

BOGAN SHIRE COUNCIL

Business Paper

23 September 2021



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COUNCIL MEETING NOTICE

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held in the Council Chambers on Thursday 23 September at 5.30pm.

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 26 August 2021
- 6. Development and Environmental Services Closed and Confidential Report
 - 1. Tender for Housing 70 Bogan Street

The General Manager is of the opinion that consideration of these items is likely to take place when the meeting is closed to the public for the following reason: in accordance with the Local Government Act, 1993, Section 10A (2) (c) because it is information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

- 7. Engineering Services Closed and Confidential Report
 - 1. Nyngan Aerodrome Aviation Fuel

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- 8. Confirmation of the Ordinary Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 26 August 2021
- 9. General Manager's Report incorporating reports from:-
 - People and Community Services
 - Finance and Corporate Services
 - Engineering Services
 - Development and Environmental Services
- 10. Correspondence

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated.

Yours sincerely

Melissa Salter Executive Assistant



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	21/12/2017	392/2017	Increase of train speed through Nyngan	Strong letter of concern & a request to address Council be sent to the relevant rail authorities & a copy to local member.	GM	Letter sent to Minister for Transport & Infrastructure, with copy to Kevin Humphries.
	21/06/2018	293/2018		Council seek further follow up from the responsible Minister, reiterating Council's safety concerns for pedestrians & road users due to the nature of the crossing & variation of speeds.	DES	406 Petitions received.On-site meeting held with Deputy Premier.Met with Minister for Regional Transport & Roads in Bourke on 25 November 2019.



		The best control measures would be to erect flashing lights at the Hoskins Street Crossing.	Council advised that this crossing is not a priority for John Holland Rail.
28/05/2020	110/2020	Council engage a Safety Consultant to inspect the Hoskins Street Level Crossing & to provide a report documenting the safety factors of the Crossing which can then be forwarded to the John Holland Rail & Minister for Regional Transport & Roads.	Safety Consultant has been engaged to inspect crossing at the end of July & will be preparing a risk audit for Council. Report has been received and forwarded. Letter received from Transport for NSW, June 2021, stating that they have no plans to upgrade the crossing but are open to other solutions.



						Letter received from Minister for Regional Transport and Roads in August 2021, advising that the crossing complies with Australian Standards for train speeds of up to 80km/hr and there are no plans to upgrade it.
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. UPDATE: New water supply agreement sent to CWB. Meeting rescheduled.
3	28/11/2019	366/2019	Regional Water Supply Pipe Network	Council supports in principle the investigation of a Regional Water Supply Network servicing the	GM	Water NSW has advised Narromine/Warren pipeline project is on hold



		communities currently supplied by the Macquarie River downstream of Burrendong Dam.	
25/02/2021	010/2021	Council seeking urgent clarification from the Minister on: Issuing of the licence for the Nyngan Emergency Bore and licence. Size of the pipe from this bore to Nyngan. Response to be given to those who lodge objections to the bore. Cobar emergency water. What guarantee is there for the \$4.3M funding to be retained for this pipeline 2.	UPDATE: Awaiting determination from NRAR and direction from NSW Government.



4	28/11/2019	368/2019	Repairs to Nyngan & Cobar Emergency Water Storage	The General Manager be authorised to procure sufficient quantities Geosynthetic Clay Liner & Geotextile material to complete the remediation works, according to specifications provided by NSW Public Works. The procurement be carried out by way of quotations.	DES	Remediation work postponed due to wet weather and soft floor. Floor continues to be wet and soft from rain. <u>UPDATE:</u> Requires warm weather to dry out sub- base
5	24/09/2020	257/2020	Nyngan Golf Club	Council approach the NGC offering them a sign with our logo and other details of Bogan Shire Council to be put on one of the 18 holes	DPCS	UPDATE: Completed



6	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.
7	25/02/2021	011/2021	Bogan Shire Official Visitors Guide	To be funded from a budget review or included in next year's estimates.	DPCS	In Progress



8	25/02/2021	012/2021	Nyngan Railway Wool Dump	A colour information sign be erected at the Nyngan Railway Wool Dump on a stand adjacent to the dump. A cement path from the	DPCS	Pending commencement of grant- funded works. Pending commencement of
				existing walkway to the sign be constructed, with available funding		grant- funded works.
9	25/02/2021	013/2021	Honour Board	That recipients of National Awards, prior to the 1980's, be recognised on an Honour Board. The board to include all National awards including recipients of the British Empire Medal (BEM), Australian Fire Service Medal (AFSM), and Victoria Cross.	GM	UPDATE: Honour Board ordered.



10	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.	GM	Awaiting approval of funding for establishment of new residential subdivision.
11	25/02/2021	040/2021	Nyngan Cenotaph Location	A report be prepared for Council regarding the Nyngan Cenotaph location.	GM	Pending outcome of Nyngan Community Homes grant application
12	24/06/2021	149/2021	Resources for Regions	General Manager negotiates the purchase of land consistent with discussions at June 21 Council meeting for Council's Resources for Regions project.	GM	<u>UPDATE:</u> Offers made to owners. Report to be prepared for future Council Meeting.



13	24/06/2021	168/2021	Safety Factors of	Council request RMS	DES	
			Rehabilitation &	consider the safety		Letter sent to TfNSW
			Reconstruction	factor of all		advising of resolution.
			Roadworks	rehabilitation and		
				reconstruction work,		UPDATE:
				including the current		No reply to date
				Mitchell highway at the		
				Mulla Road		
				Intersection, and		
				suggest the following		
				action be taken: that		
				where possible the		
				table drains be		
				extended out from the		
				shoulder and that		
				material be used to		
				widen and flatten the		
				batters of the road		
				shoulder.		



14	24/06/2021	158/2021	New Showground Arena	Council seek the support of the Nyngan Pony Club and Show Committee to have this arena named "The Rodney Robb Arena".	GM	<u>UPDATE:</u> Positive correspondence received from Nyngan Pony Club.
15	24/06/2021	162/2021	Section 355 Committee – Nyngan Museum	General Manager to proceed with discussions to formalise a constitution and associated delegations for Nyngan Museum Committee as a Section 355 Management Committee of Council with a further report to Council.	GM	UPDATE; Meeting deferred due to COVID-19 situation.



16	173/2021	Neeroc Road	The Engineering Department do a full inspection and assessment of the road and report back to Council Council advise William Carter and Owen Carter of Councils decision from meeting	DES	Engineering Services Report August 2021 Council Meeting refers.
	231/2021		Director of Engineering Services be requested to carry out repairs on damaged sections only of Neeroc Road, and leave entire resheeting until a later time.		UPDATE: Advised William Carter and Owen Carter of Councils decision from meeting. Road has been recently inspected and scheduled for a maintenance grade. Completed



17	22/07/2021	210/2021	Nyngan Rugby League Football Club	Council proceed with the installation of heating under the awning of the new canteen area to be funded from savings identified at the first	DES	In progress <u>UPDATE:</u> Not yet commenced due to cancelled games
				Budget Review. The General Manager investigate any grant funding that may be available.	GM	<u>UPDATE:</u> No Funding yet identified.



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 LGNSW SPECIAL CONFERENCE

Summary:-

The purpose of this report is to inform Council of the revised date of the Local Government NSW (LGNSW) Annual Conference, which will now be held on 29 November 2021 as an online conference, followed by a Special Conference on 28 February to 2 March 2022. Council may nominate representatives to attend the Special Conference to take advantage of the 'early bird' reduced fee registrations.

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2.2 Background

The annual conference is the main policy making event for the peak body of the local government sector in NSW and presents Council with an opportunity to submit motions for consideration and debate by delegates.

Motions passed at the Conference become resolutions, which LGNSW takes forward on behalf of its member councils as part of the local government industry's advocacy agenda.

LGNSW has moved their in-person annual conference to February / March, termed it a Special Conference and will deal with motions and other business then. To meet legislative requirements LGNSW are still required to hold an Annual Conference this calendar year which will be held on 29 November online and at which the Financial Statements and Annual Report will be presented.

The Special Conference will be held following Government guidelines on holding safe events and social distancing, noting that these requirements could change in the future. The organisers will be following hygiene and safe practices by cleaning surfaces, arranging seating, overseeing food preparation, and transport, as well as medical assistance as required.



2.3 Discussion

This Conference is an important opportunity to network with other local government areas from across the State. It provides Councillor Workshops, which are optional events and include several topics as listed in the attachment.

Conference costs are as follows:

Member Early Bird Registration	\$979.00 per person
Member Standard Registration (paid between 30	\$1,094.50
October 2021 and 14 February 2022).	
Conference Dinner Ticket (optional) Not included in	\$176.00 per person
the registration costs.	
Councillor Training workshop (four options)	\$55.00 for Members
ALGWA Breakfast	\$77.00 for Members

Council may determine now how many delegates to send to the Special Conference to take advantage of "early bird" discounts or, alternatively, could leave this for the newly elected Council to determine.

The draft Program is attached to this report.

2.4 Attachments

Draft Conference Program

2.5 Recommendation

That Council considers whether or not to register delegates for the Local Government NSW (LGNSW) Special Conference now to take advantage of early bird discounts.

Derek Francis General Manager



Attachment 1. LGNSW Draft Special Conference Program

28 February 2022 - LGNSW Draft Special Conference Program

1.00pm - 7.00pm	Registration opens at the Grand Ballroom Foyer
1.30pm- 3.00pm	Option 1: Council involvement in new national agreement on Closing the Gap - Panel members include representatives from NSW Aboriginal Land Council and Reconciliation NSW
1.30pm - 3.00pm	Option 2: Rural and Regional Health - issues and solutions Panel members include representatives from Federal Government and a Council representative
1.30pm- 3.00pm	Option 3: Investing in you - planning your own councillor professional development
1.30pm - 3.00pm	Option 4: Domestic Violence - Councils are part of the solution - Panel members include a representative of Domestic Violence NSW and representatives from metropolitan and regional councils
3.00pm - 5.00pm	Meet the Politicians Forum with Master of Ceremonies: President LGNSW Addresses from NSW Government, Opposition and cross benchers Presentation of the AR Bluett Awards by the Trustees Welcome Reception Sponsor Address by Statewide Mutual This session is free to members registered to attend the conference. RSVPs are required as part of the conference registration.
5.00pm - 7.30pm	President's Welcome Reception. Maritime Ballroom. Sponsored by Statewide Mutual. Registration will be available at this event.



1 March 2022 - LGNSW Draft Special Conference Program

7.30am - 5.00pm	Registration opens GrandBallroom Foyer
8.00am - 4.00pm	Trade exhibition opens Maritime Ballroom - Delegate Lounge opens for networking
8.45am	Doors openfor official conference proceedings
9.05am - 9.10am	Conference introduction by Scott Phillips, Chief Executive, LGNSW
9.10am - 9.15am	Welcome to Country behalf of Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council
9.15am - 11.00am	Address by LGNSW President Opening of the Federal and State conference, including demonstration of voting app, adoption of standing orders, business session and consideration of motions.Chaired by LGNSW President
11.00am - 11.05am	Distinguished sponsor address by Landcom
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11.05am -11.35am	Morning tea in trade exhibition, sponsored by Landcom, Maritime Ballroom
11.35am-1.00pm	Consideration of conference business continued, chaired by LGNSW President
1.00pm - 1.05pm	Elite sponsor address by StateCover
1.05pm - 2.15pm	Lunch in trade exhibition, sponsored by StateCover, Maritime Ballroom
1.05pm - 2.15pm	StateCover GM's Lunch Heritage Atrium exclusive to GMs
2.15pm - 3.30pm	Consideration of conference business continued, chaired by LGNSW President
3.30pm -4.00pm	Afternoon tea in trade exhibition Maritime Ballroom
	Consideration of conference business continued, chaired by LGNSW
4.00pm - 5.00pm	President
5.00pm	Conference business session closes
5.00pm - 5.30pm	Networking in trade exhibition, Maritime Ballroom
7.00pm -10.30pm	Conference Dinner at Grand Ballroom, The Fullerton Hotel, 1 Martin Place, Sydney. Sponsored by StateCover - Includes presentation of Distinguished Service Awards to elected members



2 March 2022 - LGNSW Draft Special Conference Program

7.30am – 3.00pm	Registration opens GrandBallroom Foyer
7.30am - 8.45am	Australian Local Government Women's Association (ALGWA NSW) Breakfast, Wharf Room Guest presenter: Rosemary Kariuki,
	Advocate for migrant and refugee women, LOCAL HERO 2021 Australian of the Year awards. Facilitated by Ellen Fanning
8.00am – 4.00pm	Trade exhibition opens, Maritime Ballroom - Delegate Lounge opens for networking
8.45am	Doors open for conference official proceedings
9.00am	Welcome to by Ellen Fanning, Master of Ceremonies
9.05am – 9.30am	Keynote Address
9.30am – 9.35am	Keynote Panel: Economy and Jobs Focus
10.30am – 10.35am	Distinguished sponsor address by Active Super
10.35am -11.05am	Morning tea in trade exhibition, sponsored by Active Super, Marine
11.05 - 11.20am	Address by President LGNSW, on Association Initiatives including Country Mayors MOU signing
11.20am- 11.25am	Distinguished sponsor topic nbn
11.25am -12.10pm	Presentation: Climate Change Panel
12.10pm- 12.55pm	Presentation: The Housing Crisis in NSW
12.55pm -2.05pm	Lunch in trade exhibition, sponsored by nbn, Maritime Ballroom
2.05pm - 3.05pm	Final keynote address
3.05pm -3.15pm	Final remarks, President LGNSW



Special Events - LGNSW Draft Special Conference Program

3.00pm - 5.00pm	28 February: Meet the Politicians Forum with Master of Ceremonies: President LGNSW Addresses from NSW Government, Opposition and cross benchers Presentation of the AR Bluett Awards by the Trustees Sponsor Address by Statewide Mutual This session is free to members registered to attend the conference. RSVPs are required as part of the conference registration.
1.05pm - 2.00pm	1 March: StateCover General Managers' Lunch - Heritage Atrium (exclusive to GMs)
7.30am - 8.45am	2 March: Australian Local Government Women's Association (ALGWA NSW) Breakfast, Wharf Room Guest presenter: Rosemary Kariuki, Advocate for migrant and refugee women, LOCAL HERO 2021 Australian of the Year awards. Breakfast facilitated by Ellen Fanning

Workshops

1.30pm - 3.00pm	Option 1 (28 February): Council involvement in new national agreement on Closing the Gap Panel members include representatives from NSW Aboriginal Land Council and Reconciliation NSW
1.30pm - 3.00pm	Option 2 (28 February): Rural and Regional Health - issues and solutions Panel members include representatives from Federal Government and a Council representative
1.30pm - 3.00pm	Option 3 (28 February): Investing in you - planning your own councillor professional development
1.30pm - 3.00pm	Option 4 (28 February): Domestic violence - Councils are part of the solution

<u>Social</u>

5.30pm - 7.30pm	28 February: President's Welcome Reception Maritime Ballroom sponsor by Statewide Mutual	
	Registration will be available at this event.	
	1 March: Conference Dinner and Entertainment Please note: The Conference Dinner will be held at The Fullerton Hotel, 1 Martin Place Sydney	



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 13/09/2021: 63
- Total children scheduled to attend for the week ending 17/09/2021: 28

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Ave.
July 21	69%	61%	56%	53%	52%	67%
August 21	47%	42%	41%	33%	30%	39%
September 21	54%	46%	46%	45%	41%	46%

Usage Capacity

The ELC participated in Pyjama Day and Jeans for Genes days this year and raised money for both causes.

<u>COVID</u>

Due to the current COVID-19 Delta outbreak situation not only in Nyngan but the state, parents are keeping their children at home when they can and this is reflected in the low usage capacity numbers above. In regard to Council's Resolution (226/2021) at the August meeting to waive gap fee payments for all children who are enrolled at the ELC, the Federal Government's Business Continuity Payments of 25% of their pre-lockdown revenue should help to ease the strain on the centre finances.

1.3 Recommendation

That the Early Learning Centre report be received and noted.



2 AUSTRALIA DAY 2022 NOMINATIONS AND AWARDS

Summary:-

The purpose of this report is for Council to approve the Australia Day Award categories, nomination form, guidelines and voting system for the 2022 awards.

2.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is for Council to approve the Australia Day Award categories, nomination form, guidelines and voting system for the 2022 awards.

2.2 Background

For the past three years Council has asked for nominations from the community for the following Australia Day categories:

- Citizen of the Year
- Young Citizen of the Year (aged 25 or under)
- Sportsperson of the Year
- Young Sportsperson of the Year (aged 25 or under)
- Sports Team of the Year
- Community Event of the Year

In 2018, Council resolved to present certificates to all nominees and award one overall winner (300/2018) and that all Councillors be circularised with the nominations shortly after the closing date, to allow Councillors to vote for the nominees. (301/2018)

All nominees considered worthy are invited to attend the Bogan Shire Australia Day Ceremony at the Nyngan Town Hall on January 26. Nominees are presented with certificates, and the winner of each category is presented with a medal or plaque.

2.3 Discussion

Council will shortly begin the process of emailing and sending out nomination forms to various clubs, community organisations, NGOs and Nyngan High School. The nominations will also be promoted on the Facebook page over the coming weeks. The closing date for nominations this year will be Monday 29 November 2021, bearing in mind Council elections to be held on 4 December 2021. This allows for Councillor assessment of nominations, effective coordination of the event and for all necessary awards and certificates to be obtained and ready in advance of the event.

It is recommended that the assessment of nominations takes place immediately after the closing date to ensure staff can organise the certificates and awards in time for the January event and presentation.



2.4 Attachment

Australia Day 2022 Nomination Forms.

2.5 Recommendation

That Council:

- 1. Approves the categories, nominations form and guidelines.
- 2. Nominates the date for when the assessment of nominations will take place.

Debb Wood Director People and Community Services



ATTACHMENT 1



Bogan Shire Council Australia Day Awards Nomination Form

Nomination for:

- Citizen of the Year (26 years or older on 26 January 2022)
- Young Citizen of the Year (under 26 years of age on 26 January 2022)
- Sportsperson of the Year
- Junior Sportsperson of the Year (18 years and under on 26 January 2022)
- Sports Team of the Year

DETAILS OF PERSON BEING NOMINATED:

Title:	Name:	Sumame:		
Address:				
Postcode:				
Telephone:				
Email:				
Date of birth: Age:			Age:	
Does the nominee currently live and/or work in Bogan Shire YES/NC				

Is the nominee an Australian citizen? YES/NO Will nominee be aged 26 years or over on 26 January 2022? YES/NO

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

Signature:	Date:
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CONTRIBUTION TO THE COMMUNITY FOR WHICH THE PERSON IS NOMINATED Include 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.





ATTACHMENT 1



OTHER PERSONS TO CONTACT FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT NOMINEE

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

TO BE COMPLETED BY PERSON SUBMITTING NOMINATION

Title:	Name:	Surname:			
Address:	Address:				
	Postcode:				
Telephone:	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.

Nominations close on Monday 29 November 2021

Please send completed form to:

The General Manager PO Box 221 Nyngan NSW 2825

The awards will be announced on Australia Day Wednesday 26 January 2022.





ATTACHMENT 2



Bogan Shire Council Australia Day Awards Community Event Nomination Form

DETAILS OF EVENT AND ORGANISER OR ORGANISATION BEING NOMINATED:

Event Name:

Organiser and / or Organisation details.

Title:	Name:	Sumame:		
Organisation Name:				
Address:				
			Postcode:	
Telephone:				
Email:				

Was the Community event held in Bogan Shire?

YES/NO

I, on behalf of the nominated event, agree to be nominated for this award.

Signature:

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

Please attach additional sheets/material if required.





ATTACHMENT 2



OTHER PERSONS TO CONTACT FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT EVENT

Name:	Name:
Telephone:	Telephone:
Email:	Email:
Address:	Address:

TO BE COMPLETED BY PERSON SUBMITTING NOMINATION

Title:	Name:	Sumame:		
Address:				
			Postcode:	
Telephone:				
Email:				
Organisation (if any):				
Signature:			Date:	

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- Supporting material, including references and media (newspaper clippings) are attached.
- D The event representative has signed the Nomination Form.

Nominations close on Monday 29 November 2021

Please send completed form to:

The General Manager PO Box 221 Nyngan NSW 2825

The awards will be announced on Australia Day Wednesday 26 January 2022





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 AUGUST 2021

Summary:

The report is to outline the performance of Council's Investment Portfolio for the month of August 2021.

At the 31st August 2021 Council had \$15.2 million invested. There has been an increase of \$719 thousand due to the first quarter rate instalment falling due and payments received from Transport for NSW for a flood claim from 2020/2021 and the first Block Grant and the Financial Assistance Grant instalments being paid for 2021/2022.

1.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to outline the performance of Council's investment portfolio for the month of August 2021.

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 August 2021 is shown below. At the 31st August 2021 Council had \$15.2 million invested. There has been an increase of \$719 thousand due to the first quarter rate instalment falling due and payments received from Transport for NSW for a flood claim from 2020/2021 and the first Block Grant and Financial Assistance Grant instalments being paid for 2021/2022.

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



Investment Movements for August 2021

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						
REF	Source	Maturity	Days	% rate	Bal July 21	Bal Aug 21
37908808	Commonwealth	02/03/2022	365	0.440%	2,800,000.00	2,800,000.00
6894	NAB - Professional Funds	At Call		0.500%	11,764,344.59	12,483,864.26
	Balance securities held				14,564,344.59	15,283,864.26
	Balance Ledger					
	19010.8200.8200				14,564,344.59	15,283,864.26
	Summary by institution					
	Commonwealth				2,800,000.00	2,800,000.00
	NAB				11,764,344.59	12,483,864.26
					14,564,344.59	15,283,864.26

1.4 Recommendation

That the Investments Report be received and noted.



2 SUMMARY OF RATE & ANNUAL CHARGES COLLECTION

Summary:

The report is to provide a comparison of rate collections as at 31st August 2021, with the same period last year.

Total arrears have increased from \$957,922 as at the 31st August 2020 to \$1,127,103 as at 31st August this year.

2.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to provide a comparison of rate collections as at 31st August, 2021, 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 01/07/2021	837,156	646,758
First Instalment Outstanding as at 31/08/2021	289,947	311,164
Second Instalment Outstanding as at 31/08/2021	1,064,747	1,080,116
Third Instalment Outstanding as at 31/08/2021	1,096,655	1,106,966
Fourth Instalment Outstanding as at 31/08/2021	1,105,011	1,113,237
Total Arrears	1,127,103	957,922
Total Outstanding	4,393,516	4,258,241
Monthly Transactions		
Amount Levied & B/Fwd	6,158,231	6,054,829
Add: Adjustments	3789	-0.01
Less: Payments to end of August	-1,691,583	-1,717,919
Less: Rebates	-76,921	-78,669
Gross Total Balance	4,393,516	4,258,241
Arrears of total amount levied %	18%	16%

Total arrears have increased from \$957,922 at the 31st August 2020 to \$1,127,103 as at 31st August this year.

Each instalment amounts to approximately \$1,539,000

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



As at the 31st August 2021 Council had collected \$26,334 less than at the same time last year, an additional \$106,797 had been collected at the time of writing this report.

2.3 Recommendation

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

3 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO COMMUNITY SERVICE ORGANISATIONS

Summary:

The report is to advise Council of requests received for Financial Assistance in relation to Rates and Charges levied on Community Service Organisations.

Council has in the past granted Financial Assistance to the below organisations to help with payment of their Annual Rates and Charges. The request is that the same assistance applies to this current financial year.

3.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to advise Council of requests for financial assistance in relation to rates and charges levied on Community Service Organisations.

3.2 Background

Council levies rates according to the Local Government Act 1993 (The Act) and its Operational Plan.

Under Section 356 of The Act Council can legally provide financial assistance to Community Organisations if their activities can be linked to outcomes specified in the Operational Plan.

The 2021/2022 rates were levied with these ratepayers included and if Council agrees to financial assistance then Council will need to pay for these from the donations budget of \$5,500 leaving a balance of \$3,417 for any further donations.



3.3 Discussion

Council has received two letters requesting financial assistance to meet the cost of rates and charges payable.

Organisation	Levied 2020/21	Fin Assist 2020/21	Levied 2021/22	Fin Assist 2021/22	Justification
Nyngan Baptist Fellowship	\$1,171	\$1,171	\$1,195	\$1,195	Sect 1.2 of the Operational Plan
Nyngan Baptist Fellowship Non-Res Sewer Access	\$540	\$540	\$540	\$540	Sect 1.2 of the Operational Plan
Trustees Bobadah Hall	\$648	\$341	\$661	\$348	Sect 1.1 of the Operational Plan

Nyngan Baptist Fellowship

\$1,735

This is a non-profit organisation who have requested that Council give them financial assistance for the fees charged for access to Council services. As this property is now operated as a Church it is no longer rateable for general rates. Recommend Council assists with amount payable of \$1,735

Trustees Bobadah Hall

\$ 348

This is a non-profit organisation who have requested that Council give them financial assistance for the Waste Depot Levy. Recommend Council assists with amount payable of \$348.

3.4 Recommendation

That Council:

- Provides financial assistance to The Nyngan Baptist Fellowship to the value of \$1,735, which represents all rates and charges levied on the Nyngan Baptist Fellowship. This would exclude any usage charges for water.
- 2. Provides financial assistance to the Trustees of the Bobadah Hall to the value of \$348, which represents the Waste Depot Levy.



Attachment 1

Dear Mr Miller,

Thankyou for your letter regarding Donation of Annual Rates and Charges.

I'm sorry, we missed the mail and did not see your letter prior to 14 August.

We would like to seek a donation from council to waive the rates and charges for the Community Hall 50-52 Cannonbar Street- as they have generously done before. If you could please seek to bring this matter to council at the next meeting it would be appreciated.

Warm regards,

Pastor Richard Milligan



Attachment 2

Bobadah Hall Committee C/- Richard Harley Secretary / Treasurer Pretty View Bobadah via Condobolin NSW 2877 Ph: 0268963986 Mobile: 0427963986 Email: pretty.view@bigpond.com

06 September 2021

Bogan Shire Council PO Box 221 NYNGAN NSW 2825

Dear Sir / Madam

Re: Bobadah Hall Assessment No: 1001789

I am writing on behalf of the Bobadah Hall committee requesting an exemption from the waste depot charge of \$348.00

The Bobadah Hall is situated 115 kilometres south of Nyngan and therefore will never use nor receive any benefits from using the waste depot situated in Nyngan.

The Bobadah Hall committee is a voluntary, non-profit committee made up of a handful of local landholders. We have already been forced to make the tough decision of disconnecting the electricity to the hall due to the rising power costs but the Committee will continue to pay the shire rates and building insurance.

Due to the limited opportunity to raise funds for the upkeep of the Bobadah hall, we request the Council waive the waste depot levy.

Kind regards

Las **Richard Harley**

Secretary / Treasurer Bobadah Hall



4 ADOPTION OF THE 2020/2021 DRAFT ANNUAL STATEMENTS

Summary:

To adopt the 2020/2021 Draft Annual Statements and for Council to delegate Authority to the General Manager to Authorise the Year End Account for issue.

Consolidated Accounting Surplus of \$5,570,000.

Surplus of \$5,066,000 in the General Fund is due to \$4,786,000 in Capital Grant funding included in the operating result and the expenditure being capitalised.

Surplus of \$726,000 in the Water Fund is due to debtors being raised for Capital Grant funding included in the operating result and the expenditure being capitalised as Work in Progress as well as less costs in materials and services and water purchase charges due to the breaking of the drought and rain received throughout the year.

Consolidated unrestricted cash reserves of \$3,814,000.

4.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is for Council to adopt the 2020/2021 Draft Annual Statements and for Council to delegate Authority to the General Manager to authorise the Year End Accounts for issue.

4.2 Background

The accounts have been completed and are in the final stages of Audit however, Council is awaiting final reports. There may be slight changes to the accounts because of the audit process, although staff are confident that these will be minimal. If there are any material changes to the accounts they will be brought back to Council.

An excerpt of the financial statements sent for Audit is attached. Council's Contract Auditor, Nexia undertook the off-site audit (due to Covid 19) on 23rd, 24th and 25th August and are still working on them off-site. The process has been more difficult due to Auditors not attending Council's offices. Once completed the accounts will be sent to the Audit Office for signing off.

Once finalised by the Audit Office the Financial Statements for 2020/2021 will then be forwarded to the Office of Local Government, advertised and presented to the public at the next meeting of Council.



Section 418 – "*Public notice to be given of presentation of financial reports*"- of the Local Government Act, 1993 states:

- (1) As soon as practicable after a council receives a copy of the auditor's report:
 - a) It must fix a date for the meeting at which it proposes to present its audited financial reports, together with the auditor's report, to the public, and
 - b) It must give public notice of the date so fixed.
- (2) The date fixed for the meeting must be at least 7 days after the date on which the notice is given, but not more than 5 weeks after the auditor's reports are given to the council.

With the strict timeframe from the date of receipt of the Auditor's Report to when the public meeting must be held it is recommended that Council delegate to the General Manager the authority to "authorise the Year End Accounts for issue" subject to there being no material audit changes or audit issues, in accordance with AASB 110.

4.3 Discussion

The figures within the financial accounts indicate how Council has performed financially over 2020/2021 financial year.

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

Favourable

- Positive consolidated result. This due to the capitalisation of projects where the income is shown on the income statements and the expenditure has been capitalised.
- Strong cash position in General Fund.
- Water fund has a cash position of \$998 thousand however there is approximately \$548,722 in carry over works that would reduce this amount to \$449,278.
- Sewer fund has a strong cash position of \$2,250 million with carry over works of approximately \$10,000 that would reduce this amount to \$2,240 million.
- TfNSW Ordered Works increased by \$3,405,000 for 2020/2021 compared to 2019/2020.
- TfNSW Contract Maintenance increased by \$677,000 for 2020/2021 compared to 2019/2020.
- TfNSW Flood Damage Claim for 2020/20321 of \$1.375 million.



- Own source revenue ratio increased from 48.04% in 2019/2020 to 50.77% in 2020/2021.
- Account surplus of \$710,000 in the Water Fund better than budgeted accounting deficit of \$263,508 due to debtors being raised for Capital Grant funding included in the operating result and the expenditure being capitalised as Work in Progress as well as less costs in materials, services and water purchase charges due to the good rain fall received throughout the year.

<u>Unfavourable</u>

- \$79,000 increase to employee benefit provisons arising from an increased leave liability for staff leave due, but not taken.
- A \$338,000 decrease to unrestricted cash reserves.
- Investment returns decreased by \$96,000 as a result of low interest rates
- \$122,000 overall increase to depreciation expenses. This increase is attributable to Sewer depreciation due to a revaluation by external valuers and a change in methodology. Also there has been an increase to depreciation on Plant, Equipment and Buildings due to new purchases not previously on asset registers adding additonal depreciation.
- Sewer Fund Accounting Deficit of \$254,000, worse than the originally budgeted \$200,000 due to \$10,000 less than budgeted operational income received and \$36,000 in additional operational expenditure all attributable to increased depreciation.

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



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	2,643	545	26,411	29,599
Expenditure	1,917	767	21,345	24,029
Surplus (Deficit)	726	(222)	5066	5,570
Current Assets	1,851	2,343	18,372	22,566
Non-Current Assets	33,483	9,758	197,083	240,324
Total Assets	35,334	12,101	215,455	262,890
Liabilities	51	2	9,435	9,488
Equity	35,283	12,099	206,020	253,402

General Fund

The cash operating result for the General Fund was \$1,240,000 surplus. The General Fund shows an accounting operating result of \$5,066 million surplus however \$7,153 million dollars of expenditure was capitalised in the General Fund. This then leaves a deficit of \$2,087,000. Adding back non-cash expenditure of depreciation \$3,433,000, taking off profit on disposal of property, plant & equipment of \$106,000 results in the cash surplus figure of \$1,240,000.

Water Fund

The cash operating result for the Water Fund was \$366,000 surplus. The Water Fund shows an accounting operating result surplus of \$726,000 however \$862,000 of expenditure was capitalised in the water fund. This then leaves a deficit of \$136,000. Adding back non-cash expenditure of depreciation \$502,000 and the results in a cash surplus of \$366,000.

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Sewer Fund

The cash operating result for the Sewer Fund was \$12,000 deficit. The Sewer Fund shows an accounting operating result of \$222,000 deficit. No expenditure was capitalised in 2020/2021 in the Sewer Fund. Add back non-cash expenditure of depreciation \$210,000 results in the cash deficit of \$12,000.

The unrestricted cash balance has decreased from \$4,152,000 to \$3,814,000 a decrease of \$338,000.

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.

4.4 Recommendation that:

- 1. Council adopts the 2020/2021 Draft Annual Statements.
- 2. Council delegates authority to the General Manager to authorise the Year End Accounts for issue.



Bogan Shire Council

Income Statement

for the year ended 30 June 2021

Original unaudited budget 2021 \$ '000		Notes	Actual 2021 \$ '000	Actual 2020 \$ '000
	Income from continuing operations			
5.201	Rates and annual charges	B2-1	5,203	5.086
3,668	User charges and fees	B2-2	9,144	4,786
140	Other revenue	B2-3	299	238
8,143	Grants and contributions provided for operating purposes	B2-4	9,728	8,211
283	Grants and contributions provided for capital purposes	B2-4	4,786	3,196
198	Interest and investment income	B2-5	152	248
195	Other income	B2-6	181	197
566	Net gains from the disposal of assets	B4-1	106	-
18,394	Total income from continuing operations		29,599	21,962
	Expenses from continuing operations			
7,108	Employee benefits and on-costs	B3-1	7,990	7,519
10,807	Materials and services	B3-2	11,388	7,556
79	Borrowing costs	B3-3	78	84
4,030	Depreciation, amortisation and impairment for non-financial assets	B3-4	4,145	4,069
599	Other expenses	B3-5	428	244
-	Net losses from the disposal of assets	B4-1	-	24
22,623	Total expenses from continuing operations		24,029	19,496
(4,229)	Operating result from continuing operations		5,570	2,466
(4,229)	Net operating result for the year attributable to Co	uncil	5,570	2.466



Net operating result for the year before grants and contributions provided for capital purposes

(730)

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The above Income Statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.



Bogan Shire Council

Statement of Comprehensive Income

for the year ended 30 June 2021

	Actual	Actual
		2020
Notes	\$ '000	\$ '000
	5,570	2,466
C1-6	(48)	657
	(48)	657
_	(48)	657
_	5,522	3,123
		2021 Notes \$ '000 5,570 C1-6 (48) (48) (48)

The above Statement of Comprehensive Income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.



Bogan Shire Council

Statement of Financial Position

as at 30 June 2021

		Actual	Actual
		2021	2020
	Notes	\$ '000	\$ '000
ASSETS			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	C1-1	13,684	5,668
Investments	C1-2	2,800	7,800
Receivables	C1-4	5,320	2,937
Inventories	C1-5	659	434
Other		103	76
Total current assets		22,566	16,915
Non-current assets			
Receivables	C1-4	671	597
Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment	C1-6	239,583	236,217
Investments accounted for using the equity method	D2-1	70	61
Total non-current assets		240,324	236,875
Total assets		262,890	253,790
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Payables	C3-1	1,852	1,046
Contract liabilities	C3-2	3,327	518
Borrowings	C3-3	119	116
Employee benefit provisions	C3-4	2,005	1,926
Total current liabilities		7,303	3,606
Non-current liabilities			
Borrowings	C3-3	2,185	2,304
Total non-current liabilities		2,185	2,304
Total liabilities		9,488	5,910
Net assets		253,402	247,880
EQUITY			
Accumulated surplus	C4-1	168,234	162,664
IPPE revaluation reserve	C4-1	85,168	85,216
Council equity interest	* 5 -	253,402	247,880
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Total equity		253,402	247,880
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The above Statement of Financial Position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.



Bogan Shire Council

Statement of Cash Flows

for the year ended 30 June 2021

Original unaudited budget 2021			Actual 2021	Actual 2020
\$ '000		Notes	\$ '000	\$ '000
	Cash flows from operating activities			
	Receipts:			
5,100	Rates and annual charges		5,468	4,672
3,159	User charges and fees		9,221	4,038
170	Investment and interest revenue received		73	272
9,226	Grants and contributions		15,843	11,301
_	Bonds, deposits and retention amounts received		29	38
172	Other		969	1,117
	Payments:			
(7,291)	Employee benefits and on-costs		(7,965)	(7,267)
(5,494)	Materials and services		(12,716)	(6,584)
(79)	Borrowing costs		(79)	(83)
-	Bonds, deposits and retention amounts refunded		(28)	(40)
(1,455)	Other		(325)	(2,151
3,508	Net cash flows from operating activities	G1-1	10,490	5,313
	Cash flows from investing activities			
	Receipts:			
_	Redemption of term deposits		7,800	-
566	Sale of infrastructure, property, plant and equipment		562	541
-	Deferred debtors receipts		-	ŧ
	Payments:			
-	Acquisition of term deposits		(2,800)	-
(4,124)	Purchase of infrastructure, property, plant and equipment		(7,920)	(6,361
(3,558)	Net cash flows from investing activities		(2,358)	(5,815
	Cash flows from financing activities			
	Payments:			
(116)	Repayment of borrowings		(116)	(112
	Net cash flows from financing activities			
(116)	Net cash hows from financing activities		(116)	(112)
(166)	Net change in cash and cash equivalents		8,016	(614)
6,279	Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		5,668	6,282
6,113	Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	C1-1	13,684	5,668
7,800	plus: Investments on hand at end of year	C1-2	2,800	7,800
13,913	Total cash, cash equivalents and investments		16,484	13,468
10,010			10,404	10,400

The above Statement of Cash Flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.



5 LICENCE AGREEMENT WITH NYNGAN RUGBY UNION CLUB INC.

Summary: The report is to:

(a) Advise Council of the renewal of the licence agreement with the Nyngan Rugby Union Club Inc. in relation to use of the Clubhouse at Larkin Oval; and

(b) Advise Council that the charge for the Nyngan Rugby Union Club Inc. is the statutory minimum rental applicable to tenures under the Crowns Land Act 1989 (NSW).

5.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to advise Council of the renewal of the licence with Nyngan Rugby Union Club Inc. for the Larkin Oval Clubhouse and that Council has charged the statutory minimum rental applicable to tenures under the Crowns Land Act 1989 (NSW).

5.2 Background

On 24 September 2020, at an Ordinary Meeting, it was resolved that Council:-

1. Enters into a new licence agreement for twelve months with the Nyngan Rugby Union Club

2. Charges Nyngan Rugby Union Club Inc. the statutory minimum rental applicable to tenures under the Crowns Land Act 1989 (NSW).

Pursuant to that resolution, negotiations continued with the Nyngan Rugby Union Club and a 12 month lease was entered into for an amount of \$501 plus GST.

Due to Crown Land Management Plans needing to be completed and accepted by Crown Lands the longest term applicable to this lease can be 12 months. Once Management Plans are lodged and accepted by Crown Lands Council should be able to enter into a longer term arrangement.

5.3 Discussion

The lease was due for renewal on the 1st September 2021. Council staff prepared the new lease with updated dates and rental and have entered into a new 12 month lease with the Nyngan rugby Union Club Inc.

The relevant statutory minimum rental, currently \$516 per annum (plus GST), has been charged. That amount is subject to annual increases in line with the Consumer Price Index.

5.4 Recommendation

For noting.



6 CHARGING STATION FOR ELECTRIC VEHICLES.

Summary:

The purpose of this report is to authorise the General Manager to enter into a licence agreement with National Roads and Motorists' Association Limited (NRMA) covering the area of one parking bay as well as an area for a Charging Station and electrical switchboard on Lot 23 DP 776559

6.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to request that Council authorise the General Manager to enter into a licence agreement with National Roads and Motorists' Association Limited (NRMA) covering the area of one parking bay as well as an area for a Charging Station and electrical switchboard on Lot 23 DP 776559.

6.2 Background

Following a report from the Director of People and Community Services in March 2019 Council resolved (077/2019) to submit an expression of interest to the Transport for NSW Electric Vehicle Charging Program.

Council was not successful in obtaining seed funding under this Program but was contacted by NRMA shortly afterwards to explore options for furthering the concept. An additional report was submitted to Council on 27 August 2020 setting out a proposal from NRMA which resulted in the following recommendation (229/2020):

That Council authorises the General Manager to enter into a licence agreement with National Roads and Motorists' Association Limited covering the area of one parking bay as well as an area for a Charging Station and electrical switchboard in the parking area adjacent Vanges Park for a period of 5 years, from 1 December 2020, at \$1 per year.

This Report set out the benefits to Nyngan having an EVCS including:

- More visitors to town. It takes a minimum of 20 minutes to charge a vehicle which can be spent patronising local business.
- Environmental savings
- More local opportunities for electric car technology

The General Manager commenced procedures, via the Director of Finance and Corporate Services, to enter into the licence agreement with the NRMA.

This particular parcel of land forms part of a long term lease that Council holds with the NSW Government. Lengthy discussions followed with John Holland who Page | 49



managed rail infrastructure and leases on behalf of the NSW Government and they gave conditional approval for the licence on 9 February 2021. Council then received advice on 22 April 2021 from the NRMA that the project's funding body (the NSW Government) was not prepared to release the necessary funds as they required the NRMA to have security of tenure over the property and as Council did not own the site but leased it from the NSW Government this did not give them the required security for the funding.

An alternative was suggested which was for Council to relinquish the lease with the NSW Government but as this was a long term arrangement that had been in place for many years this was not recommended by John Holland as any new arrangements for other land encapsulated in these leases could vary drastically. This was not pursued as it would not be in the best interests of Council.

NRMA then started to look for other pieces of land that Council owned that would suit the charging station and identified a vacant piece of land in-between the IGA carpark / Pangee Lane and Dr Chan's surgery/residence as a potential site.

6.3 Discussion

NRMA had initial discussions with Council staff about locating the EVCS on a section of this site and the idea was for them to come to Nyngan, have a site inspection and a discussion with Council to ensure the viability of the site and Councils future needs for the vacant land. Unfortunately Covid-19 Public Health Orders have prevented them from doing so.

The NRMA has however started working on connection requests with Essential Energy as power upgrades will need to be done at this site if this is where Council agrees to locate the EVCS.

If Council approves the changed location for the EVCS it would be on the same conditions as the previously proposed licence. The NRMA would pay all costs relating to the installation of the EVCS including all ancillary works associated with the installation and for the ongoing operation.

The NRMA have three other builds happening in the Western Region and want to try and have all approvals in place so they are ready to go once they are able to come to Nyngan to visit the proposed site. To expedite matters when the time comes they are seeking Councils approval of this site, or a similar site if Council does not agree to the one identified, to locate the EVCS. This is so that they can prepare the documentation required and seek appropriate approvals and to be on the front foot once they are able to visit the site.



6.4 Recommendation

That Council authorises the General Manager to enter into a licence agreement with National Roads and Motorists' Association Limited (NRMA) covering the area of one parking bay as well as an area for a Charging Station and electrical switchboard on Lot 23 DP 776559 (land between Pangee Lane and Dr Chan's Residence/Surgery) for a period of 5 years, from a date to be negotiated with the NRMA, at \$1 per year.

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

<u>Roads</u>

Road work undertaken for the reporting period 16th August 2021, to 10th September 2021 consisted of the following:

No.	Name	Comments
	Local Roads	
20	Murrawombie Road	Emergency flood damage repairs completed.
48	Fords Road	Emergency flood damage repairs completed.
25	Merryanbone Road	Emergency flood damage repairs continuing.
3	Budabadah Road	Emergency flood damage repairs completed.
10	Pangee Road	R2R re-sheeting completed.
16	Yarrandale Road	Shoulder Grading completed.
92	Colane Road	Maintenance grading commenced.
92	Colane Road	R2R re-sheeting completed.



65	Wyes Road	Grid removal
25	Moonagee Road	Tree trimming completed.
21	Gongolgon Road	Emergency flood damage repairs completed.
44	Koomanganong Road	Maintenance grading completed.
Various	Rural Roads	Drainage maintenance.

	Regional Roads	
461	Condo Cobar Road	Emergency flood damage repairs completed
7514	Cockies Road	Flood damage repairs continuing.
	State Highways	
HW7	Mitchell Highway	Pothole patching continuing.
HW7	Mitchell Highway	Mulla Road rehabilitation continuing.
HW8	Barrier Highway	Tree Trimming completed.

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

- Town Streets
- Hermidale Nymagee Road
- Nyngan Town Streets
- Yarrandale Road
- Moonagee Road
- Canonbar Road



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:- Piesley Road, Mulla Road, Warrah Road, Plummer's Road, Coffil's Lane, Drummy's Road, Gongolgon Road, Merryanbone Road, Pangee Road, and Colane Road.
- Commencing its annual crushing program for 2021-22.
- Commencing line marking, & heavy patching on Yarrandale Road.
- Commencing tree clearing on the Mitchell Highway ahead of the 2021-22 sealing program.
- Commence approximately 10km's of shoulder widening on the Mitchell Highway near Byrock.

Block Grant Repair Program

As mentioned at the August Council meeting, we were advised that our application for funding under the Repair Program for constructing 2kms of Cockies Road was unsuccessful this year.

The Regional Roads Block Grant provides limited funding for maintenance on sealed and unsealed roads, along with resheeting and bitumen resealing.

As Council had included \$150,000 from the Regional Roads Block Grant in the 2021-22 budget (as our 50% contribution) for construction on Cockies Road, it is recommended that these funds be used to construct 1km of the road.

Works and Services

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

Civil Works

- Replaced culvert intersection Wambiana & Terangion St
- Carried out vermin control council buildings (ongoing)
- Assisted in erection of Toilet blocks Coolabah & Hermidale
- Removed 1.4km of airport boundary fence in preparation for erection of exclusion fence
- Installed new sewer manhole surround at youth centre site
- Installed upper weir camping site direction signage on Temples lane
- Erected permanent fence to prevent vehicle access through to stock route at Mudal & Wambiana St intersection
- Removed fallen tree Canonba Lane
- Installed seating at Larkin oval
- Assisted in works at Girilambone railway station
- Carried out culvert cleaning town streets



Community Facilities

- Mowing and 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.
- Setup and provide Covid marshals for Vaccination Clinic.
- Removed Rubbish and general clean up of council land between Mitchell Highway and Flashman avenue.
- Installed seating, garbage bins, and steel figures on nature trail.
- Weed spraying carried out in lane ways.
- Aerating & fertilising carried out at Larkin oval.
- Spraying for clover carried out at parks & ovals

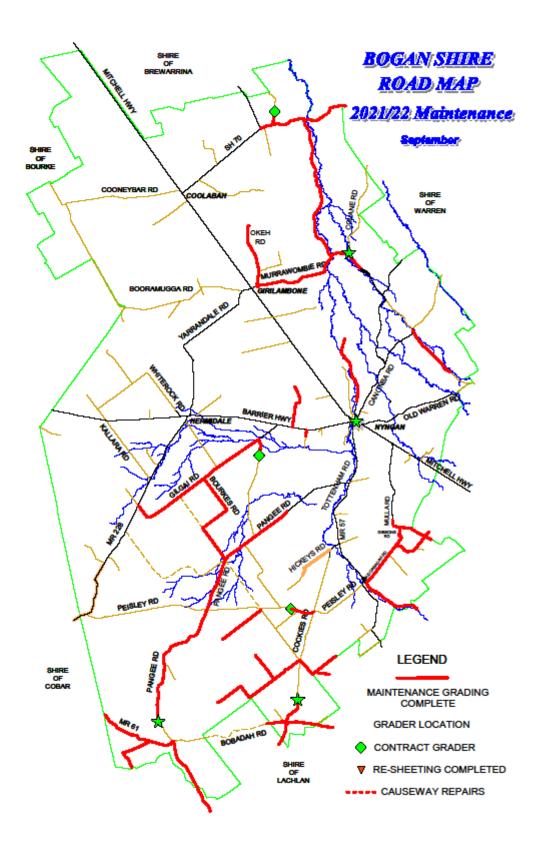
Water & Wastewater

- Carrying out ongoing sewer sampling for covid testing.
- Weeds spraying carried out APC (ongoing).
- Replaced water service in Cobar St.
- Sewer repairs carried out in Wambiana St.
- Annual cleaning & Painting of fire hydrants Village water supplies.
- Repaired broken main Mitchell Highway
- Additional water treatment required due to high Turbidity & colour in Bogan River at present (on going).
- Flushing of reticulation system being carried out (ongoing).
- Repairs carried out on Hermidale reticulation system.
- Removed blockage from sewer line Rotary Park.

1.4 Recommendation

That the Engineering Services Department Activity Report be received and noted.







2 JACK HARGREAVES PARK

Summary:

The purpose of this report is to present to Council options for the signage at Jack Hargreaves Park.

2.1 Introduction

At the August 2021 Meeting, Council resolved that:

- 1. Council rename the area at the lower weir to become the "Jack Hargreaves Park".
- 2. A report be prepared for the next Council meeting of suggestions and costing of signage/statue to recognise Jack Hargreaves rowing achievements, including his gold medal win at the Tokyo 2020 Olympics.

2.2 Discussion

There are various types of signage and features that could be installed to commemorate the achievements of Jack Hargreaves with a large difference in the cost. The following options have been provided for Council to consider:

- <u>Option 1:</u> A 1200mm wide x 1800mm high sign with a printed digital image of Jack with gold medal and a story of his achievements is an estimated cost of \$1,000.
- <u>Option 2:</u> A design cut out of a 2400mm x 1200mm sheet of plate steel with a concrete footing is an estimated \$2,400 including information signage.
- <u>Option 3:</u> Based on a recent estimate from artist Brett Garling, a life size figure cast in bronze is around \$80,000.

Detailed designs can be presented to Council when a preferred option is determined.

2.3 Recommendation

For Councils consideration.



3 NEW WATER TREATMENT PLANT

Summary:-

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider making an in-principle commitment to the NSW Department of Planning, Industry & Environment (DPIE) to proceed with and to co-fund investigations into addressing risks to our water service.

3.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider making an in-principle commitment to the NSW Department of Planning, Industry & Environment (DPIE) to proceed with and to co-fund investigations into addressing risks to our water service.

3.2 Background

Bogan Shire Council's water supply risks and issues have been assessed against prioritisation criteria by DPIE Water with the highest long-term risks being water security and treated water quality.

3.3 Discussion

The NSW Government has committed to allocating co-funding to Local Water Utilities for the resolution of the highest priority risks. The latest round of funding is now available, and Council could take the opportunity to seek to access these funds by making an in-principle commitment to the NSW Department of Planning, Industry & Environment (DPIE) to proceed with and to co-fund investigations into addressing risks to our water service.

Council staff believe that, in the medium / long term the risk to water security and treated water quality can only be resolved by replacing the existing water treatment plant with a new one.

Public Works Advisory prepared a Nyngan Water treatment Plant Upgrade scoping study in February 2020. The report concluded that the scope of upgrading the current plant to conform to the standards will be excessive and will not address all the concerns. Therefore, construction of a new WTP in a new location was recommended.

The study included a concept design and cost estimate for the construction of a new water treatment plant. Public Works Advisory was requested to provide an updated estimate for this report, to allow for price increases in the past 18 months.

The estimate is based on a conventional water treatment plant with a similar treatment process to the existing plant. The total cost of a new plant is estimated at \$16,382,500 and includes design, specifications and tendering, land acquisition, construction, road works, sludge lagoons, refurbishment of river pump station, telemetry, new inlet and outlet pipelines, and a 30% contingency.



For this project to be considered for funding by DPIE, Council would need to provide an in-principle commitment to contribute 25% of the project cost. The first stage is to complete the pre-design investigations and design documentation to be ready for tendering, at an estimated cost of \$650,000. If funding was approved DPIE would commit 75% of the funds to complete this work. Council's share of stage one is \$162,500 and would be required in the final quarter of the 2021-22 financial year if the project commences soon.

Council's 25% contribution for the remainder of the project is \$3,933,125 if no adjustments are made to the estimate during the detailed design process. These funds would need to be committed for the 2022-23 and 2023-24 financial years.

If Council was to borrow the 25% contribution this loan funding would cost Council \$253,586 per year from the Water Fund.

This figure is based on inquiries with T-Corp who have provided a loan schedule for \$4 million at a rate of 2.45% over 20 years. To cover these repayments it is estimated that Council would need to increase access charges by 30.7%. This would mean an increase of around \$185 on a standard domestic 20mm service. It would also mean the same increase to some of our larger services which are mostly owned by Council which would increase operating costs in the General Fund.

3.4 Recommendation

That Council considers whether or not to make an in-principle commitment to the NSW Department of Planning, Industry & Environment (DPIE) to proceed with and to co-fund investigations into addressing risks to our water service.

Graeme Bourke Director Engineering Services



REPORTS TO ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL – ACTING DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT Mayor and Councillors

I submit the following reports for consideration:-

1 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

1.1 Introduction

Three (3) applications have been approved, four (4) applications are under assessment since Council's meeting of 26 August 2021 as indicated in the table below:

DA NUMBER	ÀPPLICANT	ADDRESS	DESCRIPTION	VALUE (\$)	PROGRESS
2021/004	Mr Mark Castelletti	74 Oatley Street, Nyngan	Subdivision	-	Approved
2021/013	Mrs Emily Stanton	87 Pangee Street, Nyngan	Change of Use	-	Approved
2021/014	Mr Dallas Boyd	33-39 Oval Place, Nyngan	New Private Shed	\$30,000	Approved
2021/017	Mr Darren Semmler	33-39 Oval Place, Nyngan	New Single Storey Dwelling	\$350,000	Under Assessment
2021/018	AWB Grainflow	386 Barrier Highway, Nyngan	Temporary Grain Storage Bunkers	\$100,000	Under Assessment
2021/019	Taylor Made Buildings Pty Ltd	4026 Cockies Road, Five Ways	New Transportable Dwelling	\$266,235	Under Assessment
2021/020	Barnson Pty Ltd	8-10 Lawlor Street, Nyngan	New Concrete Batching Plant	\$300,000	Under Assessment

Council's Development and Environment Officer has taken a number of pre-Development Application enquiries during the reporting month. Assistance continues to be provided to the community regarding lodgment of applications on the NSW Planning Portal.

1.2 Recommendation

That the Development Applications Report be received and noted.



2 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.

2.1 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.

2.2 Background

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

2.3 Discussion

Waste Management

Due to the current COVID-19 lockdown requirement the Gilgandra Materials Recycling Facility closed in the middle of the month, resulting in only two of the four weeks of recycling collections taken there for processing.

Access to the Nyngan waste facility has also been restricted to residents without a kerbside waste collection or commercial business's with operation need to use the facility, under the lockdown requirement.

Statistics relating to the Council waste management functions are contained in Attachment 1.

Compliance

Due to impacts of COVID-19, only routine pound maintenance and emergency calls were only responded to during the reporting period. Also, illegal dumping checks were made a priority during the reporting period.

Statistics relating to these functions are contained in Attachment 2.

Biosecurity

Due to impacts of COVID-19, only routine works and maintenance were carried out during the reporting period.

Statistics relating to these functions are contained in Attachment 2.

Town Gardens

Due to impacts of COVID-19, only routine works and maintenance were carried out during the reporting period.

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Priority works were carried out by the team for a limited time to maintain high profile areas.

2.4 Attachments

- 1. Waste Management Statistics
- 2. Compliance and Biodiversity Statistics

2.5 Recommendation

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



Attachment 1 – Waste Management Statistics

Table 1: Kerbside Waste Collection

	No of Premises with Service	Services Provided (Bins Emptied)	Tonnes Collected
	4.004	5 200	44.40
July 2021	1,031	5 <i>,</i> 398	41.10
August 2021	1,031	6,883	94.50
September 2021			
October 2021			
November 2021			
December 2021			
January 2022			
February 2022			
March 2022			
April 2022			
May 2022			
June 2022			
Total 2021/22	1,031	12,281	135.60
Total 2020/21	1,029	N/A	302.10

Note 1 - August figures are higher than usual due to temporary closure of Gilgandra MRF for two weeks of reporting period.

Table 2: Kerbside Recycling Collection

	No of Premises with Service	Services Provided (Bins Emptied)	Tonnes Collected	Tonnes Recycled	% Contam- ination
July 2021	898	1,062	10.30	3.08	29.89
August 2021	898	158	5.20	1.54	29.60
September 2021					
October 2021					
November 2021					
December 2021					
January 2022					
February 2022					
March 2022					
April 2022					
May 2022					
June 2022					
Total 2021/22	898	1,220	15.50	4.62	29.75
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 reporting period.



Attachment 1 – Waste Management Statistics

	Mixed			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							
October 2021							
November 2021							
December 2021							
January 2022							
February 2022							
March 2022							
April 2022							
May 2022							
June 2022							
Total 2021/22	259.71	134.18	40.58	-	7.20	15.97	2.38
Total 2020/21	1,921.52	680.78	452.54	-	56.28	78.96	34.84

Table 3: Nyngan Landfill - Disposal, Recycling and Resource Recovery

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.

	Vouchers			Out for Recycling / Recovery				
	No Issued	No Redeemed		Value deemed	Metal / eWaste	Matresses	Tyres	Other
July 2021		312	\$	12,113	-	5.26	-	-
August 2021		489	\$	7,446	-	-	-	-
September 2021								
October 2021								
November 2021								
December 2021								
January 2022								
February 2022								
March 2022								
April 2022								
May 2022								
June 2022								
Total 2021/22	14,604	801	\$	19,559	-	5.26	-	-
Total 2020/21	N/A	4,015		N/A	185.54	16.68	7.52	-



Attachment 2- Compliance and Biodiversity Statistics

Table 1: Compliance

	Animals	Animals	Complaints	
	Impounded	To Owner	Rehomed	complaints
July 2021	2	3	4	16
August 2021	4	2	2	10
September 2021				
October 2021				
November 2021				
December 2021				
January 2022				
February 2022				
March 2022				
April 2022				
May 2022				
June 2022				
Total 2021/22	6	5	6	26

Note - Includes dog, cat, straying stock, dead animals, and general matters

Table 2: Biosecurity

	Inspec	Weed			
	Private Land	Councl Land	Roads (Km)	Waterways	Control Spraying
July 2021	14	6	715	1	25
August 2021	3	0	535	3	18
September 2021					
October 2021					
November 2021					
December 2021					
January 2022					
February 2022					
March 2022					
April 2022					
May 2022					
June 2022					
Total 2021/22	17	6	1250	4	43



3 NYNGAN MEMORIAL SWIMMING POOL

Summary:-

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's approval to vary the adopted Capital Budget to fund necessary safety and amenity issues relating to the new water slide at the Nyngan Memorial Swimming Pool.

3.1 Introduction

The scope of works for the construction of the new water slide related to the supply and erection of the slide only. These works consumed the whole of the available grant funding.

3.2 Background

Additional ancillary works are required to provide security and a safety barrier around the slide when it is not open and supervised and safe paths of travel to the access stairs. It has been determined that a pool style safety fence needs to be erected around the whole slide structure to provide this security and to barrier off the area below the slide tower, and the slide itself as they have a number of structural steel supports at head height which pose a danger to patrons.

It is also considered necessary to provide some concrete paths to the expected heavily trafficable route to and around the entry to the slide stairs as a safety measure so wet slippery feet are climbing the stairs.

3.3 Discussion

Council provided in the 2021-2022 Capital Budget for \$20,000 to replace the disabled chair lift based on quotes obtained at the time of the budget preparation. Sequent investigation has identified an alternative, both made in Australia and complying with the relevant Australian Standard, for just under \$9,000 which has been ordered.

It is requested that Council allocate the remainder of these Capital funds to the provision of the pool safety fence and paths.

3.4 Recommendation

That Council vary the description of the 2021–2022 Capital Budget line item 'Swimming Pool – Accessible Lift' to 'Swimming Pool – Capital Equipment and Improvements'.



4 PROPOSED REFORMS TO NSW DEVELOPMENT CONTRIBUTIONS SYSTEM

Summary:-

The purpose of this report is to provide information to Council of a suite of proposed reforms to the NSW Development Contributions system.

4.1 Introduction

Council has received advice from Local Government NSW (LGNSW) regarding the proposed Infrastructure Contributions reforms currently being considered by the NSW government and in particular LGNSW concerns that these reforms will reduce local council's ability to influence what type of community infrastructure can be funded by developer contributions, along with the diversion of developer contributions into four (4) regional funds, with no commitment that the contributions will be spent on community infrastructure projects within the areas where the contributions have been collected.

4.2 Background

At its ordinary meeting held on 22 April 2021, Council resolved to adopt a Section 7.12 Development Contributions Plan with effect from 1 July 2021.

This plan applies only to development (other than a dwelling house, including alterations and additions) where the proposed cost development is \$500,000 and above.

The plan collects contributions for community infrastructure in all its forms. Generally existing infrastructure throughout the Bogan Shire Area provides a level of service that meets the current demands of the community, and there is little or no capacity for this infrastructure to cater for demand that is likely to be generated by new development within this area.

It is anticipated that the draft plan will collect contributions for a number of infrastructure projects which will include:

- Community and Cultural Facilities
- Local Parks and Facilities
- Local Roads

Infrastructure upgrades identified in the plan are contingent on the development being undertaken, if there are no additional development projects, which the plan applies to then there are no infrastructure levies available for the proposed infrastructure projects identified and also no need to increase the capacity of the infrastructure network.



4.3 Discussion

Proposed Changes in Legislation

If the planned reforms go ahead many of the provisions of Part 7 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (the Act) will be re-enacted, including Section 7.12 along with proposed changes to planning agreements and local strategic planning statements under the Act.

Section 7.12 is proposed to be re-enacted to provide for the imposition of a local levy condition on a development consent to require the payment of a monetary levy determined in accordance with the regulations.

The new section enables the regulations to '*make provision about local levy conditions*', including in relation to the following matters:

- the maximum amount of a levy that may be imposed for specified types of development, including development involving a specified number of dwellings or a specified gross floor area,
- the types of development in relation to which a local levy condition may be imposed,
- the local government areas in which, or the land on which, a consent authority may impose a local levy condition.

The last of these may mean that some local government areas may be denied the power to impose a local levy condition.

Unlike the existing section 7.12, the new section makes no reference to 'a levy of the percentage of the proposed cost of carrying out the development' and, it would appear the new section has the potential for a significantly broader and more varied application than the existing section. It remains to be seen what limitations are imposed by the regulations.

There do not appear to be any significant changes proposed in respect of planning agreements, except in relation to public notice of planning agreements.

The current provision regarding public notice of planning agreements is proposed to be repealed and planning agreements will become subject to the community participation requirements under Division 2.6 of the EPA Act.

The mandatory notice period for exhibition of planning agreements will remain 28 days. However, a lesser notice period for amendment or revocation of a planning agreement may be provided for in a community participation plan.

Regional Infrastructure Contributions

The proposed legislation seeks to repeal the provisions of the EPA Act dealing with special infrastructure contributions (**SICs**), and replace them with provisions for *regional infrastructure contributions* (**RICs**).

There are savings and transitional provisions proposed which would save the former SIC provisions in the EPA Act in respect of certain SIC determinations and directions under sections 7.23 and 7.24 of the EPA Act. However, the savings provisions will rely on regulations, which are not yet available.



RICs are contributions required in respect of development for public amenities or public services (including infrastructure that enhances public open space or the public domain), affordable housing, transport infrastructure, regional or State roads, and measures to conserve or enhance the natural environment.

Regional infrastructure can be provided by the provision of infrastructure, recoupment of the costs of infrastructure, funding recurrent expenditure in respect of infrastructure or by the Minister, Planning Ministerial Corporation or Planning Secretary carrying out research or investigations, preparing a report or study or doing any other thing to administer Part 7 of the EPA Act.

RICs will be required under a State environmental planning policy (**SEPP**), rather than, as with SICs, the making of a determination and direction by the Minister. There are detailed provisions in the Bill for what a SEPP must contain in order to impose a RIC. If a SEPP requires a RIC in relation to development, a consent authority or certifier must impose a condition requiring the RIC in accordance with the SEPP.

However, even if a Council or certifier fails to impose a condition of consent for RICs in accordance with a SEPP, the condition will be taken to be imposed. No appeals to the Land and Environment Court under the EPA Act will be allowed in relation to the imposition of RICs.

At this stage the proposal is to adopt RICs for Greater Sydney, Central Coast, Hunter and Illawarra-Shoalhaven regions and as such the Bogan Shire Council area will not be affected.

4.4 Recommendation

That the information regarding the proposed changes to NSW Development Contributions System be received and noted.

James Boyce Acting Director Development and Environmental Services



PRECIS OF CORRESPONDENCE

1 The Hon. Paul Toole

Attached is correspondence received from The Hon. Paul Toole.

1.1 Recommendation: Correspondence be received and noted.

2 Golf NSW and Jack Newton Junior Golf (Western)

Attached is correspondence received from Gary Begg Regional Manager for Golf NSW and Jack Newton Junior Golf (Western).

2.1 Recommendation: For Council's Consideration.





The Hon Paul Toole MP Minister for Regional Transport and Roads

Our Ref: 01275440

Councillor Ray Donald Mayor Bogan Shire Council PO Box 221 NYNGAN NSW 2825

Dear Cr Donald

Thank you for your correspondence to the Deputy Premier, which was referred to me, about the closure of the John Holland Rail works depot at Nyngan.

I note your comments and understand your concerns about relocating jobs from Nyngan.

I am advised that under the contract, UGL Regional Linx (UGL) will deliver an increase in the amount of maintenance work carried out on the Country Regional Network (CRN) in the next 10 years to ensure the network continues to meet the high standards operators, employees and customers expect. The track is maintained under a whole of CRN asset management strategy with objectives to maintain all assets to the required standards.

Transport for NSW is satisfied that UGL, as part of its Tender submission, developed an asset management strategy and allied resourcing approach to achieve these objectives and standards. It is the responsibility of UGL to determine the number of direct employees as well as contractors required to deliver on these objectives and standards.

The decision to relocate the depot at Nyngan is the result of a comprehensive review of the resourcing needs undertaken by UGL. This is the first time in 10 years that this level of review has been undertaken. In order to support local workers, UGL is making available a variety of employment and retraining opportunities for existing staff, following on from an employee engagement process presently underway.

Transport for NSW is aware that John Holland Rail has historically allocated seven positions to Nyngan. Two of these positions were vacant when Transport for NSW assessed the employment impacts earlier this year. UGL is finalising the resourcing strategy and while they have decided to close the Nyngan depot, I understand conversations are ongoing about the location of staff to deliver the operational requirements of the network in the west. I expect UGL will make a final decision on resourcing and staff locations by early September and that this will be informed by the response of local staff to employment offers to be made in late August.

I understand that on 9 June 2021, UGL Regional Linx CEO, Mr John Pistak, met with you and Bogan Shire Council General Manager, Mr Glen Neill. I trust that Mr Pistak was able to explain adequately the reasons for UGL's decision and the ongoing commitment it has to the welfare of the displaced workers.



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While I appreciate this news is disappointing, I trust that this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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THE HON PAUL TOOLE MP

25/08/2021



From: Gary Begg [mailto:Gary.Begg@golfnsw.org.au] Sent: Thursday, 2 September 2021 3:43 PM To: Admin <admin@bogan.nsw.gov.au> Subject: Opportunity for the Region

Clr. Ray Donald Mayor

Hi Ray

My name is Gary Begg Regional Manager for Golf NSW and Jack Newton Junior Golf (Western) I have travelled through the Western Region over the past several months visiting golf clubs and have gained a greater understanding of how the drought, floods, and mice plague with the more recent covid outbreak, have impacted on the local economy.

This has given me the opportunity to ascertain how golf could help the community with visitation, promoting the region and generating income for the community.

I have planned a golf tournament for May 2022, that will take in several councils over 14 days, with golf clubs in the Western Region.

The golf clubs are Coolah, Narromine, Warren, Nyngan, Bourke, Cobar, and Broken Hill which will inject thousands of dollars into the local community with visitors' accommodation, fuel, food and general spend.

The event will help show case the region to many who have never visited the area with the tourist attractions available and help increase future visitation.

Golf is great exercise for everyone, and golf courses are very important for the community in helping with mental and physical wellbeing, over 12 million rounds of golf are played each year in Australia.

The event will be called the Western Golf Challenge and will be advertised nationally in a pro-am style format with legends of the game, Australian Open winners, Australian PGA winners, European Tour Winners and PGA Tour USA winner competing along with an estimated 1,500 competitors over the 7 Tournaments.

Each event will be an event for the community with kids' zones presented by Golf NSW and Jack Newton Junior Golf, launch monitors, and all-inclusive clinics, competitions, and giveaways.

Each event will have a dinner at night for the community and sponsors.

This is a very exciting and expensive proposal that will be a benefit for all councils associated with the event.

For the event to progress I will be lodging a grant application with the NSW Government.

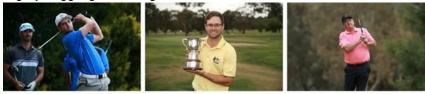
The best chance of obtaining a grant as we all know is if all stakeholders support the event.

I'm writing to you asking for a letter of support and a small contribution of \$2,000 (if the event Proceeds) so I can show that all stakeholders are supportive and excited about the Proposal.

Regards Gary

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