

# **BOGAN SHIRE COUNCIL**

**Business Paper** 

23 June 2022



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### 16 June 2022

### **COUNCIL MEETING NOTICE**

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held in the Council Chambers on Thursday 23 June 2022 at 5.30pm, with Councillors meeting at the Bogan Shire Youth and Community Centre at 5.00pm for a tour of the facility.

#### **AGENDA**

- 1. Opening Prayer
- 2. Remembrances
- 3. Apologies
- 4. Declarations of Interest
- 5. Confirmation of the Extraordinary Meeting (Estimates) held on 5 May 2022
- 6. Confirmation of the Ordinary Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 26 May 2022
- 7. Committee Meeting Minutes
- 8. General Manager's Report incorporating reports from:-
  - People and Community Services
  - Finance and Corporate Services
  - Engineering Services
  - Development and Environmental Services
- 9. Correspondence

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated.

Yours sincerely

Melissa Salter
Executive Officer



# Committee Meeting Minutes to the Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 23 June 2022

### **COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

### 1 MUSEUM COMMITTEE MINUTES

Attached are the minutes of the Nyngan Museum Committee meeting held at the Nyngan Museum on 1 June 2022.

### 1.1 Recommendation

That the minutes of the Nyngan Museum Committee meeting held at the Nyngan Museum on 1 June 2022 be received and noted.



# Committee Meeting Minutes to the Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 23 June 2022

Nyngan Museum Meeting Date: 1st June 2022

#### Present:

Leonie Montgomery, Anna Corby, Anne Quarmby, Val Keighran, Stewart McKenzie, Gwen, Yvonne Pardy

### Apologies:

Ray Donald, Donna Pumpa, Collin Pardy, Denice Simpson

### Guests:

Richard Milligan

Minutes last meeting: Move: Anna second: Val

### Business arising from previous minutes:

Glass Panels Brendan from the Bogan Shire, has been in touch with us to let us know that they will be painting the panel surrounds. No completion date was given.

Our request for a water cooler was discussed by the Shire. Richard has let us know that it can be dealt with without the need for a council motion.

Donna can't order fly swats yet as there is a problem with opening an account with the company

Essential energy haven't been in touch yet about payment of grant money. Leonie will re email them.

Thank you letter written to Dennis Callaghan and Men's Shed re stool for confectionary scales.

Treasurers Report attached: read and moved: Gwen 2nd: Val

Report read by Gwen as Collin away



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### Correspondence In:

Noel Dutton will visit on 8th July to meet with Anna re family tree information.

### Correspondence Out:

### Co Ordinator's Report:

Leonie now has a museum order book. Brendan will provide the instructions for use.

Purchases 1000 sheets of paper have been purchased and delivered to the Shire for printing of

brochures.

8kg mouse baits

8 surge protectors for light cupboards in the hopes of stopping the lights blowing

A calendar will be clipped to the notice board so that volunteers can indicate planned absences,

Bus visit due in September will be chased up to finalise the details.

Welcome back to Hugh who is returning on Thursdays.

**Richard's Report**Council members were very positive about the visitors book quotes attached to the minutes from the May meeting.

Museum budget may be discussed in the upcoming council budget review.



#### General business

We need to have a wish list for our budget spending, as well as the upkeep and maintenance list we already share with the Shire.

Stewart has used his own time to fill a hole in the ceiling where pidgeons were flying in and out of the main area and soiling the display. Thanks Stewart.

A bus visit is booked for August 17. Details need to be checked with the Midstate Shearing Shed.

Worksheets and lesson plans have been organized for our Year 1 and 2 classes due Friday 10th June.

Stephen Roach has a cafeteria sign and an adding machine to donate. Gwen will follow up.

Meeting Closed: 10.05



### 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	23/09/2021	249/2021	Increase of train speed through Nyngan	Prior to the next state Election, Council raise the issue of the Hoskins Street Level Crossing & Train Speeds with Barwon candidates.	GM	Pending discussions closer to State Elections.
2	24/04/2019	117/2019	Cobar Water Board	Whilst Council is prepared to have discussion with CWB to explore options for delivery of water to minor users within the Bogan Shire LGA, it does not agree to the Board's proposal at this stage.	GM	Further correspondence sent to CWB.  Meeting held with CWB 30.11.2021. Further discussion to take place.



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3	27/05/2022	122/2022	Nyngan	Council seeks advice	GM	<u>UPDATE:</u> Letter written to
			Emergency Bore	from the Minister for		Minister for Water.
				Water, as to a		
				mechanism for periodic		
				extraction of water for		
				maintenance purposes,		
				given that it is		
				understood that		
				Council is unable to		
				extract water from the		
				bore at this stage.		
4	28/11/2019	368/2019	Repairs to Nyngan	The General Manager	DES	Remediation work postponed
			& Cobar	be authorised to		due to wet weather and soft
			Emergency Water	procure sufficient		floor.
			Storage	quantities Geosynthetic		Floor continues to be wet and
				Clay Liner & Geotextile		soft from rain.
				material to complete		
				the remediation works,		Requires warm weather to
				according to		dry out sub- base
				specifications provided		A contract variation has
				by NSW Public Works.		been issued to the Contractor
				The procurement be		for change of scope for
				carried out by way of		repairs to inside batters.
				quotations.		



5	17/12/2020	373/2020	Lack of Vacation Care/Before and After School Care in Nyngan	Council approach both primary schools in Nyngan. Council bring this matter to the attention of local State Member and Hon. Sam Farraway MLC.	DPCS	Meetings held with Principals of Nyngan Public and St Joseph's Schools. Letter sent to Hon. Bronnie Taylor MLC, Minister for Mental Health, Rural Youth and Women.  Response received from Hon. Bronnie Taylor, indicating support for funding application by Nyngan Public School to the Department of Education for the construction of a purpose built building for Before and After School Care.
	24/02/2022	010/2022		Council make enquiries from the State Government to find out why progress has halted on before and after school care.		Letter sent to the Hon. Sarah Mitchell, MLC, Minister for Education and Early Learning.  The Department is liaising with the school principal to explore the feasibility of



	27/05/2022	118/2022		Correspondence from the NSW Government Education – School Infrastructure be received and noted and representatives from the NSW Department of Education be invited to attend and address the next Council meeting.		options to establish a service and expects to be in a position to confirm and initiative to support the creation of places for parents in the coming weeks  UPDATE: Principal Nyngan Public School and representative of NSW Government – Education invited to attend July Council Meeting.
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6	25/02/2021	012/2021	Nyngan Railway Wool Dump	A colour information sign be erected at the Nyngan Railway Wool Dump on stand adjacent to the dump. A cement path from the existing walkway to the sign be constructed, with available funding.	DES	Pending commencement of grant- funded works.  Pending commencement of grant- funded works.
7	25/02/2021	013/2021	Honour Board	Recipients of National Awards, prior to 1980's, be recognised on Honour Board. The board include National awards including recipients of the British Empire Medal (BEM), Australian Fire Service Medal (AFSM), Victoria Cross.	GM	Honour Board ordered. <u>UPDATE:</u> Delay with manufacture of order, now expected delivery July 2022.



8	27/05/2021	126/2021	Addressing Local Job Vacancies	Council delays the launch of the marketing campaign until progress is made with establishing more housing accommodation in Nyngan.	DPCS	UPDATE: Planning for new residential subdivision commenced.
9	28/05/2022	085/2022	Refugee Employment	Council funds, and invites the Bogan Shire's business community to participate in a skills and labour shortage mapping exercise. Following the skills and labour shortage mapping exercise, representatives from identified Refugee Recruitment service providers be invited to a meeting with Council.	DPCS	UPDATE: Communication to business community currently under development.



10	28/10/2021	162/2021	Section 355	General Manager to	GM	Initial meeting held with
			Committee -	proceed with		Museum Committee.
			Nyngan Museum	discussions to		
				formalise a constitution		Draft delegations prepared
				and associated		for further discussions with
				delegations for Nyngan		Museum Committee.
				Museum Committee as		
				a Section 355		UPDATE:
				Management		Referred to Audit & Risk
				Committee of Council		Committee
				with a further report to		
				Council.		
11	25/11/2021	331/2021	Recycling Bins in	Recycling bins be	DDES	UPDATE:
			Town Main Street	made available in town		Eight recycling bins received,
				main street.		awaiting signage.
	24/03/2022	068/2022	Recycling Bin	That Council, as part of		<u>UPDATE:</u>
			Waste Stickers	the recycling education		In Progress –Graphic
				program that will be		designer engaged.
				conducted through		
				schools, supply		
				students with a sticker		
				and encourage to stick		
				it to their household		
				recycling bin.		



12	27/05/2022	111/2022	Nyngan's Big	Bogan Shire Council	DPCS	<b>UPDATE:</b> Grant application
			<b>Bogan Festival</b>	applies for funding		in progress.
				from the Reconnecting		
				Regional NSW –		
				Community Events		
				Program grant to host		
				Nyngan's Big Bogan		
				Festival to be held		
				between October and		
				November 2022.		
				The General Manager appoints a part time event coordinator for the Festival,		<u>UPDATE:</u> Event Coordinator identified.
				Interested Bogan Shire community members be invited to participate in a committee / working group.		<u>UPDATE:</u> Invitations made to Community Members.



#### 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 ADOPTION OF COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

### Summary:-

The purpose of this report is to present the draft of the 2022/2032 Community Strategic Plan (CSP) for Council's consideration and adoption as required by the provisions of the Local Government Act.

#### 2.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to present the draft of the 2022/2032 Community Strategic Plan (CSP) for Council's consideration and adoption as required by the provisions of the *Local Government Act*.

### 2.2 Background

The CSP is the highest level plan that a Council prepares. The purpose of the plan is to identify the community's main priorities and aspirations for the future and to plan strategies for achieving these goals. Specific activities or actions under each strategy are being developed and these will be set out in the Delivery Program and the Operating Plan and Budget for consideration by Council in May and June.

### 2.3 Discussion

Council approved the draft CSP for public exhibition at its April meeting. The CSP was placed on Council's website, at the library and the front counter of the Council Chambers with a notice in the Nyngan Observer informing the community about the exhibition period.

No public comments were received during the exhibition period.

#### 2.4 Recommendation

That the draft 2022/2032 Community Strategic Plan be adopted.



# 3 INTEGRATED PLANNING AND REPORTING - 2022/2023 TO 2024/2025 DELIVERY PROGRAM

### Summary:

This report is for Council to consider adoption of the 2022/2023 to 2024/2025 Delivery Program.

#### 3.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider adoption of the 2022/2023 to 2024/2025 Delivery Program.

### 3.2 Background

In accordance with the Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework prescribed by the New South Wales Government, Council adopts a long-term (10 year) Community Strategic Plan and a medium-term (4 year) Delivery Program in addition to its annual Operational Plan and Budget.

Whilst the Community Strategic Plan runs until 2032, the Delivery Program sets out the activities that will be carried out between 2022/2023 and 2024/2025 towards achieving the strategies and goals specified in Council's Community Strategic Plan.

### 3.3 Discussion

The draft 2022/2023 to 2024/2025 Delivery Program was considered by Council at on Extraordinary Meeting on 5 May 2022 and approved for exhibition. The exhibition period ran until 10 June 2022 with no submissions having been received by Council at that date.

### 3.4 Recommendation

That the 2022/2023 to 2024/2025 Delivery Program be adopted.

**Derek Francis** 

**General Manager** 



# REPORT TO ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL - DIRECTOR PEOPLE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

### **Mayor and Councillors**

The following reports are submitted for consideration:

### 1 BOGAN SHIRE EARLY LEARNING CENTRE

### Summary:

The purpose of this report is to advise Council of the activities and statistics of the operation of the Bogan Shire Early Learning Centre.

### 1.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to advise Council of the activities and statistics of the operation of the Bogan Shire Early Learning Centre.

### 1.2 Discussion

### **Statistics**

- Total children enrolled as at 9/06/2022: 73
- Total children scheduled to attend for the week ending 12/06/2022: 44

### **Usage Capacity**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Ave.
July 21	76%	67%	65%	66%	63%	67%
August 21	79%	71%	65%	69%	64%	70%
September 21	82%	67%	66%	64%	66%	69%
October 21	83%	67%	68%	70%	70%	71%
November 21	84%	71%	70%	72%	68%	73%
December 21	83%	67%	69%	74%	68%	72%
January 22	67%	65%	46%	33%	42%	50%
February 22	75%	69%	72%	68%	68%	70%
March 22	74%	69%	71%	69%	67%	70%
April 22	55%	65%	65%	64%	58%	61%



May 22	74%	68%	73%	68%	69%	70%
June 22 (until 12/06/22)	75%	67%	66%	70%	65%	68%

### COVID-19

The COVID-19 pandemic is still present, however this financial year it has had little to no effect on the operations of the Early Learning Centre, with regards to children's attendance.

All necessary measures have been put in place at the Early Learning Centre to address COVID-19 safety directives and requirements and staff have been in regular communication with parents about any changes or additional procedures that need to be followed.

### **COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS**

The Bogan Shire Early Learning Centre has recently began to venture out of our centre and into the community for excursions to the library, oval and some community events. Educators have continued to connect with families via the online platform, Storypark to share educational content and support families.

The Early Learning Centre has also welcomed visitors back into the centre for interactions with children, families and staff. We have had a representative from Gowrie NSW visit the centre for some assistance with inclusion support and the self-assessment process. Gowrie NSW is a non-profit-organisation that provides diverse education and care, family support and professional development services to the early and middle childhood sector across NSW and ACT. The also deliver the Inclusion Agency as part of the new Inclusion Support Program.

The children also had Sue Clark from NetWaste visit last month who gave a recycling, compost and worm farming talk as well as providing the Centre with their very own worm farm.

### 1.3 Recommendation

That the Early Learning Centre report be received and noted.



### 2 DOLLY PARTON'S IMAGINATION LIBRARY AUSTRALIA

### Summary:

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider implementing the Dolly Parton Imagination Library Australia program and identify possible funding sources.

#### 2.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider implementing the Dolly Parton Imagination Library Australia program and identify possible funding sources.

### 2.2 Background

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library of Australia is a free book gifting program devoted to inspiring a love of reading in children across the globe. Each month, children who are between the ages of birth and five years can enrol and receive a high-quality, age-appropriate book in the mail, free of charge. Children receive up to 60 carefully staged books that are hand-picked by a committee of academics, authors, Indigenous advisors, teachers and librarians ensuring they reflect the diversity of the wider community and include themes and concepts that support developing minds to grow.

In 2013, a joint effort between Dolly Parton's Imagination Library and the United Way Australia began. The partnership helped bring the program to Australia in 2014 making it the fourth nation and third continent to launch the Imagination Library. Dolly Parton's Imagination Library is a commitment under the NSW Government's Brighter Beginnings initiative to increase support for families during the first 2000 days of their child's life. The NSW Government is now partnered with United Way Australia to deliver the program across 25 LGA's in NSW.

Towns in remote areas of Australia are seeing "marked improvements" in school readiness among children who have received Imagination Library books. The program coverage extends to communities in New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia, Victoria and Western Australia.

### 2.3 Discussion

Recent research into this program identified libraries in neighbouring LGAs including Brewarrina, Bourke, Coonamble, Gilgandra, Narromine, Walgett and Warrumbungle, along with other libraries in rural and low literacy towns are currently running the free book gifting program with funding from the State Government.

Council has been advised that these LGAs were chosen by the State Government to receive this funding based on statistics generated by the Australian Early Development Census (AEDC) which is a nationwide data collection that shows how



young Australian children have developed as they start their first year of full time school.

United Way Australia have informed Council that as we are not an identified LGA, it is not possible to join the Brighter Beginnings program. It would however be possible for Council to start its own Imagination Library, in partnership with United Way Australia.

The following numbers of children are enrolled in the Dolly Parton Imagination Library of Australia program across LGAs in our region:

LGA	# Children Enrolled	Total 0-4 years	% population 0-4 years
Brewarrina	11	124	8.8%
Bourke	18	222	8.1%
Coonamble	17	270	6.2%
Gilgandra	20	250	8.0%
Narromine	27	455	5.9%
Walgett	26	406	6.4%
Warrumbungle	37	466	7.9%
TOTAL	156	2,193	Av. 7.3%

The estimated cost for Council to run its own Imagination Library would be \$1,890.00 per year. This is based on a 10% uptake of Bogan Shire children aged 0-4 years (175) and a cost of \$108 per child per year. As Council is not eligible for NSW Government funding under the Bright Beginnings program, alternative sources of funding need to be identified. This could include existing Local Priority Grant funding or Council's own funds. The preference would be to make use of Local Priority Grant funding, but if for some reason this was not available in future, the relatively small cost could be accommodated within Council's budget.



### 2.4 Recommendation

### That:

- 1. Council establishes an Imagination Library in partnership with United Way Australia.
- 2. The costs of the program be funded through the annual Library Council of NSW's Local Priority Grant subject to eligibility and availability.
- 3. Should funding not be eligible under the Local Priority Grant, Council funds the program for the 2022-2023 financial year, with a review of the program and expenditure provided to Council at the April 2023 budget review.

**Debb Wood Director People and Community Services** 



# REPORT TO THE ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL - DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES

### **Mayor and Councillors**

The following reports are submitted for consideration:

### 1 INVESTMENTS MAY 2022

### Summary:

The report is to outline the performance of Council's Investment Portfolio for the month of May 2022.

At the 31st May 2022 Council had \$17.9 million invested. There has been an increase of \$3.6 million due to a number of Transport for NSW Ordered Works claims being paid and the 75% payment in advance of the 2022/2023 Financial Assistance Grant.

#### 1.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to outline the performance of Council's investment portfolio for the month of May 2022.

### 1.2 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.

### 1.3 Discussion

The Investment Report for May 2022 is shown below. At the 31st May 2022 Council had \$17.9 million invested. There has been an increase of \$3.6 million due to a number of Transport for NSW Ordered Works claims being paid and the 75% payment in advance of the 2022/2023 Financial Assistance Grant.

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



Bogan Shire - Investment movements						
REF	Source	Maturity	Days	% rate	Bal Apr 22	Bal May 22
320456998	NAB	03/03/2023	365	0.95%	2,800,000.00	2,800,000.00
9737369	Westpac	17/02/2023	365	0.950%	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00
37908808	Commonwealth	30/05/2023	365	3.030%		2,000,000.00
6894	NAB - Professional Funds	At Call		0.500%	9,423,102.00	11,121,013.32
	Balance securities held				14,223,102.00	17,921,013.32
	Balance Ledger					
	19010.8200.8200				14,223,102.00	17,921,013.32
	Summary by institution					
	WESTPAC				2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00
	NAB				12,223,102.00	13,921,013.32
	COMMONWEALTH					2,000,000.00
					14,233,102.00	17,921,013.32
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### **Investment Movements for May 2022**

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

### 1.4 Recommendation

That the Investments Report be received and noted.



### 2 SUMMARY OF RATE & ANNUAL CHARGES COLLECTION

### Summary:

This report is to provide a comparison of rate collections as at 31st May 2022, with the same period last year.

Total arrears have decreased from \$972,281 as at the 31st May 2021 to \$887,766 as at 31st May this year.

### 2.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to provide a comparison of rate collections as at 31st May, 2022, with the same period last year.

### 2.2 Discussion

This report is provided for the information of Councillors.

Rate Collections	2021-2022	2020-2021
Arrears Prior to 31/05/2021	510,807	510,090
First Instalment in arrears as at 31/5/2022	-18,535	2,983
Second Instalment in arrears as at 31/5/2022	57,404	93,107
Third Instalment in arrears as at 31/5/2022	74,722	116,291
Fourth Instalment arrears as at 31/5/2022	263,368	249,810
Total Arrears	887,766	972,281
Total Outstanding	887,766	972,281
Monthly Transactions		
Amount Levied & B/Fwd	5,867,648	6,046,697
Add: Adjustments	40,481	21,485
Less: Payments to end of May	-4,940,220	-5,013,370
Less: Rebates	-80,143	-82,531
Add: Postponed	0	0
Gross Total Balance	887,766	972,281
Arrears of total amount levied %	15%	16%

Total arrears have decreased from \$972,281 at the 31st May 2021 to \$887,766 as at 31st May this year and has reduced to \$799,545 at the time of writing this report.

Each instalment amounts to approximately \$1,467,000

(Total Rates, Waste, Water & Sewer Access Charges)



As at the 31st May 2022 Council had collected \$73,150 less than at the same time last year, an additional \$87,992 had been collected at the time of writing this report making the total collected year to date \$5,028,212.

The first instalment shows a credit balance due to some rate assessments being in credit, this is not indicative of those ratepayers in arrears on their first instalment.

3.9% of rates were unpaid on the second instalment.

5% of rates were unpaid on the third instalment.

18% of rates were unpaid on the fourth instalment. This had reduced to 12.7% at the time of writing this report.

#### 2.3 Recommendation

That the Rates and Annual Charges collection report be received and noted.



### 3 ADOPTION OF THE 2022/2023 OPERATIONAL PLAN AND BUDGET

### Summary:

The report is to present the draft 2022/2023 Operational Plan and Budget for adoption.

At the time of writing, no public submissions relating the Operating Plan and Budget had been received.

#### 3.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to present the draft 2022/2023 Operational Plan and Budget for adoption.

### 3.2 Background

The legislative requirements for Council's Operational Plan and Budget are set out in Section 405 of the Local Government Act and may be summarised as follows:

- Council must have an operational plan in place, adopted before the beginning of each financial year, outlining the activities to be undertaken by Council during that year, as part of the delivery program.
- The operational plan must include a statement of Council's Revenue Policy for the year covered by the operational plan.
- Council must prepare a draft operational plan and give public notice of the draft
  indicating that submissions may be made to the council at any time during the
  period (not less than 28 days) that the draft is to be on public exhibition. The
  council must publicly exhibit the draft operational plan in accordance with the
  notice.
- In deciding on the final operational plan to be adopted, Council must consider any submissions that have been made concerning the draft plan.

### 3.3 Discussion

Council approved the draft 2022/2023 Operational Plan and Budget for public exhibition at an Extraordinary Meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> May 2022. The exhibition period closed on 10 June 2022.



### 3.3.1 Public Submissions

At the time of writing, no public submissions relating the Operational Plan and Budget had been received.

### 3.3.2 Current Year Surplus

Council's draft budget indicated a 2022/2023 surplus of \$234,254 in the General Fund which is made up of \$226,147 which is restricted to the plant fund, \$1,458 restricted to the Waste Fund and the balance of \$6,649 in general funds.

### 3.3.3 Fees and Charges

Since the Operational Plan and Budget was put on exhibition there have been the following amendments to the following fees and charges:

- On page 96 all of the Companion Animal registration fees have increased as prescribed by the Office of Local Government.
- On page 101, Section 603 Certificates have increase to \$90 as determined by IPART and advised by the Office of Local Government.

#### 3.4 Recommendation

That following consideration of the submissions and any amendments, the 2022/2023 Draft Operational Plan and Budget be adopted.



#### 4 MAKING OF RATES AND CHARGES FOR 2022/2023.

### Summary:

The report is to make the Rates and Charges for 2022/2023.

Proposed Rates and Charges for 2022/2023 were included in the Draft Operational Plan and Budget approved by Council at its meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> May 2022. The Draft Operational Plan was on public display and advertised from 12th May – 10th June 2021.

Rates and Charges as listed in the Draft Operational Plan for 2022/2023 are listed below.

#### 4.1 Introduction

Following Council's compliance with sections 404,405 and 406 relating to the public display of the draft Operational Plan for 2022/2023 financial year, Council must now make the following rates and charges for the 2022/2023 financial year in accordance with sections 494,533,534,535 and 543 of the Local Government Act, 1993.

### 4.2 Background

Proposed Rates and Charges for 2022/2023 were included in the Draft Operational Plan and Budget approved by Council at its meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> May 2022. The Draft Operational Plan was on public display and advertised from 12th May – 10th June 2022.

Rates and Charges are the primary source of revenue for Council. Such revenue is critical for funding operational expenditure used for service delivery to the community in addition to the funding of the maintenance and renewal of Council's Infrastructure assets.

The Local Government Act requires that the Rates and Charges be made by Resolution of Council, after adoption of the Draft Operational Plan, pursuant to Sections 534 and 535 of the Local Government Act 1993.

### 4.3 Recommendation

- 1. That Council authorise the General Manager to prepare and serve the rate notices or in his absence they may be served by the Revenue Accountant.
- 2. That pursuant to the Local Government Act, 1993, Council hereby resolves to make the ordinary rates for the 2022/2023 period as laid out below.
- 3. That Council applies the maximum allowable interest rate in accordance with Section 566 of the Local Government Act 1993. Council has been notified for the 2022/23 year the interest rate will be 6.0%.



### **Making of Rates and Charges**

#### 1. General Rates

#### **Farmland Rate**

Farmland rate (to apply to all land categorised as Farmland within Bogan Shire Council) of 0.00345480 cents in dollar having a minimum rate of \$274.00, applied to Land Value of \$540026290 yielding a total income of approximately \$1,874,666.00 in compliance with Council's allowable Notional Income.

#### **Residential Urban Rate**

Residential Rate (to apply to all land sub - categorised as Residential Nyngan within Bogan Shire Council) of .01033300 cents in the dollar having a minimum rate of \$286.00, applied to Land Value of \$22195318 yielding a total income of approximately \$300,891.00 in compliance with Council's allowable Notional Income.

### **Residential Rural**

Residential Rural Rate (to apply to all land sub - categorised as Residential Rural within Bogan Shire Council) of .00464510 cents in the dollar having a minimum rate of \$172.00, applied to Land Value of \$2126300 yielding a total income of approximately \$9877.00 in compliance with Council's allowable Notional Income.

#### Residential

Residential Rate (to apply to all land sub - categorised as Residential within Bogan Shire Council) of .00702980 cents in the dollar having a minimum rate of \$172.00, applied to Land Value of \$636100, yielding a total income of approximately \$4,801.00 in compliance with Council's allowable Notional Income.

### Residential - Small Villages - Hermidale

Residential – Small Villages Rate (to apply to all land sub - categorised as Residential – Small Villages - Hermidale) of .0058380 cents in the dollar having a minimum rate of \$174.00, applied to Land Value of \$265000, yielding a total income of approximately \$8,352.00 in compliance with Council's allowable Notional Income.

### Residential - Small Villages - Girilambone

Residential – Small Villages Rate (to apply to all land sub - categorised as Residential – Small Villages - Girilambone) of .0049001 cents in the dollar having a minimum rate of \$174.00, applied to Land Value of \$189600, yielding a total income of approximately \$9222.00 in compliance with Council's allowable Notional Income.

### Residential - Small - Villages - Coolabah

Residential – Small Villages Rate (to apply to all land sub - categorised as Residential – Small Villages - Coolabah within Bogan Shire Council) of .03263900 cents in the dollar having a minimum rate of \$174.00, applied to Land Value of



\$58633, yielding a total income of approximately \$4,698.00 in compliance with Council's allowable Notional Income.

#### **Business**

Business Rate (to apply to all land categorised as Business within Bogan Shire Council) of .00682110 cents in the dollar having a minimum rate of \$319.00, applied to Land Value of \$2854200.00, yielding a total income of approximately \$27808.00 in compliance with Council's allowable Notional Income.

### **Business - Nyngan**

Business Nyngan Rate (to apply to all land sub - categorised as Business Urban within Bogan Shire Council) of .05147610 cents in the dollar having a minimum rate of \$319.00, applied to Land Value of \$4520442, yielding a total income of \$234323.00 in compliance with Council's allowable Notional Income.

### **Business - Villages - Hermidale**

Business Hermidale Rate (to apply to all land sub - categorised as Business Village – Hermidale within Bogan Shire Council) of .00956740 cents in the dollar having a minimum rate of \$177.00, applied to Land Value of \$ 50400, yielding a total income of approximately \$2,124.00 in compliance with Council's allowable Notional Income.

### **Business – Villages - Girilambone**

Business Girilambone Rate (to apply to all land sub - categorised as Business Village – Girilambone within Bogan Shire Council) of .00082940 cents in the dollar having a minimum rate of \$177.00, applied to Land Value of \$42500, yielding a total income of approximately \$1,062.00 in compliance with Council's allowable Notional Income.

### **Business - Villages - Coolabah**

Business Coolabah Rate (to apply to all land sub - categorised as Business Village – Coolabah within Bogan Shire Council) of .0357352 cents in the dollar having a minimum rate of \$177.00, applied to Land Value of \$11700, yielding a total income of approximately \$887.00 in compliance with Council's allowable Notional Income.

### **Business - Unknown**

Business Unknown Rate (to apply to all land categorised as Business Unknown within Bogan Shire Council) of .0000011 cents in the dollar having a minimum rate of \$2.00, applied to Land Value of \$65419, yielding a total income of approximately \$116.00 in compliance with Council's allowable Notional Income.

### Mining

Mining Rate (to apply to all land categorised as Mining within Bogan Shire Council) of .10433880 cents in the dollar having a minimum rate of \$408.00, applied to Land Value of \$5945000 yielding a total income of approximately \$620294.00 in compliance with Council's allowable Notional Income.



### 2. Water Supply and Annual and User Charges:

- (i) <u>Water Supply charges:</u> That Council, in accordance with Section 535, and pursuant to Sections 501 and 539(1) of the Local Government Act 1993, hereby makes the following Water Supply Charges for the financial year 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023 as set out below.
- (ii) A <u>Water Access Charge</u> shall be made and levied based upon the size, volume factor and number of water services connected to an individual assessment.

Service Size	Volume Factor	Water Access Charge 2022/2023
20mm	1.00	\$603
25mm	1.56	\$970
32mm	2.56	\$1,592
40mm	4.00	\$2,489
50mm	6.25	\$3,891
100mm	25.00	\$15,558
20 CSO	1.00	\$161
Meter Reading Charge for Connections with nil reads up to 10kl consumption	\$22.95 per reading period.	\$91.80

(iii) Other <u>Rateable Water Charges</u> shall be made and levied on non-metered properties in the locations described.

Rateable Water Charge	Charge 2022/2023		
Hermidale – Raw Water Access	\$712		
Girilambone – Raw Water Access	\$490		
Coolabah – Raw Water Access	\$490		
Nyngan – Raw Water Access	\$490		

(iv) Other Non-Rateable Water Charges shall be made and levied on non-metered properties in the locations described.



Non-Rateable Water Charge	Charge 2022/2023		
Girilambone	\$491		
Hermidale	\$712		

(v) Other <u>Water Charges</u> shall be made and levied on properties as appropriate, being:

Water Charge	Charge 2022/2023		
Albert Priest Channel - Access	\$26.50 per ML allocation		
Albert Priest Channel - Usage	\$41.90 per ML of usage		

(vi) Water Consumption Charges: That Council, pursuant to Sections 502, 539 and 540 of the Local Government Act, make and levy Water Consumption Charges, based on the appropriate tariff charge per measure, or estimate of measure, as shown in the table below, during 2021/2022, being for Reading Cycle Periods 1, 2, 3 and 4

Charge for treated Water for 2022/23 per kl shown	Charge for Other (Raw) Water for 2022/2023 per kl shown	
\$2.10/kl	\$0.70/kl	



### 3. Sewer Supply Annual and User Charges

- i) <u>Sewer Supply Charges:</u> That Council, in accordance with Section 535, and pursuant to Section 501 of the Local Government Act 1993, hereby makes the following Annual Sewer Access Charges for the financial year 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023 as set out below.
- ii) Residential Sewerage Annual Charge will be made and levied on all residential properties which have sewer supply available to it.

Residential Sewer Access Charge	Charge 2022/2023		
Residential	\$434 per meter		
Residential Flat Sewer	\$423 per flat		
Residential Vacant	\$550 per meter		

iii) Non-Residential Sewerage Access Charge will be made and levied on all non-residential properties which have sewer supply available to it.

Service Charge	Туре		Water Service Size	Discharge Factor	Annual Access Sewer Charge 2022/2023
Non-Residential Charge	Sewer	Access	20/25mm	10%	\$551
Non-Residential Charge	Sewer	Access	40mm	10%	\$661
Non-Residential Charge	Sewer	Access	50mm	10%	\$1033
Non-Residential Charge	Sewer	Access	100mm	10%	\$4131
Non-Residential Charge	Sewer	Access	20/25mm	30%	\$551
Non-Residential Charge	Sewer	Access	40mm	30%	\$661
Non-Residential Charge	Sewer	Access	50mm	30%	\$1,033
Non-Residential Charge	Sewer	Access	100mm	30%	\$4,131
Non-Residential Charge	Sewer	Access	20/25mm	50%	\$551
Non-Residential Charge	Sewer	Access	50mm	50%	\$1,722



Non-Residential Charge	Sewer	Access	20mm	90%	\$551
Non-Residential Charge	Sewer	Access	25mm	90%	\$774
Non-Residential Charge	Sewer	Access	40mm	90%	\$1,983
Non-Residential Charge	Sewer	Access	50mm	90%	\$3,099
Non-Residential Charge	Sewer	Access	100mm	90%	\$12,393
Effluent Disposal C	Charge				\$340

- iv) <u>Sewer Usage Charges:</u> That Council, pursuant to Sections 502, 539 and 540 of the Local Government Act, make and levy Sewer Usage Charges as detailed below.
- v) Non-Residential Sewer Usage Charges will be made and levied on all rateable non-residential properties which have sewer supply available to it, under best practice guidelines, and will be charged on a quarterly basis in accordance with the following pricing structure:

$$B = SDF \times (AC + C \times UC)$$

Where, B = Sewerage charge non residential

SDF = Sewerage Discharge factor\*\*

 $AC = \begin{pmatrix} AC_{20} \times \frac{D^2}{400} \end{pmatrix} Access Charge$ 

D = Water Supply Service Connection Size

C = Annual Water Consumption

UC = Usage Charge \$2.10



vi) Non-Residential Sewer Usage Charges will be made and levied on all non-residential properties which have sewer supply available to it, under best practice guidelines, and will be charged on a quarterly basis in accordance with the following pricing structure:

$$B = SDF x (AC + C x UC)$$

Where, B = Sewerage charge non residential

SDF = Sewerage Discharge factor\*\*

$$AC = \begin{pmatrix} AC_{20} \times \frac{D^2}{400} \end{pmatrix}$$
 Access Charge

D = Water Supply Service Connection Size

C = Annual Water Consumption

UC = Usage Charge \$2.10

vii) Non-Residential Sewer Usage Charges will be made and levied on all multi-use properties which have sewer supply available to it, under best practice guidelines, and will be charged on a quarterly basis in accordance with the following pricing structure:

$$B = SDF \times (AC + C \times UC)$$

Where, B = Sewerage charge non residential

SDF = Sewerage Discharge factor\*\*

$$AC = \begin{pmatrix} AC_{20} \times \frac{D^2}{400} \end{pmatrix} Access Charge$$

D = Water Supply Service Connection Size

C = Annual Water Consumption

UC = Usage Charge \$2.10

\*\*And that Sewerage Discharge Factors in each of the above be applied according to the following table:



Discharger	Discharge Factor	Discharger	Discharge Factor
Aged Care Facility	.90	Medical Centres	.90
Bakery	.90	Mixed Business	.90
Caravan Parks	.50	Home Based Small	.50
Church's	.90	Motel	.90
RSL Club	.90	Motor Repairers	.90
Bowling Club	.10	Multiple Units	.90
Golf Club	.10	Nurseries	.10
Cottage Industry	.50	Office Based	.90
Butchers	.90	Other (default category)	.90
Dental Surgery	.90	Parks & Gardens	.10
Doctor	.90	Panel Beater	.90
Engineering Services	.90	Public Amenities	1.0
Hardware Store	.90	Restaurant	.90
Hospital	.50	Schools, Pre-Schools	.30
Florist	.50	Service Stations	.90
Guest House	.90	Supermarkets	.90
Halls	.90	Swimming Pool Complex	.50
Hairdressers	.90	Takeaway Shop	.90
Hotel/Tavern	.90	Utility Services	.90
Laundromat	.90	Veterinary Clinic	.90
Library	.90		

### 3. Waste Management Charges

(i) <u>Domestic Waste Management Charges and Recycling Charges:</u> That Council, in accordance with Section 535, and pursuant to the provisions of Sections 496, 502, and 504 of the Local Government Act 1993, hereby makes the following Domestic Waste and Recycling Charges upon each parcel of rateable land for which the service is available, for the financial year 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023, as set out below.



Service Charge Type	Charge 2022/2023
Domestic Waste Management Collection Charge	\$366
Domestic Waste Collection Other	\$244
Domestic Waste Management Additional Collection Charge	\$129
Domestic Kerb Side Recycling Charge	\$145
Domestic Kerb Side Recycling Additional Bin Charge	\$74

(ii) Waste Management Charges – Other: That Council, in accordance with Section 535, and pursuant to the provisions of Section 501 and 502, of the Local Government Act 1993, hereby makes the following Waste Charges upon each parcel of rateable land for which the service is available, for the financial year 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023, as set out below:

Service Charge Type	Charge 2022/2023
Business Waste Management - Collection Charge	\$244
Business Waste Management – Additional Collection Charge	\$129
Waste Management - Depot Charges Nyngan	\$348
Waste Management - Depot Charges Business	\$348
Business Waste Recycling Collection Charge	\$145
Business Waste Additional Recycling Collection Charge	\$74

- **Trade Waste Charges:** That Council adopt the Trade Waste Charges for 2022/23 as advertised in the draft Operational Plan and Budget 2022/23.
- **6. Fees and Charges:** That Council adopt the Fees and Charges for 2022/2023 as advertised in the draft Operational Plan and Budget 2022/2023 (Fees and Charges) with additional changes as reported.
- 7. Interest on Overdue Rates and Charges: That Council, in accordance with the provisions of Section 566 (3) of the Local Government Act 1993, make the interest rate, to be charged on overdue rates, charges and arrears, for the period 1 July 2022 to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023 at 6.0% per annum on a daily basis.



#### 5 WRITE-OFF OF OUSTANDING DEBTORS

#### Summary:

The purpose of this report is to submit for write-off debt considered irrecoverable.

#### 5.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to submit for write-off debt considered irrecoverable.

#### 5.2 Background

As part of a process of analysing long outstanding debt, Council staff have prepared the list below of debt considered irrecoverable.

Clause 213 of the Local Government (General) Regulations allows the write-off of debt where "the Council or the General Manager believes on reasonable grounds that an attempt to recover the debt would not be cost effective".

Council's Debt Recovery Policy states that "Rates, charges and other debts (including accrued interest) may only be written off by resolution of Council or under Delegated Authority".

#### 5.3 Discussion

Attempts have been made in the past to recover these amounts but the General Manager considers that it would not be cost effective to pursue the following debts any further:

	Account	Amount	Date Raised	
	No.			
1	31.01	\$1,038.97	20/02/2015 to 18/05/2016	Albert Priest Channel User Charges
2	130.01	\$ 383.41	21/12/2015 to 18/05/2016	Albert Priest Channel User Charges
3	149.01	\$ 522.97	20/02/2015 to 18/05/2016	Albert Priest Channel User Charges
4	489.1	\$ 269.10	28/02/2015 to 18/05/2016	Albert Priest Channel User Charges
5	490.1	\$1,099.65	28/02/2015 to 18/05/2016	Albert Priest Channel User Charges
6	491.1	\$1,309.06	21/12/2015 to 18/05/2016	Albert Priest Channel User Charges
7	513.1	\$ 566.52	19/05/2016	Albert Priest Channel User Charges
8	515.1	\$ 269.10	11/02/2015 to 19/05/2016	Albert Priest Channel User Charges
9	516.1	\$ 194.24	11/02/2015 to 19/05/2016	Albert Priest Channel User Charges
10	518.1	\$1,210.95	28/02/2015 to 19/05/2016	Albert Priest Channel User Charges
		\$6,863.97	(Total debt)	



#### 5.4 Recommendation

That debts of \$6,863.97 be written off and the above debtor accounts be marked as having been written off in Council's financial records.

**Stephanie Waterhouse Director Finance and Corporate Service** 



# REPORT TO THE ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL - DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING SERVICES

#### **Mayor and Councillors**

I submit the following report for consideration:

#### 1 DEPARTMENTAL ACTIVITY REPORT

**Summary:** The purpose of this report is to provide Council with information that is both statistical and informative in regards to the activities of the Engineering Services Department.

#### 1.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with information that is both statistical and informative in regards to the activities of the Engineering Services Department.

#### 1.2 Background

A regular activity report is provided for the information of Councillors.

#### 1.3 Discussion

#### Roads

Road work undertaken for the reporting period 16 May 2022, to the 10 June 2022 consisted of the following:

No.	Name	Comments
	Local Roads	
25	Merryanbone Road	Flood damage repairs continuing
16	Yarrandale Road	Heavy patching commenced
86	Neeroc Road	Resheeting continuing
21	Gongolgon Road	Maintenance flood damage repairs continuing
19	Cooneybar Road	Flood damage repairs commenced Redundant grid removal in progress
	Jack Hargreaves Park	Parking area construction commenced
21	Gongolgon Road	Flood damage Repairs completed



	5	Piesley Road	Flood damage repairs completed
Ī		Rural Roads	Slashing of roadside continuing

	Regional Roads	
7514	Cockies Road	Flood damage repairs and maintenance continuing
424	Monkey Bridge Road	Flood damage repairs and maintenance continuing
	State Highways	
HW7	Mitchell Highway	Mulla Road rehabilitation continuing
HW7	Mitchell Highway	Tree trimming continuing
HW7	Mitchell Highway	Mulga Shoulder Widening Project continuing
HW8	Barrier Highway	Attend traffic incident Canbelego

Council's jet patching truck has completed work on the following roads:

- Nyngan Town Streets
- Murrawombie Road
- Old Warren Road
- Yarrandale Road
- Yarrandale Road
- Hermidale Nymagee Road
- Barrier, & Mitchell Highways

The upcoming works program for Council's Rural Works teams includes, but not limited to the following works:

- Commencing, or continuing maintenance grading, re-sheeting, or flood damage repairs of the following roads: Warrah Road, Tubbavilla Road, Merryanbone Road, Cooneybar Road, and Elmore Road.
- Commencing the resurfacing of Pangee Street.
- Continuing 12km of shoulder widening of the Mitchell Highway near Byrock.
- Commencing construction, and sealing of 900m of Mulla Road.
- Completing construction, and sealing of Cobar St into Jack Hargreave's Park.
- Continuing installation of pipe culverts as part of the Yarran Hut Shoulder Widening Project Mitchell Highway.



#### **Works and Services**

The work undertaken during this reporting period consisted of the following:

#### Civil Works

- Continued works on garden beds in Pangee Street (Ongoing)
- Completed works on storm water drainage at Youth & Community Centre
- Prepared site for installation of toilet block on nursery site in Pangee Street Depot
- Setting up slabs for shelters at nursery in Pangee Street Depot
- Installed spectator seating Larkin oval
- Carried out M&R to Cairn Site (Five ways)
- Carried out M&R to timber works at Heritage Park &Teamsters Rest
- Construction of Welding workshop extension ongoing
- Installed Bollards at water filling station in Pangee Street
- Prepared site for erection of new entrance feature at racecourse

#### **Community Facilities**

- Mowing/maintenance of ovals, reserves, and highway approaches to Nyngan.
- Cleaning of town facilities.
- Cleaning and sweeping of the Nyngan CBD.
- Cleaning and maintenance of town streets and nature strips.
- Cleaning of town streets gutters and culverts.
- Sweeping of works Depot in preparation for jet patching
- Weed spraying lanes and culverts (ongoing)
- Planting of trees Canonba Road
- Removing of noxious weeds and shrubs from nursery site Pangee Street

#### Water & Wastewater

- Installed water service for trees on Canonba Road
- Replaced sewer pump at flood memorial toilet block
- Carried out weed control on all village water supply pump stations and reservoirs
- Commenced annual cleaning of sedimentation tanks at water filtration plant
- Pumped out storage dam line in preparation for cut in to second storage dam
- Carried out service locations in preparation for main replacement Moonagee & Dandaloo Streets
- Flushing of reticulation system being carried out (ongoing)
- Assisted in installation of new water filling station Pangee Street

#### 1.3 Recommendation

That the Engineering Services Departmental Report be received and noted.



#### 2 PANGEE STREET PAVING

**Summary:** The purpose of this report is for Council to consider allocating additional funding towards the paving of the Pangee Street CBD.

#### 2.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider allocating additional funding towards the paving of the Pangee Street CBD.

#### 2.2 Background

Last year Council applied for \$511,872 of Resources for Regions Round 8 funding to replace sections of concrete pavers in the Pangee Street CBD.

It was estimated at the time that the budget would allow for the replacement of pavers on the southern side of Pangee Street between Tabratong and Dandaloo Streets, the section in front of IGA, the Northern side of Pangee Street from Pioneer Park around to the museum, and from Vinnies to Davidson Park.

Also included in Round 7 of Resources for Regions funding was an allowance for paving the footpath in front of Davidson Park as part of the park upgrade project.

#### 2.3 Discussion

Since applying for the funding, the cost of all building and construction work has increased considerably. After working closely with paving suppliers and installers to refine updated estimates, it is now estimated at \$600,600 to complete the original scope.

Rather than cut back on the proposed paving area to fit the budget, this report is for Council to consider (also there are additional areas that may benefit from new paving) allowing for the additional funding in the current extended round of Local Roads and Community Infrastructure grants.

The attached plan shows the original sections that were included in the scope of works and shows the additional areas listed in the table below for Council to consider.



Original Scope	Qty m2	Current stimated Cost
Paving Main CBD Block	1630	\$ 342,300
Paving IGA	360	\$ 75,600
Paving Service NSW Block	670	\$ 140,700
Paving Vinnies	200	\$ 42,000
Davidson Park additional funds		\$ 16,000
Total		\$ 616,600
Optional Areas		
Vanges Park	290	\$ 78,300
Pioneer Park	65	\$ 17,600
Pedestrian Crossing	55	\$ 11,600
NAB Carpark	125	\$ 26,300
Dandaloo Street Footpath	145	\$ 36,300
IGA Side Footpath	335	\$ 83,800
Total		\$ 253,900

Note: An additional \$294,000 would be required to replace the existing pavers between Terangion and Tabratong Streets and this has not been included in this project.

#### 2.4 Recommendation

That:

- 1. Council allocates \$104,728 from the anticipated LRCI Phase 3 extension to fund the original paving scope of works totalling \$616,600.
- 2. Council considers which of the optional areas to fund.



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#### 3 CLOSURE OF TEMPLES LANE

#### Summary:

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider a request from Richard Bootle and Ian Perkins to close Temples Lane from the "Claremont" Grid to "Komoora" gate.

#### 3.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider a request from Richard Bootle and Ian Perkins to close Temples Lane from the "Claremont" Grid to "Komoora" gate.

#### 3.2 Background

Temples Lane is 6.5km long from the Barrier Highway to "Komoora" gate with a sealed length of 3.1km. The "Claremont" Grid is located 2.1km from the Barrier Highway, which would close 4.4km of the road.

#### 3.3 Discussion

The email from Mr Bootle states that they have no neighbours since acquiring "Komoora". The attached Plan 1 shows Temples Lane from the "Claremont" grid to the bend past the homestead and Plan 2 shows the remaining length of road to "Komoora" gate.

Lot 101 in DP803398 shown in Plan 1 is owned by Council and shows the western boundary of that lot fronting Temples Lane. The attached Plan 3 shows a proposed subdivision of lot 101 which will create Lot 1 for the Cobar Water Board Solar Panels, Lot 2 along the river frontage, and Lot 3 fronting Temples Lane. After the subdivision, Lot 3 will only have public road access via Temples Lane and this would not be available if the road is closed from the "Claremont" grid.

#### 3.4 Recommendation

For Council's consideration

**Graeme Bourke Director Engineering Services** 

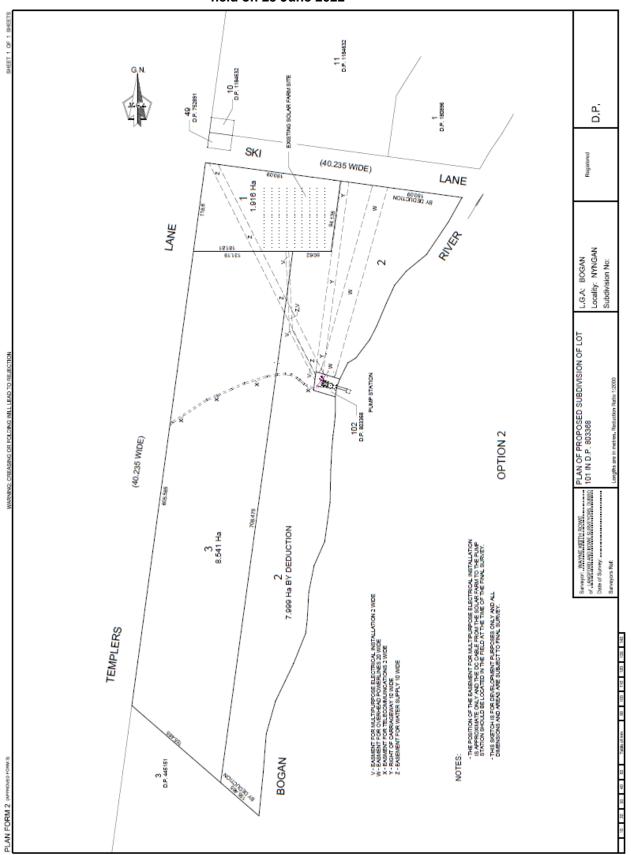






Plan 1 Plan 2





Plan 3



From: richard@boganfarms.com.au Date: 28 May 2022 at 12:04:32 pm AEST

To: Derek Francis < derek.francis@bogan.nsw.gov.au >

Cc: Ian Perkins <i.perkins@lawlab.com.au>

Subject: Road Closure - Temples lane from Claremont Grid

#### Dear Derek

I'm writing to ask if Council would consider supporting an application from Ian and I to close Temples Lane from Claremont Grid to Komoora gate. Since we acquired Komoora we have no neighbours but we find ourselves constantly chasing illegal shooters and piggers at all times of the day and night. This is particularly concerning when we are away and Jill is alone.

Thank you for your consideration of this application.

Richard Bootle

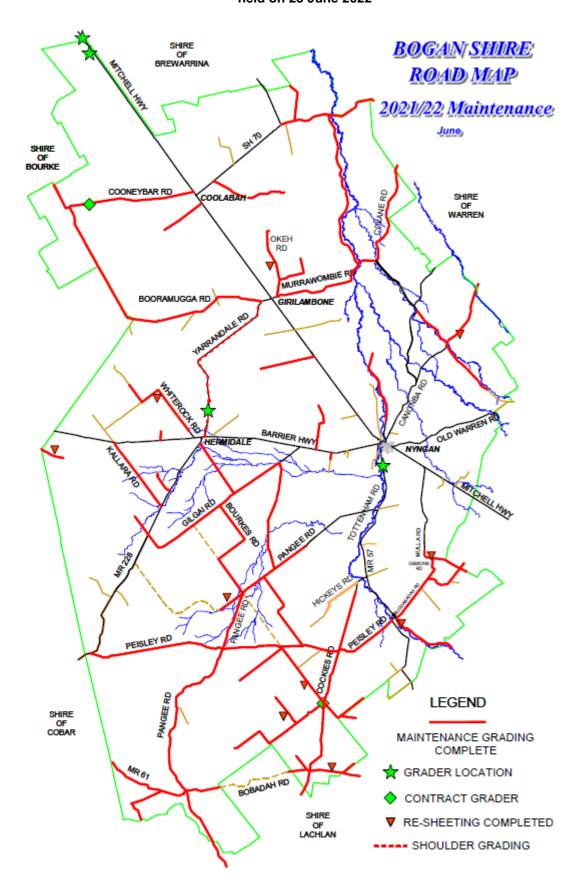
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# REPORT TO THE ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL - DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

#### **Mayor and Councillors**

I submit the following report for consideration:-

#### 1 DEPARTMENTAL ACTIVITY REPORT

#### Summary:

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with information that is both statistical and informative in regards to the activities of the Development and Environmental Services Department.

#### 1.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with information that is both statistical and informative in regards to the activities of the Development and Environmental Services Department.

#### 1.2 Background

A regular activity report is provided for the information of Councillors.



#### 1.3 Discussion

#### **Development Application Statistics**

Three applications require additional informational, one application is under assessment and two applications were approved since Council's meeting of 26 May 2022 as indicated in the table below:

DA NUMBER	ÀPPLICANT	ADDRESS	DESCRIPTION	VALUE (\$)	PROGRESS
2021/019	Taylor Made Buildings Pty Ltd	4026 Cockies Road, Five Ways	New Transportable Dwelling	\$266,235	Additional Information Required
2021/020	Barnson Pty Ltd	8-10 Lawlor Street, Nyngan	New Concrete Batching Plant	\$300,000	Additional Information Required
2021/025	Mr BS Miles	214 Cooneybar Road, Coolabah	New Single Storey Dwelling	\$544,800	Additional Information Required
2022/006	Taylor Made Buildings Pty Ltd	80 Wambiana Street, Nyngan	New Transportable Dwelling	\$152,450	Under Assessment
2022/009	Mr A Jones	42 Dandaloo Street, Nyngan	New Private Shed	\$40,000	Approved
2022/011	Mr R Burns	38 Dandaloo Street, Nyngan	New Private Shed	\$52,000	Approved

Included as Attachment 1 is statistical/historical information in relation to applications received including Development Applications, for information.

Council has taken a number of pre-development application enquiries since Council's meeting of 26 May 2022. Assistance continues to be provided to the community regarding lodgment of applications on the NSW Planning Portal.

#### Waste Management

Kerbside recycling continues to be transported to the Gilgandra Materials Recycling Facility for processing. The contamination rate for May was 21.83%.

The Nyngan waste facility was closed at times throughout the month of May due to wet weather but otherwise continues to operate as normal. Statistics relating to the Council waste management functions are contained in Attachment 2.



As part of Council's ongoing education program for waste and recycling, Waste 2 Art was launched at the Nyngan Show. There were nineteen entries received from preschoolers and primary school students through to adults. Nine of these pieces have progressed to the regional exhibition with judging to be held in Lithgow in early July.

#### Compliance

Compliance duties continued and are reflected in the statistics relating to these functions in Attachment 3.

#### Biosecurity

Biosecurity and weed duties continued and are reflected in the statistics outlined in Attachment 3.

#### **Town Gardens**

Regular works and maintenance were carried out during the reporting period across all routine areas of responsibility with particular attention to high priority areas.

#### Bogan River Bush Care Program

Work has commenced toward the Bogan River Bush Care Program. Council has employed a Bush Care Coordinator and is in the initial stages of developing a nursery aimed at propagating local plant species.

#### 1.4 Attachments

- 1. Development Application Statistics
- 2. Waste Management Statistics.
- 3. Compliance and Biosecurity Statistics

#### 1.5 Recommendation

That the Development and Environmental Services Departmental Activity Report be received and noted.



### Attachment 1

### **Building and Statistical/Historical Information**

Table 1: Building and Development

	Application Type								
	То	tals	Breakup						
	DA	CDC	Dwellings	Shed/Garage/ Patio/Awning	Pool	Sub-division	Other	Application Value	
July 2021	5	-	2	2	-	-	1	\$	800,620.00
August 2021	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	\$	100,000.00
September 2021	2	1	1	-	-	-	1	\$	566,200.00
October 2021	3	-	3	-	-	-	-	\$	1,882,013.00
November 2021	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	\$	544,800.00
December 2021	3	-	4	2	-	-	-	\$	1,643,457.00
January 2022	1	1	-	-	1	1	1	\$	-
February 2022	1	1	-	1	1	-	-	\$	36,000.00
March 2022	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	\$	18,000.00
April 2022	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$	-
May 2022	3	-	1	2	-	-	-	\$	244,450.00
June 2022									
Total 2021/22	21	0	12	7	1	0	4	\$	5,835,540.00
Total 2020/21	34	3	5	14	3	5	9	\$	4,107,610.00
Total 2019/20	24	0	0	10	1	3	10	\$	11,294,300.00



#### Attachment 2

#### **Waste Management Statistics**

**Table 2: Kerbside Waste Collection** 

	No of Premises with Service	Services Provided (Bins Emptied)	Tonnes Collected
July 2021	1,031	5,398	41.10
August 2021	1,031	6,883	94.50
September 2021	1,031	5,903	98.20
October 2021	1,031	6,061	96.10
November 2021	1,032	6,634	112.80
December 2021	1,035	5,627	102.30
January 2022	1,035	6,458	92.54
February 2022	1,035	5,297*	84.30
March 2022	1,035	6,125	96.20
April 2022	1,035	5,406	81.30
May 2022	1,035	6,051	101.40
June 2022			
Total 2021/22	1,035	60,546	1000.74
Total 2020/21	1,029	N/A	302.10

Note1 -August figures are higher than usual due to temporary closure of Gilgandra MRF for two weeks of the reporting period.

Note 2- September figures are higher than usual due to temporary closure of Gilgandra MRF for the whole of the reporting period

Note 3 – February \* estimation due to technical issues.



**Table 3: Kerbside Recycling Collection** 

	No of Premises with Service	Services Provided (Bins Emptied)	Tonnes Collected	Tonnes Recycled	% Contamination
July 2021	898	1,062	10.30	3.08	29.89
August 2021	898	158	5.20	1.54	29.60
September 2021	898	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
October 2021	898	902	8.80	6.2	29.5
November 2021	899	950	10.8	7.82	27.61
December 2021	902	840	6.2	5.24	15.52
January 2022	902	88	5.4	3.8	29
February 2022	902	862*	11.5	8.99	21.75
March 2022	902	915	14	12.75	8.9
April 2022	902	807	11.6	9.00	22.39
May 2022	902	1,068	13	10.2	21.83
June 2022					
Total 2021/22	898	6,790	96.80	68.62	21.45
Total 2020/21	896	N/A	117.50	90.92	22.53

- Note 1 August figures are lower than usual due to temporary closure of Gilgandra MRF for two weeks of the reporting period.
- Note 2 September figures are nil due to temporary closure of Gilgandra MRF for the whole of the reporting period.
- Note 3 October figures are lower than usual due to temporary closure of Gilgandra MRF for one week of the reporting period.
- Note 4 December recycling down due to closure of Gilgandra MRF 1/22/29 of December.
- Note 5 -February \* estimation due to technical issues.



Table 4: Nyngan Landfill - Disposal, Recycling and Resource Recovery

	Mixed	Recoverable Materials (Tonnes)			Recyclable Materials (Tonnes)		
	Waste (Tonnes)	Organic	Masonry	Soil	Paper / Cardboard	Metal / eWaste	Other
July 2021	112.97	100.47	36.00	-	4.14	12.67	0.80
August 2021	146.74	33.71	4.58	-	3.06	3.30	1.58
September 2021	146.54	17.76	21.60	-	4.32	6.53	0.93
October 2021	237.12	54.22	7.22	-	7.02	1.59	0.77
November 2021	165.75	49.65	1.00	-	2.22	4.14	1.07
December 2021	239.39	32.81	0.62	-	6.72	9.21	2.95
January 2022	177.91	132.54	0.62	-	7.38	6.60	1.40
February 2022	178.78	45.61	3.62	-	2.82	6.78	1.28
March 2022	153.21	49.10	2.00	-	5.46	8.75	0.80
April 2022	163.81	34.82	12.86	-	5.16	4.25	1.34
May 2022	148.50	22.52	100.00	-	2.58	3.96	1.70
June 2022							
Total 2021/22	1,870.72	573.21	190.12	-	50.88	67.78	14.61
Total 2020/21	1,921.52	680.78	452.54	-	56.28	78.96	34.84

Note 1 - Other materials recycled include: used engine oil, batteries, gas bottles, fire extinguishers and cleaned chemical drums.

Note 2 - All weights are nominal weight converted from CuM or assumed tare weights.



**Table 5: Vouchers and Expected Resource Recovery** 

	Vouchers				Out for Recycling / Recovery			
	No Issued	No Redeemed		Value deemed	Metal / eWaste	Mattresses	Tyres	Other
July 2021		312	\$	12,113	-	5.26	-	-
August 2021		489	\$	7,446	-	-	-	-
September 2021		423	\$	9,557	-	4.68	3.86	-
October 2021		1,053	\$	13,694	-	-	-	-
November 2021		939	\$	9,086	-	-	-	-
December 2021		1,605	\$	13,178	-	-	-	-
January 2022		1,668	\$	18,219	-	3.38	-	-
February 2022		1,402	\$	14,752	-	-	-	-
March 2022		1,096	\$	10,387	153.78	-	-	-
April 2022		1,177	\$	12,155	-	-	-	0.05
May 2022		1,026	\$	9,025	-	3.86	2.30	0.03
June 2022								
Total 2021/22	14,604	11,190	\$	129,612	153.78	17.18	6.16	0.08
Total 2020/21	N/A	4,015		N/A	185.54	16.68	7.52	



### Attachment 3

### **Compliance and Biosecurity Statistics**

**Table 6: Compliance** 

	Animals	Animals Released			
	Impounded	To Owner	Rehomed	Complaints/Enquires	
July 2021	2	3	4	16	
August 2021	4	2	2	10	
September 2021	3	1	4	14	
October 2021	6	0	6	11	
November 2021	4	3	1	12	
December 2021	4	3	1	10	
January 2022	6	2	4	8	
February 2022	8	3	1	29	
March 2022	9	3	5	15	
April 2022	6	4	2	20	
May 2022	6	3	2	23	
June 2022		-			
Total 2021/22	58	27	32	168	
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Note - Includes dog, cat, straying stock, dead animals, and general matters



**Table 7: Biosecurity** 

	Weed Control				
Private Land	Council Land	Roads (Km)	Waterways	Rail (Km)	Spraying
14	6	715	1		25
3	-	535	3		18
9		143	-	25	-
10	2	336	-	52	16
12	-	448	1	-	17
9		104	-	77	14
11	2	90	1		12
3	1	542	-		36
1	3	572	1		23
4	-	124	-		22
13	-	598	-		14
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#### 2 BIOSECURITY ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES

#### Summary:

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#### 2.1 Introduction

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#### 2.2 Background

During Council's Extraordinary Meeting held 5 May 2022, a question was raised in relation to Council's Biosecurity responsibilities, specifically in relation to Strategy 3.3.5, iii of the Community Strategic Plan - *Undertake enforcement activities on private property for noxious weeds as required*.

The Noxious Weeds Act 1993 was repealed by the Biosecurity Act 2015 (NSW), referred to hereafter as the Act) and is supported by the Biosecurity Regulation 2017. The Act covers both agricultural and human medical biosecurity risks and is designed to manage diseases and pests that may cause harm to human, animal or plant health or the environment. For the purpose of this report, the focus will be on weeds.

#### 2.3 Discussion

Under the Act there is a general obligation for people, especially those that deal with plants through commercial, professional, volunteer, recreational or lifestyle activities to be aware of their surroundings and take action to prevent the introduction and spread of weeds.

The Act applies to all land and waterways within NSW with a focus on priority weeds at both state and regional levels. State priority weeds are determined by the Minister for Agriculture whilst regional priority weeds are determined through Regional Weed Committees.



#### Council's Regulatory Role

The NSW Government views weed management as part of the core responsibilities of all local councils. Under the Act local councils are appointed as local control authorities for weeds with the following functions:

- prevent, eliminate, minimise and manage the biosecurity risk posed or likely to be posed by weeds on their lands
- develop, implement, coordinate and review weed control programs
- inspect land in connection with their functions under the Act
- keep records about the exercise of their functions under the Act
- report to the Secretary about the exercise of their functions under the Act.

For a local control authority to deliver its weed control functions effectively, they must appoint an authorised officer under the Act. Only authorised officers can lawfully exercise powers under the Act, including:

- enter all premises
- gather information and evidence
- examine and inspect items
- take, remove and destroy items
- carry out treatment measures
- isolate, confine or detain items.

Bogan Shire Council's Biosecurity and Weeds Officer is an authorised officer under the Biosecurity Act 2015 and undertakes a range of activities to ensure Council complies with its responsibilities. The Biosecurity and Weeds Officer conducts risk-based routine property and site inspections for high risk weeds, actively seeks cooperation from landowners in the control of weeds, helps educate our community about weed risk and best practice management, maintains appropriate records and participates in regional strategic weeds management through the Central West Regional Weed Committee.

#### Weed Action Plan

Council is responsible for the implementation, monitoring and reporting of the NSW Weed Action Plan (WAP). The WAP is a NSW government initiative to reduce the impact of weeds. The Department of Primary Industries provides the program funding to Local Land Services who operate at a regional level and roll out the WAP, which is generally a five year plan. Bogan Shire Council enters into an Agreement with the Central West Local Land Services on an annual basis (currently year two of the five year plan) to secure grant funding to assist with weed management.



The WAP has a number of components to adhere to with targets set annually and key aspects include:

- Roadside inspections looking for existing or new weed incursions;
- Water course inspections looking for existing or new weed incursions;
- Rail corridor inspections looking for existing or new weed incursions;
- Inspections of nurseries, pet shops and sale yards;
- Inspections of land owned / managed by state bodies (crown land);
- Inspections of Council owned land;
- Private property inspections;
- Follow up inspections.

#### Additionally the WAP requires Council to:

- Continually review and improve early detection capabilities;
- Undertake regular review of sightings to identify and address emerging trends that could lead to increased biosecurity risks;
- Increase public awareness of incursion risk and reporting mechanisms;
- Maintain a sufficient state-wide network of biosecurity staff to respond to incursions;
- Management to be undertaken in accordance with best practice management guidelines and standard operating procedures;
- provide a range of information, education and training resources;
- Maintain an adequate network of biosecurity professionals across the state that can be rapidly deployed to manage biosecurity emergencies.

Further to above quarterly reports, weed spraying and mapping of high risk pathways are a fundamental part of the Weed Action Plan.

#### Enforcement activities on private property

At times Council's Biosecurity and Weeds Officer may be required to take appropriate regulatory enforcement action for breaches of the Biosecurity Act and Regulations as part of Council's appointed role as local control authority.

In undertaking these responsibilities this Officer works according to Council's Values whilst initially seeking cooperation from landholders in the control of priority weeds to avoid regulatory enforcement. Should enforcement be required to discharge Council's responsibilities an initial courtesy letter is sent to the private property owner informing them that a property inspection will be taking place to check for any weed incursions.



Should priority weeds be identified when completing a property inspection, the Biosecurity and Weeds Officer will attempt to work with the landholder to develop a plan for removal which must be completed within the nominated timeframe. Should no action from the landholder to remove priority weeds take place by the deadline, a penalty infringement notice may be issued which can incur fines up to \$2,000.

At this point, a second letter to the landholder would be issued to complete the removal of priority weeds within a new nominated timeframe. Should the work not be completed Council may undertake the weed removal charging all associated costs back to the landholder.

#### Key Stakeholders

Key stakeholders in the management of weeds include:

- The Minister for Agriculture and Western NSW who is responsible for administration of the Biosecurity Act 2015, determinations of state priority weeds and annual collection of NSW Weeds Action Funding.
- State Weed Committee who are responsible for advising the Minister on all aspects of weed management, reviewing the implementation of regional Strategic Management Plans, overseeing implementation of key weeds policy and strategy documents, evaluating state and regional weeds priorities, developing and promoting service delivery standards for NSW weeds managers and considers options to resource the management of new high risk weed incursions.
- NSW Department of Primary Industries supports weed management by leading and administering the NSW Weeds Action Program, managing the NSW weeds information database, managing the Weeds Extranet, providing education and training services, leading the response to new incursions of state priority weeds and nationally significant weeds, develop non-regulatory approaches and incentives, conducting weeds research, providing biological control services, capturing state wide weeds data through the Biosecurity Information System, resourcing the NSW DPI Biosecurity Helpline and developing policies and guidelines to support the work of the State Weed Committee.
- Local Land Services have established and administer the Central West Regional Weed Committee for our region where they employ a Regional Weeds Coordinator to assist in facilitating and coordinating obligations. Local Land Services facilitate the management of NSW Weeds Action Program (WAP) regional sub programs, monitor responses to new incursions of regional priority weeds and coordinate Council input into Regional Strategic Weed Management Plans.



- The Central West Regional Weeds Committee develops, reviews and updates the Regional Strategic Weed Management Plan, monitors and evaluates implementation of the Plan, makes recommendations to Local Land Service boards on weeds management, supports Local Land Services with the allocation of Regional WAP funds, provides regional oversight and peer review of regional progress, seeks and supports partnerships and investments to enhance regional weed management, refers weeds policy issues to the State Weed Committee and supports the State Weed Committee in the implementation of performance standards.
- All Land Managers as previously mentioned have a responsibility to take action to prevent the introduction and spread of weeds.

Additional information is contained within the enclosed publication from the NSW Government entitled *Weeds and the Biosecurity Act, A handbook for local councils and councillors in NSW* which is available online at https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/biosecurity/weeds/local-government-responsibility-forweeds

#### 2.4 Recommendation

That this report be received and noted.

**Cathy Black** 

**Director** 

**Development and Environmental Services** 



#### PRECIS OF CORRESPONDENCE

#### 1 DEPARTMENT OF PRIMARY INDUSTRIES

Attached is correspondence received from the Department of Primary Industries regarding Weeds and Biosecurity Act.

**1.1** Recommendation: For noting.

#### 2 2WEB OUTBACK RADIO

Attached is an invoice received from 2WEB Outback Radio for annual sponsorship, seeking continued support.

<u>General Managers Note:</u> Council has previously been a sponsor of 2WEB Outback Radio. In 2021/22 the cost of sponsorship was \$6160. The sponsorship allows for the broadcast of all Council announcements including road conditions, emergencies and interruptions to services, in addition to regular interviews with the Mayor/General Manager.

**2.1 Recommendation:** For Council's Consideration

#### 3 ALICE BACKHOUSE

Attached is a copy of correspondence received from Alice Backhouse.

**3.1 Recommendation:** For Council's Consideration.

#### 4 AIMEE PACK

Attached is a copy of correspondence received from Aimee Pack.

**4.1 Recommendation:** For Council's Consideration.





OUT20/9123

General Manager and Councillors Bogan Shire Council 81 Cobar Street Nyngan NSW 2825

Dear Mr Derek Francis

#### Weeds and the Biosecurity Act - A Handbook for local councils and councillors in NSW

Earlier this year you received a letter from the Hon. Dugald Saunders MP, highlighting the importance of weeds biosecurity and the critical role of local councils and county councils in protecting NSW from the threats posed by weeds to our environment, agriculture, economies and communities.

NSW DPI has published *Weeds and the Biosecurity Act – A Handbook for local councils and and councillors in NSW*, to assist councillors and senior management to understand their statutory obligations under the NSW *Biosecurity Act 2015*. It also provides background on the regional planning and coordination framework for weeds management in NSW, and identifies the training and support available to staff that deliver weeds biosecurity functions on behalf of councils.

Local councils and county councils are local control authorities responsible for the weeds biosecurity functions described in Division 2, sections 370 to 375 of the NSW *Biosecurity Act 2015*:

- The prevention, elimination, minimisation and management of the biosecurity risk posed or likely to be posed by weeds;
- · To develop, implement, co-ordinate and review weed control programs:
- To inspect land in connection with its weed control functions;
- To keep records about the exercise of the local control authorities functions;
- To report to the secretary about the exercise of the local control authorities functions under the Act.
- To appoint authorised officers in relation to weeds
- Recovery of fees

Please distribute the enclosed copies of the handbook to your Councillors and staff. The handbook is also available online at <a href="https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/biosecurity/weeds/local-government-responsibility-for-weeds">https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/biosecurity/weeds/local-government-responsibility-for-weeds</a>.

Yours sincerely

Nicola Dixon

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A/Manager Weeds Biosecurity

19 May 2022

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48 Oxley Street PO Box 426 BOURKE NSW 2840

Tax Invoice

Invoice No.: 70725

Date: 1/06/2022

A.B.N. 80 181 967 122

Bill To:

Bogan Shire Council P O Box 221 NYNGAN NSW 2825 Ship To:

Bogan Shire Council P O Box 221 NYNGAN NSW 2825

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	CODE
Sponsorship of Radio Station 2WEB 1/7/2022 to 30/6/2023	\$6,600.00	GST
PAYMENT OPTIONS		
Bank Deposit:		
WREB Co-Op Ltd		
BSB: 082473		
ACC: 509561791		

Customer ABN:	Freight:	\$0.00
Terms: Net 30	GST:	\$600.00
	Total Inc GST:	\$6,600.00
	Amount Applied:	\$0.00
	Balance Due:	\$6,600.00

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Mrs A Backhouse "Galore" 1777 Buddabadah Road NYNGAN NSW 2825 02 68339939 danandalib@gmail.com Thursday 19th May 2022

To the General Manager and the Councillors of the Bogan Shire Council 81 Cobar Street PO Box 221 NYNGAN NSW 2825

Dear General Manager and Councillors,

Some of you may know me, others will not, I am a mother of 4 children who attend school in Nyngan. Our kids catch the Langley's (big) school bus, the normal bus route is Mitchell Highway, down the Mulla Road, then onto Buddabadah Road (Warren Shire) back to the Highway at Mullengudgery, and then back to town. This is probably a 100km round trip with at least 35-40km of unsealed road between both Bogan and Warren shires.

As we all know, we have had some fantastic rain recently, we'll accept every drop of it, but the wet weather closes the roads, I understand completely that this is necessary to keep unsealed roads in good structure for when it dries back out. However, this means that the school bus cannot travel the normal route, and most of the time my kids don't get to go to school until the roads have re-opened, sometimes a week or more after the rain events have finished.

I have contacted Langley's Coaches in Dubbo, and they have estimated around 30 kids between their 3 school buses that run in Nyngan, live on unsealed roads. I also contacted Rex Vane, he told me that their bus run is only on sealed roads, however they do have numerous families who have to travel on unsealed roads to catch their buses. It appears that this is not just my problem, but it is most likely to be a common problem with other families within our community. As parents, we all want the best education for our kids, but when kids can't attend school due to road closures from wet weather, their education is being denied. In my current case, it rained last week, 11th & 12th May, today, 19th May, the roads are still closed. Part of this time, our kids had to stay home, the rest of it I have made the 50km round trip twice a day to the Highway at the towers at Buddabadah Road, to put the kids on the bus there.

I hope that by creating awareness of this problem, we can try and find a solution. Perhaps Transport for NSW, and the Department of Education could be contacted to seek funding for improvements, or even better, to seal all roads that are used as school bus routes, so all kids can get to school, not matter what the weather.

If anyone would like to contact me to discuss further, please do so on above contact details, I am more than happy to discuss further. Kind regards,

Alice Backhouse



From: Aimee Pack

Sent: Friday, 10 June 2022 1:05 PM

**To:** Admin **Cc:** aimee pack

Subject: Att: Steph Waterhouse re: Request to use Nyngan Showground

Hi Steph,

As discussed with Robert Pack, he has asked me to send this through to you on behalf of The Big Boar Bonanza Committee requesting use of the Nyngan Showground facilities.

Just some background on what we are planning for the event -

The event will run from the 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> September, however from the 1<sup>st</sup> to the 2<sup>nd</sup> competitors will be away hunting at their proposed sites. The 3<sup>rd</sup> will be the day where the competition will have judging and weigh ins running from 0800 - 1300, with activities and events run throughout the day.

We are predicting that we may have 200-300 people and also estimate around 50 teams of upto 5 people per team.

People that wish to take part in the hunting side of the competitions will need to complete forms detailing the following -

- Name and address of Property
- Name of owner
- Contact details of owner
- PIC number of the owner

This will be put in place so we can ensure competitors are doing the right thing.

We would also like to have a live band and bar facilities (looking to approach local groups to run the bar) along with using camping facilities that the showground provides. There will be food vans and stalls at this event also at this stage only a few but we are getting more and more requests each day.

We have contacted the local police and the Bourke stock squad to notify them of our intentions and have asked for their support and guidance in anything that we may need, so far they have been supportive.

I am aware that we will need public liability insurance and we are currently sourcing this through brokers, I can also provide any traffic management plans or risk assessments if needed.



We have had a lot of interest from local businesses, people, and hunting suppliers from all over, some offering donations to the event in the form of prizes and/or money. Everything we raise from entry fees and raffles we have pledged to donate this to 2 local charities that we have selected - Nyngan Can Assist and Rural Mental Health.

I hope I have addressed most things but if you have any further questions or need more information, please don't hesitate to contact Robert 0487 187 440 or myself 0499 193 716

Regards,

Aímee Pack ralrpack@yahoo.com.au

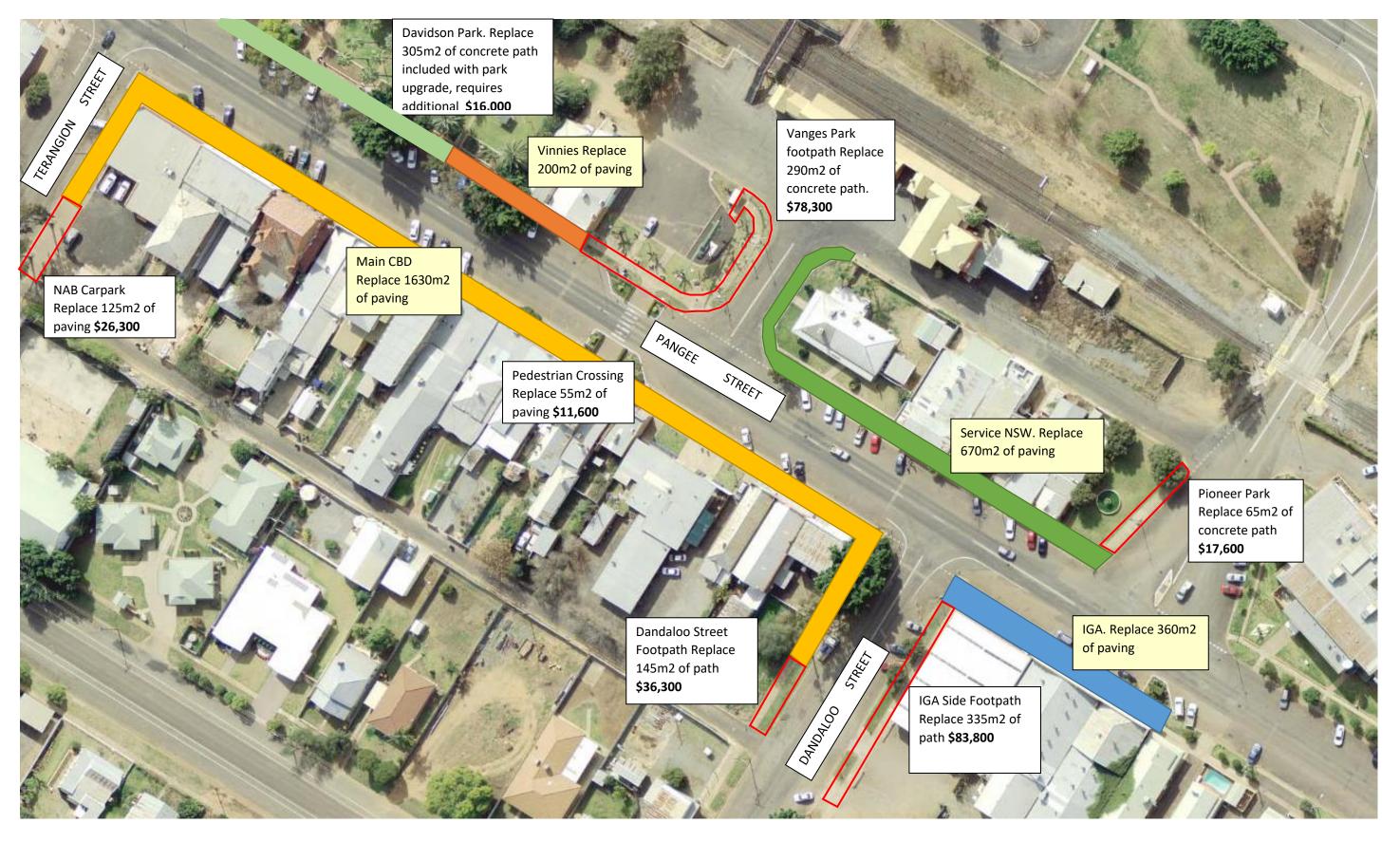


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