



BOGAN SHIRE COUNCIL

Business Paper

29 September 2016

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COUNCIL MEETING NOTICE

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held in the Council Chambers, Nyngan on Thursday 29 September 2016 at 9.30am.

AGENDA

1. Opening Prayer
2. Remembrances
3. Apologies
4. Declarations of Interest
5. Confirmation of the Closed and Confidential Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 25 August 2016
6. Development and Environmental Services Closed and Confidential Report
 1. **Bogan Shire Medical Centre – Selection of tender for Mechanical Services**

In accordance with the provision of Section 10A (2) (d) (i) of the Local Government Act 1993, the General Manager is of the opinion that consideration of this item is likely to take place when the meeting is closed to the public for the following reason: - because discussion involves commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

7. Confirmation of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 25 August 2016
8. Committee Meeting Minutes
9. Mayoral Minute
10. General Manager's Report incorporating reports from:-
 - Community Services
 - Corporate Services
 - Engineering Services
 - Development and Environmental Services

11. Correspondence
12. Grants and Funding

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated.

Yours sincerely

Cathy Ellison

Executive Assistant

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

1 MUSEUM COMMITTEE MEETING

Below are the Minutes of the Museum Committee Meeting held in Museum on 3 August 2016 and 7 September 2016.

1.1 Recommendation

That the Minutes of the Museum Committee Meeting held in Museum on 3 August 2016 and 7 September 2016 be received and noted.

Committee Meeting Minutes to the Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council
held on 29 September 2016

Nyngan Museum Meeting Date: August Meeting - 3rd August 2016

Present:

Val Keighran, Glad Eldridge, Shirley Biddulph, Yvonne Pardy, Stewart MacKenzie and Collin Pardy.

Apologies:

Anna Corby, Bay Lovett, Margaret Sibbald and Hugh Sibbald.

Minutes last meeting: Read and Moved: Yes 2nd: Glad Eldridge.

Business Arising from Minutes:

Outside Motion Sensor Light. It was agreed that Stewart MacKenzie be asked to send an email, to the Bogan Shire Council, to check on the present situation with this light, which stays on all night and all day.

The Volunteer Roster was discussed. Stewart MacKenzie reported that the roster is almost filled, to the end of September 2016. He will bring the new roster, to the end of December 2016, to the September meeting.

The question was asked if volunteers could work during afternoons, when V.I.C. employees are on duty. It was agreed that volunteers could be a help, during afternoons, because the V.I.C. employees cannot take people through the museum because they must remain at the front desk for enquiries and for security.

Correspondence In:

No correspondence was presented.

Correspondence Out:

No outwards correspondence was reported.

Treasurer's Report: attached and read: Yes. 2nd: Glad Eldridge.

General Business:

Lost plastic container belonging to Dawn Meldrum. It was agreed that if the container could not be found, a replacement container be purchased and given to Dawn.

WW I uniform. Val Keighran and Stewart MacKenzie are checking on the size of the mannequin so the correct size uniform can be ordered.

Recording of Museum Messages. Was discussed and it was agreed that Val Keighran purchase a hard cover book to be used to record messages. That the book remain on the front desk and that messages not be torn out of the book when acted upon, but crossed out and left for future reference.

Visit by Tottenham Historical Society. This group plans to visit on 13th August 2016. They will visit both our museum and the Shearing Shed Museum, but do not require us to provide morning tea.

Nyngan Expo. Stewart MacKenzie reported that he has ordered a banner and hopes it will arrive before the expo. He also reported that he will set-up our stand early on Saturday 6th August 2016, but would appreciate some assistance during the day, so he can have a coffee break and some lunch etc. Val Keighran and Glad Eldridge offered to spend some time on the stand.

New Souvenirs. Stewart MacKenzie reported that he has ordered samples of a mug and a pen with a picture of the museum on them. He is also looking into tea towels and fridge magnets. It was agreed that Stewart go ahead and order the fridge magnets and some tea towels.

New hose for our hose reel. It was agreed that Stewart MacKenzie purchase a new hose for the hose reel to replace the old one which has perished.

Trial Period of New Rosters and Arrangements. After some discussion, it was agreed that if anyone has any suggestions, ideas or problems with the new operating system, they should be brought to a meeting and discussed with the representatives from the Bogan Shire and support group members.

Meeting Closed: 10:15am followed by morning tea.

Next Meeting: Wednesday 7th September 2016 at 9:30am.



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Nyngan Museum Support Group.

Financial Statement as at 31st August 2016.

Credit Balance as at 01/07/2016 \$ 1517.13

Income:

Bank Interest 01/08/2016	\$.01	\$.01
Receipt 29. Deposited 02/08/2016 Sales and Donations.	\$ 40.60	\$ 40.60
Receipt 30. Deposited 22/08/2016 RSL Foyer Raffle.	\$ 104.95	\$ 104.95
Receipt 31. Deposited 22/08/2016 Sales and Donations.	\$ 135.00	\$ 135.00
Receipt 32. Deposited 29/08/2016 Sales and Donations.	\$ 15.05	\$ 15.05
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	\$ 295.61	\$ 295.61
		\$ 1812.74

Expenditure:

Cheque 021. S. MacKenzie – Reimburse for Banner.	\$ 30.12	\$ 30.12
Cheque 022. S. MacKenzie – Reimburse for Fridge Magnets.	\$ 69.98	\$ 69.98
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	\$ 100.10	\$ 100.10

Credit Balance as at 31/07/2016

Reconciliation with Bank Statement.



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Commonwealth Bank Statement at 31/08/2016	\$ 1767.00
Less unrepresented cheque No. 020	\$ <u>54.36</u>
	\$ 1712.64



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Nyngan Museum Committee Meeting **Date:** 7 September 2016 **Venue:** Museum

Present:

Shirley Biddulph, Val Keighran, Stewart Mackenzie, Abigail McLaughlin, Margaret Sibbald, Yvonne Pardy, Collin Pardy, Anna Corby

Apologies:

Glad Eldridge, Peter Keighran

Guests:

Abigail McLaughlin

Minutes last meeting: **Read and Moved:** Yes **2nd:** Yvonne Pardy

Business Arising from Minutes:

Outside Motion Sensor Lights have been reported to the Shire and they will check them and make any adjustments needed.

Volunteers are happy with new roster. Anyone who needs to make adjust their days can see Stewart.

People are welcome to come to work in the afternoons if they have spare time. There is no permanent roster for afternoons

Correspondence In:

No correspondence was presented.

Correspondence Out:

Flowers sent to Glad.

Treasurers Report attached and read: Yes **2nd:** Shirley Biddulph

General Business:

- *Anna has sent flowers to Glad from the Museum volunteers.*
- *Anna and Val did the door at the RSL*
- *We need to have half a dozen more chairs at the museum because we don't have enough for a full meeting. Abigail will ask Bogan Shire if they have some spares we can have here for official meetings.*
- *We have run out of pamphlets for the solar Farm. Abigail will check with AGL office.*
- *Lights still don't work in museum, and today they don't work in the VIC either. Stewart rang the Shire today and they will send an electrician for today's blackout and he will quote on the museum lights again. They cause a health and safety problem in the winter as it is quite dark with no lights working in the main part of the museum.*



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Work was started late last year on information for plaques proposed for places of interest in town. Has there been any mention of these? Are they to go ahead? Abigail will check.

Guest Speaker's Report:

Abigail needs information on Ron Larkin. Larkin Oval was named after him but she needs to know about his life. Anna will research him. Other names already done are Frank Smith, Charles O'Reilly, Mark Davison, and Jack Vanges.



**Mayoral Minute to the Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council
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REPORT TO ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL – MAYORAL MINUTE

Councillors

The following report is submitted for consideration:-

1 COUNCIL PRIORITIES

The start of this new term of Council is a good opportunity for all Councillors to put forward the new things, projects and priorities they believe should be considered for us to undertake in this term.

I think that we should have some discussion about this at the September meeting, giving each Councillor an opportunity to put their views forward and then ask the General Manager to prepare a high-level analysis of where we currently stand in relation to these matters for further discussion at the October meeting.

1.1 Recommendation

For Council's Consideration.

RL Donald OAM

Mayor

**General Manager's Report to the Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council
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REPORT TO ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL – GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Mayor and Councillors

The following report is submitted for consideration:-

1 CHECKLIST

Item No.	Date	Minute No	Matter	Action Required	Officer	Status
1	25/10/2012	315/2012	Local Heritage Sites	When new VIC commences, signpost heritage sites with heritage colour and erect sign with the history of each location.	GM	VIC accreditation approved. <u>UPDATE:</u> Signage received, awaiting installation.
2	13/12/2012 28/03/2013	418/2012 098/2013	Davidson Park Revitalisation Program	Establish paving pathways to the mural.	MDES	To be completed in conjunction with Landscaping of Medical Centre and reinstatement of mural wall.
3	24/09/2015	342/2015	Teamster Rest Area	Invite NHS to make suggestions for internal & external painting that the school could undertake. Dump point be relocated to Flood Memorial Car Park.	MDES	Contact made with NHS, works still scheduled to commence in October 2016. Yet to be scheduled.

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4	22/06/2014	209/2014	Tourist Information Bay	<p>On commencement of project, Council advise owners/apparent owners of existing highway signage that existing signs to be removed & may be replaced by signs on the Information Bays.</p> <p>Council charge an annual fee and an initial fee.</p>	GM	UPDATE: Signage installed. Process of engagement with existing sign owners to be commenced.
5	<p>26/09/2014</p> <hr/> <p>26/02/2015</p>	<p>363/2014</p> <hr/> <p>033/2015</p>	Fire Safety Audit Program	<p>Further report on progress of compliance with Program.</p> <hr/> <p>Legal proceedings including the issuing of Notices and Orders to commence against the owner/occupier of any premises who fails to confirm their agreement to comply with the findings of the FSAR.</p>	MDES	<p>Fire Safety Audit Reports (FSARs) to all selected properties completed. Meetings held with several owners / Boards.</p> <hr/> <p>Agreement on required works achieved with several owners / Boards.</p> <p>Efforts still being made to have owners upgrade building voluntary.</p>

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6	26/11/2015	440/2015	Show Day	Joint approach from Nyngan Combined Schools & Council be made to the Dept of Education for schools to have a full day holiday.	GM	Discussions held with schools and Local Member, awaiting feedback prior to sending another letter.
7	26/11/2015	457/2015	Sports Insurance	Council write to Minister for Sport & Minister for Health concerning inadequate reply to Council's enquiry on what local sports insurance fees are spent on.	MPC	Ongoing.
	23/06/16	245/2016		Council forward a copy of the Manager of Corporate Services letter to the Minister of Sport to the Minister for Finance, Services & Property & the Department of Fair Trading.		Letters to Minister for Finance, Services & Property & Dept of Fair Trading sent. Dept of Fair Trading has advised that Council should refer this matter to the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC). Letter from ACCC in Precis.

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8	24/03/2016	056/2016	Aged Care Accommodation Retirement Village	Council do some financial modelling on the cost implications to Council & the community for an aged care unit development.	MFIN	Consultant briefed to undertake modelling. UPDATE: Report to October Council Meeting.
9	25/02/2016	022/2016	Bogan Bush Mobile	Delegation is planned to meet with Minister.	GM	Awaiting notification from Mark Coulton regarding suitable date.
10	24/03/2016	058/2016	Dob in a Druggie Campaign	Make available at a number of locations in town, boxes that people can anonymously leave information, about: - suspected drug dealers & information about any dogs.	GM	To be done in liaison with Darling River Command Campaign.
11	24/03/2016	078/2016	Bicentennial Wall & Ceramic Mural	Be reinstated.	MDES	On-site meeting held with Insurance Representative. Around 70% of tiles on the damaged part of the wall are unbroken. However there is extensive old mortar adhering to them and all attempts at removing this have resulted in the tiles breaking.

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						<p>Unfortunately this is likely to mean having all the tiles remade.</p> <p>Quotations sent to Insurers concerned.</p>
12	28/04/2016	107/2016	Village Tour	<p>Entrance Signs into villages be pursued in conjunction with the villages' communities. Costing to be part funded from village allocation & part funded by Council.</p>	MENG	<p>Preliminary design commenced, expected to be presented to October Council meeting before consultation with village representatives in November.</p>
13	26/05/2016	179/2016	NSW Container Deposit Scheme	<p>Council investigate the establishment & operation of a CDS collection depot as more information is announced and the cost implications of this.</p>	MDES	<p><u>UPDATE:</u> Currently taking submissions.</p>

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14	28/7/2016	267/2016	Signs at Parks & Ovals	Investigate the history of the former Nyngan residents & sportsmen after whom parks & sportfields are named, with suggested wording & cost of signage.	MPC	UPDATE: Report to Council refers. COMPLETED
15	28/7/2016	268/2016	Duck Creek Races	General Manager request a meeting with Local Area Command to discuss Police presence at recent meeting and future meetings.	GM	To be discussed at upcoming Community Precinct Safety meeting scheduled for 14 October 2016.
16	25/8/2016	308/2016	Levee Gates Seals	Investigate a quote to replace all main seals ASAP, with a report to Council on all further works necessary to ensure the proper functioning of the gates.	ENG	UPDATE: Report to Council refers. COMPLETED
17	25/8/2016		Australian Day 2017	The new Council consider the various categories – all nominations be credited.	MPC	UPDATE: Report to Council refers. COMPLETED



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18	25/8/2016	321/2016	Operational - Roads	A report be presented to Council on the proposed locations for <i>Roads Closed</i> signs.	ENG	<u>UPDATE:</u> In progress.
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1.1 Recommendation

That the report relating to the Monthly Checklist be received and those items marked as "Completed" be removed from the checklist.

2 CHRISTMAS – NEW YEAR CLOSURE

Summary:

- *The purpose of this report is to obtain Council's approval for the closure of Council offices over the Christmas/New Year holiday period.*
- *As a long-established practice in common with other Councils, Bogan Shire Council has closed its Council offices between Christmas and New Year.*
- *Following the past practice, this would mean that the Shire offices would be closed for what would otherwise be normal working days on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 28, 29 and 30 December 2016.*

2.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to obtain Council's approval for the closure of Council offices over the Christmas/New Year holiday period.

2.2 Background

As a long-established practice in common with other Councils, Bogan Shire Council has closed its Council offices between Christmas and New Year.

2.3 Discussion

Christmas Day and Boxing Day fall on a Sunday and Monday this year (with Tuesday being gazetted as the Boxing Day public holiday) and New Year's Day on the following Monday.

Following past practice, this would mean that the Shire offices would be closed for what would otherwise be normal working days on Wednesday 28, Thursday 29 and Friday 30 December 2016.



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2.4 Recommendation

That in addition to the public holidays over the Christmas / New Year period, Council closes the Shire Offices on 28, 29 and 30 December 2016 and advises the community accordingly.

3 PECUNIARY INTEREST RETURNS

Summary:

Tabling of the Pecuniary Interest Register is a requirement under Section 450A of the Local Government Act.

3.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to table the Pecuniary Interest Register.

3.2 Background

Tabling of the Register is a requirement under Section 450A of the Local Government Act.

3.3 Discussion

For noting.

3.4 Recommendation

That Pecuniary Interest Register be received and noted.

4 INTRODUCTION OF EMERGENCY SERVICES PROPERTY LEVY

Summary:

This report is to provide information to Councillors concerning the introduction of the NSW Government's Emergency Services Property Levy in 2017.

4.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to provide information to Councillors concerning the introduction of the NSW Government's Emergency Services Property Levy in 2017.

4.2 Background

New South Wales's (NSW) Fire and Emergency Services including Fire and Rescue NSW, NSW Rural Fire Service and the NSW State Emergency Service are currently funded primarily (73.7%) by financial contributions from insurance. They are also funded by the State (14.6%) and Local Governments (11.7%).

4.3 Discussion

Under the current system, Insurance companies recover the cost of their contributions by imposing an Emergency Services Levy (ESL) on insurance premiums. This arrangement is considered unfair, because it means the bulk of funding is drawn from insured properties. Uninsured properties enjoy the same benefits from Fire and Emergency Services, but do not make the same contributions.

According to the NSW Government, the tax on insurers also increases the cost of insurance, contributing to high rates of non-insurance, as well as under-insurance. The most recent data from the Australian Bureau of Statistics indicates 36 per cent of NSW households do not have contents insurance, compared with an average of 25 per cent for other States where the levy has been abolished. The Government anticipates that abolishing the ESL will help reduce NSW's high rates of under-insurance and reduce the number of households and businesses that are exposed to financial ruin when fire or other emergencies occur.



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In December 2015, the NSW Government announced it would abolish the insurance-based ESL and replace the revenue it generates with an Emergency Services Property Levy (ESPL) from 1 July 2017 to be collected on its behalf by NSW Councils.

From the NSW Government's perspective, using NSW councils to collect the ESPL is the most convenient method of collection as they have established systems for contacting all landowners and collecting revenue from them.

It is expected that the Government's ESPL will be reflected as a separate line item on rates accounts sent out by Bogan Shire Council.

Concerns from Council's point of view include full cost recovery for services provided in administering the system, ensuring land assessments are correctly applied and responsibility for and cost of debt management processes. Local Government NSW is involved with the Government in ongoing negotiations on behalf of all Councils.

4.4 Recommendation

That the Emergency Services Property Levy Report be received and noted.



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5 COMMITTEE / ORGANISATION DELEGATES REPRESENTATIVES

Summary:

Following the election of a new Council it is appropriate to nominate delegates / representatives and alternates to represent Council on committees and at meetings with certain organisations.

5.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider the appointment of delegates / representatives to committees and other bodies.

5.2 Background

Following the election of a new Council it is appropriate to nominate delegates / representatives and alternates to represent Council on committees and at meetings with certain organisations.

5.3 Discussion

1. Section 355 Committees

Section 355 of the Local Government Act 1993 allows Council to delegate some of its functions to a committee of Council. Bogan Shire Council has the following Section 355 Committees:-

- a. Collierreina Hall Committee – Councillor / alternate required.
- b. Hermidale Sports Ground Committee – Councillor / alternate required.
- c. Nyngan Museum Management Committee – Councillor / alternate required.

In 2004 a Section 355 Committee was established for the Bogan Bush Mobile but this Committee has not been operational for some years and is no longer required.



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Section 355 Committees:-		
Committee	Delegate	Alternate
Collerreina Hall Committee		
Hermidale Sports Ground Committee		
Nyngan Museum Management Committee		

2. Other Committees / Organisations

Council is represented on a number of other committees / in ongoing discussions with other organisations:-

- a. Bush Fire Management Committee – Councillor / alternate required and General Manager or delegate.
- b. Rural Fire Service SLA Committee – Councillor / alternate required and General Manager or delegate.
- c. Traffic Committee – Councillor / alternate required, General Manager and Manager Engineering Services.
- d. Local Emergency Management Officer / Committee Chairperson – General Manager or delegate (Must be an officer of Council).
- e. Orana Regional Organisation of Councils –Mayor and General Manager.
- f. Liquor Accord – Councillor / alternate required.
- g. NSW Police Community Safety Precinct Committee - Councillor / alternate required and General Manager.



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- h. Local Government Community Advisory Group, Central West LLS Board – Councillor.
- i. Community Action Group (Interagency) - Councillor / alternate required and General Manager's delegate.
- j. Showground Users – Councillor / alternate required and General Manager.
- k. Western Joint Regional Planning Panel – 2 members (community members, or Councillors) / 1 alternate (*Note - Requirement that at least one of the nominated persons must have expertise in planning, architecture, heritage, the environment, urban design, land economics, traffic and transport, law, engineering or tourism.*)
- l. North West Library Association – Library Manager / Councillor required.



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Other Committees:-		
Committee	Delegate	Alternate
Bush Fire Management Committee		
Rural Fire Service SLA Committee		
Traffic Committee		
Local Emergency Management Officer / Committee Chairperson		
Orana Regional Organisation of Council (OROC)		
Liquor Accord		
NSW Police Community Safety Precinct Committee		
Local Government Community Advisory Group, Central West LLS Board		
Community Action Group (Interagency)		
Showground Users		
Western Joint Regional Planning Panel		
North West Library Association		

5.4 Recommendation

1. For Council's Consideration.

Derek Francis

GENERAL MANAGER



Community Services Report to the Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council
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REPORT TO THE ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL – COMMUNITY SERVICES

Mayor and Councillors

The following reports are submitted for consideration:-

1 SIGNS AT OVALS AND PARKS

Summary:

The purpose of this report is to update Council on the progress of the investigation into the history of the people after which Larkin and Frank Smith Ovals and O'Reilly and Davidson Parks are named.

1.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to update Council on the progress of the investigation into the history of the people after which Larkin and Frank Smith Ovals and O'Reilly and Davidson Parks are named and the cost of erecting suitable signage.

1.2 Background

At its meeting in July 2016, the Mayor submitted a Minute for Council to consider the history of having the people after whom they are named recorded on a special sign near the entrances to the parks and ovals.

1.3 Discussion

Council staff have undertaken some research into the history of these local identities, referencing a number of local history books, speaking to long-time local residents and members of the Nyngan Museum Committee as well as conducting some general internet research. There is still more research to complete before the signs can be finalised, however a draft sign design has been included as attachments to this report.

The cost of the signs with a metal track attached at the back so it can be erected to a post has been quoted at \$167 including GST. Additional costs to take into consideration will be the materials for the posts, concrete to hold the posts in and labour to dig the post holes and erect the signs.

This has been estimated at a cost of \$1,000 for all 5 signs. There is no specific budget for this activity which is expected to cost around \$1,800 in total.



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1.4 Attachment

Draft sign design.

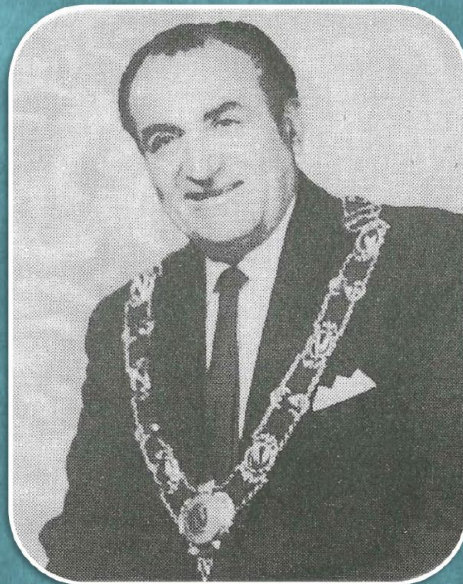
1.5 Recommendation

That Council considers re-allocating \$1,800 at the first budget review to complete this project.

Vanges Park

Evangelos John (Jack) Vanges

(1913-1968)



Jack and his wife Bonnie owned the California Café.

Jack was elected to the Municipal Council during the 1960's and became Mayor of Nyngan serving five terms during which time he did not accept his Mayoral Allowance, directing it be used for the purchase of trees for planting in the streets.

Jack Vanges was also President of Group 15 Rugby League from 1935 to 1947 and was active in many local organisations including Nyngan Youth Club, Nyngan Chamber of Commerce and Great Western Plains Tourist Association.

2 AUSTRALIA DAY 2017 NOMINATIONS AND AWARDS

Summary:

The purpose of this report is to outline the information received from the Australia Day Council of New South Wales the process for Council to consider changes to the Australia Day 2017 nominations and awards.

2.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to outline the information received from the Australia Day Council of New South Wales and the process for Council to consider changes to the Australia Day 2017 nominations and awards.

2.2 Background

At its meeting in September 2015, Council discussed the nomination form, criteria for nominees and the voting system, with the following resolutions:

1. To include the wording "I, the nominee, agree to be nominated for this award" on the nomination form.
2. Community members are able to vote on nominees.
3. Nominations for Australia Day Awards should open from the beginning of October 2015 and that all clubs be contacted.

Council recently considered the question of whether all nominees should receive an award in recognition of their service to the community. It was felt that this matter should be left to the new Council to decide.

2.3 Discussion

Council has been provided with information from a representative from the Australia Day Council of New South Wales, advising Council that it can award as many winners as it sees fit. The Australia Day Council will provide official certificates to Council with no requirement as to how they are awarded and that there is no "next level" judging that takes place or is affected by having all nominees credited.

Should Council decide to present awards to all nominees, it will still be necessary for Councillors to assess nominations and decide on their merit.



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Council has begun the process of emailing and sending out nomination forms to various clubs, community organisations, Non-Government Organisations (NGOs) and Nyngan High School. The nominations will also be promoted in the Nyngan Observer over the coming weeks. The closing date for nominations this year has been brought forward to Monday 5 December 2016 to allow for effective coordination of the event and for all necessary awards and certificates to be obtained and ready in advance of the event.

2.4 Attachment

Australia Day 2017 Nomination Form.

2.5 Recommendation

That Council:

1. Considers whether or not to present awards to all meritorious nominees.
2. Considers the process for assessing nominations, which it is recommended takes place at or before the December council meeting.



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Bogan Shire Council Australia Day Awards Nomination Form

Nomination for:

- ☐ Citizen of the Year (26 years or older on 26 January 2017)
☐ Young Citizen of the Year (under 26 years of age on 26 January 2017)
☐ Sportsperson of the Year
☐ Junior Sportsperson of the Year (18 years and under on 26 January 2017)
☐ Sports Team of the Year
☐ Community Event of the Year

DETAILS OF PERSON BEING NOMINATED:

Form fields for personal details: Surname, Title, Other names, Address, Suburb, Postcode, Telephone, Email, Date of birth, Age.

Yes/No questions: Does the nominee currently live and/or work in Bogan Shire? Is the nominee an Australian citizen? Will nominee be aged 26 years or over on 26 January 2017?

I, the nominee, agree to be nominated for this award.

Nominee's Signature and Date fields.





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CONTRIBUTION/S TO THE COMMUNITY FOR WHICH THE PERSON IS NOMINATED (including membership or life membership of community and/or sporting groups, awards and other significant achievements):

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Please attach additional sheets/material if required.

*If nominating a Community Event of the Year please complete this section:

Event Name: _____

Date of Event: _____

Organiser / Organisation's Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

*COMMUNITY EVENT OF THE YEAR – REASON FOR NOMINATING – HOW HAS THE ORGANISATION / EVENT CONTRIBUTED TO THE COMMUNITY?

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Please attach additional sheets/material if required.

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OTHER PERSONS WHO MAY BE CONTACTED FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT NOMINEE:

Name: _____	Name: _____
Position: _____	Position: _____
Relationship to Nominee _____	Relationship to Nominee _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
Telephone: _____	Telephone: _____
Email: _____	Email: _____

TO BE COMPLETED BY PERSON SUBMITTING NOMINATION:

Surname: _____ Title: _____

Other names: _____

Address: _____

Suburb: _____ Postcode: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Organisation (if any): _____

Signature _____

Date: _____

Please use this checklist to ensure that your nomination is complete

- I have read the Nomination Guidelines and Criteria
- The information provided in this nomination is accurate.
- Supporting material, including references and media (newspaper clippings) are attached
- The nominee has signed the Nomination Form.





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Nominations close on Monday 5 December, 2016

Please send completed form to:

The General Manager

PO Box 221

Nyngan NSW 2825

The awards will be announced on Australia Day Thursday 26 January 2017.

3 1924 GARFORD FIRE ENGINE RESTORATION – REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS AND ASSISTANCE

Summary:

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider the 1924 Garford Restoration Committee's request for the release of the \$7,605.12 held by Council on behalf of the former Nyngan Historical Society and for assistance with making applications for grants.

3.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider the 1924 Garford Restoration Committee's request for the release of the \$7,605.12 held by Council on behalf of the former Nyngan Historical Society and for assistance with making applications for grants.

3.2 Background

Council has received previous correspondence from Mr Keith White regarding the Garford Fire Engine restoration, requesting donations, assistance with finding suitable grants and housing of the fire engine.

At its meeting on 25 June 2015, Council considered Mr White's request for a donation of \$10,000 coming from Council's 2015-2016 budget. Council resolved to advise Mr White that full details of the extent and cost of restoration of the fire engine needed to be provided to Council before any funding decision could be made.

Nyngan Historical Society ceased operations in 2005, but was re-established in 2014. The last meeting of this committee that Council is aware of and has copies of minutes for is 2 October 2015. In these minutes, the committee authorised Mr White to purchase and arrange repairs to the Garford Fire Engine.

3.3 Discussion

Council staff have researched available grant opportunities. Although nine (9) grants were assessed, none of these were found to be a suitable match for the Garford restoration project. Mr White has been informed of this, but also that Council will continue to monitor opportunities and contact Mr White should anything arise.



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Council staff have also been in contact with a representative from Cobar Shire Council, the person who was involved in the restoration of the 1915 Garford on display in Trangie and the Executive Chairman of the Museum of Fire in Penrith. Both the Cobar and Trangie restorations involved community donations of services and materials, free labour and private benefactors bequeathing money to these projects.

The Executive Chairman of the Museum of Fire suggested the committee seek private sponsorship or hold a fundraising campaign to complete this project.

3.4 Attachment

Correspondence received from Mr Keith White requesting assistance with advice on grants and release of \$7,605.12 held under trust by Council, in a bank account for the Nyngan Historical Society.

3.5 Recommendation

That Council:

1. Provides Mr White's with assistance in identifying suitable grants.
2. Considers releasing funding held on behalf of the former Nyngan Historical Society on receiving confirmation from the current Chairperson and Secretary that this is in line with the Committee's wishes.
3. Writes to Mr White, informing him of Council's decisions.



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4 BOGAN BUSH MOBILE – TERM 3 REPORT

Summary:

The purpose of this report is to advise Council on the Term 3 activities of the Bogan Bush Mobile Service.

4.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to advise Council on the Term 3 activities of the Bogan Bush Mobile Service.

4.2 Background

At the end of each term, the Director Children's Services provides a report to Council on the activities and statistics of the Bogan Bush Mobile Service.

4.3 Discussion

Term 3:

18 July 2016 to 16 September 2016

Statistics:

Total km Term 3: 4,801km

Total Children Enrolled: 219 – 17.12.2015

Total Children Enrolled: 189 – 13.09.2016

Current Areas being visited:

Marthaguy, Marra, Hermidale, Girilambone, Trangie, Collie, Collierreina, Tottenham, Mungery, Warren and Duck Creek.



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Term 3 Activities

The Bogan Bush Mobile team have had a very busy year. At the start of Term 2 they moved into the new Bogan Shire Early Learning Centre. The team appreciates being in this new purpose-built facility, along with continuing the delivery of their fantastic program as part of their bush visits, they are now also able to provide additional support in the afternoons to the ELC and continue to develop strong relationships with families and staff.

Due to the recent heavy rainfalls affecting most of Council's rural roads, the BBM team and families have not been able to get to their venues. The BBM team have been able to devote more time to planning and programming for future sessions as well as assist the ELC staff in other areas. Attendance numbers have also been down over this last term due to sickness.

Funding changes for BBM and Budget Based Funding (BBF) funded projects.

The Director Children's Services has had conversations with local media who have shared Council's concerns about the new funding model coming into play in 2018. Whilst the department have extended the transition period to July 2018, it is still imperative to keep pushing forward and advocating the plight of our families, who will effectively lose the service they have enjoyed for over 20 years.

The Director Children's Services has been in regular contact with the General Manager and the Mayor, and has been working closely with Contact Inc., MCSA and other western mobiles on the best way to fight the proposed changes.

Local member Mark Coulton MP, has agreed to try and arrange a meeting with Simon Birmingham, Minister for Education, in the hope that Council can better explain how the proposed changes will affect the western mobile services and BBM. Regular updates will be provided to Council as we progress through the challenge of securing funding for BBM into the future.

4.4 Recommendation

That the Bogan Bush Mobile report be received and noted.

Debb Wood
Manager People and Culture

Term 3 2016



Educator Rani with a group of children from Trangie, all engaging in conversation about what they are making.



Dusty and Willow from Marra making coloured spray monsters.



Katayah at Marra created a beautiful picture out of recycled cardboard.



Warren children cooking up a delicious feast of mud. They love coming to BBM to cook up a storm.



Rani, Britt and Mel engaging with children at group time in Mungery.



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REPORT TO THE ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL – CORPORATE SERVICES

Mayor and Councillors

The following reports are submitted for consideration:-

1 BANK RECONCILIATION

Summary:

The report is to present the reconciliation of Council's Cash Book, Bank Statements and Ledger Bank Account as at 31 August 2016.

1.2 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to present the reconciliation of Council's Cash Book, Bank Statements and Ledger Bank Account as at 31 August 2016.

1.3 Background

The presentation of the reconciliation of Council's cash book, bank statements and ledger bank accounts is not a requirement of any Act, however historically it has been provided for the information of Councillors.

Bank Reconciliation for August 2016

Council General Fund

Bank Statement Balance	\$	100,000.00cr
Add Deposits not yet receipted	\$	17,646.26cr
Less Unpresented Payments	\$	112,505.83dr
Balance as per Council	\$	5,140.43cr

Represented by the following in Council Ledgers

Account		
19001.8000.8000	\$	5,140.43cr
Difference	\$	0.00

1.4 Recommendation

That the Bank Reconciliation Report as at 31 August 2016 be received and noted.

2 INVESTMENTS August 2016

Summary:

- *The report is to outline the performance of Council's Investment Portfolio for the month of August 2016.*
- *At 31 August 2016 Council had \$11million invested. There has been an increase of \$3.7million to Council's investments since the July 2016 report due to First Rates Instalment payment of \$1.1million, First Quarter FAGS of \$920,000 and the drawdown of the T-Corp Loan Facility of \$2.8million.*

2.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to outline the performance of Council's investment portfolio for the month of August 2016.

2.2 Background

In accordance with Clause 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 a report must be presented to the Council setting out details of all the money that the Council has invested under section 625 of the Act.

2.3 Discussion

The Investment Report for August 2016 is shown below. At the 31st August 2016 Council had \$11.1 million invested. There has been an increase of \$3.7 million to council's investments since the July 2016 report due to Council's first rates instalment payments of \$1.1 million, first quarter FAGS of \$920,000 being received and drawdown of T-Corp Loan Facility of \$2.8 million.

All money has been invested in accordance with Council's investment policy.

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Consideration of this report means that Council is complying with the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005.

Investment Movements for August 2016

It is hereby certified that these investments have been made in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993 and the Regulations thereto.

Bogan Shire - Investment movements for August 2016							
REF	Source	Maturity	Days	% rate	Interest	Bal 31/07/2016	Bal 31/08/2016
3204	NAB	11-Sep-16	180	2.900%	14,460	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00
1203	NAB	17-Sep-16	180	2.950%	14,943	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00
7202	NAB	Closed	180	3.030%	12,206	807,900.87	0.00
4608	NAB	1-Mar-17	180	3.050%	30,249	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00
7985	NAB	08-Aug-17	365	2.850%	79,800		2,800,000.00
516	NAB	29-Aug-17	365	2.760%	27,600		1,000,000.00
4439571	BankWest	10-Aug-16	180	3.000%	14,795	1,000,000.00	0.00
6894	NAB Professional Funds		At Call	1.900%		1,479,184.45	3,371,914.91
	Balance securities held					7,287,085.32	11,171,914.91
	Ledger Balance					7,287,085.32	11,171,914.91
	Summary by institution						
	BankWest					1,000,000.00	0.00
	NAB					6,287,085.32	11,171,914.91
						7,287,085.32	11,171,914.91

2.4 Recommendation

That the August 2016 Investments Report be received and noted.

3 SUMMARY OF RATE & ANNUAL CHARGES COLLECTION

Summary:

- The report is to provide a comparison of rate collections as at 31 August 2016 with the same period last year.
- Total arrears have decreased from \$328,362 at 31 August 2015 to \$288,493 as at 31 August this year.

3.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to provide a comparison of rate collections as at 31 August, 2016, with the same period last year.

3.2 Discussion

This report is provided for the information of Councillors.

Rate Collections	2016-2017	2015-2016
Arrears Prior to 01/07/2016	288,494	328,362
First Instalment Outstanding as at 31/08/2016	150,757	203,792
Second Instalment Outstanding as at 31/08/2016	947,428	947,463
Third Instalment Outstanding as at 31/08/2016	973,305	962,882
Fourth Instalment Outstanding as at 31/08/2016	979,230	966,429
Total Arrears	288,494	328,362
Total Outstanding	3,339,214	3,408,928
Monthly Transactions		
Amount Levied & B/Fwd	4,998,031	4,957,709
Add: Adjustments	651	5,149
Less: Payments to end of August	-1,581,719	-1,477,729
Less: Rebates	-80,648	-79,201
Add: Postponed	2,899	3,000
Gross Total Balance	3,339,214	3,408,928
Arrears of total amount levied %	6%	7%



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Total arrears have decreased to \$288,494 as at 31 August this year. This continues the improvement trend over the last few years with total arrears reducing from \$717,104 (July 2013) to \$391,929 (July 2014) and \$328,362 (July 2015).

Each instalment amounts to approximately \$1,250,000
(Total Rates, Waste, Water & Sewer Access Charges)

Council has collected \$103,990 more than at the same time last year.

12% of rates were unpaid on the first instalment. Reminder notices were sent out on the 15th September 2016.

3.3 Recommendation

That the Rates and Annual Charges Collection Report as at 31 August 2016 be received and noted.

4 ADOPTION OF THE 2015/2016 DRAFT ANNUAL STATEMENTS

Summary:

- Statutory Accounts for 2015/2016 must be adopted and referred to Audit under Sect 413 of the LG Act.
- Audit will occur on 29 and 30 September 2016.
- Consolidated Accounting Surplus of \$2,236K.
- Surplus of \$1,804K in General Fund due mainly to R2R funding included in operating result and the expenditure being capitalized
- Consolidated cash reserves of \$8,412K.

3.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is for council to adopt the 2015/16 Draft Annual Statements and refer them for audit.

3.2 Background

Section 413 (1) of the Local Government Act 1993 requires Council to prepare a set of financial reports for each year and refer them for audit as soon as practicable after the end of the year.

The accounts presented are final except for some minor peripheral notes. There may be slight alterations which occur because of the audit process, although staff are confident that these will be minimal. If material changes are required the accounts will be brought back to Council.

A copy of the statements is attached. At the time of writing they had not been audited. The on-site audit is scheduled to occur on 28th and 29th September. An electronic copy of these statements will be sent to the Auditor when Council resolves to refer them.



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Once the audit is complete they will be signed by the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, General Manager and Responsible Accounting Officer. They will then be forwarded to the Office of Local Government, advertised and presented to the public at the next meeting of Council in October 2016.

3.3 Discussion

The figures within the financial accounts indicate how Council has performed financially over the 2015/2016 financial year.

There are some areas that vary to previous years. Some of the favourable and unfavourable outcomes for the year are as follows:-

Favourable

- Large Positive Consolidated Result. The Income Statement shows a net operating result (before grants and contributions provided for capital purposes) of \$1,561million compared to a budgeted result of (\$712,000). The reason for this apparently large difference less in the treatment of grants received, namely Roads to Recovery grants of \$1,783million – the income for which is included in the Income Statement, whilst the matching expenditure has been transferred out of the Income Statement. This treatment has been at the direction of Council's Auditors.

Removing the effects of this transaction would result in a net operating result of (\$226,000) – which is much closer to the budgeted figure and indeed shows that Council came within 1.4% of its budget based on total transaction value. Removing the effect of depreciation, from these figures for the year Council generated a cash surplus of \$3,349million against a budgeted cash surplus of \$2,870million.

- Completion of the building of the Early Learning Centre and expansion of Bogan Shire Childrens Services.
- Virtually zero debt.
- Strong cash positions in all funds.
- Only a slight increase to employee leave entitlements.



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- Increase in R2R Grant Funds of \$982,660.

Unfavourable

- Investment returns low due to low interest rates.
- A \$1.5 million decrease to unrestricted cash. This will improve again in 2016/2017 as our loan funds are received for our major capital building projects.

The consolidated accounts are made up of three funds. General, Water and Sewer. Unless otherwise stated, this report refers to the consolidated accounts.

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The summarised performance of the three funds is shown in the table below:

Item	Water \$000's	Sewer \$000's	General \$000's	Consolidated \$000's
Income	2,892	708	14,846	18,446
Expenditure	2,524	644	13,042	16,210
Surplus (Deficit)	368	64	1,804	2,236
Current Assets	1,865	2,635	5,412	9,912
Non-Current Assets	13,914	7,125	171,932	192,971
Total Assets	15,779	9,760	177,344	202,883
Liabilities	48	6	1,820	1,874
Equity	15,731	9,754	175,524	201,009

As previously stated the primary reason for the surplus in General Fund is the capitalisation of \$1,650,000 worth of re-sheeting of rural unsealed roads and construction jobs as well as other grant income for capital projects. The income for this is shown in Total income from continuing operations however the expenditure has been capitalised and shown on the assets register.

A full set of draft financial statements will be tabled at this meeting and will be available upon request. The Income Statement, Balance Sheet and Statement of Cash flows is shown below.

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Income Statement

for the year ended 30 June 2016

Budget 2016	\$ '000	Notes	Actual 2016	Actual 2015
Income from continuing operations				
<i>Revenue:</i>				
4,398	Rates and annual charges	3a	4,522	4,276
3,242	User charges and fees	3b	5,185	4,732
240	Interest and investment revenue	3c	236	258
348	Other revenues	3d	1,015	531
5,433	Grants and contributions provided for operating purposes	3e,f	6,813	5,793
850	Grants and contributions provided for capital purposes	3e,f	675	269
<i>Other income:</i>				
	Net gains from the disposal of assets	5	–	50
14,511	Total income from continuing operations		18,446	15,909
Expenses from continuing operations				
5,466	Employee benefits and on-costs	4a	5,723	5,280
–	Borrowing costs	4b	–	1
4,158	Materials and contracts	4c	5,488	4,925
3,582	Depreciation and amortisation	4d	3,575	3,402
1,167	Other expenses	4e	1,375	1,344
	Net losses from the disposal of assets	5	45	–
	Net share of interests in joint ventures and associates using the equity method	19	4	13
14,373	Total expenses from continuing operations		16,210	14,965
138	Operating result from continuing operations		2,236	944
Discontinued operations				
	Net profit/(loss) from discontinued operations	24	–	–
138	Net operating result for the year		2,236	944
138	Net operating result attributable to Council		2,236	944
	Net operating result attributable to non-controlling interests		–	–
(712)	Net operating result for the year before grants and contributions provided for capital purposes		1,561	675

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Statement of Comprehensive Income

for the year ended 30 June 2016

\$ '000	Notes	Actual 2016	Actual 2015
Net operating result for the year (as per Income Statement)		2,236	944
Other comprehensive income:			
Amounts which will not be reclassified subsequently to the operating result			
Gain (loss) on revaluation of I,PP&E	20b (ii)	206	320
Impairment (loss) reversal relating to I,PP&E	20b (ii)	-	-
Other movements (correction of discrepancy between asset register and ledger)	20b (ii)	-	(135)
Total items which will not be reclassified subsequently to the operating result		206	185
Amounts which will be reclassified subsequently to the operating result when specific conditions are met			
Nil			
Total other comprehensive income for the year		206	185
Total comprehensive income for the year		2,442	1,129
Total comprehensive income attributable to Council		2,442	1,129
Total comprehensive income attributable to non-controlling interests		-	-

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Statement of Financial Position

as at 30 June 2016

\$ '000	Notes	Actual 2016	Actual 2015
ASSETS			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	6a	2,604	3,330
Investments	6b	5,808	5,300
Receivables	7	1,209	1,296
Inventories	8	240	361
Other	8	51	31
Non-current assets classified as 'held for sale'	22	-	-
Total current assets		9,912	10,318
Non-current assets			
Investments	6b	-	-
Receivables	7	202	160
Inventories	8	-	-
Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment	9	192,720	190,068
Investments accounted for using the equity method	19	49	53
Investment property	14	-	-
Total non-current assets		192,971	190,281
TOTAL ASSETS		202,883	200,599
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Payables	10	598	732
Borrowings	10	1	2
Provisions	10	1,275	1,298
Liabilities associated with assets classified as 'held for sale'	22	-	-
Total current liabilities		1,874	2,032
Non-current liabilities			
Payables	10	-	-
Borrowings	10	-	-
Provisions	10	-	-
Total non-current liabilities		-	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES		1,874	2,032
Net assets		201,009	198,567
EQUITY			
Retained earnings	20	143,423	141,191
Revaluation reserves	20	57,586	57,376
Council equity interest		201,009	198,567
Total equity		201,009	198,567

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Statement of Cash Flows

for the year ended 30 June 2016

Budget 2016	\$ '000	Notes	Actual 2016	Actual 2015
Cash flows from operating activities				
<u>Receipts:</u>				
4,422		Rates and annual charges	4,566	4,340
4,653		User charges and fees	5,271	5,205
240		Investment and interest revenue received	237	245
7,595		Grants and contributions	7,854	6,051
		Bonds, deposits and retention amounts received	–	4
348		Other	1,869	555
<u>Payments:</u>				
(5,466)		Employee benefits and on-costs	(5,777)	(5,394)
(5,278)		Materials and contracts	(6,615)	(5,128)
		Borrowing costs	–	(1)
		Bonds, deposits and retention amounts refunded	–	(1)
(220)		Other	(1,525)	(1,651)
		Net cash from boundary adjustments	–	–
6,294		Net cash provided (or used in) operating activities	5,880	4,225
		11b		
Cash flows from investing activities				
<u>Receipts:</u>				
		Sale of investment securities	3,300	4,600
379		Sale of infrastructure, property, plant and equipment	539	209
13		Deferred debtors receipts	13	12
<u>Payments:</u>				
		Purchase of investment securities	(3,808)	(4,600)
(6,576)		Purchase of infrastructure, property, plant and equipment	(6,649)	(3,086)
		Deferred debtors and advances made	–	(55)
(6,184)		Net cash provided (or used in) investing activities	(6,605)	(2,920)
Cash flows from financing activities				
<u>Receipts:</u>				
Nil				
<u>Payments:</u>				
		Repayment of borrowings and advances	(1)	–
–		Net cash flow provided (used in) financing activities	(1)	–
110		Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(726)	1,305
7,687		Plus: cash and cash equivalents – beginning of year	3,330	2,025
		11a		
7,797		Cash and cash equivalents – end of the year	2,604	3,330
		11a		
Additional Information:				
		plus: Investments on hand – end of year	5,808	5,300
		6b		
		Total cash, cash equivalents and investments	8,412	8,630



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4.4 Recommendation:

1. The Draft Annual Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2016 be adopted by the Council and referred for Audit.
2. The Mayor, Deputy Mayor, General Manager and responsible Accounting Officer be authorised to sign the necessary Financial Statements.
3. Council's audited financial reports and a copy of the Auditor's Reports be made available for public inspection on Council's web page and in printed format at the Council Chambers and Library.

Stephanie Waterhouse

Finance Manager

REPORT TO ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL – ENGINEERING SERVICES

Mayor and Councillors

I submit the following report for consideration:-

1 OPERATIONAL REPORT

1.1 Civil Works

Work undertaken during the reporting period of the 15 August 2016 to 9 September 2016 consisted of the following:-

- Continuing construction of the new Engineering Offices at the Works Depot in Nymagee Street;
- Completing earthworks at the new staff housing in Oxley Street;
- Tiling the disabled toilets in O'Reilly Park;
- Assisting with the installation of a new disabled access barbeque in O'Reilly Park;
- Poured a new footpath to access barbeque in O'Reilly Park;
- Installed a new awning at the rear of the dental surgery in Pangee Street;
- Constructed a concrete slab for the new fluoride room to sit on at the water supply depot in Bogan Street;
- Repairs to doors at Dr Chan's Surgery in Dandaloo Street;
- Installed pedestrian ramps in Cobar Street; and
- Commenced repairs to the Council Chamber's roof.

1.1 Community Facilities

Work undertaken by Council's Community Facilities during this reporting period consisted of the following:-

- Mowing and maintenance of ovals and reserves;
- Cleaning of town facilities;
- Preparation of Larkin Oval for Rugby Union Grand Final;
- Cleaning and sweeping of the Nyngan CBD;
- Preparing for private functions;
- Cleaning and maintenance of town streets and nature strips;

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- Cleaning of town streets gutters and culverts; and
- Digging and backfilling of graves.

1.2 Roads

The work undertaken during this reporting period by Works Crews consisted of the following:-

No.	Name	Comments
12	Coffill's Lane	Wet weather repairs continuing.
24	Canonba Road	Re-sheeting continuing.
25	Merryanbone Road	Maintenance grading/repairs continuing.
5	Piesley Road	Wet weather damage repairs continuing.
461	Cobar Condo Road	Maintenance grading/repairs continuing.
MR228	Hermidale Nymagee Road	Wet weather repairs continuing.
10	Elmore Road	1km of construction continuing.
9	Cockies Road	Maintenance grading/repairs continuing.
11	Honeybugle Road	Wet weather damage repairs continuing.
18	Elmore Road	Maintenance grading/repairs continuing.
7514	Cockies Road	Maintenance grading/repairs continuing.
57	Tottenham Road	Construction of bus stop commenced.

The wet weather continues to increase the need for Council's Jet-Patcher. During this reporting period it has carried out routine maintenance and repairs on the following roads:-

- Tottenham Road;
- Hermidale Nymagee Road;
- Arthur Hall VC Way;



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- Mulla Road;
- Cockies Road;
- Town Streets;
- Yarrandale Road;
- Mitchell Highway; and
- Barrier Highway.

Due to the wet weather Council has had to continue to be very selective on the roads that it is able to grade. The product of this saturated road network within the Shire is that when damage occurs to certain roads repairs are nearly impossible to complete without causing further damage.

Over the last couple of weeks during each rain event or rise in the river Council has had staff working 24 hours a day. These staff have been monitoring and checking Council's pumps that are removing additional water from inside the levee. This has allowed small problems that may occur during the night or weekend to be rectified straight away.

The work the rural crews have completed in Nyngan and its villages and on the sealed roads during this reporting period includes:-

- Lane maintenance including grading and vegetation control.
- Cleaning of and around of culverts in town.
- Running of pumps to remove excess storm water.
- Town tree maintenance.
- Mowing nature strips.
- Cleaning of gutters.
- Levee bank maintenance.
- Replacing or repairing street signage.
- Pothole patching.

The works program for the remainder of September and the beginning of October includes but is not limited to the following works:-



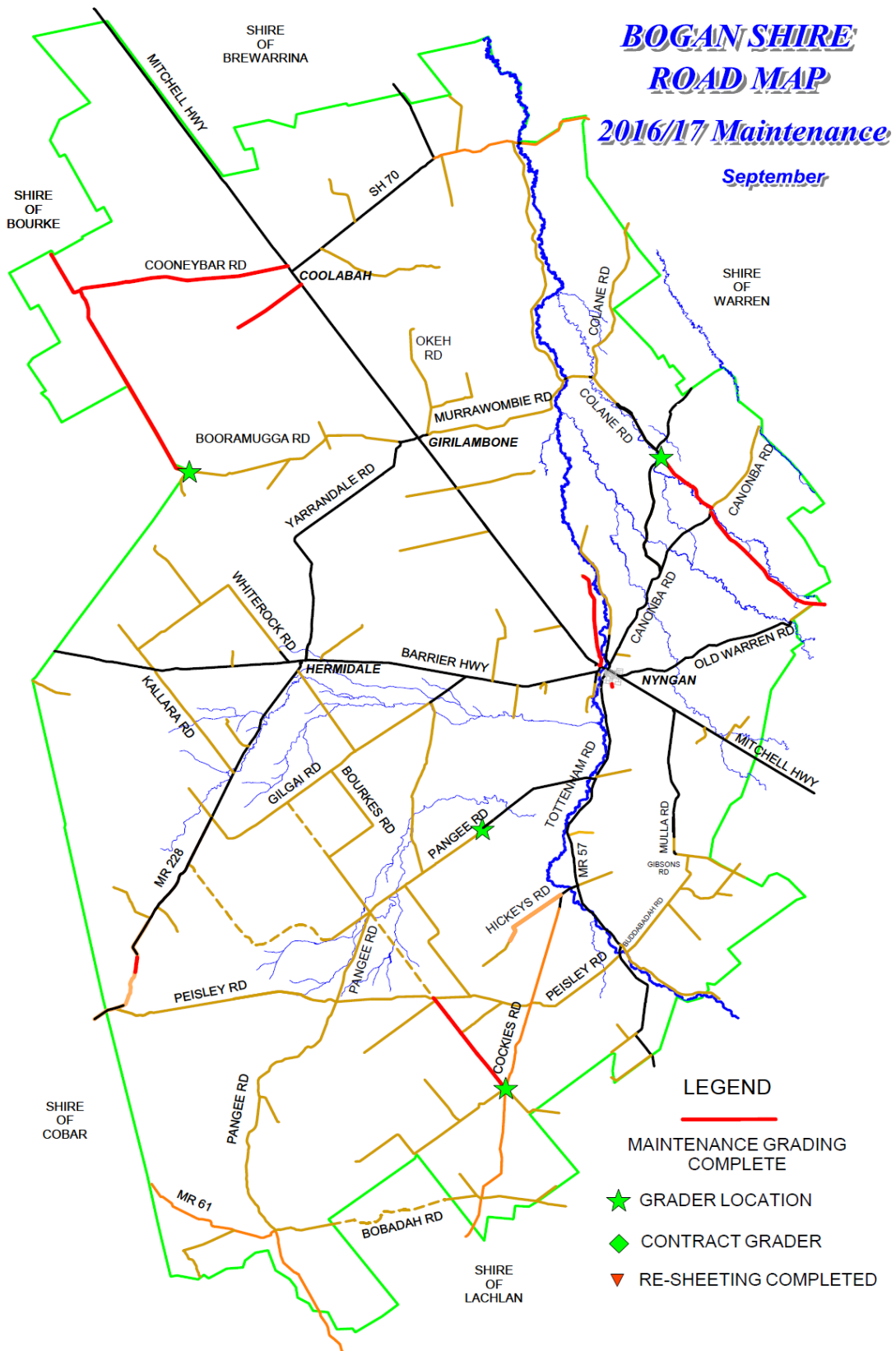
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- Maintenance grading to the following roads Elmore Road, Booramugga Road, Benah Road and Hermidale Nymagee Road.
- Repairs to the entire road network after the long period of wet weather.
- Re-sheeting of the following roads - Monkey Bridge, Tubbavilla Road and Merryanbone Road.
- Continuing construction and sealing of 1km of Pangee Road.
- Tree trimming along the Barrier Highway west of Nyngan.
- Shoulder grading of the Mitchell Highway west of Nyngan.

1.3 Recommendation

That the Operational Report for the reporting period 15 August 2016 to 9 September 2016, including Civil Works, Community Facilities and Roads be received and noted.

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2 TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING RECOMMENDATIONS

Summary:-

- *A Traffic Committee Meeting was held on Wednesday 17 August 2016.*
- *Issues discussed included school bus stops, 80km/hr speed zone on the Yarrandale Road, traffic concerns at the Primary School, signage at the Early Learning Centre and Post Office, property access to the Barrier Highway, and funding for an Active Transport Strategic Plan.*

2.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to present the discussions of the Traffic Committee meeting held on Wednesday 17 August 2016 and for Council to consider their recommendations.

2.2 Background

The Traffic Committee meets quarterly to discuss traffic and pedestrian facilities and issues and to make recommendations to Council.

2.3 Discussion

The following issues were discussed:-

- **School Bus Stop on Mitchell Highway at Priors Road**

Two customer complaints were received regarding the safety of Powell's school bus stopping at Priors Road intersection. It was reported that the bus is unable to get far enough out of the traffic lane to pick up and drop off safely.

RMS Representative noted his concerns that this bus stop was not adequate for an authorised stop and suggested he do a brief to RMS in Parkes to apply for funding for safety improvements. It was also noted there will be two more children in the future using this bus stop.

It was suggested that the bus stop at “Belar Creek”, 1.5km up the highway, may be a suitable area for the children to be picked up and dropped off until the funds are available for the construction of a new one. This option is to be discussed with the parents as funding from RMS may take up to two years.

- **School Bus Stop on Tottenham Road South of Oatley Street**

Vanes Bus Service has requested the construction of a school bus stop adjacent to the Smith residence on the Eastern side of the Tottenham Road between Oatley Street and the levee bank crossing (Diagram 2).

The levee bank adjoins the road pavement on the western side of the road and prevents the bus from pulling out of the traffic lane to pick up. Up until now, the school bus has entered the property to pick up and drop off safely and has sufficient room to maneuver on the owner’s driveway. The bus is now being replaced with a larger one that cannot use the existing driveway.

The entrance has a very wide shoulder and flat batter with sufficient room for the bus to pull off the road when travelling in both directions. This will allow the bus to cross the road and stop on the Eastern side of the road with a 2.5 metres clearance to the traffic lane. This bus stop can be completed by importing a small quantity of road base utilising regional roads funding.

The local Highway Patrol has advised that stopping this distance off the traffic lane is permitted and agrees that this would be a suitable safety measure.

- **80 km/hr Speed Zone on Yarrandale Road**

Tritton Mine has requested the Traffic Committee consider 80km/hr speed signs be installed on the Yarrandale Road either side of the existing access as a road safety precaution (Diagram 2). RMS Representative advised that this is outside the scope of Traffic Committee and would need to be referred to RMS for a speed zone review.

However, RMS Representative noted that “Trucks Entering” signs may be used in this situation to warn motorists of truck movements. It was noted that similar signs are used on the Barrier Highway and suggested that the mine be approached and these signs be installed and monitored before applying for a speed zone review.

- **Traffic Safety Concerns at Nyngan Public School**

The Manager of Engineering Services advised that staff from the Public School had discussed concern with the current parking signage arrangements and the lack of sight distance for motorists when students are using the existing pedestrian ramp in Dandaloo Street.

Currently a teacher stands on the shoulder and directs children to cross the street. The school also has issues with front to kerb parking as some parents perform a U turn to save travel distance and the school feels that traffic volumes have increased with the opening of the Early Learning Centre.

RMS Representative and the Manager of Engineering Services have visited the site and recommend that the “No Stopping” sign be moved two parking spaces to improve sight distance. If funding becomes available, it may be a suitable location to install a pedestrian refuge in the future.

- **Early Learning Centre Pedestrian Warning Signs**

Concern had been raised of increased traffic in the vicinity of Early Learning Centre and it was suggested that Mother and Child Crossing signs be installed to slow down passing vehicles.

The general discussion was that children would be dropped off and picked up in the off street parking area and children are not crossing the street however, it was also noted that some parents are staying a little longer and parking on the street.

It was recommended that the issue be discussed with the Director of Children’s Services. **Note:** The Director has since advised that it will be an advantage to have warning signs to slow passing vehicles.

- **Parking restrictions at Nyngan Post Office**

Discussions took place regarding the current mail loading zone in front of the Post Office in Cobar Street. The Highway Patrol has advised that vehicles parked in the zone during the specified restricted hours are illegally parked. The sign posted afternoon mail loading times are 3:30 to 5:30 Mon – Fri and as the mail truck only has a short pick up time, the restricted times may be too long.

It was also suggested that the loading zone could be moved to allow two parking spaces on the western end. It was recommended that the signs remain in their current location.

- **Yarrandale Road Intersection with Barrier Highway**

The Highway Patrol had advised of a property access recently being used by vehicles to access the Barrier Highway at the Yarrandale Road intersection (Diagram 3).

As this is an unsafe location for an access to the highway, RMS Representative noted that this would require a Development Application to Council which would then be referred to RMS for assessment.

- **Future Funding for Cycleways and Pedestrian Access Mobility**

RMS has advised that for Council to be considered for future Cycleway and Pedestrian Access Mobility Plans we will need to have an Active Transport Strategic Plan. The Strategic Plan would include proposals for extensions to the existing cycleways and further improvements to pedestrian access for mobility scooters and for walking.

RMS recommended the engagement of an experienced consultant for the preparation of a strategic plan which will provide Council with a list of future improvement projects that may be jointly funded.

Applications for 2017/18 funding close in early September and Council will be applying for \$60,000 for a strategic plan of which Council will be required to fund \$15,000.

2.4 Recommendations:

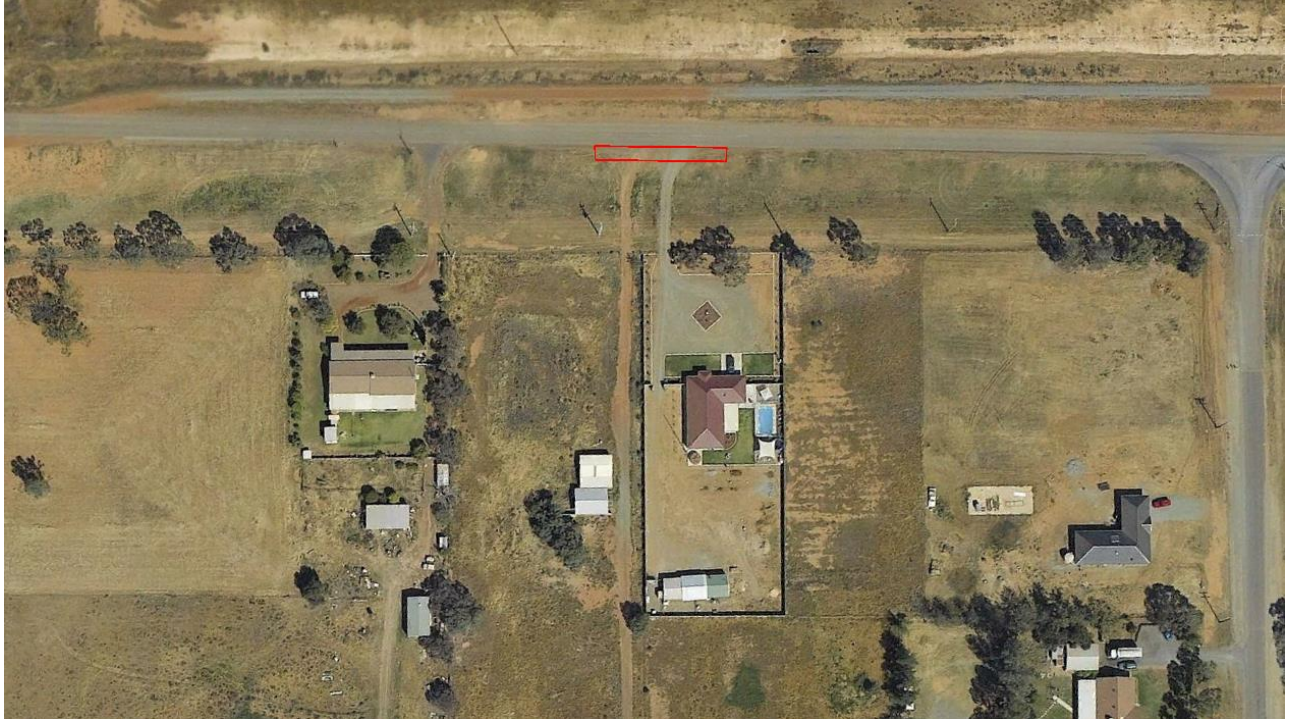
1. That Mother and Child Crossing signs be installed on the approaches to the Early Learning Centre to warn and slow down passing vehicles.
2. That the existing mail loading zone signs remain at the Nyngan Post Office.

DIAGRAM 1



Yarrandale Road Girilambone

DIAGRAM 2



Tottenham Road Nyngan between the levee bank and Oatley Street

DIAGRAM 3



Property Access onto Barrier Highway adjacent to Yarrandale Road Intersection.

3 NYNGAN AERODROME LEASE OF SHED

Summary:-

- *Fly Orana have requested to lease an existing shed at the Nyngan Aerodrome to store aviation fuel.*
- *It is recommended to lease the shed at \$200 per month.*

3.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to recommend to Council the lease of an existing shed at the Nyngan Airport to Fly Orana to store aviation fuel.

3.2 Background

The CEO of Fly Orana has approached Council regarding leasing the existing small storage shed adjacent to the apron and taxiway at the Nyngan aerodrome.

Fly Orana operate the Aeris Tritton Operations fly in fly out charter into Nyngan each week and refuel their aircraft before their return flight.

3.3 Discussion

Council has recently constructed a new larger storage shed and has removed the equipment from the small shed. Fly Orana propose to store a bunded trailer with up to 5 x 200 litre drums of aviation fuel on the trailer. The use of a lockable shed will allow the fuel to be stored out of sight and out of the weather in a secure location.

The lease of the shed would be on the condition that the storage of fuel and use of the shed were in accordance with CASSA regulations.

3.4 Recommendation

That Council lease the aerodrome shed to Fly Orana at a rate of \$200 per month.

4 LEVEE BANK FLOOD GATE IMPROVEMENTS

Summary:

- *The levee flood gate seals have perished over the past 25 years and require replacement.*
- *Several other improvement works are proposed for the levee flood gates and pumps.*
- *It is recommended that \$35,000 in funding be allocated to improvement works at the first budget review.*

4.1 Introduction

The Purpose of this report is to advise Council of the required works on the Nyngan levee bank flood gates.

4.2 Background

During the past three months we have had several occasions where the Bogan River has reached a high enough level where the flood gates had to be closed to prevent flood water from backing too far up drains into town.

The normal practice with the flood gates on the levee is to keep them open as long as possible so that in the event of heavy rain, stormwater can still run out of town into the river without being pumped and without causing flooding inside the levee.

4.3 Discussion

In recent river flows we have found that some of the flood gates have not sealed sufficiently to prevent water from leaking back into the drains inside the levee. This has caused more of an inconvenience than a major problem as the three main drains through the levee have electric pumps installed to remove the internal water when the gates are closed and the river is in minor flood.

As the river level increases, other flood gates have to be closed and portable pumps need to be placed in the drains to pump them out if it rains or the gates are leaking.



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The flood gates are now 25 years old and the rubber seals on the outside have become hard and no longer serviceable. The manufacturer has also advised that an inner seal that was installed between the concrete headwall and the steel gate frame may have perished as it appears that water has been leaking in behind the steel frame rather than just around the actual gate.

The need to operate the flood gates and pumps over the past few months has also highlighted the need to make other improvements to these assets. Council had steel walkways constructed many years ago to improve access to the flood gates but these were never installed. These walkways will need some modifications but will improve access greatly, especially in wet weather.

The existing electric pumps were originally set up with automatic float switches that are not working correctly and the power boxes require staff to stand in the water to turn them on. The float switches need to be modified and the power boxes moved so they can be accessed by new steel walkways for staff.

Silt and gravel stones have caused problems by laying in the bottom of the steel channel the flood gates slide into, preventing them from closing completely at times. Although the culvert outlets are cleaned periodically, it is done while the drains are dry. After rain when the drains are wet and the river is rising, seeing and removing obstacles in the steel channel under water proves difficult. It is proposed to modify the steel channels and construct concrete aprons on the culvert outlets that do not have them to aid in the cleaning of the flood gate structures.

The intersection of River Street with Bogan Street also has had problems with a leaking gate and requires a portable pump when it rains. This problem can be greatly reduced by installing a small diameter pipe across Bogan Street and into an open drain that runs back to the existing Cobar Street pump.

It may also be a good time to investigate the installation of a permanent smaller electric pump in the vicinity of Ag and Vet or the RFS with an interconnecting drain to remove stormwater when the levee flood gates are closed. This is a project that can be investigated and included for consideration at the estimates meeting.

The above repairs and improvements may take some time to complete and will have to fit in with other priorities and of course wait to the locations are accessible.



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The following estimates are for the items discussed above:-

- \$10,000 - Replace inside and outside seals on major culverts along river.
- \$5,000 - Construct and install steel walkways to existing pumps.
- \$2,000 - Modify existing pump control boxes and float switches.
- \$12,000 - Install walkways to flood gates.
- \$6,000 - Concrete aprons on culverts and install pipe in Bogan Street.

The rubber seals have been ordered for the flood gates and it is proposed to replace the perished ones when access is available.

4.4 Recommendation

That funding of \$35,000 for the above work be included in the first budget review.

Graeme Bourke

MANAGER ENGINEERING SERVICES

REPORT TO ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL – DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Mayor and Councillors

I submit the following reports for consideration:-

1 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

1.1 Introduction

One (1) Development Application has been approved since Council's August 2016 Meeting.

DA NUMBER	APPLICANT	ADDRESS	DESCRIPTION	VALUE (\$)	PROGRESS
2014/001	Dr Ryan Heggie	Canonba Road, NYNGAN	Hangar	64,000	Applicant advises that the DA will continue subject to lease negotiations
2015/004	Tritton Resources Pty Ltd	Mitchell Highway GIRILAMBONE Lot 10 DP 751315 & Lot 3 DP 751342	Underground mine – “Avoca Tank”	20,000,000	Assessment finalised, to be determined by Joint Regional Planning Panel
2016/015	WR Nominees	Lot 101 Lawlor Street Nyngan	Change of Use	15,000	Further information required from applicant regarding Fire Safety Compliance
2016/016	Terry Lyons	Lot 2 DP 939430 Nyngan Street, Hermidale	Refurbishment of shed and extension	100,000	Additional information required from applicant.
2016/019	LR & RA Smith	133 Cobar Street, Nyngan	Shed and Secondary Dwelling	45,000	Under assessment
2016/20	Mr T Wright	13 Mudal, Street Nyngan	Dual Occupancy	450,000	Preliminary assessment completed. Notification & advertising required

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2016/21	Bogan Shire Council	Oxley and Dandaloo Street, Nyngan	Shed	20,000	Approved.
2016/22	AGL c/- David Bloomfield	876 Barrier Highway, Nyngan	Viewing Platform for Solar Farm	350,000	Recently submitted. Notification & advertising required

1.2 Recommendation

That the report be received and noted.

2 OPERATIONAL REPORTS

2.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to outline the key works undertaken since Council's August 2016 meeting by the Parks and Gardens Team and Noxious Weeds Officer.

2.2 Discussion

Key works that have been undertaken by the Parks and Gardens Team consisted of the following:-

- Routine maintenance duties including whipper snipping, mowing, weeding (as required), tree branch and litter removal, and edging of Teamsters Rest Area, O'Reilly Park, Moonagee Park, Lions Park, Davidson Park, Heritage Park, Vanges Park, Centennial Park and Rotary Park.
- Cleaning of Nyngan Pool underway.
- Round up of the Cemetery.
- Kamba application to all parks.
- Cleaning of fountain within park.
- Assistance with installation of CCTV trenching at Nyngan Waste Facility.
- Traffic Control Training.
- O'Reilly Park modification to irrigation following upgrades and reinstating turf.
- Top up of playground mulch in Davidson Park.

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Key works that have been undertaken by the Noxious Weeds Officer consisted of the following despite the ongoing wet weather:-

- Spraying of the edge break on various roads including:-
 - Colane Road
 - Old Warren Road
 - Mulla Road
 - Mitchell Highway

- Various road inspections to enable program of works for spraying.
- Nine (9) private property inspections.
- Maintenance spraying at the Waste Facility and Showgrounds.

2.3 Recommendation

That the Operational Report, including Parks and Gardens and Weeds since 25 August 2016 Council Meeting be received and noted.

Ty Robson

ACTING MANAGER OF DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

PRECIS OF CORRESPONDENCE

1 LODGE OXLEY MASONIC CENTRE

Attached is a copy of a *thank you* letter received from the Lodge Oxley expressing their gratitude with regards to the rates.

1.1 Recommendation: That the *thank you* letter received from the Lodge Oxley expressing their gratitude with regards to the rates be received.

2 ICARE WORKERS INSURANCE

Attached is a copy of a letter received from ICARE Workers Insurance who have responded on behalf of Council's letter to the Minister for Finance, Services and Property about the cost of insurance incurred by sporting participants. A list of the insurance cost for sporting participants of the premiums paid under the scheme and the charge per person each year is advised. Council is advised of what is covered and what is not covered in the letter. It is suggested that Council speak to an insurance broker.

2.1 Recommendation: That letter received from ICARE Workers Insurance who has responded on behalf of Council's letter to the Minister for Finance, Services and Property about the cost of insurance incurred by sporting participants be received.

3 AUSTRALIAN COMPETITION & CONSUMER COMMISSION

Attached is a copy of a letter received from the ACCC in reply to Council's letter concerning the excessive annual player insurance premiums. The Department of Fair Trading advised Council to write to the ACCC. ACCC have now advised Council that they will not be investigating because the information provided does not establish a breach of the Australian Consumer Law, however it will record our details on their database. Council may raise its concern with the local Member.

3.1 Recommendation: That the letter received from the ACCC in reply to Council's letter concerning the excessive annual player insurance premiums be received.

4 OFFICE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Attached is a copy of the Office of Local Government Circular No 16-30 / 2 September 2016 regarding the Local Government Amendment (Governance and Planning) Act.

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- Determination of the organisation structure of a Council is by the governing body of the Council, in consultation with the General Manager for senior staff positions and by the General Manager for the remainder of the structure.
- Expenses and facilities policies are to be adopted by a Council within 12 months of the term of a new Council and policy amendments are no longer required to be specifically notified to the office of local Government.
- Countback provisions will not be available to fill casual vacancies occurring in the office of a Councillor following the 2016 ordinary elections.
- Further Phase 1 amendments will be put in place over time and will be subject of a separate guidance.

4.1 Recommendation: That the Office of Local Government Circular No 16-30 / 2 September 2016 regarding the Local Government Amendment (Governance and Planning) Act be received.

5 WESTERN NSW LOCAL HEALTH DISTRICT

Attached is a copy of a response received from the Western NSW Local Health District to Council's letter of 27 July 2016 regarding dialysis services in Nyngan. Council is advised that in May 2016 the Western NSW LHD submitted an application to the Ministry of Health's, Health System Planning and Investment Branch requesting capital funding for the establishment of a level 3 satellite dialysis unit at the Nyngan MPS. The submission is currently under consideration.

5.1 Recommendation: That the letter received from the Western NSW Local Health District to Council's letter of 27 July 2016 regarding dialysis services in Nyngan be received.

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6 NYNGAN SHOW SOCIETY

Attached is a copy of a letter received from the Nyngan Show Society expressing their pleasure at the wonderful appearance of the Showground for their Annual Show, in particular the horsing area.

6.1 Recommendation: That the letter received from the Nyngan Show Society expressing their pleasure at the wonderful appearance of the Showground for their Annual Show, in particular the horsing area be received.

7 WEEKLY CIRCULARS

Weekly Circulars 33/16 to 37/16 are tabled for Council's information. Copies of the Circulars Indices and Summary of Items have been dispatched to Councillors.

7.1 Recommendation: That the Local Government Weekly Circulars be noted.

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Lodge Oxley No 225

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The General Manager

Bogan Shire Council

Cobar Street

Nyngan. 2825

Dear Derek,

The Worshipful Master and Brethern wish to express their gratitude for the consideration extended to Lodge Oxley with regard to the rates for the present year. With our membership down to 13 this action is very helpful to our staying viable.

Thank you very much.

Yours Faithfully,



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Keith White

Hon. Sec. Lodge Oxley 225

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Dear Ms Wood

RE: SPORTING INSURANCE

I refer to your letter to the Hon Dominic Perrottet MP, Minister for Finance, Services and Property, about the cost of insurance incurred by sporting participants. The Minister asked me to respond to you on his behalf, as icare (formerly WorkCover Insurance) administers the NSW Sporting Injuries Insurance Scheme.

I understand you're concerned that sporting participants, specifically those within the Bogan Shire local government area, are required to pay large insurance premiums yet don't receive adequate injury protection for their money. While I acknowledge your concerns and will do my best to provide helpful information, I can only respond in part because icare's oversight is limited to the Scheme.

NSW Sporting Injuries Insurance Scheme

Part of the insurance cost for sporting participants is for the premiums paid under the Scheme. Premiums are charged per person per year at the following rates:

SPORT	SENIOR RATE	JUNIOR RATE*
Soccer (Football)	\$3.19	\$0.77
Netball	\$3.85	\$0.77
Basketball	\$3.85	\$0.77
Athletics (Track & Field)	\$0.94	\$0.22
Cricket	\$1.98	\$0.38
Fishing	\$1.98	\$0.38
Rugby League	\$17.38	\$3.63
Rugby Union	\$33.00	\$8.03
Swimming	\$0.94	\$0.22
Australian Rules	\$7.65	\$1.54

*Junior participants are defined as those under 18 years.

Although their premium rates are much lower than the rates for seniors, the benefits they receive when they're seriously injured are the same (with the exclusion of death benefits).

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For this, participants receive lump sum compensation payments (up to a maximum of \$171,000) if they're seriously and permanently injured. This includes injuries affecting the use of their arms, legs, sight, hearing and mental capacity, and other permanent loss injuries. Death benefits are also provided.

We don't cover minor injuries, like breaks, sprains, abrasions, cuts and bruises, or dental injuries. For this reason, many sporting participants take out other additional insurances to cover their medical costs and loss of income.

Other insurances

Other insurances for sporting participants may include:

- Income protection
- Personal accident and illness cover
- Private health cover

Sporting organisations may also need public liability insurance.

It seems that your main concern is about the cost of these types of insurance, which aren't within icare's jurisdiction or the Minister's portfolio responsibilities. For more information about getting the best value for money in terms of these other insurances, I suggest you speak with an insurance broker, who can provide detail on the products available and their cost.

I'm sorry I can't be of more assistance with regard to this aspect of your enquiry, especially given that you've been referred to a number of contact points, but I hope that you're now clear on what the NSW Sporting Injuries Insurance Scheme offers and the associated fees.

If there's anything else icare can help you with in relation to the Scheme, please give us a call on 02 4321 5392.

Thank you and all the best with your future endeavours.

Yours sincerely

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John Nagle
Executive General Manager – Workers Insurance
icare

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Your ref: REF1981147
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14 September 2016

Debb Wood
Manager People and Culture
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Dear Ms Wood

Re: Sporting club insurance

We have considered your complaint and we have decided not to investigate because the information you provided does not establish a breach of the Australian Consumer Law (ACL). Please see our website, www.accc.gov.au for information about the types of conduct prohibited under the ACL.

If you feel that annual player insurance premiums for sporting clubs are excessive and do not provide a sufficient level of cover, you should raise your concerns with your local Member of NSW Parliament.

Although we're not investigating your complaint we have recorded the details in our database. We really value your complaint. It helps us understand what issues cause the most harm to Australian consumers and where best to direct our resources. Please see our website, www.accc.gov.au for more information about our priorities and how we use our resources.

Yours sincerely



Patrick Booksmythe
Correspondence Officer
Infocentre

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Office of
Local Government

Circular to Councils

Circular Details	Circular No 16-30 / 2 September 2016 / A512827
Previous Circular	16-01 New Local Government Act Development Consultation
Who should read this	Councillors / General Managers / All council staff
Contact	Council Governance Team - 02 4428 4100
Action required	Information

Local Government Amendment (Governance and Planning) Act

What's new or changing

- The NSW Parliament has passed amendments to the *Local Government Act 1993* (the LGA) known as the Phase 1 reforms, focussing mainly on improving council governance and strategic business planning.
- Some of the amendments are now in force. Other amendments will be put in place over time.

What this will mean for your council

The following relevant amendments are now in force:

- The term of office for a mayor elected by councillors will be **increased to two years** (section 230(1) LGA).
- All councillors, including mayors, are required to take an oath or affirmation of office (section 233A LGA).
- The organisational structure of a council is to be determined by:
 - The governing body of the council, in consultation with the general manager, for senior staff positions; and
 - The general manager, for the remainder of the positions in the organisation structure.
- Expenses and facilities policies are to be adopted by a council within 12 months of the term of a new council, instead of annually (section 252 LGA). Amendments to this policy are no longer required to be specifically notified to the Office of Local Government (section 253 LGA).
- The commencement of countback provisions has been deferred until a date prescribed for that purpose (section 291A). Any casual vacancies occurring in the office of a councillor following the 2016 ordinary elections will be required to be filled at a by-election held in accordance with section 291 of the LGA where otherwise required to be filled.

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Key points

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- Further Phase 1 amendments will be put in place over time and will be the subject of separate guidance.

Where to go for further information

- Contact the Council Governance Team at the Office of Local Government on 02 4428 4100 if you would like any further information.

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**Tim Hurst
Acting Chief Executive
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Mr Derek Francis
General Manager
Bogan Shire Council
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Dear Mr Francis

Re: Dialysis Services in Nyngan

Thank you for your letter dated 27 July 2016 regarding dialysis services in Nyngan. I acknowledge that the current level of dialysis service available at the Nyngan Multipurpose Service (MPS) is not meeting the needs of the dialysis dependent people in your community.

The Western NSW LHD faces many challenges due to the increasing incidence of end stage renal failure and the resulting growth in demand for hospital-based dialysis services. The LHDs *Renal Services – Clinical Service Plan 2014-2018* puts forward many initiatives to be implemented over the next 5 years to meet the current and future demand for renal dialysis services. I would like to assure you that the establishment of a satellite dialysis service at the Nyngan MPS has been identified as a renal service development priority for the LHD.

An expansion of the dialysis service at Nyngan requires considerable capital funding in order to purpose build a unit that will accommodate four (4) dialysis treatment chairs, a water treatment plant, adequate storage and patient and staff amenities. The proposed expansion will also require additional ongoing funding for recurrent costs such as staffing, price per treatment and maintenance.

In May 2016 the Western NSW LHD submitted an application to the Ministry of Health's, Health System Planning and Investment Branch requesting capital funding for the establishment of a level 3 satellite dialysis unit at the Nyngan MPS. This submission is currently under consideration.

Best practice guidelines recommend that home-based dialysis should be considered the first line of treatment and be promoted as the "better quality dialysis". However, not all people are able to have dialysis in their own homes due to their physical health, availability of a carer and/or environmental factors. Also not all people requiring dialysis would be suitable for receiving dialysis at the Nyngan MPS due to their higher care needs. People with unstable conditions and more complex health needs require higher

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levels of specialist renal care and will need to receive their dialysis in Dubbo, where specialised care is readily available to manage possible emergencies.

Should you require any further information please contact, Joy Adams, General Manager Northern Sector, Western NSW Local Health District on phone number (02) 6378 6272 or email Joy.Adams@health.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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Mr Scott McLachlan
Chief Executive

25 August 2016

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15 September 2016

Mr Derek Francis
General Manager
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Dear Derek

The Show committee wishes to express their great pleasure at the wonderful appearance of the Showground. We received so many compliments from competitors particularly in the horsing arena who remarked that our grounds are one of the best in the circuit.

Even though the weather was against us we still managed to continue on with some of the planned events, our guest speaker Costa Georgiadis promoted in his speech at the Opening Ceremony on the importance of the annual Shows in our community. He is a very passionate speaker and loved the chance of being part of the Show and bringing his father back to Nyngan which was once his home.

We look forward to working with the Bogan Shire at next year's Show which will be held on the 21st & 22nd May 2017.

Yours Sincerely



Kathy Korn
SHOW SECRETARY

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GRANTS AND FUNDING

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Building Resilience to Climate Change Grants

Round 3 of the Building Resilience to Climate Change (BRCC) program is open for funding applications.

NSW Seniors Festival Grants

NSW Councils are encouraged to apply for the 2017 NSW Seniors Festival event grants. The grants program supports events and activities across NSW that contribute to a better quality of life for older people.

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Liveable Communities Grants

Councils have until the end of September to apply for Liveable Community grants which aim to improve the quality of life for older people living in NSW.

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New Funding Announced for Preschool Programs

The NSW Government will provide new funding for children in the year before school who are entitled for 15 hours per week of early childhood education.

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