a Henry Lawson themed half marathon running race. Event currently being proposed for March 2017. Representatives were in Grenfell in early January to meet with local authorities.

Distributed tourism brochures to surrounding visitor centres.

Prepared and distributed Australia Day committee December meeting agenda. Actioned December Australia Day minutes. Sent thankyou letters to all participants in the Australia Day ceremony. Liaised with Village representatives over payment for Australia Day ceremonies and coordinated the payments.

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Assisted with ongoing planning for the Henry Lawson Festival with invitations sent to potential official guests. Prepared the agenda for the February meeting.

Coordinated judging of Christmas competitions in Grenfell. Prizes were awarded at the Combined Services Christmas Carnival. Prepared certificates and coordinated prizes for villages winners.

**For Information**

**Noted**

### **10. Grenfell Internet Centre, C2.8.14**

Council's Internet Centre Officer has been involved in the following activities:-

Conducted services and repairs for 45 residential customers and 7 business customers.

Sold laptops/computers to 1 residential customer.

Sold software, parts and accessories to 42 residential customers and 2 business customers.

Sold ink and toner cartridges to 27 residential customers 3 business customers.

Delivered 4 individual lessons.

Printed 5 lots of Service Booklets

**For Information**

**Noted**

**LACHLAN GIBSON**  
**DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES**

**359** **RESOLVED:** Cr Niven and Cr Parlett that except where otherwise dealt with the Director Corporate Services' report be adopted.

11 February 2016

The General Manager  
Weddin Shire Council  
GRENFELL NSW 2810

Dear Sir

I wish to report as follows:

### **1. Works Report (7 February 2016)**

#### **1.1 Classified Roads Maintenance**

Routine maintenance such as slashing, patching and guide-posting has continued on a majority of classified roads during the month

SH6	-	General Maintenance
	-	Removed several fallen trees
SH17	-	General Maintenance
	-	Extra maintenance needed due to road deteriorating
MR398	-	General Maintenance
	-	Removed fallen trees
	-	Cleared table drains
MR236	-	General Maintenance
	-	Cleared table drains
	-	Removed fallen trees
MR237	-	General Maintenance
MR239	-	General Maintenance
	-	Started blackspot rehabilitation

#### **1.2 Rural Local Roads Programme**

Routine maintenance such as slashing, patching and guide posting has continued on a majority of roads during the month

- General Maintenance
- Sealed next 4kms of Greenethorpe rehabilitation
- Started MR239 blackspot improvement works
- Completed widening of Memory Street
- Re-sheeted 2kms of Brundah Hall Road

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### 1.3 Rural Maintenance

Routine maintenance such as slashing, patching and guide posting has continued on a majority of roads during the month

- General Maintenance
- Maintenance graded Kangaroo Road, Major West Road and Brundah Hall Road
- Replace causeway with pipe Culverts on Greenethorpe-Bumbaldry Road
- Cleared trees in table drains at various locations
- Erected signs Quandialla & Caragabal tips

### 1.4 Urban Maintenance/Construction

- General maintenance
- Sewer locations to find hidden manholes
- Removed pepper trees in front of Grenfell TAFE
- Remove Christmas banners and erect 150 year banners
- Started industrial area drainage
- Repaired damaged K & G Short Street

**For Information**

**Noted**

## 2. Other Works

- Blasted Brundah School Pit
- Extended tip cell wall
- Started crushing Brundah School Pit & Simpson Pit
- Attended traffic accident on MR236 and one on MR239
- Cover tip fire
- Mowed Villages and with general tidy up

### 2.1 Parks & Ovals Report

Routine maintenance has been carried out during the month such as gardening, weeding, mowing and spraying

- General Maintenance
- Lifted trees in GTA

### 2.2 Cemeteries

The following graves have been prepared from: 7 December 2015 to 7 February 2016:-

Grenfell Lawn	–	10
Grenfell	–	1
Bimbi	–	1
Caragabal	–	Nil



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The following maintenance has been carried out in the last month:

- Topped up graves
- Sprayed and mowed Bimbi Cemetery
- Repaired and cleaned Lawn Plaques
- Sprayed Grenfell Cemetery

### 2.3 Sewer Mains

Four (4) sewer chokes have been attended to during the last month, none in the relined section.

### 2.4 Private Works

- Sealed driveway for a ratepayer
- Repaired sealed driveway for a ratepayer
- Sealed internal Road for Catholic Church
- Located service for ratepayer
- Built pipe culvert for a ratepayer
- Cleared a house block in Greenethorpe

### 2.5 Village Maintenance

- general maintenance

### 2.6 Vandalism

Urban - Nil

Rural - Nil

**Total Cost: \$0.00**

**Progressive Cost Urban: \$6,800**

**Progressive Cost Rural: \$0.00**

(from 1/7/2015 to date)

**For Information**

**Noted**

## 3. Future Works

### 3.1 Rural

- general maintenance
- continue Greenethorpe-Bumbaldry Road project
- complete Blackspot MR 239
- commence Ballendene Road widening and strengthening
- commence Driftway Road widening and strengthening

### 3.2 Urban

- general maintenance
- complete sewer main realignment at Pool

**For Information**

**Noted**

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### 4. Plant Report

Significant plant and vehicle maintenance, in accordance with the details as listed below, was carried out during the last month:-

Plant No	Plant Item	Maintenance
	General Plant	General Maintenance
PI 5796	Solar Traffic Lights	Electrical repairs.
PI 4103	New Holland Tractor	Split machine to replace clutch.
	All Plant	Annual registration inspections.
PI 4101	Volvo Loader	Repair and plate bucket.
PI 3953	Garbage Truck	Major service, replace harness, hoses, activator.
PI 4105	Cat 120 M Grader	Repair coolant leaks.
PI 4102	Cat 120 M Grader	Major service.
PI 4095	John Deere Tractor	Repair electrical shorts.
	Sewer Treatment Plant	Overhaul wet well pump.
PI 4070	Cat 613 Grid Roller	Repairs to door, brakes, wiring, replace door glass.
PI 4096	Multipac Roller	Air conditioning repairs.
PI 3955	Isuzu Truck	Straighten tailgate.
PI 4104	Bad Boy Mower	Repair overheating problems and solenoid problems.
PI 3826	Old Garbage Truck	Repair electrical and overheating problems.

**For Information**

**Noted**

### 5. RMS RMCC Contract, R2.54.4

Routine maintenance on SH6 and SH17 continues.

Council continues to request Work Orders from RMS, but at this stage the RMS has not planned any significant works for Weddin Shire.

**For Information**

**Noted**

### 6. Noxious Weed Report – December 2015 and January 2016, C2.8.12

The Noxious Weeds Officer has carried out the following works in the last two months:-

- Weeds sprayed – Bridal creeper, Prickly Pear, Wild Radish, African Boxthorn, Sweet Briar, St Johns Wort, Silver Leaf Nightshade, Blue Heliotrope, Spiny Burrgrass, Bathurst Burr and Scotch Thistle
- Areas sprayed – Birangan, Wallah Wallah, Bogalong, Brundah, Yuline, Wheoga, Maudry, Bolungerai, Eualdrie, Iandra, Tyagong, Coba, Bungalong, Cudgymaguntry, Bumbaldry, Yambira, Melyra and Warraderry

- Bio Control – research Blackberry rust.
- Two property inspections.
- Inspected high risk roadsides, TSRs, Council owned land, Rail and other high risk sites.

For Information

Noted

### 7. **Bridges Renewal Program Round Two – Blacks Bridge, R2.11.8**

Council has been advised that it has been successful in obtaining funding for the replacement of Blacks Bridge, Gambarra Road, Greenethorpe under the Australian Government's Bridge Renewal Programme Round Two, totalling \$425,000.

Council's contribution of \$425,000 is proposed to be funded from the 2016/2017 Roads to Recovery Programme which has a value of \$1,447,353.

An offer of funding has been received for the programme.

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Council:-

- accept the offer of funding for the replacement of Blacks Bridge under the Australian Government's Bridge Renewal Programme Round Two.
- fund Council's 50% share being \$425,000 from the 2016/2017 Roads to Recovery Programme.

### 360 **RESOLVED:** Cr Hughes and Cr Best that Council:-

- accept the offer of funding for the replacement of Blacks Bridge under the Australian Government's Bridge Renewal Programme Round Two and approve the signing of the Funding Agreement under the Seal of Council if required.
- fund Council's 50% share being \$425,000 from the 2016/2017 Roads to Recovery Programme.

### 8. **Taylor Park Toilet, P2.1.3**

A quotation has been received to repair and repaint the Taylor Park toilets for \$4,000 plus GST prior to the Grenfell Sesquicentenary.

This work can be covered within the current Parks and Gardens Maintenance Vote.

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Council repair and repaint the Taylor Park toilets at a cost for \$4,000 plus GST and fund the works from the Other Buildings M & R Vote.

### 361 **RESOLVED:** Cr Niven and Cr Brown that Council repair and repaint the Taylor Park toilets at a cost for \$4,000 plus GST and fund the works from the Other Buildings M & R Vote.

### 9. **Draft Amended Policy for Tree Preservation and Removal (Policy No. 5.1.4), E3.5.4**

The draft amended Policy for Tree Preservation and Removal (Policy No. 5.1.4) was advertised for comment and closed on 10 December 2015.

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One submission was received, suggesting amendments and additions to the Policy. The draft policy has incorporated the relevant suggestions and is able to be viewed on the iPads.

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Council adopt the amended Policy for Tree Preservation and Removal (Policy No. 5.1.4).

- 362** **RESOLVED:** Cr Brown and Cr McClelland that Council adopt the amended Policy for Tree Preservation and Removal (Policy No. 5.1.4) with the following inclusions to item 7.4:
- i) If the tree has local historic or heritage value.
  - ii) The ecological value of the tree, whether by itself or as part of a community.
  - iii) Potential for the tree to be managed in the future.

### **10. Quandialla Stormwater Drainage, E2.9.3**

The Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Adrian Milne and the Director Engineering attended an on-site meeting with members of the Quandialla Progress Association and Quandialla residents to discuss proposed drainage works in Quandialla.

As a result, it was agreed to carry out the following works:-

- a) construct a pit and pump and associated drainage pipes in Second Street at eastern corner with Bland Road, with electricity to be provided from the Quandialla Pool meter box, and to drain this stormwater westerly for approximately 50 metres along the Bland Road kerb and gutter.
- b) construct a pit and pump and associated drainage pipes in Third Street with electricity to be provided from the Quandialla Brigade Shed, and to drain this stormwater westerly to the intersection at the Bland Road.

The estimated cost to carry out these works is \$ 51,000 and can be funded from the 2015/2016 FAG Programme.

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Council advertise the proposed stormwater works in Quandialla for comment before being resubmitted to Council for formal adoption.

- 363** **RESOLVED:** Cr Hughes and Cr Niven that Council advertise the proposed stormwater works in Quandialla for comment before being resubmitted to Council for formal adoption.

### **11. Henry Lawson Oval – Proposed Toilet Block, P2.1.6**

Quotations have been called for the construction of the new toilet block at Henry Lawson Oval, closing on Tuesday, 16 February 2016.

A late report on the quotations will be submitted to Council.

**For Information**

**Noted**

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### **12. Naming of Goodes Lane, R2.10.058**

Council wrote to landowners on Goodes Lane requesting their opinion on the proposed changes of name.

Three responses were received as follows:-

- As the process of changing the name could be very costly, either leave it as it is or change to a completely different name such as Frosts Lane.
- Two responses indicating that the correct spelling of the family name is Good and the name should be changed to Goods Lane.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

For Council's Consideration

**The Mayor Cr Liebich previously submitted a written declaration of interest and left the room.**

**The Deputy Mayor Cr Niven took the Chair.**

**364 RESOLVED:** Cr Halls and Cr Best that the name of Goodes Lane remain as is.

**Cr Brown requested that her name be recorded as being against the motion.**

**Cr Liebich returned to the room and resumed the Chair.**

### **13. Road Closure Application, R2.1.4**

Council has received advice from Department of Primary Industries that the Minister for Lands proposes to consider the closing of public roads listed in Schedule 1 as follows:-

- Crown roads at Grenfell and Bumbaldry, south of Mid Western Highway, in the vicinity of Brundah Hall Road, within and adjoining the property North Brundah (File Ref: 09/08708, Cluster No: 550716).

The roads have been inspected by the Director Engineering. Councillors may inspect the roads where possible. No objection is offered to the closure of roads in Schedule 1.

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Council offer no objection to the closure of Crown Roads at Grenfell and Bumbaldry, south of Mid Western Highway, in the vicinity of Brundah Hall Road, within and adjoining the property North Brundah (File Ref: 09/08708, Cluster No: 550716).

**365 RESOLVED:** Cr Best and Cr Brown that Council offer no objection to the closure of Crown Roads at Grenfell and Bumbaldry, south of Mid Western Highway, in the vicinity of Brundah Hall Road, within and adjoining the property North Brundah (File Ref: 09/08708, Cluster No: 550716).

### **14. Road Closure Application, W381544 K J Schaefer, R2.1.4**

Council had received advice from the Department of Primary Industries that in 2006 Council considered an application from KJ Schaefer to close some roads. Council resolved to offer no objection to the proposed road closures subject to all lots having alternative legal access. The Department has advised that all lots now have legal access except a Reserve which is addressed.

The Department has since advised that two of the roads are Council roads and requires Council's consent to close the roads in question.

The roads have been inspected by the Director Engineering. Councillors may inspect the roads where possible.

No objection is offered to the closure of the Council roads.

**RECOMMENDATION:** That Council offer no objection to the closure of the Council roads in Road Closure W381544 K J Schaefer – PTS 431869 File Ref OE05H201.

**366** **RESOLVED:** Cr Best and Cr Parlett that Council offer no objection to the closure of the Council roads in Road Closure W381544 K J Schaefer – PTS 431869 File Ref OE05H201.

### **15. 2015/2016 Plant Replacement Program, P6.1.3**

Council resolved to replace PI 4096 Volvo Loader L6OE, which was purchased in May 2005 in the 2015/2016 plant replacement program.

The Loader is still in very good order and it is proposed to retain it for a least one more year. \$180,000 was set aside to replace the roller this financial year.

Council also proposed to set aside \$57,000 for a second hand roller. Despite numerous attempts to locate a good second hand 18T roller, no suitable low hour roller can be located.

As this roller will be used on a full time basis with one of the graders, it is proposed to purchase a new 18T roller which will last for 10-15 years.

It is also proposed to trade PI 4100 Bomag BW 20 rubber tyred roller, as this roller was purchased second hand in 2004.

**RECOMMENDATION:** That Council:

- a) call tenders for the supply and delivery of one new 18T smooth drum self-propelled roller with the trade-in being PI 4100 Bomag BW20 rubber tyred roller.
- b) defer the purchase of a new loader.

**367** **RESOLVED:** Cr Halls and Cr Best that Council:

- a) call tenders for the supply and delivery of one new 18T smooth drum self-propelled roller with the trade-in being PI 4100 Bomag BW20 rubber tyred roller.
- b) defer the purchase of a new loader.

**WILLIAM TWOHILL**  
**DIRECTOR ENGINEERING**

- 368**    **RESOLVED:** Cr Best and Cr Niven that except where otherwise dealt with the Director Engineering's report be adopted.

11 February 2016

The General Manager  
Weddin Shire Council  
PO Box 125  
GRENFELL NSW 2810

Dear Sir,

I wish to report as follows:-

**A. Public Health and Environmental Matters**

**1. Sewerage Treatment Works, S1.1.1**

**December 2015** - Total inflow through the Works during December 2015 was 7,579 kl with the daily average of 244.48 kl. Outflow for irrigation for reuse was 5,653 kl and discharge to Emu 1,156.9 kl.

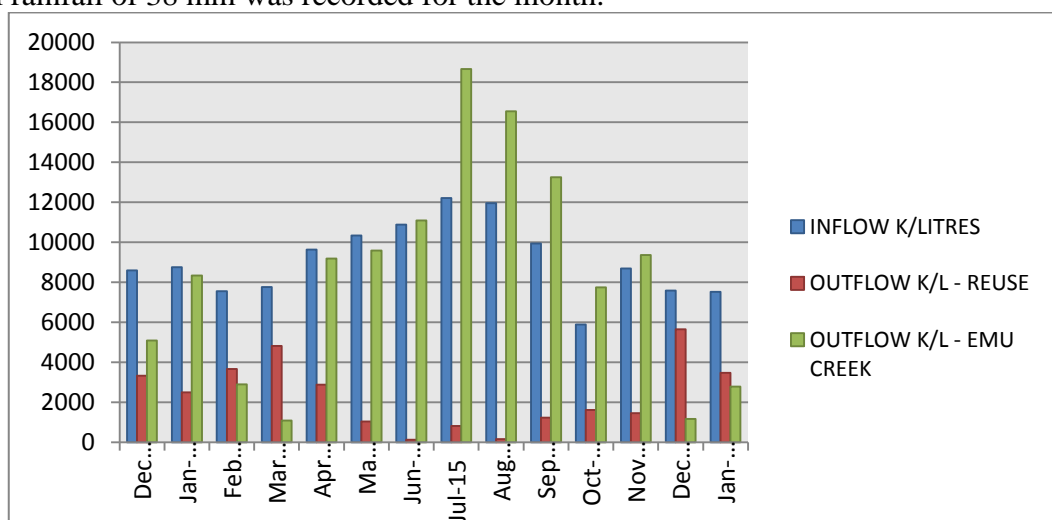
The highest daily recording of 274 kl occurred for the 24 hours ending 6.30 am on 22 December 2015 and the lowest of 223 kl for the 24 hours ending 6.30 am on 18 December 2015.

A total rainfall of 17 mm was recorded for the month.

**January 2016** - Total inflow through the Works during January 2016 was 7,517 kl with the daily average of 242.48 kl. Outflow for irrigation for reuse was 3,468 kl and discharge to Emu 2,785.9 kl.

The highest daily recording of 514 kl occurred for the 24 hours ending 6.30 am on 4 January 2016 and the lowest of 209 kl for the 24 hours ending 6.30 am on 20 January 2016.

A total rainfall of 38 mm was recorded for the month.



**For Council's Information**

**Noted**



### 2. Animal Control, A4.4.4

Animal control activities for December 2015 were:

#### a. Companion Animals

Animals Seized:	3 (Dogs)	Animals Returned to Owners:	0
Animals Impounded:	2 (Dogs)	Animals Destroyed:	0
Animals Sold:	0	Animals Released:	3
Animals Surrendered:	1 (Dog)	Animals Rehomed:	3
Animals Straying:	1 (Dog)		

#### Other activities carried out by Council Ranger month ending December

- Updating existing records as required under *NSW Companion Animals Act 1998* legislation
- Entering new data on NSW Pet Register as per legislative requirements
- Correspondence issued in regard to straying dogs (Impounding Act 1993), declare dog a Nuisance (CAA 1998)
- Penalty Infringement Notices issued x 2 *fail to prevent dog escaping* (CAA Act 1998)
- Correspondence issued in regard to barking dog complaints
- OLG check – data recorded and fees received Companion Animals Registration fees – month of September 2015
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- Answering enquiries in relation to all companion animals within the Weddin Shire
- Regular patrols of approved off leash areas, straying dogs
- Scanning of lost animals, investigation of ownership, returning to owners
- Stock callouts x 2 attendance, stock contained, owners found, correspondence issued
- Monthly reporting of dog and cat seizure as required OLG data spreadsheet – emailed to OLG
- Investigations and issue of notices taken overgrown blocks, fencing land, accumulation of Rubbish
- Investigation/completion of all service request forms
- Updating maintaining pound records
- Cleanliness WSC Impounding facility
- Communication with public regarding straying stock on private land.
- Recycle bin checks – contaminated waste, bins identified, letters to follow to owners/rental properties

Animal control activities for January 2016 were:

#### a. Companion Animals

Animals Seized:	3 (Dogs)	Animals Returned to Owners:	3 (Dogs)
Animals Impounded:	1 (Cat)	Animals Destroyed:	0
Animals Sold:	0	Animals Released:	1 (Cat)
Animals Surrendered:	0	Animals Rehomed:	0
Animals Straying:	0		

### Other activities carried out by Council Ranger month ending January

- Verification of existing microchips, details updated
- Information given owner proposed restricted dog – compliance requirements
- Maintenance and record keeping of activities for impounding facility
- Reporting of seizure activities to Office Local Government via e-mail spreadsheet
- Updating existing records as per required under *NSW Companion Animals Act 1998* legislation
- Entering new data on NSW Pet Register as per legislative requirements
- Communication with community re Impounding Act 1993 legislation – straying dog public place
- Communication with community re Impounding Act 1993 – straying stock private property
- Acting and advising public in accordance with *Local Orders Policy for the keeping of Animals*
- Scanning of lost animals, investigation of ownership and returning to owners
- Impounding of animals
- Stock callouts x 3 attendance, stock contained, owners found and informed, correspondence issued
- Investigation/completion of all service request forms
- Media releases through Grenfell Record – Attention Dog Owners – offences/penalties.
- Assisting Grenfell Police in securing dogs on private property so as to search premises – drugs
- Recycling bin checks for contaminated waste
- Correspondence issued re contaminated bins to property owners
- Communication with public through flyer release (80 copies) do's and don'ts of recycling

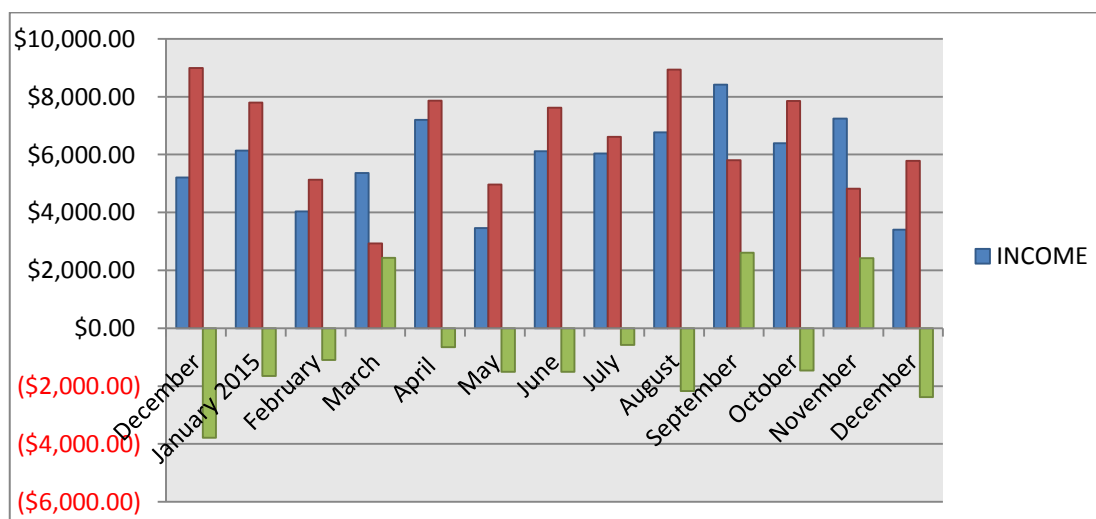
For Council's Information

Noted

### 3. Caravan Park Operations, P2.3.3

Income for the month of December 2015 was \$3,405.00 with expenditure of \$5,779.98 resulting in an operational loss of \$2,374.98 the month.

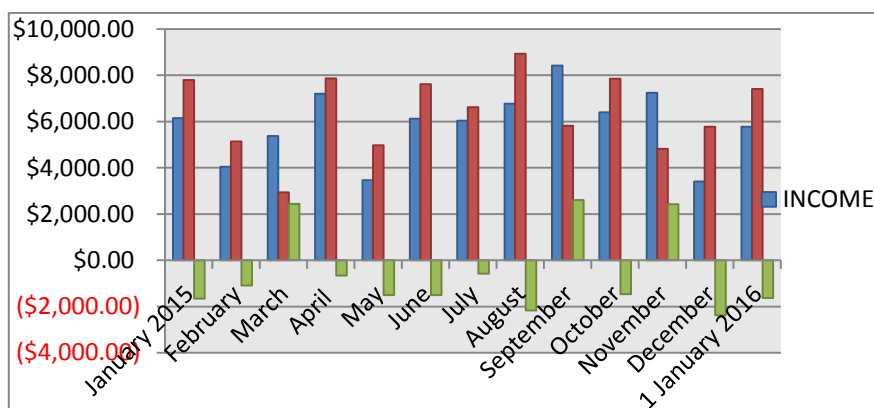
There were 129 sites occupied for the month of December 2015.



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Income for the month of January 2016 was \$5,774.00 with expenditure of \$7,412.59 resulting in an operational loss of \$1,638.59 the month.

There were 184 sites occupied for the month of January 2016.



For Council's Information

Noted

### 4. Grenfell Swimming Pool, P2.3.1

#### December 2015

<b>Total Attendance:</b>	<b>4409</b>	<b>School Usage:</b>	496
<b>Daily Average:</b>	142	<b>Other Usage:</b>	302
<b>Cash Attendance:</b>	118 (Adult) 277 (Child)	<b>Season Ticket Sales</b>	
		Adult: 2	
		Pensioner: 3	
<b>Season Ticket Attendance:</b>	1141 (Adult) 2075 (Child)	Family: 2	
		Child: 1	

#### January 2016

<b>Total Attendance:</b>	<b>3853</b>	<b>School Usage:</b>	0
<b>Daily Average:</b>	128	<b>Other Usage:</b>	286
<b>Cash Attendance:</b>	174 (Adult) 247 (Child)	<b>Season Ticket Sales</b>	
		Adult: 1	
		Pensioner: 0	
<b>Season Ticket Attendance:</b>	1207 (Adult) 1939 (Child)	Family: 1	
		Child: 2	

Activities for the month:

- Grenfell Amateur Swimming Club – Friday Nights
- Squad training is held on Monday, Wednesdays and Saturdays
- Grenfell Amateur Swimming Club held a fundraiser on Australia Day

For Council's Information

Noted

### 5. Quandialla Swimming Pool, P2.3.1

**Total Attendance:** 1314 – December 2015 , 1211 – January 2016

**Average:** 42.4 – December 2015 , 39 – January 2016

**Season Ticket Sales**

Adult: 0

Family: 0

Activities for the months of December 2015 and January 2016:

- Swimming Club held Wednesday and Friday evenings
- Aqua Fitness Classes
- Quandialla Central School held one sports class, December
- Quandialla Centre School ran a “Sporting Communities” program from 7-11 December
- Bribbaree Public School held Intensive Swimming Program from the 7-11 December
- Young Baptist Church Youth Group held their Christmas party on the 18 December
- Annual Zone Swimming Carnival held in January (Clubs Attended: Grenfell, West Wyalong, Cootamundra, Temora, Junee, Young and Tumut)
- Private swimming lessons (2 x Austswim qualified girls)
- Sunday afternoons – Volleyball games

**For Council’s Information**

**Noted**

### 6. Clean Up Australia Day 2015, E3.3.8

The 2016 Clean Up Australia Day event will be held on Sunday 6th March 2016 with details to be finalised and advertised in the Grenfell Record.

Other Clean Up Days are: Schools – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2016  
Business – Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2016

Clean Up Australia Day is the perfect opportunity for everyone to come together and help clean up our local parks and waterways and think about how we can reduce our impact on the environment.

**For Council’s Information**

**Noted**

### 7. Waste 2 Art 2015, E3.3.15

Council has been invited to participate in Waste 2 Art 2016 “Year of Used Tyres”.

This exhibition and competition gives aspiring and professional artists the chance to explore and share their waste reduction message and provides a wonderful opportunity for all community members to showcase their artistic ability.

The WASTE 2 ART Community Art Exhibition is open to all individuals, community members, artists and schools who currently reside in the NetWaste region.

#### Local Competition

The most inspiring work from section in all categories will receive a prize. The most inspiring work from all 5 Categories will be entered into the Regional Competition. A 3 day exhibition will be held at the HUB (Art Gallery) from Wednesday 4th May – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2016.

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### Regional Waste 2 Art Competition

The Regional Competition to be held at Condobolin Community Centre and will offer cash prizes to the total value of nearly \$8000, for the most inspiring artwork in each section, for an overall winner, for a people's choice award, for an annual theme award and a curators award.

At the local level there will be 5 Categories: Primary School, High School, Community, Open & Building or Element of Buildings/Large Sculpture with 3 in each – 2D (Poster/Painting/Collage/Drawing), 3D (Sculpture/Installation/Video/Soundscape), Functional (Furniture/Craftworks & Wearable Objects) supported by Council.

It is considered that an appropriate prizes of \$30 per level be provided to a total of \$450.

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Council sponsor prizes to the total amount of \$450 for first place prizes in Waste to Art 2016.

**369** **RESOLVED:** Cr Hughes and Cr Brown that Council sponsor prizes to the total amount of \$450 for first place prizes in Waste to Art 2016.

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### **B. Planning and Development Matters:**

#### **1. Development Applications**

The undermentioned applications were received and determined subject to specified conditions, by the General Manager under delegated authority issued on 21 March 2013 (Res. No. 368):

#### **December 2015**

<b>DA NO.</b>	<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Construction</b>	<b>Value (\$)</b>	<b>Address</b>
43/2015	Mr B Williams	Rural Shed	\$37,000	Lot: 32 DP: 850238 1575 Back Piney Range Road GRENFELL NSW 2810
44/2015	Mr PG Mawhinney	Use as grain handling & Storage Facility	\$20,000	Lot: 1 DP: 819405 Brundah Street GRENFELL NSW 2810
51/2015	Aarons Outbuilding Living	Timber Workshop – Home Occupancy	\$26,500	Lot: 8 DP: 1113505 16 Lawson Drive GRENFELL NSW 2810
55/2015	Mr TJ Galvin	Additions to Dwelling & New Garage and Carport	\$35,000	Lot: 1 DP: 539930 1 Dagmar Street GRENFELL NSW 2810
56/2015	Miss KM Hargrave	Above ground Swimming Pool	\$2,000	Lot: 431 DP: 75458 Manganese Road GRENFELL NSW 2810

#### **January 2016**

<b>DA NO.</b>	<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Construction</b>	<b>Value (\$)</b>	<b>Address</b>
57/2015	Mr PF & Mrs LY Eastaway	Double Carport	\$2,200	Lot: 1167 DP: 754578 Star Street GRENFELL NSW 2810
58/2015	Mr R & Mrs MD Neill	Home Industry – Mechanical Repairs	\$0	Lot: 13 Sec: 25 DP: 758473 17 North Street GRENFELL NSW 2810
59/2015	Andys Design & Drafting	Alteration of Roof Structure & Installation of Storage Silo	\$200,000	Lot: 1 DP: 819405 Brundah Street GRENFELL NSW 2810
60/2015	Mr MG Mitton	Rural Shed	\$37,500	Lot: 1 DP: 1063417 “Clare Park” Cowra Road GRENFELL NSW 2810
2/2016	Andys Design & Drafting	Extension/Addition to Dwelling	\$110,000	Lot: 4 DP: 872222 3650 Henry Lawson Way GRENFELL NSW 2810
3/2016	Mr MJ Liebich	Swimming Pool	\$25,000	Lot: 10 DP: 1016394 60 Murrays Lane GRENFELL NSW 2810
4/2016	Mr S & Mrs D Allen	Swimming Pool	\$30,000	Lot: 5 DP: 111761 83 Langfields Road GREENETHORPE 2809

**For Council's Information**

**Cr Liebich declared a conflict of interest in DA 3/2016 and remained in the room as the matter was not discussed.**

**Noted**

**2. Weddin Aquatic Centre, P2.3.1**

Council resolved at its Ordinary May 2015 Council Meeting to develop the aquatic centre in stages being:

- Stage 1 – 50m pool, plant and concourse
- Stage 2 – Amenities
- Stage 3 – Splash Pad and Program Pool

Council has resolved to demolish the entire facility excluding the Toddlers Pool, with the placement of temporary facilities for the 2016/17 season with handover of the cleared site to the builder on 1 April 2016. This will require the development of a temporary system to service the existing toddler's pool. Should this be unavailable, consideration will need to be given to alternative arrangements to provide an appropriate shallow water area.

Tenders were called for in October 2015 with an 8 week process closing on 18 December 2015 with assessment and recommendation for determination at Extraordinary Council Meeting on 1 February 2016.

Council resolved at its Extra Ordinary Meeting on 1 February 2016 to award Weddin Shire Council Tender 3/2015 for the contract to Design & Construct the Weddin Aquatic Centre Redevelopment Stage 1 – 50m Pool and associated Plant in Grenfell NSW to ICON Building Group.

Council has met with the ICON Group and it is anticipated the contract will be executed shortly.

The last day of operation shall be 13 March 2016, with demolition to commence on Wednesday 16 March 2016.

**For Council's Information**

**Noted**

**3. Grenfell Medical Centre Development, P2.12.17**

Council has continued to advance the progress of the development with substantial actions occurring in the reporting period.

The "Diaphragm Brace" has been installed and now the final demolition and commencement to work for slab and service preparation.

Council continues to assess quotes for various components and has appointed several sub-contractors.

Council is reviewing the position of the dentist facilities with the suggestion from Community Health that provision be made for two dental surgeries that would allow a viable commercial practice. The plan has been completed and is attached.

Additional steel working drawings have been prepared to assist in that portion of the quoting process and will be forwarded to relative parties for consideration and price submission.

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Council adopt new floor plan as set out in the Design West Plan 1- Rev D.

**370** **RESOLVED:** Cr Parlett and Cr McClelland that Council adopt new floor plan as set out in the Design West Plan 1- Rev D.

#### **4. Bush Fire Prone Land, E1.3.1**

Council currently maintains a Bush Fire Prone Land Map which identifies land impacted by bushfires threat in the Shire.

This map was developed in conjunction with the Rural Fire Service.

As part of the introduction of Category 3 into the Bush Fire Prone Land System, a 3 year transition period will occur. During this period councils will need to recertify their bush fire prone land maps and incorporate the new Category 3 layer.

#### **Vegetation Category 1**

Vegetation Category 1 is considered to be the highest risk for bush fire. It is represented as red on the bush fire prone land map and will be given a 100m buffer. This vegetation category has the highest combustibility and likelihood of forming fully developed fires including heavy ember production. Vegetation Category 1 consists of:

- Areas of forest, woodlands, heaths (tall and short), forested wetlands and timber plantations.

#### **Vegetation Category 2**

Vegetation Category 2 is considered to be a lower bush fire risk than Category 1 and Category 3 but higher than the excluded areas. It is represented as light orange on a bush fire prone land map and will be given a 30 metre buffer. This vegetation category has lower combustibility and/or limited potential fire size due to the vegetation area shape and size, land geography and management practices. Vegetation Category 2 consists of:

- Rainforests
- Lower risk vegetation parcels. These vegetation parcels represent a lower bush fire risk to surrounding development and consist of:
  - Remnant vegetation;
  - Land with ongoing land management practices that actively reduces bush fire risk. These areas must be subject to a plan of management or similar that demonstrates that the risk of bush fire is offset by strategies that reduce bush fire risk; AND include:
    - Discrete urban reserve/s;
    - Parcels that are isolated from larger uninterrupted tracts of vegetation and known fire paths;
    - Shapes and topographies which do not permit significant suppression by firefighters;



- Vegetation that represents a lower likelihood of ignitions because the vegetation is surrounded by development in such a way that an ignition in any part of the vegetation has a higher likelihood of detection.

### **Vegetation Category 3**

Vegetation Category 3 is considered to be medium bush fire risk vegetation. It is higher in bush fire risk than category 2 (and the excluded areas) but lower than Category 1. It is represented as dark orange on a Bush Fire Prone Land map and will be given a 30 metre buffer. This category consists of:

- Grasslands, freshwater wetlands, semi-arid woodlands, alpine complex and arid shrublands.

A review of the map has been completed by RFS and is provided to Council to concur with and request the Commissioner of the RFS recertify the document.

Council officers have reviewed the draft and note no changes to the existing mapped area.

**RECOMMENDATION:** that Council provide a letter to the Commissioner of Rural Fire Service requesting recertification of the Weddin Shire Bushfire Prone Land Map. It is also recommended Vegetation Category 3 be reviewed with the 3 year transition period based on data supplied by Rural Fire Service.

- 371** **RESOLVED:** Cr Hughes and Cr Niven that Council provide a letter to the Commissioner of Rural Fire Service requesting recertification of the Weddin Shire Bushfire Prone Land Map. It is also recommended Vegetation Category 3 be reviewed with the 3 year transition period based on data supplied by Rural Fire Service.

B J HAYES

**DIRECTOR ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

- 372** **RESOLVED:** Cr Best and Cr Brown that except where otherwise dealt with the Director Environmental Service's report be adopted.

**MINUTES OF THE WEDDIN SHIRE COUNCIL AUSTRALIA DAY COMMITTEE  
MEETING HELD TUESDAY 15TH DECEMBER 2015, 9AM IN THE COUNCIL  
MEETING ROOM**

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1. **Present:** L Mason, R Sinclair, E Baker, K Engelsman, A Carr.

2. **Apologies:** Nil

3. **Confirmation of Minutes:** November 17th 2015

**Resolved:** R Sinclair/ K Engelsman that the minutes of November 17th 2015 be confirmed.

4. **Correspondence:**

**In:** Australia Day merchandise catalogue

**Out:** M Nicoll  
G Nicoll  
J Hetherington  
J Hetherington  
D Knapp  
Grenfell Town band  
M Liebich  
C Lobb  
R Newton  
P Mitton  
B Twohill  
P Moffitt  
Ambassador program- withdraw

5. **Program for 2016:**

**SET UP**

- Historical Society to provide flag, bunting and award table. Auburn to confirm with Peter Mitton whether the Historical Society is able to provide these services in Ian Pitt's absence. Lions to provide chairs and 10 tables.

**THEME**

- The Sesquicentenary theme 'come home to Grenfell' will be used.

**CEREMONY**

- Master of Ceremonies –Geoff Nicoll accepted. Would like information on nominees.
- Ambassador- to be renamed Guest of Honor as not part of the Woolworth Ambassador program. Margery Nicoll has accepted. Margery will be asked to give some biography information as part of her presentation as many people may be unfamiliar with her achievements.
- Award Nominees –Mark Liebich has accepted. Nominations to be handled by Weddin Shire Council.
- National Anthem – David Knapp accepted and will perform the first verse with the town band.
- Flag raising- Cadets to raise flag during the anthem.
- Prayer of thanks- Rob Newton is overseas and out of contact. Jarrod Amery, a representative of the AOG church, to be invited in Rob's absence.

## **ENTERTAINMENT**

- Music – Town Band accepted invitation for music prior to the ceremony. No other entertainment to be sourced to allow time for the launch of the sesquicentenary.
- Sesquicentenary Launch- Peter Moffitt has advised that his 15 minute allocation will include an outline of the activities planned in 2016, announcing Mari Bashir as the official guest on the October long weekend, explaining the ‘Come Home to Grenfell’ theme and launching the beard growing competition.
- Poetry –John Hetherington accepted. ‘How lucky we are to live in Australia’ will be his theme.
- Children’s Competition- R Sinclair has provided prizes. Kathleen McCue will be invited to prepare designs for children to color in. Chris Lobb has templates that can be used if Kathleen declines. C Lobb to supervise the competition. Jenny Hetherington to judge. Roma has provided new pencils, crayons and textas. Roma to prepare an article on the colouring completion for publication the Grenfell Record to encourage entrants.

## **CATERING**

- BBQ- Rotary
- Damper- CWA Night Branch will continue this tradition.
- Tea, coffee and cold drinks- Cadets

### **6. General Business:**

- Keith has the Soldiers Memorial Hall booked if required.
- Keith has the lectern organised.
- Lorraine has the flag pole organised.
- If January 26<sup>th</sup> is wet G Carroll will make the decision at 7am to move to the Soldiers Memorial Hall.
- B Twohill to be reminded about Taylor Park maintenance- bins, power box, sprinklers, chain over driveway

### **7. Next Meeting:** January 12<sup>th</sup> 2016 9am in the Council Meeting Room.

Meeting closed at 9.25am

**373**     **RESOLVED:** Cr Brown and Cr McClelland that the Minutes of the Australia Day Committee Meeting be noted.

**MINUTES OF THE WEDDIN SHIRE COUNCIL AUSTRALIA DAY COMMITTEE  
MEETING HELD TUESDAY 12TH JANUARY 2016, 9AM IN THE COUNCIL  
MEETING ROOM**

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1. **Present:** L Mason, I Pitt, E Baker, K Engelsman, A Carr.

2. **Apologies:** O Draffin, R Sinclair.

3. **Confirmation of Minutes:** December 15th 2015

**Resolved:** K Engelsman/ E Baker that subject to the inclusion of I Pitt as an apology, the minutes of December 15th 2015 be confirmed.

4. **Correspondence:**

**In:** J Amery  
M Nicoll  
Grenfell Historical Society  
**Out:** J Amery  
M Nicoll  
Grenfell Historical Society

5. **Program for 2016:**

**SET UP**

- Historical Society to provide rope, flags, and award table. Lions to provide chairs and 10 tables.

**CEREMONY**

- The Sesquicentenary theme 'Come Home to Grenfell' will be used.
- Master of Ceremonies –Geoff Nicoll has confirmed his availability.
- Guest of Honour- Margery Nicoll has confirmed her availability.
- Award Nominees –Nominations to be handled by Weddin Shire Council.
- National Anthem – David Knapp will perform the first verse with the town band.
- Flag raising- Cadets to raise flag during the anthem.
- Prayer of thanks- Rob Newton has accepted.

**ENTERTAINMENT**

- Music – Town Band accepted invitation for music prior to the ceremony.
- Sesquicentenary Launch- Peter Moffitt has been allocated 15 minutes to launch the Sesquicentenary.
- Poetry –John Hetherington has accepted.
- Children's Competition- R Sinclair has provided prizes and drawing equipment. Chris Lobb has templates and will supervise. Jenny Hetherington to judge.

**CATERING**

- BBQ- Rotary
- Damper- CWA Night Branch.
- Tea, coffee and cold drinks- Cadets

**6. General Business:**

- Keith has the Soldiers Memorial Hall booked if required.
- Keith has the lectern organised.
- Lorraine has the indoor flag pole organised.
- If January 26<sup>th</sup> is wet G Carroll will make the decision at 7am to move to the Soldiers Memorial Hall. If this occurs G Carroll will call Keith Engelsman 63433292, Peter Mitton 63432147 and Steve Lander 63432151.
- B Twohill to be reminded about Taylor Park maintenance- bins, power box, sprinklers, chain on driveway.
- Final program to be distributed to the Grenfell Record, committee, notice board, TV screen and IGA.

**7. Next Meeting:** TBC , Meeting closed at 9.15am

**374**     **RESOLVED:** Cr Niven and Cr McClelland that the Minutes of the Australia Day Committee Meeting be noted.

**MINUTES OF THE LOCAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON TUESDAY, 2 FEBRUARY 2016  
COMMENCING AT 4.30 PM (E1.1.5)**

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- 1. PRESENT:** Bill Twohill (LEMO, Chair - Weddin Shire Council), Warren Goodall (REMO), Jodie Marshall (REMO), Brendan Hayes (Weddin Shire Council), Michael Madgwick (LEOCON), Brendan Sirol (Alternate LEOCON), Craig Johnson (Fire & Rescue NSW), Mark Hughes (Fire & Rescue NSW), Steve Hayes (Fire & Rescue NSW), Bill Atchison (State Emergency Service), Angus Nielsen (Rural Fire Service), Maurice Simpson (Observer - State Emergency Service),

- 2. APOLOGIES:** Nichole Richardson, Andrew Noble, Karen Hancock and David Sheehan.

**Resolved:** B Atchison and M Madgwick that the apologies be accepted.

- 3. MINUTES:**

**Resolved:** B Sirol and B Atchison that the minutes of meeting held on 13 October 2015 be adopted as read.

- 4. MATTERS ARISING**

- 4.1 Weddin EMPLAN**

To be completed.

**Noted**

- 5. GENERAL BUSINESS**

Nil

- 6. CORRESPONDENCE**

- 6.1 Letter from Warren Goodall**

The Committee thanked Warren for his assistance given to the LEMC over the last four years and wished him well in his new posting.

**Noted**

- 6.2 SES Consequence Management Guide**

Tabled and to be considered at next meeting.

**Noted**

- 7. MEMBERS REPORT**

- 7.1 Police**

- staff at full strength
- two housefires
- Police to be advised of all significant house and car fires occur.

- 7.2 Rural Fire Service**

- fire season not large at this stage
- windrow and mound burning still an issue

**7.3 SES**

- attend five tree jobs
- attended 1 roof job

**7.4 Fire & Rescue NSW**

- up to strength
- 10 members trained at working at heights
- training to continue

**7.5 NSW Health - Nil**

**8. REMO – JODIE MARSHALL**

Jodie Marshall gave an overview of her background and was enthusiastic to work with us.

**9. NEXT MEETINGS:** - Tuesday 3 May, 2016 at 4:30pm.

**10. CLOSURE:** There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 5:00 pm.

**W TWOHILL  
(LEMO)**

**375 RESOLVED:** Cr Parlett and Cr Halls that the Minutes of the Local Emergency Management Committee be adopted including the recommendations therein, except where otherwise resolved.

**MINUTES OF THE GRENFELL ART GALLERY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD THURSDAY 4 FEBRUARY, 2016 AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS COMMENCING AT 8.30 AM (C2.6.35)**

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1. **PRESENT:** H Moffitt, Clr C Brown, W Crampton, M Moffitt, A Carr, C Myers and G Carroll.

2. **APOLOGY:** Clr Griffiths

**Resolved:** M Moffitt and H Moffitt that the apology be accepted.

3. **MINUTES:**

**Resolved:** Clr Brown and W Crampton that the minutes of the meeting held on 3 December 2015 be adopted.

**Clr Parlett entered the meeting at this point 8.31 am.**

4. **MATTERS ARISING**

4.1 Arts and Tourism Officer Position

Glenn welcomed Claire to her first meeting, congratulated her on her appointment and wished her all the very best in her new role.

Glenn also thanked Auburn Carr for her efforts in coordinating the Art Gallery over the last twelve months.

5. **CORRESPONDENCE:**

**Inwards** Nil

**Outwards** Nil

6. **ART GALLERY – CO-ORDINATORS REPORT**

**Resolved:** M Moffitt and Clr Parlett that Council write to the volunteers who assisted with the removal of the frosting and thank them for their assistance.

**Resolved:** H Moffitt and Clr Parlett that the Art Gallery Co-ordinator's Report be adopted as presented.

7. **ART GALLERY – FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

**Resolved:** W Crampton and M Moffitt that the Art Gallery Financial Statement be adopted as presented.

8. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

8.1 Action Plan – currently being developed and will be presented to the next meeting for adoption. Plan to include development of an accredited Visitors Information Centre (VIC) open 7 days per week. To be promoted through the Weddin Development Committee (WDC) whereby other businesses will be encouraged to open weekends.

9. **NEXT MEETING:** Thursday 7 April, 2016 at 8.30 am at the Council Chambers.

10. **MEETING CLOSED:** There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 9:29 am.

**376** **RESOLVED:** Cr Parlett and Cr Best that the Minutes of the Art Gallery Committee Meeting be adopted including the recommendations therein, except where otherwise resolved.



**MINUTES OF THE WEDDIN LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM AT 10.05 AM ON THURSDAY, 4 FEBRUARY 2015 (C2.6.3)**

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1. **PRESENT:** W Twohill (Director Engineering), P Smith (NSW Police), S Grierson (RMS), Maurice Simpson (Local Member's Representative) and C Gibbons (RMS - Observer)

2. **APOLOGIES:** Nil

3. **MINUTES:**

**Resolved:** S Grierson and M Simpson that the minutes of the meeting held 16 September be adopted as read.

4. **MATTERS ARISING**

4.1 **Warraderry Street School Crossing**

Signs to be changed to size 'B' fluorescent mother and children signs.

**Noted**

4.2 **Kristie Hodges – Bumbaldry Bus Interchange**

Letter received from RMS advising that the current signage and configuration of the road at the access to the interchange is sufficient for the sight distance and safe use of the interchange.

**Noted**

4.3 **Bridge over Brundah Creek (Hunts Bridge)**

Letter received from RMS advising that there are two reported crashed between 2004 and 2006, including one injury crash and one non-injury crash. Given the limited crash history, the location is not a priority for a more extensive road safety investigation or remediation. However, the Network and Safety Officer for Weddin will do an initial inspection of the location when next in the area, to ensure there are no critical risks to road safety that require an immediate response.

**Noted**

4.4 **Caragabal Primary School Zone**

School zone flashing signs installed at all schools in Weddin Shire.

**Noted**

4.5 **Active Transport Plan for Weddin Shire Council**

Submission to be completed by April 2016.

**Noted**

4.6 **Rygate Square Intersection**

To be incorporated in Active Transport Plan.

**Noted**

4.7 **2015 Grenfell Goldfest**

Event proceeded with no problems encountered.

**Noted**

4.8 **2015 le Tour de Greenethorpe**

Event proceeded.

**Noted**

- 4.9 **Red No Stopping Signs.**  
Replaced.

**Noted**

5. **CORRESPONDENCE**

5.1 **Reggie McNamara**

The committee is happy to work with the Event Coordinator in the planning of the event. The Police require a minimum of three months to approve the event.

**Noted**

5.2 **Camp Quality Tractor Trek**

Insurance to include RMS, Police, Weddin Shire, Cabonne Shire and Cowra Shire as interested parties. Special event template to be filled in.

Tractor Trek to be sent to Luke Hodges RMS. Can be sent electronically.

**Noted**

5.3 **MR 398 – Mary Gilmore Way - Barrier lines**

**Resolved:** That barrier lines be provided from Rumbles Lane for approximately 2 km including advisory speed signs as per the report.

5.4 **Main Street – Taxi Rank**

The Committee offered no objection to the relocation of the existing taxi rank from outside the Motel to east of the existing pedestrian crossing on the southern side of Main Street subject to advertising the proposal for comment and the construction of the taxi rank access.

**Noted**

6. **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

6.1 **Special Events**

Package to be prepared and sent to co-ordinators.

**Noted**

6.2 **Agenda Items**

Agenda items to be sent with the agenda.

**Noted**

7. **NEXT MEETING:** Date to be advised

8. **CLOSURE:** There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 11:40 am.

**377** **RESOLVED:** Cr Brown and Cr Best that the Minutes of the Local Traffic Committee be adopted including the recommendations therein, except where otherwise resolved.

**MINUTES OF THE WEDDIN SHIRE COUNCIL TOURISM COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 4TH FEBRUARY 2016 AT 3.30PM AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

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1. **PRESENT:** Clr J. Parlett, Clr C. Brown, Clr N Hughes, Clr. P Best, C. Logan, P. Diprose, L. Gibson, C. Myers, A. Carr.

2. **APOLOGY:** W. Crampton

**Resolved:** Clr C Brown/ Clr J Parlett that the apology be accepted.

3. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:** 3rd December 2015

**Resolved:** Clr C Brown/ Clr N Hughes that the minutes of the 3rd December 2015 meeting be confirmed.

4. **MATTERS ARISING:**

Nil

5. **CORRESPONDENCE:**

In: Pauline Tregenza

Suggestions regarding tourism and heritage to improve the visitor experience including celebration of Grenfell's sesquicentenary, promotion of Main Street history and promotion of Ben Hall. A heritage walk could address some of these ideas in the short term. Quote to be presented to next meeting.

**3.32pm W. Crampton entered the room**

**Resolved:** Clr C Brown / Clr J Parlett that a letter is written thanking Pauline for her input and confirming that all of the items regarding tourism are included in the strategic plan and priorities.

Out: B&B Networking Group  
Jan Wallace  
Jenn Graham

**Resolved:** Clr C Brown/ W Crampton that the correspondence is endorsed.

6. **PROJECTS:**

- Visitor Information Centre- The position has been filled and the successful applicant commences February 1<sup>st</sup>. Lachlan congratulated Claire on her appointment. Discussion was had over zones for imagery in the hallway. Claire to outline her suggestions and distribute to the committee for feedback no later than 12<sup>th</sup> February 2016. Quotes have been sourced to line the Community Hub hallway with inspirational imagery, for brochure display and brochure storage. Awaiting quote on combined brochure display and storage. Discussion was had over the total cost of the required investment in the hallway. A draft VIC strategic plan to be presented to the next meeting. Discussion was had over the storage quotations. Further investigation to be undertaken.

<b>Summary of quotes</b>	
<b>Imagery -design</b>	Prices are ex GST
Five Hours West	<b>\$1320 recommended</b>
Pickawall	\$120/hour
<b>Imagery- purchase</b>	
Signs R Us -HP removable	<b>\$4240 recommended</b>
Signs R Us -Laminated vinyl	\$6625
Pickawall (non-commercial)	\$3809.23
Five Hours West	\$5746
<b>Imagery -installation</b>	
Signs R Us-HP removable	<b>\$1885 recommended</b>
Signs R Us-Laminated Vinyl	\$1650
Magnify Installs	\$2200
<b>Custom storage cabinet</b>	
David Buttenshaw	<b>\$2263.63 recommended</b>
Daztan Kitchens	\$2958.18
<b>Brochure display</b>	
Shop For Shop	\$1562.09

**Resolved:** Clr J Parlett / Clr C Brown that quotes for design, imagery and installation be accepted as recommended.

**Resolved:** Clr J Parlett / Clr N Hughes that a draft strategic be presented to the next meeting.

- Gold Fest- A review to be held to discuss the future of the Grenfell Gold Fest. Business owners, operations and community representatives to be invited. The meeting should be at 8am so business people can attend before work. Date in March to be confirmed.

**Resolved:** Clr C Brown/ W Crampton that Gold Fest be reviewed in March 2016.

- Tourism “Mapping” exercise – a map of Grenfell to be developed using data collected from the mapping exercise. Phil to brief Claire on the mapping exercise in the coming weeks.
- Social Media – Facebook posts are being made at approximately two per week. Paid Sesquicentenary posts are being made by Five Hours West on the same page. Posts are being scheduled to not overlap. If available a surplus ipad will be repurposed to tourism to allow the use of new social media platforms. Individual social media platforms for individual events were discussed with the decision made to use the Grenfell Tourism platform for all events to maintain contact after the event and grow the overall database.
- Central NSW Tourism Update- Unearth Central NSW Campaign for 2016 is currently being designed. New Executive Officer yet to be appointed, awaiting outcome on RTOs future.
- Central NSW Tourism Destination Management Plan. A draft DMP is currently circulated to operators for feedback by 12th February. New DMP may be too ambiguous for use with funding applications.
- Reggie McNamara- A two day endurance sporting weekend featuring a Reggie McNamara themed cycling race and Henry Lawson themed half marathon is tentatively titled the Grenfell Festival of Fitness. Dates proposed are March 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> 2017. The event has been discussed with Cycling NSW and Cycling ACT. In addition fun participative events are proposed to maximise attendance. The event will likely involve camping at the showgrounds in a tent city.

Representative from Elite Energy were in Grenfell on 6-8<sup>th</sup> January and met with relevant staff and authorities and inspected possible courses. The event is being proposed for 3 years. The organising company is seeking in kind support and cash sponsorship of \$15000. Consider using the Economic Development reserve rather than waiting for the estimates process to fund this sponsorship. A proposal has been received from Elite Energy with maps, risk assessment, risk management plan, event schedule and event proposal. Letters of support to be sought from Cycling NSW, Cycling ACT and Quandialla Progress Association.

**7. PRIORITISING PROJECTS:**

The Henry Lawson Birthsite redevelopment to be included as a short term high priority.

**8. UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- ‘Aussie Icons’ gallery exhibition until 27<sup>th</sup> Feb
- Iandra Castle Open Day 27<sup>th</sup> March
- ‘A Journey Less Ordinary’ gallery exhibition 1<sup>st</sup> March-18<sup>th</sup> April
- Festival of Small Halls 3<sup>rd</sup> April
- Caragabal Ball April 9<sup>th</sup>
- Uniting Church Hall Reunion 10<sup>th</sup> April
- Grenfell Picnic Races 16<sup>th</sup> April
- Twofold Gallery exhibition 19<sup>th</sup> April- 28<sup>th</sup> May
- Iandra Castle Open Day 24<sup>th</sup> April
- Weddin Business Awards 30<sup>th</sup> April
- Historic Homes of the Weddin Shire book launch 7<sup>th</sup> May
- Henry Lawson Festival 9-13<sup>th</sup> June
- Golden oldies rugby 12<sup>th</sup> June
- Kate Kelly Sister of An outlaw art gallery exhibition 17<sup>th</sup> June- 30<sup>th</sup> July
- Blue Brundah Cowra Road Uniting Church’ Centenary 29<sup>th</sup> May 2016
- Bob Hind Memorial Go Kart racing July 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>
- Grenfell Show 2-3rd September
- Caragabal Sheep Races 10<sup>th</sup> September
- Jockey Club Races 17<sup>th</sup> September
- Weddin Wanderers Sesquicentenary Walk 18<sup>th</sup> September
- Tour de Greenethorpe 25<sup>th</sup> September
- Weddin Mountain Muster 25-30 September
- Grenfell’s Sesquicentenary 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> October
- Open Gardens 1-2<sup>nd</sup> October
- Henry Lawson Sesquicentenary June 2017

**9. REPORTS:**

Nil

**10. BUSINESS WITH NOTICE:**

Clr Jan Parlett- Grenfell Record Masthead- carried over to next meeting.

**11. QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE:**

Nil

**12. NEXT MEETING: Thursday 7th April 2016 3.30pm at the Council Chambers**

**13. CLOSURE: 4.48pm**

**378** **RESOLVED:** Cr Parlett and Cr Brown that the Minutes of the Tourism Committee Meeting be adopted including the recommendations therein, except where otherwise resolved.

**MINUTES OF HERITAGE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 4  
FEBRUARY 2015 AT 5.00 pm AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS (C2.6.22).**

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1. **PRESENT:** Clr J Parlett, Clr N Hughes, Clr C Brown, Mrs P Livingstone, Mr J Hetherington, Mr B Hayes (DES/Chair), Mrs S Jackson-Stepowski (HA)

2. **APOLOGIES:** Mr I Pitt, Mrs D Yates and Mrs I Holmes

**Resolved:** Clr Hughes and Clr Parlett that the apologies be accepted.

3. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:** Thursday, 3 December 2015

**Resolved:** Clr Brown and Mrs Livingstone that the minutes 3 December 2015 be adopted.

4. **MATTERS ARISING:**

4.1 2015/16 Heritage Funding Allocation

Mr Hayes advised that all agreements have been forwarded to applicants.

4.2 Medical Centre Historical Reference Panels

Mrs Jackson is still researching and working on the Panels.

4.3 Grenfell Motel – Multi Media Ownership

Mrs Jackson advised: a) Sculpture – Men's Shed

b) Four Paintings – Owner (Motel)

c) Tiles – Council

d) Mural – Unsure

e) Map - Unsure

4.4 Masters of Heritage Management Course – Uni Students

Mrs Jackson to follow up with contact.

4.5 2016 National Trust Heritage Festival (Discovery and Rediscoveries)

Mr Hayes advised a copy of the Magazine will be tabled on receipt.

4.6 Urban Conservation Area – Paint Schemes

**Noted**

4.7 Mingle on Main – Signage

**Noted**

5. **CORRESPONDENCE:**

5.1 Email, Pauline Tregenza – Dated 22 January 2016

**Resolved:** Clr Brown and Clr Hughes that:

a) Mr Hayes write a letter of thanks to Mrs Tregenza

b) Main Street Study – Upload to Website

c) Copy of MSS to Arts/Tourism Officer for Potential Walks Brochure

**6. BUSINESS WITH NOTICE:**

- 6.1 Email, Pauline Tregenza – Dated 22 January 2016  
As resolved above in item 5.1

**7. HERITAGE ADVISORS REPORT**

Mrs Jackson-Stepowski gave a verbal report on:

- General overview: a) Local Heritage Grant Funding  
b) Advice for 6 proposals
- Concerns regarding continuation of Funding for Heritage Service and Local Grants

**Resolved:** Clr Brown and Clr Hughes that Council write to Premier and appropriate Ministers seeking confirmation and commitment to the continuation of Funding for:

- a) Heritage Advisors
- b) Local Heritage Grants
- c) Return to Triannual cycle

- Identification of 28 Markers and Arts/Tourism made aware of program
- Review of Historical printing material and machinery at Grenfell Record Building

**Resolved:** Clr Hughes and Mr Hetherington that Tourism/Heritage issues continue to carry through to Centroc for consideration on advocacy in its strategic planning

**Resolved:** Clr Brown and Mrs Livingstone that Council write to NSW Health Western & Health Council seeking explanation as to painting of Buildings at Grenfell MPS, particularly the orange building.

**8. QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE:**  
Nil

- 9. NEXT MEETING:** Thursday 7 April 2016 at 5.00pm

- 10. CLOSURE:** There being no further business the meeting closed at 6.00pm.

**379 RESOLVED:** Cr Hughes and Cr Brown that the Minutes of the Heritage Committee Meeting be adopted including the recommendations therein, except where otherwise resolved.

**MINUTES OF THE NOXIOUS WEEDS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON MONDAY, 15 FEBRUARY 2016 COMMENCING AT 3.30 PM (C2.6.13)**

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1. **PRESENT:** Clrs Halls and Niven, W Twohill (Chair), K Frost (Noxious Weeds Officer), K Starr (Landcare) and M Liebich (Observer).

- 2 **APOLOGY:** Clr Griffiths and H Matthews

**Resolved:** Clr Niven and Clr Halls that the apologies be accepted.

3. **MINUTES:** 14 September 2015

**Resolved:** Clr Niven and Clr Halls that the Minutes of 14 September 2015 be adopted.

4. **MATTERS ARISING:**

- 4.1 Local Government NSW

Red guideposts to be installed if an outbreak of high risk weeds occur.

**Noted**

- 4.2 Weed Mapping Programme

Planned to be installed in first week in March 2016.

**Noted**

5. **CORRESPONDENCE:**

Nil

6. **NOXIOUS WEEDS OFFICERS REPORT:**

September, October, November, December 2015 and January 2016 Reports

**Noted**

7. **NOXIOUS WEEDS BUDGET**

2015/2016 Vote - \$84,500

Expenditure to 31 January 2016 - \$41,791

2015/2016 Noxious Plants Extra Vote - \$20,000

Expenditure to 31 January 2016 - \$8,969

**Noted**

8. **BUSINESS WITH NOTICE**

- 8.1 Property Inspection

The Noxious Weeds Officer has carried out several Noxious Weeds inspections over the last few years on the property lot no. 127 – 129, 134, 137 – 139, 187, 188, 189, 190 in DP 734579 Parish Bumbaldry which showed significant amounts of blackberry.

The owner has been issued with at least two property inspection reports, but the blackberry has not been controlled.

As a result of a neighbour making a written complaint about the blackberries encroaching on his land, the Noxious Weeds Officer has reinspected and issued a property inspection report and will reinspect on Monday, 15 February 2016.



It is proposed to reinspect one week later and if nothing has been done, issue a Section 18A Notice with a deadline of 14 days to carry out the work. If the work is not done either issue Section 20 Notice (Council to do the work and charge landholder) or commence legal proceedings (Penalty Infringement Notice) (\$200 fine).

**Resolved:** K Starr and Clr Niven that the Committee endorse the actions on the landholders.

8.2 Local Land Services Representatives

Local Land Services wrote to Council requesting two representatives to be on the Central West Regional Weed Committee by 14 January 2016. Due to the short timing, the Director Engineering and Noxious Weeds Officer were nominated. The Noxious Weeds Committee members concurred with the nominations.

**Noted**

9. QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

Nil

**NEXT MEETING:** Monday, 14 March 2016 at 3.30 pm

**CLOSURE:** There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 4.14 pm.

**380** **RESOLVED:** Cr Halls and Cr Niven that the Minutes of the Noxious Weeds Committee Meeting be adopted including the recommendations therein, except where otherwise resolved.

**MINUTES OF THE INAUGURAL PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE  
MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 15 FEBRUARY 2016 COMMENCING AT 4.30 PM  
(C2.6.11)**

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1. **PRESENT:** Clrs Liebich (Chair), Halls, Niven, Hughes, Parlett, McClelland, Best and Brown (observer).  
Messrs G Carroll, W Twohill, B Hayes and L Gibson.

2. **APOLOGY:** Clr Griffiths

**Resolved:** Clr Hughes and Clr Best that the apology be accepted.

3. **MINUTES:**  
Nil

4. **MATTERS ARISING:**  
Nil

5. **ADOPTION OF CHARTER:**

**Resolved:** Clr Parlett and Clr Niven that the Charter for the Planning and Development Committee be adopted as presented.

6. **CORRESPONDENCE:**  
Nil

7. **REPORTS:**

- 7.1 **General Manager:**

7. **Grenfell Taxi Service**

**Resolved:** Clr Brown and Clr Hughes that the hours of service be amended to make the service available to 9.30 pm on Monday to Thursday and 11.00 pm Friday and Saturday nights.

- 7.2 **Corporate Services Department:**  
Report on Town Costings and Grenfell Festival of Fitness/Reggie McNamara Cycling Race.

- 7.3 **Director Engineering:**  
Reports on Works Report, Other Works, Future Works, Taylor Park Toilet, Draft Amended Policy for Tree Preservation and Removal (Policy No. 5.1.4), Quandialla Stormwater Drainage, Henry Lawson Oval – Proposed Toilet Block and Naming of Goodes Lane

- 7.4 **Director Environmental Services:**  
Reports on Sewerage Treatment Works, Animal Control, Caravan Park Operations, Grenfell Swimming Pool, Clean Up Australia Day, Weddin Aquatic Centre, Grenfell Medical Centre Development, Bushfire Prone Land and Town DAs.

8. **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

- 8.1 **Bogolong Dam Development**  
Meetings currently being arranged. Surveyors being engaged. Director Engineering pursuing.

**Noted**

## 9. DEVELOPMENT ENQUIRIES

Over the last month Council has had enquiries for development at the following premises:

• Wyalong Street, CARAGABAL	Occupation of Shop
• Main Street, GRENFELL	Proposed Business
• Main Street, GRENFELL	Shop Signage
• Henry Lawson Way GRENFELL	Septic System
• South Street, GRENFELL	Proposed change of Business Hours
• 5 Dalton Street, GRENFELL	Handrail
• 10 Lawson Drive, GRENFELL	Proposed Fencing
• 2 North Street, GRENFELL	Fencing
• Iandra Road, GREENETHORPE	Proposed Shed (Iandra Castle)
• Cnr Warraderry & Campbell Streets, GRENFELL	Proposed Subdivision
• Gooloogong Road, GRENFELL	Proposed Dwelling & Sewer
• Griffith Street, GREENETHORPE	Proposed Shed
• Newton Street, GRENFELL	Enquiry Shed Dwelling
• Greenethorpe	Swimming Pool
• Murray's Lane	Swimming Pool
• Dagmar Street, GRENFELL	Additions to Dwelling & Shed
• Northcote Street, GREENETHORPE	Proposed Shed

**Noted**

## 10. BUSINESS WITH NOTICE

Nil

## 11. QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

Nil

**12. NEXT MEETING:** Monday, 14 March 2016 at 4.30 pm.

**13. CLOSED:** There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 6.01 pm.

**381 RESOLVED:** Cr McClelland and Cr Parlett that the Minutes of the Inaugural Planning and Development Meeting be adopted including the recommendations therein, except where otherwise resolved.

**MINUTES OF THE MANEX MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, 16 FEBRUARY 2016  
COMMENCING AT 8.15 AM (C2.6.10)**

**Present:** Messrs G Carroll, W Twohill, B Hayes and L Gibson.

**Minutes:** of meeting 15 December 2015

**Resolved:** B Hayes and W Twohill that the minutes from 15 December 2015 be adopted.

**General Business:**

**1A Administration**

- (i) NSW Government's – Local Government Reform – a response from the Minister for Local Government the Hon Paul Toole MP received on 18 December 2015 advising that Council we will continue to be a stand alone independent Council. 'Fit for the Future' proposal to be resubmitted by May 2016 with proposal to be reassessed in June 2016. Further reported in General Manager's report.
- (ii) Integrated Planning and Reporting (IPR) – six month review of Delivery Plan to be submitted to March Council Meeting.
- (iii) 2016/2017 Operational Plan – workshop and extra-ordinary meeting to be held to commence prioritising for the annual plan.

**1B Human Resources**

(i) Vacancies

- Patch Truck Labourer – to be advertised.
- Parks and Gardens Apprenticeship –to be re-advertised.
- School Based Traineeship Parks and Gardens – currently making arrangements with school.
- School Based Traineeship Heavy Vehicle (Mechanical) – no interest to date.
- Two Casual Labourers – currently being advertised.

(ii) Appointments

- Grant Bolton - appointed to the position Plant Operator – Roller Driver. Commenced Monday, 25 January 2016.
- Claire Myers – appointed to the position Arts and Tourism Officer. Commenced Monday, 1 February 2016.
- Katherine Baker – appointed to the position General Manager's Secretary permanent/part time. Commenced Wednesday, 10 February 2016.
- Aaron Heatley - appointed to the position of Engineering Assistant on a temporary/casual basis. To commence on Monday, 22 February 2016.

(iii) Annual Assessments

- Administration – completed.
- Engineering – completed.
- Environmental – completed.

**2. Public Order and Safety**

Nil

**3. Health**

- (i) Grenfell Medical Centre – Contracts for specific and major components of the project obtained. Grant funding application to be resubmitted under Round 3 of (NSRF). No response to date from the Hon Angus Taylor in regards to the assessment of Council's application under Round 2. General Manager pursuing.

- (ii) Grenfell Medical Centre Operation – currently being considered. Further reported in General Manager’s report.

#### **4. Community Services and Education**

Nil

#### **5. Housing and Community Amenities**

- (i) Rural Land Use Study – possible land rezoning opportunities identified in rural zone (RU1). Consideration to be given to reducing minimum lot sizes in large lot residential zone (R5). Previous Consultant appointed to prepare the planning proposal now unavailable. Another Consultant currently being appointed. Director Environmental Services pursuing.
- (ii) Quandialla Recycling Depot – operating very well. Director Engineering monitoring.
- (iii) Emu Creek Storm Management Plan – grant funding application to undertake works as prioritised in plan to be resubmitted in March. Grant funding available \$157,286 with Council’s contribution being \$26,214. Written agreements developed to gain access to private land along Emu Creek and sent to private landowners for signing. Currently receiving responses. Director Engineering pursuing.
- (iv) O’Briens Tributary – preferred schemes to be considered at the next Floodplain committee meeting. Funding to be then sourced.

#### **6. Sewerage**

- (i) Smoke Testing – next round of smoke testing to be undertaken upon contract renewal. Director Engineering signed contract and Director Environmental Services pursuing internal compliance.
- (ii) Sewer Mains Relining – next stage currently being planned based on previous and recent CCTV works.

#### **7. Recreation and Culture**

- (i) Art Gallery – “Aussie Icons” is the current gallery exhibition and runs until the 29 February 2016.
- (ii) Cinema – the next movie is “Still Alice” which will be screened Wednesday, 24 February 2016.
- (iii) Henry Lawson Oval Master Plan – plan currently being developed. Director Engineering pursuing.
- (iv) Club Grants Category 3 Funding – grant funding application has been submitted for the Grenfell Swimming Pool upgrade. Awaiting outcome.

#### **8. Mining Manufacture and Construction**

- (i) Gravel Pit Leases – process continuing to secure pits. Director Engineering pursuing.

#### **9. Transport and Communication**

- (i) RMS Contract – reported in Director Engineering’s report.
- (ii) Other Programs –. **Noted**
- (iii) Traffic Control/Signage Training – to be arranged. Director Engineering pursuing.
- (iv) Engineering Strategic Planning Meetings – held frequently to discuss and review works plan for next 12 months and plan other capital projects to be completed in 2015/2016. Director Corporate Services and Director Environmental Services are being involved in regards to funding sources for projects, development application referrals and general development issues.
- (v) Bridge Renewal Program Round 2 – grant funding application successful for Blacks Bridge. Excellent result.

**10. Economic Affairs**

- (i) Industrial Land Sales – two sales currently proposed. Subdivision of land in progress prior to the sale process being initiated.
- (ii) Henry Lawson Festival – next meeting to be held on Tuesday, 16 February 2016. Arrangements for Festival in progress.

**11. General Purpose Revenues**

Nil

**12. Alliances**

- (i) Mid Lachlan Alliance – no recent meetings.

**13. Other Matters**

- (i) Overgrown Blocks – works completed for this season.
- (ii) Village/Roadside Slashing/Spraying – works completed for this season.

**14. Job List:** review

**Noted**

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, 15 March 2016 at 8.15 am.

**Closure:** There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 9.59 am.

**382** **RESOLVED:** Cr Brown and Cr McClelland that except where otherwise dealt with the Manex Committee Minutes be noted.

## **LIST OF INSPECTIONS, MEETINGS AND DEFERRED ACTIVITIES.**

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### **1. INSPECTIONS AND MEETINGS:**

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|---------------|---|--------------------|
| April 2012    | 1. <u>Grenfell Cemetery Maintenance:</u> further meeting to be held in May (DE).                                | <b>In Progress</b> |
| August 2015   | 2. <u>Sewer Charges:</u> advise ratepayer and report back to Council (DCS).                                     | <b>In Progress</b> |
| November 2015 | 3. <u>Grenfell Aquatic Centre:</u> call extra-ordinary meeting on 29 January 2016 to consider tenders (DES/GM). | <b>Carried Out</b> |

### **2. DEFERRED ACTIVITIES:**

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| September 2011 | 1. <u>Lawson Oval:</u> Cricket Association proposal to be referred to other users (DE).  | <b>In Progress</b> |
| April 2012     | 2. <u>Main Street Master Plan:</u> consider inclusion of heritage building signs (DE/DES).   | <b>In Progress</b> |
| November 2013  | 3. <u>O'Brien's Tributary – Drainage Improvement:</u> refer matter back to floodplain committee for further consideration and other possible options (DE). | <b>In Progress</b> |
| February 2014  | 4. <u>Lawson Oval Master Plan:</u> write to other users to assist in developing master plan (DE).  | <b>In Progress</b> |
|                | 5. <u>Quandialla Drainage:</u> arrange meeting with Quandialla Progress Association. Resubmit plans to Council (DE).                                       | <b>In Progress</b> |
|                | 6. <u>ARTC Road Interface Agreement:</u> awaiting response from LGNSW and John Holland in regards to signing agreement (DE).                               | <b>In Progress</b> |
| July 2014      | 7. <u>Henry Lawson Statue:</u> advertise and seek comments in regard to security camera (DE).  | <b>In Progress</b> |
|                | 8. <u>Bogolong Dam:</u> invite RMS and Paul Heinrichs to address Council (DE).   | <b>In Progress</b> |
| May 2015       | 9. <u>Forbes Street Caravan Parking:</u> submit report to Council after expiration of trial period (DE).   | <b>In Progress</b> |

June 2015	10. <u>RMS:</u> request roundabout to be considered at the end of the Main Street in Grenfell (DE).	<b>In Progress</b>
	11. <u>Grenfell Medical Centre Operation:</u> invite a representative from the NSW Rural Doctors Network to address Council (GM).	<b>In Progress</b>
	12. <u>Pigeon Control – Main Street:</u> continue to investigate options (DES).	<b>In Progress</b>
July 2015	13. <u>Using Poultry Litter on Pastures:</u> develop guidelines and report to Council (DES).	<b>In Progress</b>
August 2015	14. <u>Forbes Street Caravan Parking:</u> develop concept plan and report back to Council (DE).	<b>Carried Out</b>
October 2015	15. <u>Weddin Regional Health Hub:</u> call Expressions of Interest to engage a service provider (GM/DCS).	<b>Carried Out</b>
November 2015	16. <u>Grenfell Sesquicentenary:</u> arrange civic reception (GM).	<b>In Progress</b>
	17. <u>Taylor Park Toilets:</u> seek quotations for upgrade and renewal and report back to Council (DE).	<b>In Progress</b>
	18. <u>Planning and Development Committee:</u> establish for February 2016 (GM).	<b>Carried Out</b>
	19. <u>Fixing Country Roads:</u> prepare EOI for upgrade of Bewleys Road to B-double standard (DE).	<b>Carried Out</b>
	20. <u>44 Chapple Street, Greenethorpe:</u> carry out works to reduce overgrown vegetation (DES/DE).	<b>Carried Out</b>
December 2015	21. <u>National Stronger Region Fund (NSRF):</u> resubmit grant funding application under Round 3 (GM/DCS).	<b>In Progress</b>
	22. <u>Weddin Regional Health Hub:</u> call tenders to engage a Service Provider (GM).	<b>In Progress</b>



23. Capital Projects – Loan Funding: negotiable establishment of loan facilities (DCS/GM).

**In Progress**

24. Forbes and Melyra Streets B-Double Routes: investigate status and report back to Council (DE).

**In Progress**

25. Naming of Goodes Lane: write to landowners and report back to Council (DE).

**Carried Out**

26. Caravan Park: undertake review prior to the estimates process (DES).

**In Progress**

**At this point Cr McClelland requested to address Council in regards to the Central Tablelands Water (CTW) Meeting held on Thursday, 18 February 2016.**

- 383 RESOLVED:** Cr Best and Cr Halls that a verbal report from Cr McClelland regarding Central Tablelands Water (CTW) Meeting be received and dealt with because of the urgency of the matters.

Cr McClelland presented a verbal report regarding the Central Tablelands Water (CTW) Meeting held 18 February, 2016 and discussed the following matters:

- Representatives from the Caragabal Water Scheme addressed Council in regards to their proposed water scheme.
- Representation on the Central Tablelands Water (CTW) County Council after Merger of Orange, Blayney and Cabonne.
- Water capacity at Lake Rowlands is currently 88%.

- 384 RESOLVED:** Cr Best and Cr McClelland that representatives from Caragabal Water Scheme Committee be invited to address Council's Planning and Development Committee.

## **QUESTIONS**

**Questions** may be put to councillors and council employees in accordance with clause 25 of the Council's **Code of Meeting Practice**, as follows:-

- “(1) A councillor:
  - (a) may, through the chairperson, put a question to another councillor, and*
  - (b) may, through the chairperson and the General Manager, put a question to a council employee.**
- (2) However, a councillor or council employee to whom a question is put is entitled to be given reasonable notice of the question and, in particular, sufficient notice to enable reference to be made to other persons or to documents.*
- (3) The councillor must put every such question directly, succinctly, and without argument.*
- (4) The chairperson must not permit discussion on any reply or refusal to reply to a question put to a councillor or council employee under this clause. “*

Questions should not be used to introduce **business without notice**. This is covered in Clause 17 of Council's **Code of Meeting Practice**.

Questions on routine **operational matters** should be directed to the General Manager or the appropriate Director separately from and/or prior to the meeting.

The following questions have been received:

Nil

## CLOSED COUNCIL

### THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT

The authority for Council to close a meeting to the public is given under Section 10 of the Local Government Act, for which the following excerpts apply:

*[s 10A] Which parts of a meeting can be closed to the public?*

#### **10A**

- (1) **[Meetings may be closed]** A council, or a committee of the council of which all the members are councillors, may close to the public so much of its meeting as comprises:
- (a) the discussion of any matters listed in subclause (2), or
  - (b) the receipt or discussion of any of the information so listed.
- (2) **[Grounds for closure]** The matters and information are the following:
- (a) personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors),
  - (b) the personal hardship of any resident or ratepayer,
  - (c) information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business,
  - (d) commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed:
    - (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, or
    - (ii) confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council, or
    - (iii) reveal a trade secret,
  - (e) information that would, if disclosed, prejudice the maintenance of law,
  - (f) matters affecting the security of the council, councillors, council staff or council property,
  - (g) advice concerning litigation, or advice that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege
  - (h) information concerning the nature and location of a place or an item of Aboriginal significance on community land.
- (3) **[Closure of Resolution to close]** A council, or a committee of the council of which all the members are councillors, may also close to the public so much of its meeting as comprises a motion to close another part of the meeting to the public.
- (4) **[Public's right to make representations]** A council, or a committee of a council may allow members of the public to make representations to or at a meeting, before and part of the meeting is closed to the public, as to whether that part of the meeting should be closed.

*[s 10C] Notice of likelihood of closure not required in urgent cases*

**10C** Part of a meeting of a council, or of a committee of the council of which all the members are councillors, may be closed to the public while the council or committee considers a matter that has not been identified in the agenda for the meeting as a matter that is likely to be considered when the meeting is closed, but only if:

- (a) it becomes apparent during the discussion of a particular matter that the matter is a matter referred to in section 10A(2), and
- (b) the council or committee, after considering any representations made under section 10A(4), resolves that further discussion of the matter:
  - (i) should not be deferred (because of the urgency of the matter), and
  - (ii) should take place in a part of the meeting that is closed to the public.

*[s 10D] Grounds for closing part of meeting to be specified*

**10D (1)****[Record of grounds for closure]** The grounds on which part of a meeting is closed must be stated in the decision to close that part of the meeting and must be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

(2) **[Details to be specified]** The grounds must specify the following:

- (a) the relevant provision of section 10A(2),
- (b) the matter that is to be discussed during the closed part of the meeting,
- (c) the reasons why the part of the meeting is being closed, including (if the matter concerned is a matter other than a personnel matter concerning particular individuals, the personal hardship of a resident or ratepayer or a trade secret) an explanation of the way in which the discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance, contrary to the public interest.

**RECOMMENDATION:** That Council form a Closed Council to consider the items listed below,

AND THAT the Press and the public be excluded from the Meeting of the Closed Council because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, as stated below:

**Note:** A Council, or a committee of a Council, may allow members of the public to make representation to or at a meeting, before any part of the meeting is closed to the public, as to whether that part of the meeting should be closed.

**385** **RESOLVED:** Cr Best and Cr Hughes that Council form a Closed Council to consider the items listed below, AND THAT the Press and the public be excluded from the Meeting of the Closed Council because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

## **MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION - CLOSED COUNCIL**

### **DIRECTOR ENGINEERING REPORT**

1. **Tender Q1/2016 – Construction of Toilet Facilities at Henry Lawson Oval, T1.6.52**  
Reason for confidentiality: commercial information (Section 10A(2)(d))

## **REPORT ON CLOSED COUNCIL**

The Mayor read out the following decisions from the Closed Council:

### **DIRECTOR ENGINEERING REPORT**

**1. TENDER Q1/2016 – Construction of Toilet Facilities at Henry Lawson Oval, T1.6.52**

Reason for confidentiality: commercial information (Section 10A(2)(d))

**RESOLVED:** that Council Award the Construction of the Henry Lawson Oval Toilets to CBC Innovations PTY LTD at the submitted price of \$121,835 (Incl GST).

**CLOSURE:** There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.01pm.

Taken as read and confirmed as a true record this day 17 March 2016.

..... General Manager.....Mayor