



PAROO SHIRE COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING NOTICE & AGENDA

20th April 2021



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Notice of Ordinary Meeting of Council

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Meeting of Council is to be held on Tuesday, 20th April 2021, at the YOMSCI Building, Yowah commencing at 9.00am.

Agenda

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2	ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS	
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	Recommendation: <i>That Council adopt the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held Tuesday 16th March 2021 as a true and correct record of that Meeting.</i> <i>That Council adopt the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held Tuesday 23rd March 2021 as a true and correct record of that Meeting.</i>	
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Ms Cassandra White
Chief Executive Officer
Tuesday, 20th April 2021

7.1 Mayor's Report

Council Meeting: 20th April 2021

Department: Office of the Mayor

Author: Suzette Beresford, Mayor

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the meetings and teleconferences that Mayor Beresford has attended

Recommendation

That Council receive and note the Mayor's Report

Discussion

Mayor Beresford has attended the following Meetings and Teleconferences:

March 2021	
17/03/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Local Disaster Management Group Meeting
22/03/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Cunnamulla Community Advisory Network for Health – Special Meeting
25/03/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none">SWQROC Meetings – Charleville
26/03/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Council of Mayors DDSW Meeting – Charleville
30/03/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Attend Murray Darling Association Leadership SessionPremiers Teleconference with Mayors
31/03/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none">DDSW RDA Trade & Investment Group – Present in conjunction with Lucid Economics an update on SWRED Investment Prospectus Project

April 2021	
01/04/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Premiers Teleconference with Mayors
09/04/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Meeting with representatives of FGP Morton

8.1 General Correspondence – Paroo Progress Association

Council Meeting: 20th April 2021

Organisation: Paroo Progress Association

Author: Karen Ticehurst, Chairperson

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with general correspondence for their consideration

Recommendation

That Council:

Consider the request of the Paroo Progress Association and provide a decision of support to the Chief Executive Officer for response

Email correspondence received

Cassie, we are getting near the end of the project, probably about 4 weeks away from opening, I was hoping it would be sooner but it has been a lot of hard work getting all the subcontractors to finish off everything. The committee have put a huge effort into this, probably up to 8000 volunteer hours over the past two years. It would never have made it without all the volunteer work.

I have completed the final acquittal for the commonwealth and hope to draw down our final payment very soon from them, having met their funding of \$275,000 with a 35% contribution from the association (\$148,000), and the State funding of \$369,000 with a 25% contribution (\$123,000) Currently we are short \$30,000 expenditure to meet the final contribution of the state, which will mean that we have to negate the final \$17,500 funding from the State.

It is close to a million dollar build, \$960,000.00 and we expect it to bring \$600,000 into the shire every year through overstay and secondary services. Volunteers will run it until we get on our feet, planning to start in the first week of May (all going well with the subcontractors). Even opening every night with volunteers we still could only possibly raise \$12,000.00.

I know it is a big ask, but we only have until the 12th June to find the funds to spend on eligible items to receive the other \$17,500; this gives us very little time to apply for funding for the final \$30,000. Would the Paroo Shire Council have \$25,000 that they could donate to the Progress Association to allow us to finalise the State funding and draw down the last payment.

There are still plenty of things to purchase, including POS machines, outside lighting, security, signage and advertising. Unfortunately, we cannot use in-kind hours, nor can I get paid as the project manager (which I thought about doing, and then donating the funds straight back to the association, I checked), this would have been perfect.

We have requested a July date for the official opening, hoping to catch the Big Red Bash attendees on their way though or back, just to boost numbers and to spread the word.

Appreciate any help you can give us

Thank you

Karen Ticehurst

Chairperson

Paroo Progress Association Inc

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Additional information provided:

The \$12,000 we could make with volunteers is before the cut off date of the 12th June in which DITID has given us the extension to come up with the extra \$35,000 expenditure. Over the year, we expect to bring in approximately \$150,000. Expenditure will be around the \$50,000 mark for the first year, so this will give the PPA Inc ongoing financial support for future projects without the pain of having to raise funds all the time.

We hope to next put a large mural on the wall of the goods shed depicting soldiers coming back on the train during the war.

9.1.1 Office of the Chief Executive Officer's Report

Council Meeting: 20th April 2021

Department: Office of the Chief Executive Officer

Author: Cassandra White, Chief Executive Officer

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on activities within the Office of the Chief Executive for the month of March 2021

Recommendation

That Council receive and note the Office of the Chief Executive Officer's Report.

Discussion

1. Economic Development

1.1 RESQ

Nursery and Landscaping

- RESQ have been looking to add training opportunities that enhances the community wellbeing, as such they are expanding into a nursery for native seedlings for wholesale supply. One of the barriers they have faced is lack of water, rain water has been harvested from onsite buildings into tanks but there has been no electricity for the connection of pumps until now. This will allow for limited water so enquiries were made to hook into the pipe that ends at their depo gate from the river.
- The river water system has a limited allocation of 80ML per year, parks and gardens use almost all of that. The connection at RESQ was installed on the off chance that the allocation would be raised, this did not happen and in previous years it has even been reduced when the river drops to a certain level.
- At this point in time there is not enough irrigation water spare that can be given to RESQ
- The is another option presented was installing a larger connection to mains water, this would have to be a metered supply, costs have been sent through but no decision has been made by RESQ.

1.2 Paroo Shire Waste Facilities

- An initial assessment has been carried out on the economic benefits of developing the Cunnamulla dump into possible partnership enterprise to minimize landfill and create employment opportunities. Current facility is an unmanned, open area with no structure leading to seepage, contamination and the desecration of neighboring properties from plastic, paper and vermin.
- Possible options for further discussion for the reduction of waste could include:
 - Yellow lidded wheelie bins around town and workplaces for the deposit of 10c containers
 - Contract out the management
 - Wyandra , Eulo and Yowah can have 4 skip bins which can be dealt with once a week in Cunnamulla (Metal, Glass, Plastic, Paper)
 - This utilises one person to their maximum benefit while benefiting four communities.
 - Bailer for compaction of paper, cans and soft plastics
 - Plastic chipper
 - Manufacture a glass crusher, can be built here for under (\$2,000) this will reduce the bulk of glass into landfill of will further processing, the glass can be turned into sand which in turn can be used in footpaths, roading etc
 - Purchase an industrial wood chipper (approx. \$50,000)

1.3 Google Maps

- 2.1 Shelly has put on a training session to teach Google Maps editing, prior to commencement there were no toilets listed in the Shire and the hospital directed you to the middle of a street with instruction to continue on foot to the nurse's accommodation. To rectify this a new road and location was added.

2.2 Ongoing: updating businesses to include correct locations, contact details and hours of operation including lunch breaks, updating photos and creating reviews.

1.4 Annual Report

- The 2019-2020 Annual was completed with updated content and reviewed financials.

1.5 Business Owners

- Meeting with business owners to evaluate their positions, their needs and how we can work together to assist with sales, marketing or transitioning.
- In the last 8 weeks Shelly has completed 29 one on one visits.

1.6 Department of Agriculture and Fisheries

- After meeting with land holders and DAF on 16 March 2021 Shelly met with Clinton McGrath and Andrew Voigt to discuss further opportunities for the shire including grants, investment and diversification.
- Shelly has been working with the two schools, kindy and daycare to determine the support for an assisted gardening programme; she is currently putting together a case to present to DAF to be included in a "Sow the Seed" programme.

1.7 SWQROC

- SWQROC have launched the #LoveSWQ promotion ahead of the SWQ Economic Development Prospectus release where the public, businesses and Councils are encouraged to create content to bring awareness.

1.8 Housing

- A number of options are being investigated to address the shortage of housing in the Shire including the assessment of existing properties that are not up to a rental standard. Shelly Holland is looking at the viability of private partnerships to create employment while bring more housing online which will result in less derelict residences. This investigation is expected to take a number of months.

1.9 Start-Ups

- An EOI was sent out to interested parties to establish a start-up hub based in Cunnamulla with the support of RESQ, Many Rivers and Corrections.
- Shelly is talking to a number of community groups and service providers along with the public and schools to judge interest, this is still under way.

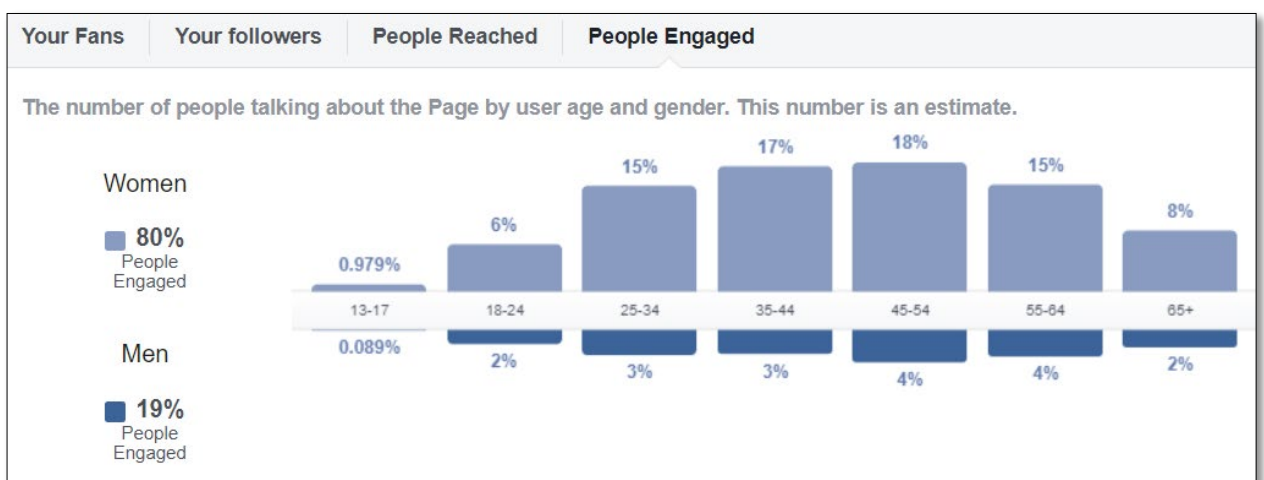
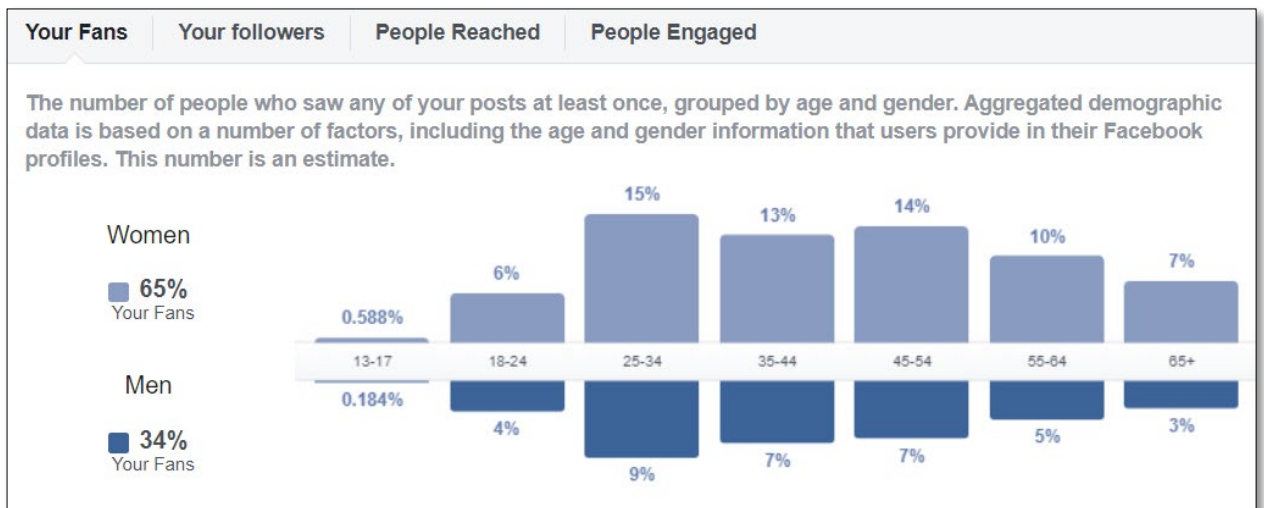
1.10 Digital/Media

Facebook (*Corporate Plan Priority Areas: POF5, TD1*)

- At the time of writing this report, the best performing post (based on reach) in March 2021 (28 day report) was the Under 5's Easter Fair put on by the Cunnamulla Library and was posted at 5.30pm on 22/03/21.
- March 2021 Key Facebook Statistics.
- A process to archive PSC's Facebook content every three months has been written up and implemented at zero cost.
- NOTE: As we are no longer using Sprout Social the report will be taken directly from Facebook, some content may differ from previous reports.

	Paroo Shire Council FB Page's Posts	Best performing post (based on reach)
Total impressions (i.e number of times the post was displayed to a user):	959,439	3,594
Number of reactions/comments/shares:	1,781	242

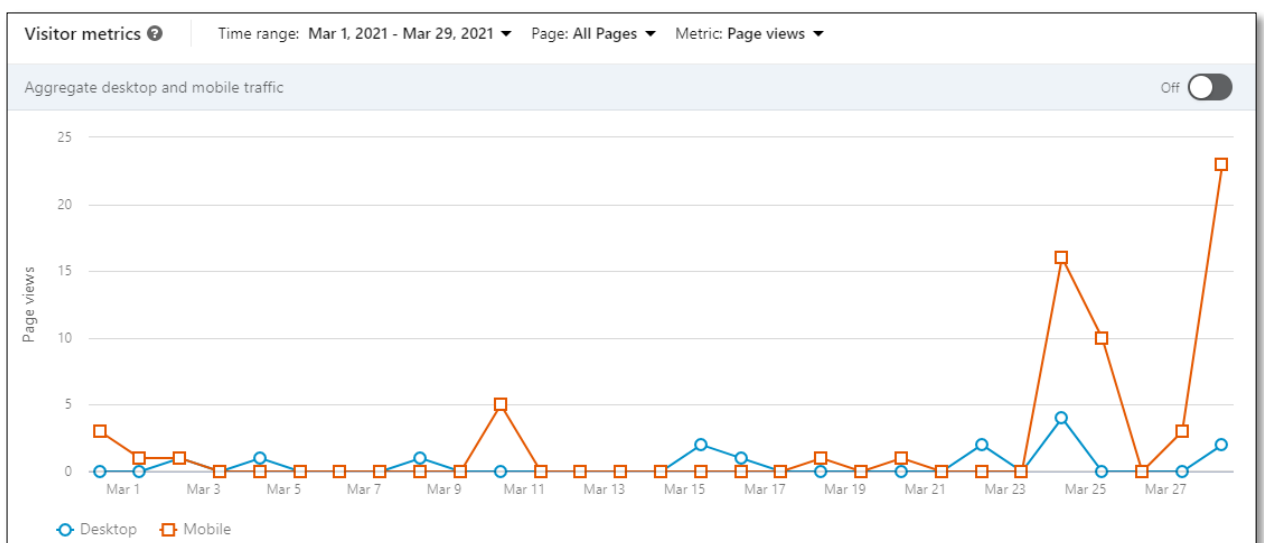
- Total posts uploaded: 54
- New page likes: 47
- Page unlikes: 10
- Total page likes as at end of the month: 2,731
- Total page follows: 2849

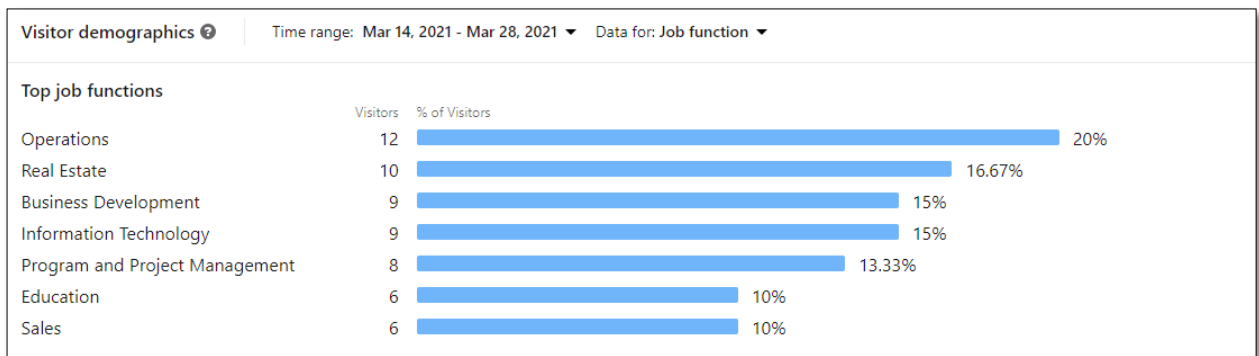


LinkedIn

Shelly Holland is now admin of the Paroo Shire LinkedIn page as from 24 March 2021

- 153 Total followers
- 11 New followers for March 2021





Instagram

- A Paroo Shire Council Instagram @parooshire account was open on the 26 March 2021 to connect with a younger demographic and create more sharable content.
- 3 Posts
- 16 Followers



Media (Corporate Plan Priority Areas: POF5, TD1)

- Below media releases have been sent out:
 - 10 March - Under 5's Easter Fair spreading the joy of reading with the help from princesses, bunnies and lemon drops
 - 19 March - Mayor Beresford's March Council meeting wrap-up

1.11 Marketing

- Following on from the Economic Development Prospectus Shelly Holland has been building up a new photo bank which will enable fresh content for reports, promotions and marketing, this is ongoing.
- A professional Gimbal has been purchased for producing video content (A Gimbal stabilises videos creating smooth professional content)
- The Paroo Shire Passport is being finalized ready for printing.

2. Health

2.1 Notifiable Diseases

- Nil Reported

2.2 Food Recalls

- FSANZ 2021/15 received 26/02/2021
- FRANZ 2021/17 received on 2/03/2021

Emailed to local food outlets & advised to remove product from shelves

2.3 Food Hygiene Inspections

Report – Public and environmental Health Services March 2021

All food premises were visited except the outer lying stations who were contacted by telephone. Discussions were undertaken with:

- Nick Land and Troy re future catering facilities at the racecourse
- Marilyn and Karen re Railway Station food provision. This seemed to be hard to resolve but they have been advised to discuss their proposal with Nick Land.
- Jess Thompson and the matter of food from her coffee van.
- Yvonne and Rick Brain re premises upgrade.
- Rick Brain re suggested overhead ventilation at the Bowls club
- Peieta Mills re upgrading the kitchen of the Boutique Hotel
- Carmel Meurant at Wandilla Station re “Music in the Mulga” caterers
- Phillipa at the tourism office re caterers at the upcoming festival in July
- Peter Smith at the Oxford Hotel and use of the kitchen.
- Sharon O’Hare re catering at the YOMSCI Club in Yowah.
- Doug Faircloth re upgrading kitchen
- Pam Bertalli re licencing her chip van

Information in this report has been completed and compiled by Tony Goldsworthy, Contract Environmental Health Officer

2.4 Building

- **20-21-14** ***20-21-14** Development application, Material Change of Use on Lot 2 on RP 72055, Broad St Cunnamulla for Telecommunications Tower received on 4/1/2021 from Out Of The Woods Planning, Maroochydore. Forwarded to Chris Tickner. Payment for MCU Impact Assessable received on 18/01/2021. Confirmation Notice sent on 01/02/2021 to Field Solutions Group cl- Out The Woods Planning.
*Proposed Development “Have Your Say” for Telecommunications Tower on Lot 2 RP72055 for Development Permit for Material Change of Use placed in the South West Newspaper & signs erected on Broad St & Arthur St from 18th February to 12th March.
- **20-21-15** 20-21-15 Development Application for MCU- Telecommunications Facility Lot 34 on Crown Plan WELL5313, 2511 Cunnamulla Thargomindah Road Cunnamulla received on 25/3/2021 from Out of the Woods Planning.
- **20-21-16** 20-21-16 DA FORM 2 received from Kevin Mizen on 30/03/2021 for Class1B Short Term Accommodation Cabin Garden St. Lot2 on SP284437.
DEVELOPMENT BUILDING APPLICATION DECISION NOTICE WITH CONDITIONS received dated 30/03/2021 from Kevin Mizen Private Certifier.
Plumbing Application Form 1 also received.
- **20-21-17** 20-21-17 DA FORM 2, FORM 56 , DEVELOPMENT BUILDING APPLICATION DECISION NOTICE WITH CONITIONS received on 29/03/2021 from Kevin Mizen Private Certifier for removal of concrete & replacement of concrete at 3 Jane Street Cunnamulla.
- **20-21-18** 20-21-18 Form 56 “Notice to the local government that a private certifier” received from Kevin Mizen On 29/3/2021 New Construction of a toilet block on Lot 1 on SP 301993 Weir Rd. Cunnamulla.
- **Building Inspections for the Month: Nil**

2.5 General

Enquiries received by Chris Tickner

- 15/03/2021 Property Search Enquiry received re: Woodlands from Clayton Utz referred to Chris Tickner. Chris made contact with applicant and has submitted to Council a Limited Planning & Development Certificate.
- 16/3/2021 SARA Decision Notice with Conditions received 11/3/2021 re: Coonberry Plains Rd, Tuen. Document has been filed appropriately 21/1194.
- 24/3/2021 23 Watson Street Cunnamulla for proposed 2 lot subdivision and MCU for an Agricultural Supplies Retail Store. Chris has supplied planning advice to the applicant also emailed to CEO 24/03/2021. Chris has responded to the applicant on 1/4/2021 in relation to planning requirements.
- 25/3/2021 email to Chris re: Town Planning requirement relating to Liquor Licensing Applications for:
Wyandra General Store
Cunnamulla All Aboard
Oxford Hotel
Chris responded on 25/3/201 that he would check compliance & respond to CEO.

3. Workplace Health and Safety

- 326 Take 5's completed by staff at various work sites
- Nil Incident Reports submitted for the month
- Completed 2 general Inductions for the following;
 - 2 contractors
- Conduct two sessions of investigation awareness training. This will be progressive across the shire discussing workers responsibilities to WHS notifiable incidents etc.
 - Day 1 - supervisors
 - Day 2 - road crews
- Provide safety advice at civil construction maintenance site during major repairs to water leaks from a broken pipe.
- Assist safety consultants with Safety Management Plan.
- Commence test and tagging of fire extinguishers across the shire. Completed Eulo, Yowah, workshop/depot/stores and a number of small vehicles and plant. This is an ongoing process.
- 7 days Lost Time Injury (LTI) one staff member with injured foot.

9.1.2 Grants Application Report

Council Meeting: 20th April 2021

Department: Office of the Chief Executive Officer

Author: Alison Shaw, The Right Grant

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide an update Grant Applications as at the end of March 2021 as prepared by Alison Shaw of *The Right Grant*.

Recommendation

That Council receive and note the Grants Application Report.

Discussion

See attachment A for updates on grant applications that have been submitted and upcoming funding opportunities.

Attachment A

1. Paroo Shire Council – Grant Applications Submitted

FUND	Department/Provider	Project	Total Project Cost	Council Contribution	Amount Requested	Status	
Queensland Feral Pest Initiative- Round 5	State	Funding for strategic cluster fencing subsidies			\$1,000,000.00	Pending	Budget resubmitted
Regional Arts Fund Recovery Boost Renewal	Federal administered by State organisation – Flying Arts	Gallery Coordinator position			\$150,000.00 (over 3 years)	EOI successful	Full application submitted Unsuccessful – feedback requested
Remote Airstrip Upgrade Program	Federal	Eulo Airstrip upgrade	\$150,000.00	-	\$150,000.00	Pending	
Remote Airstrip Upgrade Program	Federal	Yowah Airstrip upgrade	\$150,000.00	-	\$150,000.00	Pending	
Regional Airports Program - Round 2	Federal	Wyandra Airstrip – re-sheet/repair runway and fence strip	\$147,581.00	-	\$147,581.00	Pending	
Regional Airports Program - Round 2	Federal	Cunnamulla Airstrip-upgrade manuals and line-marking	\$24,613.00	-	\$24,613.00	Pending	
Building Better Regions Fund	Federal	Cunnamulla Airport Terminal Upgrade	\$1,550,060	-	\$1,550,060	Pending	
Building Better Regions Fund	Federal	Cunnamulla Hot Springs – Stage 2: Pontoon & Jetty	\$717,904.00	-	\$717,904.00	Pending	
Driver Reviver – round 2	Federal	Upgrade to Cunnamulla VIC Driver Reviver site	\$46,870.00	\$1,171.75	\$48,041.25	Pending	
Rural and Remote Council grant program	State	Localised Mental Health Initiatives	\$75,000.00	-	\$75,000.00	Pending	
Regional Arts Development Fund	State	Community arts funding	\$45,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$60,000.00	Pending	
Festivals Australia	Federal	Cunnamulla Fella Roundup – funding for entertainment	\$20,000.00		\$20,000.00	Pending	

2. Funding opportunities:

Murray-Darling Basin Economic Development Program (Round 3):

It will be a \$200million round with \$100million dedicated to tourism-related infrastructure.

The intended outcomes of the program are to:

- increase the capacity of eligible communities to diversify and strengthen local economies.
- enhance the resilience of these communities to manage current and future economic challenges and changes.
- and increase the opportunities for employment within these communities.

Submission is being prepared for the pontoon, jetty, and river boat tourism project.

Applications close April 12th.

Queensland Feral Pest Initiative (Round 6):

Submission is being prepared for Round 6:

Funding is available for the equivalent of 75% of the next 3 years predicted use based on historical baiting usage, processed as a lump sum payment. Only baiting costs can form part of the application.

Each successful application will also be provided with funding to cover the cost of one (1) injector kit valued at \$610.00.

Applications close 28 April 2021.

Round 7: A further \$4 million is to be made available for exclusion fencing – this is due to be announced by the Premier. Hopefully the Minister for Agriculture will announce the round 5 successful submissions soon.

Queensland Resilience and Risk Reduction Fund (QRRRF):

Expressions of interest close on 7 April 2021. Shortlisted applicants will then be asked to provide a detailed application. Successful applicants will have until 30 June 2023.

Examples of eligible projects that improve resilience and functionality of at-risk infrastructure and community assets, include:

- a. roads, bridges, culverts, floodways, causeways, drainage management pump stations, stormwater systems, major drains
- b. mitigation infrastructure, e.g. stormwater detention, levees
- c. disaster management equipment, such as emergency generators (with evidence to support voltage required), portable communications kits, lighting towers and frequency radios
- d. weather warning and monitoring systems and flood warning infrastructure.

9.1.3 Project Management Report

Council Meeting: 20th April 2021

Department: Office of the Chief Executive Officer

Author: Chris Safonoff, Project Manager

Purpose

The purpose of this document is to provide Council with an update on the activities undertaken by the Project Management Department.

Recommendation

That Council receive and note the Project Management report for April 2021.

Discussion

1. CCEC

The CCEC building was occupied by council on Monday 22nd March, following the successful IT migration works that occurred on the weekend of the 20th/21st March undertaken by Fourier.

There are minor defects and outstanding elements such as some additional external signage and finalisation to some components of the audio visual equipment.

Some initial training on the AV systems was undertaken on the 22nd and 23rd March, and further training will be undertaken along with final issue of easy to use operational manuals.

Practical Completion was awarded to DJ Buckley on the 23rd March 2021.

2. Digital Connectivity Project – Field Solutions Group

We are still awaiting final details of how the retail connection opportunity for Cunnamulla residents will be made available via Thompson electrical.

As an update on the digital connectivity, the following was received from FSG.

- We are finally progressing with DAs and getting exemptions in with the authorities. They requested our assistance with the Eulo site that council are trustee for. We have requested that Chis Tickner follow up with the Department of Natural Resources to attempt to expedite this.
- Construction Team has been mobilized in Cunnamulla and is ready to go on site to begin on foundation work.
- We are targeting delivery of first towers on site circa 20/04.

3. Deep Creek Bridge

The final funding acquittal is still in the approval phase and we are awaiting confirmation of acceptance.

Regular contact is being maintained with the department to follow this matter through the process, there have been no updates for the last month.

4. Sewerage Treatment Plant

The final site works have been continuing on the plant during April and have included the following:

- Completing the changeover of the grit auger to small manual auger
- Altering float switches in main pump station
- Erecting the building for incinerator and installation of incinerator
- Finish installation of chlorine dosing unit and commissioning

- General organisation of site and testing

The local spend updates are below.

- Pensar local spend to date: \$358,896.81
- Abergeldie local spend: \$287,210.00
- PSC approximant local spend to local contractors: \$214,000.00
- Project Management approximant local spend: \$53,000.00

Total approximant local spend to date: \$913,106.81 + GST

5. Cunnamulla Hot Springs and River Walk Projects

Discussions are continuing with the two interested parties around the EOI process for the commercial operator. Zoom meetings were held with both to discuss the capabilities and thoughts on the proposed project with each of these parties. Feedback on the design has been received from both operators and this has been sent to the architects for consideration in the concept design phase.

The draft stage 2 EOI will be prepared for approval by the steering committee prior to distribution, but this will need to be delayed until the design has progressed to the next level, so as we provide a more accurate representation of the proposed design of the facility and the pools.

The appointment of the secondary consultants has been formally completed with all having received their purchase orders.

The initial full design team meeting was held on the 9th March at COX Architecture offices. Actions from this meeting including preparation of flood study and geotechnical brief/quotes are all progressing.

Discussions have not as yet been finalised with the funding body around the next \$250,000 stage and the paperwork has been submitted and we are awaiting funding date confirmation. The last discussion with State Government was around the milestones and the desire of the Federal representatives to hold back \$10,000 of the second \$250,000 to ensure completion of the construction pricing etc.

6. Cunnamulla Racecourse

The project scope was altered during the month with a larger under cover option being confirmed for similar pricing by utilizing a standard product in lieu of a bespoke addition to the current facility.

These changes were accepted by the race committee and the council and the building has now been ordered and is due to arrive on site on the 4th May 2021. The erection will only take a couple of weeks so it will be in place for the large function dinner booking.

The upgrade works were targeted to be completed prior to the Anzac day races but the programme will not allow this to happen, but with the new design the full use of the old undercover area is available for this race day.

Racing Queensland are transferring the payment of the \$46k of funds previously awarded for the female jockey facility directly to the race committee.

7. Shire Hall Courtyard

The project scope for the hall courtyard which includes replacement of the lawn areas with exposed aggregate concrete and a seating/ planter area has been awarded to Land

Constructions who have commenced on site with excavation and concrete works. This area is on track for completion late April.

Council will order the seats and garden planters separately.

9.1.4 Proposed Telecommunications Facility, Broad St, Cunnamulla Development Application

Council Meeting: 20th April 2021

Department: Office of the Chief Executive Officer

Author: Christopher Tickner, Town Planner

Purpose

The purpose of this document is to provide Council with information on a proposed Telecommunications facility in Broad Street, Cunnamulla.

Recommendation

That Council approve the application for a Material Change of Use for a Telecommunication Facility on part of the land located at Broad Street, Cunnamulla being more accurately described as Lot 2 on RP72055, subject to the listed relevant and reasonable Development conditions and General Advice

Discussion

Executive Summary: Filed Solutions Group is seeking a development permit to construct a telecommunication tower at Council's infrastructure depot located at Broad Street, Cunnamulla (properly described as Lot 2 on RP72055). The proposal constitutes a *material change of use* as defined in the *Planning Act 2016* (being *the start of a new use at the premises*) and requires a development permit to be issued by Council prior to the commencement of works. Provisions of the *Paroo Shire Scheme 2019* make the required development application subject to Impact assessment.

An impact assessable application must be assessed against the assessment benchmarks (to the extent relevant) provided by Section 45 of the *Planning Act 2016* and any matters prescribed by regulation. The *Development Assessment Rules* set out the procedural requirements for the development assessment process.

Public notification about the application was carried out in accordance with Part 4 of the *Development Assessment Rules* for no less than 15 business days between the 17th February 2021 and the 12th March 2021. There were no properly made submissions received during this period. All other procedural requirements set out by the *Development Assessment Rules* to enable Council to decide this application have been fulfilled.

The development application has been assessed against all relevant assessment benchmarks and found to generally comply or be able to be conditioned to comply. Further, as part of the assessment of the application, Council officers have identified several relevant matters that support the approval of the development, including that there is an overall absence of negative impacts resulting from the proposal and that the development will result in an improved telecommunication network/services in the Region.

General Advice

- i. The relevant planning scheme for this development is the *Paroo Shire Planning Scheme 2019*. All references to the 'Planning Scheme' and 'Planning Scheme Schedules' within these conditions refer to this Planning Scheme.
- ii. All Aboriginal Cultural Heritage in Queensland is protected under the (Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003) and penalty provisions apply for any unauthorised harm. Under the legislation a person carrying out an activity must take all reasonable and practicable measures to ensure the activity does not harm Aboriginal Cultural Heritage. This applies whether or not such places are recorded in an official register and whether or not they are located in, on or under private land. The developer is responsible for implementing

reasonable and practical measures to ensure the Cultural Heritage Duty of Care Guidelines are met and for obtaining any clearances required from the responsible entity.

- iii. The *Environmental Protection Act 1994* states that a person must not carry out any activity that causes, or is likely to cause, environmental harm unless the person takes all reasonable and practicable measures to prevent or minimise the harm. Environmental harm includes environmental nuisance. In this regard, persons and entities involved in the operation of the approved works are to adhere to their 'general environmental duty' to minimise the risk of causing environmental harm to adjoining premises.
- iv. It is the responsibility of the developer to obtain all necessary permits and submit all necessary plans to the relevant authorities for the approved use.
- v. In completing an assessment of the proposed development, Council has relied on the information submitted in support of the development application as true and correct. Any change to the approved plans and documents may require a new or changed development approval. It is recommended that the applicant contact Council for advice in the event of any potential change in circumstances.

Use

- 1. The approved development is a Material Change of Use – “Telecommunications facility” as defined in the Planning Scheme and as shown on the approved plans.
- 2. A development permit for building works must be obtained prior to commencing construction of the telecommunications facility.
- 3. Access and land use agreements must be in place with the landowner prior to the commencement of works.

Compliance inspection

- 4. All conditions relating to the establishment of the approved development must be fulfilled prior to the approved use commencing, unless otherwise noted within these conditions.
- 5. Prior to the commencement of use, the applicant shall contact Council and arrange a development compliance inspection.

Approved Plans and Document

- 6. All works and operations are to be carried out generally in accordance with the approved plans listed in the following table. Where the approved plans are in conflict with the Assessment Manager's conditions, the Assessment Manager's conditions shall take precedence.

Plan/Document Number	Plan/Document Name	Date
067-P001 A	Site Plan	22/12/2020
RQ5341-1-2 A	Sample Drawing	16-5-18

Construction works

7. During the course of constructing the works, the developer shall ensure that all works are carried out by appropriately qualified persons and the developer and the persons carrying out and supervising the work shall be responsible for all aspects of the works, including public and worker safety, and shall ensure adequate barricades, signage and other warning devices are in place at all times.
8. The developer is responsible for locating and protecting any Council and public utility services, infrastructure and assets that may be impacted on during construction of the development. Any damage to existing infrastructure (kerb, road pavement, existing underground assets, etc.) that is attributable to the progress of works on the site or vehicles associated with the development of the site shall be immediately rectified in accordance with the asset owners' requirements and specifications and to the satisfaction of the asset owners' representative(s).
9. All works must comply with:
 - a. this development approval;
 - b. any relevant Acceptable Solutions of the applicable codes of the planning scheme for the area;
 - c. Council's standard designs for such work where such designs exist;
 - d. any relevant Australian Standard that applies to that type of work.

Despite the requirements of paragraphs a-d above, Council may agree in writing to an alternative specification. This alternative specification prevails over those specified in paragraphs a-e in the event of any inconsistency.

The developer must also ensure that any works do not conflict with any requirements imposed by any concurrent lawful requirements outside those stated above.

Safety

10. Any required obstacle lighting or marking is to be installed and maintained on the approved "Telecommunication Facility" in accordance with the Civil Aviation Safety Authority's (CASA) and *Manual of Standards Part 139 – Aerodromes*.

Note: The applicant/developer will be required to contact the relevant aviation authorities and obtain the necessary clearances and permits in the event that there is any potential conflict between the development and aviation activities/operations.

Avoiding Nuisance

11. No nuisance is to be caused to adjoining properties and occupiers by the way of smoke, dust, rubbish, contaminant, stormwater discharge or siltation at any time.
12. All lighting shall be directed or shielded to ensure that no glare directly affects nearby properties.
13. The area and its surrounds shall be kept in an orderly fashion, free of rubbish and clear of weeds and long grasses. The approved development and the premises are to be maintained in a clean and tidy condition and not to pose any health and safety risks to the community.

14. Unless otherwise approved in writing by the Council, approved hours of construction are restricted to Monday – Saturday 6.30am to 6.30pm – noise permitted. Work or business which causes audible noise must not be conducted from or on the subject land outside the above times or on Sundays or Public Holidays.

Waste Management

15. All waste generated from construction of the premises must be effectively controlled on-site before disposal. All waste must be disposed of in accordance with the *Environmental Protection (Waste Management) Regulation 2000*.
16. All waste generated on-site must be managed in accordance with the waste management hierarchy as detailed in the *Waste Reduction & Recycling Act 2011*.

Stormwater Drainage

17. Stormwater drainage is to be provided in accordance with:
 - a. Queensland urban drainage manual, 3rd Edition, Queensland Department of Energy and Water Supply, 2013;
 - b. Pilgrim, DH, (ed)., Australian Rainfall & Runoff – A Guide to Flood Estimation, Institution of Engineers, Australia, Barton, ACT, 1987; and
 - c. Class 1 and Class 10 buildings – National Construction Code, Volume 2.

Earthworks and Construction

18. During construction, erosion controls and silt collection measures are to be put in place to protect environmental values and mitigate potential impacts to adjoining properties and roadway/s.

Services

19. The proposed development must be connected to an electricity supply that is adequate for the use.

No Cost to Council

20. The developer is responsible for meeting all costs associated with the approved development unless there is specific agreement by other parties, including the Council, to meeting those costs. This includes the costs of any services and infrastructure required in connection with the establishment of the development.

Latest versions

21. Where another condition refers to a specific published standard, manual or guideline, including specifications, drawings, provisions, and criteria within those documents, that condition shall be deemed as referring to the latest versions of those publications that are publicly available at the commencement of the development works, unless a regulation or law requires otherwise.

Application Documentation

22. It is the developer's responsibility to ensure that all entities associated with this Development Approval have a legible copy of the Decision Notice, Approved Plans and Approved Documents bearing 'Council Approval'.

Individuals or Organisations to which the report applies:

Council's decision regarding this matter is likely to affect the owners/operators of the telecommunication facility – Field Solutions Group.

Context:

This development application is subject to Impact assessment. Determination of an Impact assessable application sits outside the scope of officer delegations and a decision about the application is required to be made by Council resolution.

Proposal:

- Field Solutions Group want to construct a 45-metre-high telecommunication tower on a vacant section of land located at the south-eastern most corner of the Council Infrastructure Depot located at Broad Street, Cunnamulla. The telecommunication tower will form part of a region wide network that will provide telecommunication coverage to remote and rural areas.



Figure 1 – Site Plan

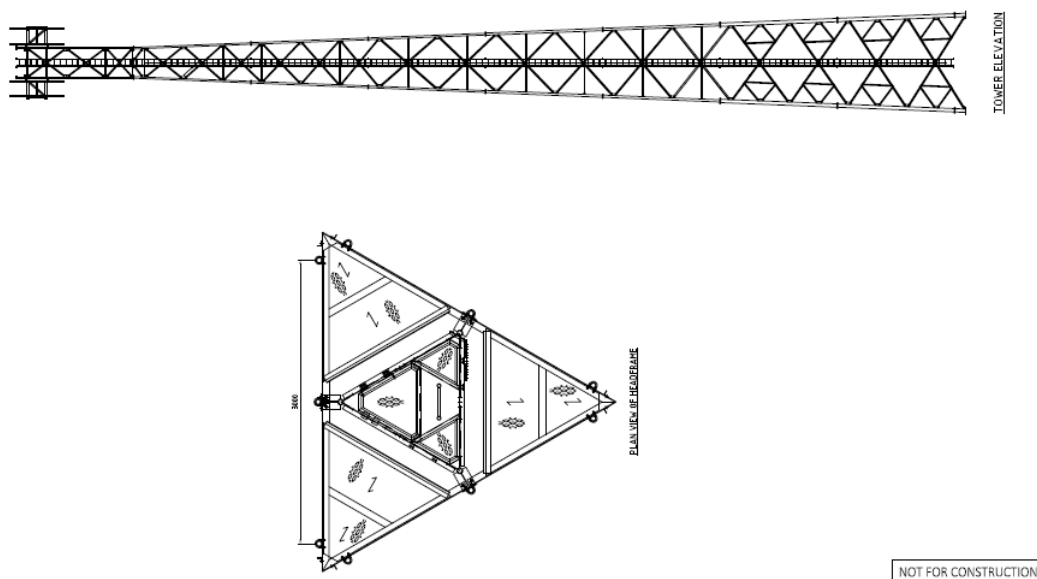


Figure 2 – Elevation

- Access to the site during construction and to carry out annual maintenance will be via the existing crossover from Broad Street. Other than a connection to the existing on-site electricity supply, the facility does not require access to any other of Council's infrastructure networks. The period of construction will be approximately one week, following which routine maintenance will occur one day per year.
- The development application was publicly notified for a period of 3-weeks, during which time no submissions opposing the development were received. Council planning officers received a phone call from the owner of the property directly to the north, who after reviewing the application materials verbally confirmed they had no concerns with the proposal.
- The proposed development is highly desirable in terms of providing expanded telecommunication services in the Region and is appropriately located in an industrial area outside of the more densely populated residential and commercial centre/s of the township of Cunnamulla. Should Council resolve to approve the development it should ensure that relevant, reasonable and enforceable conditions are imposed to mitigate potential impacts on surrounding development (which includes a sensitive receptor to the north).

Legislation, Local Laws, State Policies & Other Regulatory Requirements:

The proposal constitutes a *Material change of use* as defined in the *Planning Act 2016* being a material increase in the scale of an existing use with the potential to introduce new impacts.

Provisions of the *Paroo Shire Planning Scheme 2019* make the required development application subject to Impact assessment. An Impact assessment is an assessment that must be carried out against the assessment benchmarks prescribed by the *Planning Regulation 2017*, in this case being:

- the *State Planning Policy*; and
- the *Paroo Shire Planning Scheme*.

In accordance with Section 60 of the *Planning Act 2016*, after carrying its assessment Council must decide to;

- (a) approve all or part of the application; or
 - (b) approve all or part of the application, but impose development conditions on the approval;
or
 - (c) refuse the application.
- a) **Council Policies or Asset Management.**

Council Policies or Asset Management Plans:

The *Paroo Shire Planning Scheme 2019* is applicable to the assessment of further application. The following sections of the planning scheme are applicable:

- Industry Zone Code
- General Development Code

Input into the Report & Recommendation:

- The Chief Executive Officer

The Officer's recommendation has been informed by feedback from the parties consulted.

Funding Bodies:

N/A - The project is a private development that will be funded by an external party.

This Financial Year's Budget:

The costs of fulfilling any development approval obligations, financial or otherwise, remains the sole responsibility of the operators and landowner/s. There is potential for Council to incur costs only in the event that a decision regarding the application is appealed to the Court.

Future Years' Budgets:

As above.

Risks:

Potential risks associated with the proposal can be addressed in the development assessment. Other matters outside of this, which are not called up in the *Planning Act 2016*, cannot be considered in decision making.

As with any planning decision reached by Council, there is a risk that the applicant can appeal any aspect of the decision to the Planning and Environment Court (the Court).

Note: The likelihood of an appeal by any party is not a valid planning consideration and must not be used to inform Council's decision on any planning matter.

Advice to Council:

It is considered that the proposal presents no significant conflict with the applicable assessment benchmarks. Development conditions have been recommended to ensure compliance to the greatest extent possible. Any residual inconsistency with the assessment benchmarks needs to be considered in light of various relevant matters including:

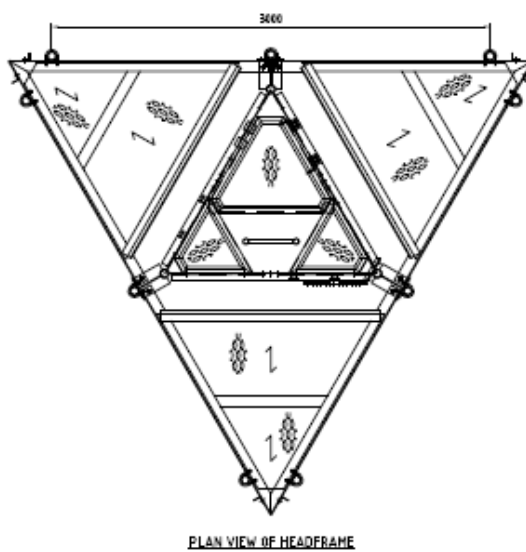
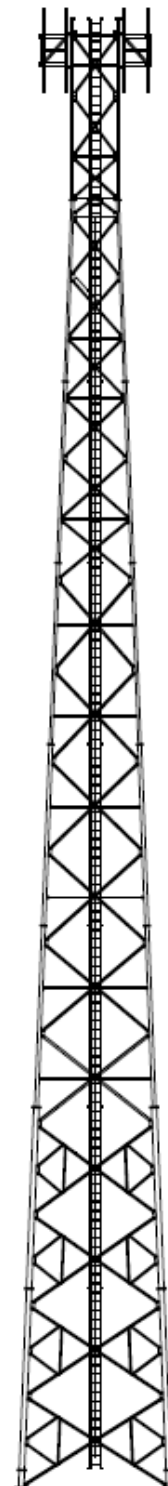
- the development is appropriately located on an industrial zoned lot outside of the more densely populated areas of the township of Cunnamulla;
- the development is a passive use that once constructed is unlikely to generate large volumes of traffic, noise, dust or other environmental nuisance;
- it will contribute and booster the telecommunication service network in the Region; and
- there is an absence of any significant impacts that result from the development.

Recommendation:

That Council endorse the Officer recommendation to approve the Material change of use for a “Telecommunication facility” at Broad Street, Cunnamulla being more accurately described as Lot 2 on RP72055 subject to relevant, reasonable, and enforceable conditions. This recommendation is consistent with existing Council policy.

Attachments:

Development plans
Development report



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<p>SAMPLE DRAWING 4.5m RT 4.0 GENERAL ARRANGEMENT</p>	<p>SCALE 1:40</p>	<p>DWG. No. R0534-1-1-2</p>	<p>VER. -</p>	<p>REV. A</p>	<p>DATE:</p>	<p>DATE:</p>	<p>DATE:</p>

Overall Outcomes:

(a) This zone promotes the establishment of a wide range of industries in a manner compatible with the scale and character of the area.

Response: The proposal is for a telecommunications tower as part of a community infrastructure rollout throughout the shire. The area is industrial in nature and built form consists of industrial sheds. There are some residential buildings also in the area. The proposal for a 45m high telecommunications tower is not necessarily consistent with the built form of the area however the use is justified given the network will provide a much needed and essential service to the community.

(b) Industries are established and consolidated in this zone to minimise potential conflict with nearby sensitive land uses.

Response: The subject land adjoins industrial land and rural land. The nearest sensitive receptor is approximately 500m from the location of the proposed telecommunications tower and it is not expected there will be a conflict considering the industrial nature of the area.

(c) The location of industry development does not compromise the safety or efficiency of the local and State-controlled road and rail systems.

Response: Access to the site by the applicant will be infrequent and will be required for initial installation and then approximately once a year for maintenance. The maximum vehicle size visiting the site will be a medium rigid vehicle. Given the infrequent access, it is not expected that the safety or efficiency of the local or State-controlled road network will be compromised.

(d) Non-resident workforce accommodation can be established in green field industry areas away from affected existing uses, where it does not alienate potential industry land in the long term.

Response: Not applicable.

Industry Zone Code		
Performance Outcomes	Acceptable Outcomes	Proposal
PO1 Development is consistent with the existing built form in terms of size, design, siting and physical characteristics. The appearance and siting of buildings, other structures, car parking areas or signage is compatible with the local streetscape character, the style and design of nearby buildings, and is respectful and sympathetic to any heritage place identified in the SPP mapping – Environment and Heritage – cultural heritage.	AO1 No acceptable outcome provided.	Performance Solution The area is industrial in nature and built form consists of industrial sheds. There are some residential buildings also in the area. The proposal for a 45m high telecommunications tower is not necessarily consistent with the built form of the area however the use is justified given the network will provide a much needed and essential service to the community.



PO2 Development with frontage to a highway must have safe access point that do not adversely impact on the safety and efficiency of the road.	AO2 No acceptable outcome provided.	Not applicable.
PO3 Development adjacent to the highway corridor is setback from the corridor to avoid adverse impacts to the operation of the road corridor.	AO3 As per the Queensland Development Code requirements.	Not applicable.
PO4 All uses are located, designed, orientated and constructed to minimise the impacts from the noise, vibration and dust emissions from the State-controlled road and/or rail network.	AO4 As per the Queensland Development Code requirements.	Not applicable – not near a State-controlled road or rail network.
PO5 Industrial land uses are protected from encroachment by incompatible land uses.	AO5 No acceptable outcome provided.	Complies The proposal is not an incompatible land use.
PO6 Industrial development does not result in sensitive land uses located outside of the Industry Zone being affected by industrial air, noise and odour emissions.	AO6 No acceptable outcome provided.	Complies The proposal does not create emissions.
PO7 Uses, other than industrial uses, such as food and drink outlets are consistent with and make a positive contribution to the economy and character of the Industry Zone.	AO7 No acceptable outcome provided.	Complies The telecommunications tower will provide a much needed service to the community.
PO8 Sensitive land uses are not established within or adjacent to the industry zone.	AO8 No acceptable outcome provided.	Not applicable – not a sensitive land use.
PO9 Non-residential workforce accommodation is located and designed to avoid adverse impacts on rural sensitive uses including impacts on privacy, safety, noise, odour and fumes, and by lighting and traffic generation.	AO9 No acceptable outcome provided.	Not applicable – not for non-residential workforce accommodation.



We have also addressed the proposal against the relevant benchmarks of the General Development Code as follows:

General Development Code		
Performance Outcomes	Acceptable Outcomes	Proposal
Site Layout		
PO1 The size and bulk of new buildings associated with development maintains and enhances the intended local character of the zone by avoiding over-development of the site, and allowing for development at a consistent scale, siting and intensity to nearby development.	AO1 Total development on the site has a maximum site cover as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 50% Township zone • 90% Centre zone • 85% General residential zone • 40% Industry zone. 	Complies The new tower has a site cover of <1% of the site area.
PO2 Landscaping is provided to enhance the visual appeal of the development and soften the appearance of the built form. The majority of landscaping is to be undertaken on the principal street frontage of the development.	AO2 Except in the Cunnamulla Centre zone, a minimum of 10% of the total development area is landscaped.	Not applicable – an industrial use is already established on the site and there is no proposal for landscaping.
Building Design		
PO3 New development maintains the low-rise scale and character of the Shire.	AO3 Except where in the Cunnamulla Centre zone, development is no higher than: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 storeys; or • 8.5m above ground level. 	Performance Solution The proposed tower is 45m high to be able to achieve the coverage required for remote areas. The height is justified given the proposal will provide a much needed and essential service to the community.
PO4 New buildings or structures present a traditional façade to the street.	AO4 Except where in the Cunnamulla Centre zone and industry zones, at least three of the four elements below must be incorporated into the façade of new buildings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • verandas or porches. • awnings and shade structures. • variations to the roof and building lines. • a range of building materials, matching prevailing materials in neighbouring buildings. 	Not applicable – the proposal is in the industry zone.
PO5 Development is generally in accordance with existing setbacks within the locality.	AO5 No acceptable outcome is prescribed.	Complies The proposed tower location complies with setbacks.



Ancillary Uses		
PO9 Other than where located in the Rural zone, buildings and structures for ancillary uses and activities such as sheds are subordinate in use and size to the primary use of the premises.	AO9 Other than where located in the Rural zone, buildings and structures for ancillary uses and activities do not exceed 10% gross floor area of the primary use on the site.	Complies The telecommunications tower has a footprint of approximately 225m ² and does not exceed 10% of the gross floor area of the primary use on the site.
Access, Manoeuvring and Parking		
PO10 The proposed development accommodates sufficient car parking on site.	AO10 Car parking is provided at rates as per table 7.3.1.2.	Complies There is adequate area for parking on site. It is not considered necessary to formalise parking spaces given the infrequent access required to the site.
PO11 The proposed driveway is clear of all impediments.	AO11 The proposed driveway is clear of street furniture, gully pits, man holes, power poles and street trees.	Complies The existing access is clear of all impediments.
PO12 The location of the driveways does not create a danger to the safety and efficiency of the existing intersections	AO12 The minimum distance of a driveway from an intersection of one street with another is 6 metres.	Not applicable – the driveway is not within proximity of an intersection.
PO13 Access to, from and within the site: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • is adequate for the type and volume of traffic generated by the use. • does not adversely impact on the traffic network external to the site. • caters for safe pedestrian access. • provides for disabled access. 	AO13.1 Vehicle crossovers are designed in accordance with the PSC standards. AO13.2 Car parking and manoeuvring areas are designed in accordance with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AS2890.1 – Parking Facilities • Austroads AP-34/95 - Design Vehicles and Turning Path Templates • The Access to Premises Standard' (Vol 1 of the National Construction Code). 	Complies Access to the site is adequate for the use and the volume of traffic. It is not considered necessary to formalise any parking or manoeuvring areas given the infrequent access required to the site.
Infrastructure and Services		
PO14 The development is supplied with an appropriate level of infrastructure to support the intended use.	AO14 Telecommunications and electricity supplies are designed and installed to supplier standards.	Complies Telecommunications are not required for the telecommunications tower. Electricity will be provided from the reticulated service or via solar panels, whichever is appropriate for the site.





	<p>prepared by a suitably qualified person and addresses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • wastewater type • climatic conditions • water quality objectives (WQOs) • best-practice environmental management. <p>AO17.2 Implement the WWMP prepared in accordance with AO17.1.</p>	
PSC assets		
<p>PO18 Structures and buildings do not adversely impact on PSC infrastructure.</p>	<p>AO18.1 All proposed structures and buildings are clear of PSC easements and underground infrastructure within the site boundaries, as per Queensland Development Code requirements.</p> <p>AO18.2 All invert crossing(s) and driveways are clear of all gully pits, street lights, power poles and other infrastructure located within the road reserve with a minimum separation distance of 1m.</p>	<p>Complies The structure will be built clear of all PSC assets.</p> <p>Complies The crossover and driveways are existing and it is assumed that compliance was sought at the time of development.</p>
Development location in a Bushfire Hazard Area		
<p>PO19 A vulnerable use is not established or materially intensified where there are unacceptable risks to people or property from a Bushfire Hazard.</p>	<p>AO19 Vulnerable uses are not established or expanded. Editor's note—Vulnerable uses are those involving: (1) the accommodation or congregation of vulnerable sectors of the community such as child care centres, community care centre, educational establishments, detention facilities, hospitals, rooming accommodation, retirement facilities or residential care facilities; or (2) the provision of essential services including community uses, emergency services, utility installation, telecommunications facility, substations and major electricity infrastructure.</p>	<p>Not applicable – not in a bushfire hazard area.</p>
<p>PO20 Emergency services and uses providing community support services are able to function effectively during and immediately after a bushfire hazard event.</p>	<p>AO20 Emergency services and uses providing community support services are not located in a bushfire hazard (bushfire prone) area and have direct access to low hazard evacuation routes.</p>	<p>Not applicable.</p>



PO21 Development involving hazardous materials manufactured or stored in bulk is not located in bushfire prone area.	AO21 The manufacture or storage of hazardous material in bulk does not occur within a bushfire prone area.	Not applicable.
PO22 Development in a bushfire prone area as identified on SPP mapping – Safety and Resilience to Hazards, Bushfire prone area makes adequate provision of water supply for fire-fighting requirements.	AO22 No acceptable outcome is prescribed.	Not applicable.
Stock Route Network		
PO25 Development on or lots fronting the stock route network SPP mapping – Economic Growth, Agriculture, Stock Route Network does not compromise the connectivity and integrity of the network and protects ongoing, efficient and safe use by travelling stock by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • maintaining the extent of the stock route network. • maintaining access to watering facilities and other stock route infrastructure. • providing safe passage of stock traversing the stock route. • allowing practical solutions for stock to move across transport and other linear infrastructure safely. 	AO25 No acceptable outcome is prescribed.	Not applicable – not near a stock route.
PO26 Development does not result in encroachment by incompatible land uses (especially residential, sensitive commercial or community uses) along the stock route network. Non-rural uses are setback and buffered from the stock route network to mitigate impacts.	AO26 Development is for a rural activity.	Not applicable.
PO27 Development does not result in a loss of the primary use for moving stock and other uses associated with the stock route network including recreational, environmental and heritage values.	AO27 No acceptable outcome is prescribed.	Not applicable.



Petroleum pipeline		
PO28 The integrity and function of high pressure pipelines carrying petroleum and gas is maintained.	AO28.1 Development: (a) is located not less than 200m from petroleum pipelines and the centre-line of petroleum pipeline easements identified in SPP Mapping – Hazards and Safety – Emissions and Hazardous Activities – High pressure gas pipelines. (b) must not impact on the pipeline function. AO28.2 Where development is proposed on a pipeline easement, the proponent consults the pipeline licence holder	Not applicable – not near a pipeline.
Electricity infrastructure		
PO29 Development is separated from major electricity infrastructure or substations and incorporates buffers to maintain public health and safety, residential amenity and allow access to infrastructure for maintenance.	AO29 No acceptable outcome is prescribed.	Not applicable – not near electricity infrastructure.
Biodiversity		
PO31 Development: (a) is located to avoid significant adverse impacts on matters of state environmental significance (b) facilitates the protection and enhancement of matters of state environmental significance (c) protects and enhances ecological connectivity.	AO31 Provide a buffer from buildings, ancillary structures and all other development: (a) that is at least 100m from the top bank of all water courses and the full supply level of storages. (b) for areas identified as a Matter of State Environmental significance (identified in SPP mapping – Environment and Heritage – Biodiversity) at a minimum width of: (i) 20m from existing riparian vegetation associated with a watercourse; and (ii) 50m where the area is located in the Township zone; or (iii) 200m in any other zone.	Complies The subject land contains category B remnant vegetation consisting of least concern regional ecosystem. The proposed tower will be located within the mapped area of remnant vegetation however the site is a Council depot and has been cleared of vegetation in the past. Therefore, it is not expected that the proposal will interfere with Matters of State Environmental Significance.

9.1.5 SWQROC Strategic Plan 2021-2024 Draft

Council Meeting: 20th April 2021

Department: Office of the Chief Executive Officer

Author: Simone Talbot, SWQROC Executive Officer

Purpose

The purpose of this document is to provide Council with the SWQROC Strategic Plan 2021-2024 Draft

Recommendation

That Council receive and note the SWQROC Strategic Plan 2021-2024 Draft

Discussion

The SWQROC Strategic Plan 2021-2024 Draft is presented to Council for information and feedback should it be necessary.

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Strategic Plan

2021-2024



BALONNE BULLOO
MARANOA MURWEH
PAROO QUILPIE

South West Queensland

**The Cornerstone
of Opportunities**

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South West Queensland and our Regional Organisation of Councils

Bordering New South Wales, South Australia and the Northern Territory - South West Queensland truly is the cornerstone of Queensland. Comprising approximately 320,000km² across the local government areas of Balonne, Bulloo, Maranoa, Murweh, Paroo and Quilpie, 24,000 people call South West Queensland home.

South West Queensland has well established industries in oil, gas and agriculture. It also has massive untapped potential in emerging industries such as apiculture, goats and macropods, renewable energy, agtech and education, carbon farming and tourism.

These industries have the potential to create meaningful and long-term employment. The potential to help sustain our diverse towns and regional centres. The potential to foster innovation and entrepreneurship, and the potential to re-shape where and how Queenslanders and Australians (both old and new) choose to live, work and play.

To realise this potential, local government leaders in South West Queensland recognise the need to take a regional view, to combine resources and to engage in joint advocacy and representation in order to best serve the communities of South West Queensland.

The South West Queensland Regional Organisation of Councils (SWQROC) is designed to do just that. SWQROC is a not for profit local government based organisation that works for its member councils and with other levels of government, communities and relevant stakeholders of South West Queensland to positively create and shape the future of the region.



Our Region

The Cornerstone of Opportunities



Federal Government Electorate:
Maranoa



State Government Electorate –
Warrego



Home to the Cooper and Eromanga resource basins – **the largest onshore petroleum province in Australia.**



Diverse economic opportunities exist in oil, gas, gemstone (opal), beef, sheep, cropping and game meat processing.



SWQ generates **\$5.2 billion in royalties** which is shared across all Queenslanders.



SWQ generates **\$2.92 billion in Gross Regional Product** each year.



The region includes the Mulga Lands and Channel Country bioregions and its river systems form **part of the important Murray-Darling Basin and Lake Eyre Basin water resource.**



The region's CSG industry is **critical to supplying gas markets** both inter-state and internationally.

Our Vision

To be a respected professional and credible local government representative body that promotes and grows South West Queensland as the place to be - through strong connections, working together on shared challenges and leveraging our combined strengths.

Our Purpose

Advance the social, environmental, economic, technological, political and cultural development of South West Queensland by:

Advocating, championing and responding to key local government and regional/remote community issues.

Securing better regional funding, policy/program and legislative outcomes.

Facilitating Networking, Knowledge sharing and learning opportunities.

Leading and Managing a well resourced and governed Regional Organisation of Councils.

Acting as an authoritative advisor and resource center on local/regional issues in South West Queensland.

Our Values and Commitments

Our values shape the way we do business. SWQROC is dedicated to:

- Leading in a proactive, collaborative, and accountable manner
- Being transparent and relationship focused
- Interacting with diplomacy and respect
- Communicating with intention and authenticity
- Continuously improving as a learning organisation

As a ROC, we are committed to:

WORKING WITH OUR TRADITIONAL OWNERS who have walked upon and cared for our land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of our First Nations peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

FORMAL PARTNERSHIPS through our membership and joint work with other local government based organisations including the Western Queensland Alliance of Councils (WQAC), the Darling Downs South West Council of Mayors (DDSWCOM) and the Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ). Through our combined efforts these partnerships will further draw attention to the challenges, opportunities and contribution that South West Queensland makes to the State and Australia.

CONTRIBUTING TO STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT PRIORITIES is an important consideration for the SWQROC. Co-ordinating and collaborating on legislative, policy and program measures, where possible, between the three levels of government will deliver better outcomes for communities. As such the SWQROC will look for opportunities and view all its initiatives through a lens of how it can contribute to the current State Government's "Objectives for the Community" and the current Federal Government's "Regions 2030 – Unlocking Opportunity (2017)" and "Regions at the Ready – Investing in Australia's Future" (2018).

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND CREATING SHARED VALUE with the aim of improving the conditions in which we live – advancing community health, education, employment, service access and participation; and helping to conserve our natural environments.

Our Strategic Priorities

1



Secure and Simplified Funding and Governance Frameworks

2



Water Security and Waste Minimisation Incentives

3



Quality Community Services, Infrastructure and Program Outcomes

4



Roads, Air Services and Region Wide Economic Development

5



Opportunities for Improved Workforce Attraction and Retention

6



Connected Communities



Secure and Simplified Funding and Governance Frameworks

Why is this important?

Due to a limited rates base, high capital and operating costs (compared to urban based councils) and other external pressures, member councils of SWQROC are heavily reliant on external funding sources from the State Government and Commonwealth Government to finance their operations. In some cases this reliance can be as high as 50 percent of operating revenue.

Additionally, whilst the principles of the Local Government Act 2009 are important to guide the operations of SWQROC member councils, in some cases the 'one size fits all' measures under the Act do not reflect the reality of operating conditions in regional and remote councils.

Outcomes SWQROC will lead and advocate for:

- 1.1 New strategic funding models from both the State and Commonwealth Government based on long term and steady state funding allocations, simple administration and eligibility criteria that supports planning and maintenance activities over 'shovel ready' capital projects.
- 1.2 Continuation of funding programs that directly support remote area councils and encourage regional collaboration, capability improvement and innovation in project delivery.
- 1.3 A contemporary Local Government Act that better supports the operations and outcomes for regional and remote councils through changes to key legislative and regulatory measures i.e., financial sustainability ratios and council meeting and decision making arrangements.



Water Security and Waste Minimisation Incentives

Why is this important?

Successive Global Risk Reports (World Economic Forum) have identified the 'water crisis' (safety and security of supply) in the top five risks that the global community is confronting. The criticality of this problem is also reflected at the local level, with peak bodies and industry groups pointing out that the sustainability of many water and waste water infrastructure networks in regional and remote Queensland are fast approaching the end of their serviceable life or unable to cope with new regulatory and compliance standards. This problem is acutely relevant to SWQROC members, who require immediate Government support to avoid a public health and economic development crisis.

Our communities' attitude towards waste is changing and as concepts such as 'circular economy' become better understood, there is now an opportunity to view waste as a valuable resource - where local solutions can divert waste away from landfill and result in initiatives which create jobs and economic growth.

Outcomes SWQROC will lead and advocate for:

- 2.1 A dedicated Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Renewal Program for South West Queensland which supports and incentivises how SWQROC members can best address immediate infrastructure risks, build workforce capability and improve asset management practices into the future.
- 2.2 The establishment of regionally based waste re-cycling services to address the immediate priorities of stockpiles of scrap metal and tyres; and to potentially service other waste streams across South West Queensland.



Why is this important?

Sustaining local populations and attracting new residents is a key priority for many local governments. This issue is especially important to the members of the SWQROC, who have experienced, in some cases, dramatic population decline and high levels of social disadvantage over recent decades. In a post COVID-19 world, many studies are pointing to trends of inter and intra state regional migration where individuals, families and businesses are looking to re-locate out of city centres. To capitalise on these opportunities and promote South West Queensland as 'the place to be' quality community services and infrastructure needs to be in place and easily accessible to all community members.

Further, Commonwealth and State Government Programs need to be regularly reviewed to ensure they are delivering positive community outcomes and responding to any unintended consequences. One such example is the Carbon Farming Initiative (CFI) under the Commonwealth Government's Emissions Reduction Fund which is adversely impacting rates revenue, reducing employment opportunities and resulting in poor land management practices in some communities in South West Queensland.

Outcomes SWQROC will lead and advocate for:

- 3.1 A tri-partite government and business sector response to address the critical housing shortage in South West Queensland communities which is acting as a major barrier to both economic and social development.
- 3.2 Re-instatement and improved National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) resources (such as Local Area Coordinators) for the South West Queensland region.
- 3.3 A revised Carbon Farming Initiative (Program) that is able to adapt to local community circumstances to maximise its intended benefits and minimise any cumulative and unintended negative consequences.



Why is this important?

State and Commonwealth Governments rely on the productivity of regions to generate wealth for re-distribution across all communities – a point most notably highlighted through the COVID-19 crisis. South West Queensland contributes approximately \$X to Gross State Product through its key industries of agriculture and resources. These industries rely significantly on the region's road network and air transport services (as 'economic enablers') to transport their products to market and workforces to/from and within the region. Whilst SWQROC firmly believe the region's economic contribution could be increased, the region currently suffers one of the lowest levels of road funding in the State. Further, the reliability and affordability of air route services to/from and within the region have been diminishing, acknowledging that COVID-19 triggered even further loss of these services. Coupled with greatly restricted services, some carriers have introduced changes to their resident fare structure, making it more costly for individuals and businesses to travel.

Outcomes SWQROC will lead and advocate for:

- 4.1 Increased and stable funding allocations to the South West Transport and Main Roads District under the Queensland Transport and Roads Investment Program (QTRIP).
- 4.2 Increased Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme (TIDS) funding state-wide and proportionally for the South West Regional Roads and Transport Group.
- 4.3 A targeted program to fund immediate upgrades and progressive sealing of critical road links and strategic road corridors.
- 4.4 Improved reliability and affordability of State Government regulated air services as part of the review of new operator contracts, including assessing the economics of applying a maximum (capped) fare.



Opportunities for Improved Workforce Attraction and Retention

Why is this important?

Attracting and retaining a skilled labour force is a critical yet complex issue for communities in South West Queensland. This issue not only impacts on SWQROC member councils' ability to deliver services and meet statutory requirements, it impacts on the availability of social services (such as doctors), industry growth and the region's economic competitiveness and long term survival.

Outcomes SWQROC will lead and advocate for:

- 5.1 A South West Queensland Local Government Workforce Strategy to address current skill shortages and prepare SWQROC member councils for future workforce skill requirements.
- 5.2 Continued 'skills' based and 'seasonal workers' Migration Programs, including more flexible visa pathways to facilitate the import of relevant labour skills when and where required in South West Queensland.
- 5.3 Increased and sustained investment in initiatives and programs (such as the Celebrating Multicultural Queensland program) as a support mechanism to attract and settle new residents in South West Queensland communities.



Why is this important?

The 2020 Australian Digital Inclusion Index reveals substantial differences between Australians living in rural and urban areas, with the gap between those that have access to digital services and those that have minimal access increasing in Queensland. This is likely to be further exacerbated when the 3G network is shut down in mid-2024. Connection to fast and reliable broadband internet and mobile phone service is essential to supporting access to services (such as telehealth and education), social connections, entrepreneurial opportunities through remote working and economic development in South West Queensland. Whilst individual SWQROC members councils have been proactive in seeking solutions to provide high-speed, reliable digital connectivity outcomes for their communities, this approach is not sustainable in the long term given the scope of connectivity gaps and the level of capital investment required to fix it.

Outcomes SWQROC will lead and advocate for:

- 6.1 A fully funded, actionable, long term Regional and Remote Communities Digital Connectivity Program (or similar) which provides a strategic framework to (among other things):
- Upgrade the core backhaul network to improve reliability and speed commensurate with service levels in urban centres, or at a minimum the NBN Statutory Infrastructure Provider (SIP) obligations of 25/5Mbps.
 - Ensure no community is left behind or disadvantaged when the 3G network is retired.
 - Provide access to satellite and wireless services to non-urban residents that have equivalent speed, reliability and price of fixed broadband and mobile internet services.
 - Continue the maintenance and upgrading of existing residential telecommunications infrastructure.
 - Identify and provide transparency over the availability of any existing fibre optic networks in regional and remote communities.
 - Provide support for digital literacy initiatives at the local level

Governance

The SWQROC is an incorporated association which complies with the *Associations Incorporation Act 1981*.

It is governed by a Management Committee which consists of the following members:



CR SAMANTHA O'TOOLE
Mayor, Balonne Shire Council
and President / Chair



CR SHAUN RADNEDGE
Mayor, Murweh Shire Council
and Treasurer / Deputy Chair



CR JOHN (TRACTOR)
FERGUSON
Mayor, Bulloo Shire Council



CR TYSON GOLDER
Mayor, Maranoa Regional
Council



CR SUZETTE BERESFORD
Mayor, Paroo Shire Council



CR STUART MACKENZIE
Mayor, Quilpie Shire Council

The role of the Management Committee is to provide strategic leadership, engage in advocacy and oversight the effective governance, financial management and administration of the SWQROC.

The ROC also consists of a number of sub-committees to progress specific portfolio priorities or projects as required. Additionally, the SWQROC works alongside and / or supports other groups and organisations given the dual representation of Management Committee members. These relationships are represented in figure 2 on the following page.

Structure



Review & Reporting

The review schedule for this Plan will be the midpoint in the local government election term in March 2022 and then again following the local government elections in March 2024. In between, consistent monitoring of the external environment will prompt whether this review schedule will need to change.

This Plan is supported by an Annual Action Plan and Stakeholder Engagement Strategy with each containing a series of key performance indicators. Tracking progress and reporting against these key performance indicators will occur every six months to the SWQROC Management Committee.

Our Members

The SWQROC consists of six member councils.

An individual profile on each is presented at the end of this Plan.



How to reach SWQROC

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Visit our website at: www.swqroc.com.au

BALONNE SHIRE



Population

4360

Traditional Owners

Kamilaroi people

Area

31,150 km²

Local businesses

853

Transport networks



Balonne, Barwon, Carnarvon, Castlereagh & Moonie highways



Westlander train



Qantaslink & Rex services through to Brisbane



Median house price

\$225,028 Old median: \$418,290



Distance from...

Brisbane 500km

Toowoomba (WTB) 360km



Towns

**St George
Diranbandi
Bollon
Thallon**



Health services

St George Hospital, Dirranbandi Multipurpose Health Service, Mungindi Multipurpose Health Service.



Major industries

Agriculture, forestry & fishing
Health care
Retail trade
Education



Agriculture, forestry & fishing generated

\$367 million
in 2018/19



Balonne tourism

\$35 million
in 2018/19



Alton NP, Culgoa Floodplain NP, Narkoola NP, Thrushton NP
Beardmore Dam, the Balonne River, Riversands Wines, Thallon painted silos & more!



Major employment

Agriculture, forestry & fishing40.8%
Health care10.7%
Retail trade8.1%
Education6.7%
Public Admin 6.2%



Agriculture accounts for
54.7%
of registered businesses

Source: <https://economy.id.com.au/murweh> - Feb 2021

BULLOO SHIRE



Bulloo
Shire

Population

325

Traditional Owners

Kulilli people

Area

73,880 km²

Local businesses

22

Transport networks



Adventure Way, Warri
Gate Road (to Silver
City Highway, NSW)



Rex services through to
Brisbane, Toowoomba & Mount Isa



Median house price

\$61,435 Old median: \$418,290

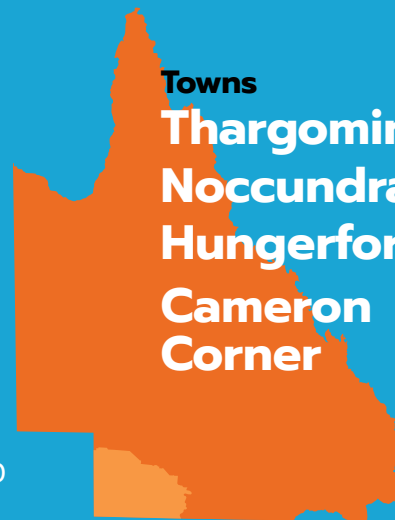


Distance from...

Brisbane **1000km** Toowoomba (WTB) **846km**

Towns

Thargomindah
Noccundra
Hungerford
Cameron
Corner



Health services

Thargomindah
Community Clinic.



Major industries

Agriculture, forestry
& fishing
Public Admin
Mining
Construction



Agriculture,
forestry
& fishing
generated

\$68
million
in 2018/19



Bulloo tourism

\$1.3 million

in 2018/19



Lake Bindegolly NP,
Currawinya NP, Bulloo River,
Noccundra Waterhole,
Thargomindah Hydro Power
Plant, Burke & Wills Dig Tree,
& more!



Major employment



Agriculture, forestry
& fishing 43.9%
Public Admin 25.3%
Mining 15.8%
Construction 6.0%
Accom & food 4.2%



Agriculture
accounts for

31.8%
of registered
businesses

Source: <https://economy.id.com.au/murweh> - Feb 2021

MARANOA REGIONAL



Population

12,665

Traditional Owners

Mandandanji
and Gunggari
people

Area

58,820 km²

Local businesses

2558

Transport networks



Canarvon & Warrego
highways



Westlander train



Qantaslink & Rex
services through to Brisbane



Median house price

\$237,577 Old median: \$418,290



Distance from...

Brisbane **480km**

Toowoomba (WTB) **346km**



Health services

Roma Hospital, multi-purpose health clinics at Injune, Mitchell and Surat, and a community clinic at Wallumbilla.



Major industries

Agriculture, forestry
& fishing
Health Care
Mining
Construction



Agriculture,
forestry
& fishing
generated

**\$515
million**
in 2018/19



Maranoa tourism

\$80 million
in 2018/19



Chesterton Range NP,
Canarvon NP, Expedition NP,
Thrushton NP, The Big Rig,
Roma Saleyards, Mitchell Great
Artesian Spa& more!



Major employment



Agriculture, forestry
& fishing18.9%
Health care10.6%
Mining10.5%
Construction10.1%
Education.....9.2%



Agriculture
accounts for
51.5%
of registered
businesses

Source: <https://economy.id.com.au/murweh> - Feb 2021

MURWEH SHIRE



Population

4295

Traditional Owners

Bidjara people

Area

40,770 km²

Local businesses

600

Transport networks



**Landsborough, Warrego
& Mitchell highways**



Westlander train



Qantaslink & Rex
services through to Brisbane



Median house price

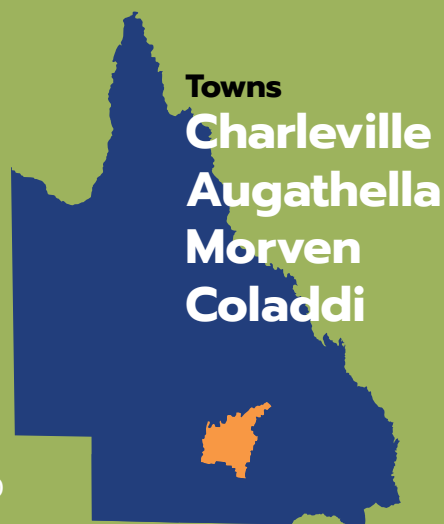
\$125,059 Old median: \$418,290



Distance from...

Brisbane 740km

Toowoomba (WTB) 610km



Health services

Charleville Hospital,
Charleville Royal
Flying Doctor Service,
Augathella Multi-Purpose
Health Service, &
Morven Community Clinic



Major industries

Agriculture, forestry
& fishing
Health care
Retail trade
Education



Agriculture,
forestry
& fishing
generated

\$97 million
in 2018/19



Murweh tourism

\$28.5 million

in 2018/19



Chesterton Range NP, Tregole
NP, Morven Conservation Park,
Charleville Cosmos Centre
& Observatory, Charleville
Bilby Experience, Royal Flying
Doctor Service Base & more!



Major employment



Agriculture, forestry
& fishing14.7%
Health care13.5%
Retail trade9.5%
Public Admin9.4%
Education.....9.2%



Agriculture
accounts for
47.8%
of registered
businesses

Source: <https://economy.id.com.au/murweh> - Feb 2021



PAROO SHIRE



Population

1562

Traditional Owners

Kunja, Kooma, Mardigan, Bidjara, Kullilli, Budjiti and Moorawarri people

Transport networks



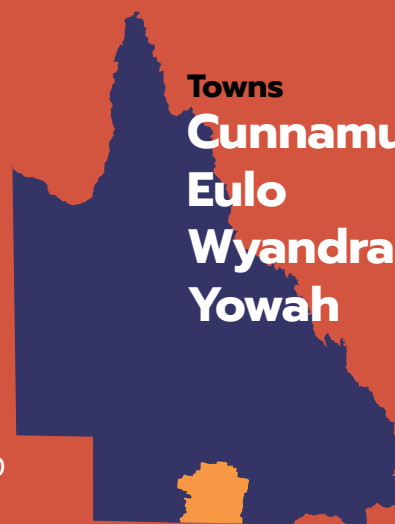
Balonne & Mitchell highways



Rex
services through to Brisbane



Median house price
\$58,422 Old median: \$418,290



Towns

Cunnamulla
Eulo
Wyandra
Yowah

Area

47,700 km²



Distance from...

Brisbane 600km

Toowoomba (WTB) 450km



Health services

Cunnamulla Hospital, Cunnamulla Medical Clinic, Eulo RFDS Clinic, Yowah RFDS Clinic and Royal Flying Doctor Service.



Major industries

Agriculture, forestry & fishing
Public Admin
Healthcare
Education



Agriculture, forestry & fishing generated

\$44 million
in 2018/19



Agriculture accounts for

53.3%
of registered businesses



Paroo tourism

\$9.4 million
in 2018/19



Currawinya NP, Calgoa Floodplain NP, Yowah opal fields, Yowah artesian baths, Artesian mud baths, Powerhouse Museum Wyandra & more!



Major employment

Agriculture, forestry & fishing41.3%
Public Admin12.1%
Healthcare9.4%
Education7.8%
Retail6.8%

Source: <https://economy.id.com.au/murweh> - Feb 2021

QUILPIE SHIRE



Population

778

Traditional Owners

Bunthamurra
and Mardgany
people

Area

67,500 km²

Local businesses

138

Transport networks



Cooper Dev. Rd,
Diamantina Dev. Rd,
Quilpie-Adavale Rd,
Quilpie-Thargomindah Rd.



Rex

services through to Brisbane



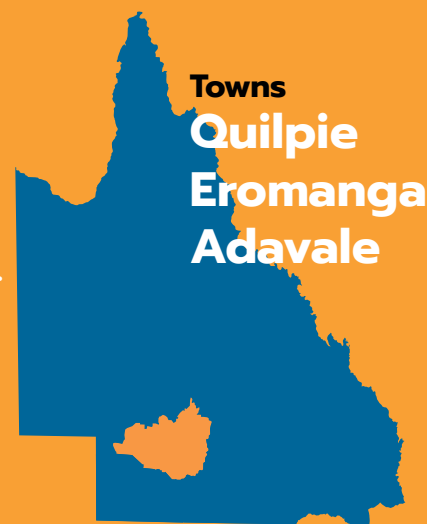
Median house price

\$139,081 Old median: \$418,290



Distance from...

Brisbane 1000km **Toowoomba (WTB) 850km**



Health services

Quilpie Hospital, RFDS
Community Clinic.



Major industries

Agriculture, forestry
& fishing
Public Admin
Transport
Education



Agriculture,
forestry
& fishing
generated

**\$63
million**

in 2018/19



Agriculture
accounts for

37%

of registered
businesses



Quilpie tourism

\$5.3 million

in 2018/19



Hell Hole Gorge NP, Idalia NP,
Mariala NP, Eromanga Natural
History Museum, Baldy Top
Lookout & more!

Major employment



Agriculture, forestry
& fishing46.9%
Public Admin11.8%
Transport8.8%
Education6.9%
Construction6.7%

Source: <https://economy.id.com.au/murweh> - Feb 2021



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of Opportunities**

9.1.6 Civic and Community Enterprise Centre – Meeting Room Names

Council Meeting: 20th April 2021

Department: Office of the Chief Executive Officer

Author: Cassandra White, Chief Executive officer

Purpose

The purpose of this document is to receive Council endorsement for the suggested meeting room names or provide additional meeting room names for the 4 meeting rooms within the Civic and Community Enterprise Centre.

Recommendation

That Council

Name the Civic and Community Enterprise Centre Meeting Rooms and provide advice to the Chief Executive Officer to finalise and implement room names

Discussion

Following a request from Mayor Beresford this report has been written to supply Council with suggestions to name each of the meeting rooms in the Civic and Community Enterprise Centre. Suggested names are provided to Council for review and additional names are welcomed from Elected Members.

Suggestions are as follows:

- Corella
- Honeyeater
- Kingfisher
- Kookaburra
- Lemon Myrtle
- Frangipani
- Bottlebrush
- Wattle

9.1.7 Action Items Register Report

Council Meeting: 20th April 2021

Department: Office of the Chief Executive Officer

Author: Cassandra White, Chief Executive Officer

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with an update on items that were previously raised in Council Meetings requesting information, action or follow up.

Recommendation

That Council receive and note the Action Items Register Report.

Discussion

The Action Item Register (Attachment A) has been updated in line with discussion at the previous month's Council meeting and follow up by the responsible officer.

Attachment A
Paroo Shire Council – Action Items Register

Date Raised	Item Raised	Status	Action / Information Raised	Council Officer Responsible	Comment
20/11/2018	Riverwalk and Hot Springs - Business Plan	Ongoing	Council request that a Business Plan be developed for the River walk and Hot Springs Project and be presented back to Council for consideration	DCSE	Grant Delivery is June 2022 and payments are on track with the project milestones.
21/04/2020	Childcare Building	Ongoing	Provide documents to be signed and look into lease agreement	CFO & DCSE	Forward progress with Mayor and CEO; Parties wishing to remain confidential at this point in time
21/07/2020	Yowah State School Buildings	Ongoing	Renting of buildings	DCSE	Currently in negotiations with Education Queensland on tenancy agreement and terms
31/08/2020	Bluff, Moolya Station - Use of the bluff as a tourist destination	Ongoing	Public liability issues and the installation of signage without permission from the land holder.	DIS	CEO to finalise arrangements with Fagan family and arrange signage and appropriate documentation
13/10/2020	Wombat Crossings	Ongoing	Temperature and sight distance issues.	DIS	Not able to be funded under the program, Council is able to undertake works at cost to council - add to budget consideration 21/22
21/01/2021	Community Drought Support Grant Funding	Ongoing	If grant application is successful, a panel is to be convened to assess applications to access the scheme	DCSE	21/01/2021 - Pending outcome of funding request
16/02/2021	Yapunyah Lodge	Ongoing	EOI for Yapunyah Lodge as low care aged/disabled hostel.	CEO and DIS	EOI Released 12/04/2021

9.2.1 Infrastructure Operations Report

Council Meeting: 20th April 2021

Department: Infrastructure

Author: Infrastructure Department

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on Infrastructure Operations for the month of March 2021.

Recommendation

That Council receives and note the Infrastructure Operations Report.

Discussion

1. Maintenance Crews

Council Maintenance Crews have again been a great asset with their willingness to learn and build a culture of inclusion; we have despite the large amounts of rainfall across the shire achieved a good amount of work. The Road Crews have filled in to bolster the teams up and made a significant difference in the amount of work completed.

List of completed works as follows:

- Complete Sign and guidepost run to Wyandra
- Slash and hand mow Weir Road
- Guide Post and Road run on Bollon Hwy (23 Guide posts Replaced)
- Remove, clean and replace pavers at race course (Stormwater pipe undermining base material resulting in pavers sinking).
- Relay pavers in front of DV Building Louise Street. (Found that relaying of pavers would be time and cost poor so it was decided by the works coordinator to cement the footpath and include a driveway upgrade for Club Boutique Hotel).
- Slash Airport road.
- Guide post and sign replacement on Weir Road (6 straightened and 6 replaced) all signs which were found to be non compliant were replaced; Awaiting arrival of remaining signs through stores to complete.
- Guide post replacement on Airport Road.
- Fill sinkholes and settlement points in lawn area at Cunnamulla Pool.
- Daily pushing of the Cunnamulla Town Refuse Centre.
- Box out and remove unsuitable material from curb and channel on Stockyard and Louise Street – CIVIC Centre; (Local Contractors then backfilled as per Project Managers Instructions).
- Assist Parks and Gardens team with Funeral Preparations.
- Repair damaged grid on Murra Murra Road (emergency call out).
- Clean up Bob Poncho Park and Centenary Park of smashed glass, repair damage to Softfall.
- Fill in with labour shortage for Parks and Gardens team where needed.
- Place sand in sink hole at 10 Wicks Street.

- Prep and pour concrete for water fountain in Wyandra.
- Cunnamulla Town pot hole patrol
- Cemetery grounds clean up completed.
- Cleaning and restacking of pavers for future use on town CBD streets.
- Receiving yard clean up.
- Road run to ensure water isn't over levels required to be closed by TMR, (all main Highways).
- Clean up of old Council Depot yards in Wicks Street.
- Remove weeds and clean up at DV Centre carpark.
- Pick up and remove trees following storm event in Cunnamulla.
- Stormwater drain maintenance between Broad Street and Williams Street Cunnamulla.
- Building of Screening Pads for upcoming Bitumen Program.
- Mowing and street clean up of both Cunnamulla and Eulo.
- Various other tasks as they arise as per Council customer requests.

2. Road Works

The beginning of March the road works crews were off to a good start with the continuation of South East Sector Flood Restoration Works and RMPC Grading works. Unfortunately due to the heavy rainfall event across the district all grading works stopped completely on the 17th March for all three current jobs. These projects will recommence on the 12th of April at the earliest; all hired plant has been put on stand down and a majority of the road crew employees have taken the opportunity to have an extended Easter break utilising annual leave entitlements.

- **RMPC** – Works on Charleville Bolon Road were finalised on 3rd March, this crew moved to the Shire boundary on the Hungerford Road. Commenced grading on the 9th, prepped 12km of roadway starting at Chainage 81.030km (Shire boundary and working towards Eulo) unfortunately Grader 314 had a significant breakdown the same day which hindered production. A dry hire grader was organised quickly by the 11th of March. There was 65mm of rain fall recorded on Friday the 12th on this job site which stopped work for the week. Monday 15th returned to site, significant rainfall occurred again Tuesday night the 16th. A total of 8.52km of medium formation grading was achieved in 3 full days of work in-between breakdowns, COI inspections on our heavy fleet and wet weather.
- **Jobs Gate Road** - 8km Sub Grade Prep completed. 3.17km of Gravel carted onto the job from South Plains Pit 2, 2km of Heavy Formation Grading completed and 0.64km of 75mm Gravel Resheeting completed. Rained out on the 16th March, 2021.
- **Munda Munda / Yarralla Road** - 3.2km of Heavy Formation Grading completed, 1 week maintenance on the gravel hall road across 55km of roadway (light formation grading and pavement blow out repairs) completed and ongoing, 1.39km of 75mm Gravel Resheeting completed.

Road Packages

Stabilisation and sealing packages for various works TIDS, R2R and Transport and Main Roads Contracts have been awarded as per Council approval at the March Council Meeting. The awarded contractors have been notified and Council infrastructure team is working closely with them to reschedule the upcoming work due to recent wet weather. The work has been scheduled to commence 12th April 2021. Council roads crews will assist in the preparation of screening and gravel pads and construction of side tracks.

3. Plant & Workshop

Through out the month of March the main focus in the Workshop was that completion of the Heavy Vehicles annual Certificate of Inspections for Queensland Transport registration compliance.

A total of 19 units had work carried out in advance with all minor defects being repaired and components replaced where necessary. It was evident that many plant items have been lacking regular maintenance; as a result many parts were replaced such as brakes, suspension, tyres, minor electrical works and wiring issues.

The Queensland Transport inspectors were very thorough with their inspections with brand new brake systems that were correctly installed and adjusted correctly defected for not being adjusted to their liking. Some units were also defected for heavy vehicle signage, two identical units were inspected one being defected for signage and one was not. This inconsistency in the inspections resulted in half of the units returning with defects to be rectified.

All defects that were issued have since been repaired and signed off with the exception of on unit 254 Prime mover and unit 503 water tanker due to being stuck out at site flooded in by the wet weather. These two units have been granted an extension for the works to be complete by 30th April.

Major repairs have been carried out on Council John Deere 6110 tractor, after some research it would be more beneficial for Council to send this unit out for repair to Vanderfield with the added benefit of one of council's apprentices going with the machine to carry out majority of the repair for learning purposes. This also reduces the cost to council for the repairs and has the added benefit of teaching our apprentice valuable skills. Council is currently waiting for a revised quotation for additional parts as the original quotation was based of an estimate without seeing the unit.

There have been some semi major repair works carried out on unit 314 CAT 140M Grader that come in with an engine miss and loosing power. Initially it was diagnosed to be a failed fuel injector which is quiet common at its current life of approximately 12,000 Hours. Upon further inspection it was noticed a broken top off an exhaust valve, resulting in the need to removed the cylinder head and replace with genuine CAT remanufactured parts. Whilst carrying out these work we have sent the radiator and injector cooler away for professional cleaning and pressure testing to discover that there was up to a 35% blockage which was making the machine run to hot.

Various minor repairs to small plant have also been carried out over the month, whipper snippers, mowers and the small parks and gardens tractor which have been on back log for quite some time.

4. Plant Replacement

During the first week of March council received 2 new pieces of yellow plant. This included the Caterpillar Multi Tyre Roller and the Caterpillar 150 Motor Grader (Pictured below). The hand over went smoothly with Hastings Deering providing training on the day for the operators, both machines were delivered to spec. The order for the new side loading rubbish truck has been

complete with a 16 week turn around on delivery.

The 21/22 Plant replacement program is currently being put together for consideration. A number of out dated machines are being proposed for replacement due to constant break downs, and poor performance due to age.



5. Assets Department

The asset department is continuing to run at a good rate of delivery and service despite the short staffing at the present. Ongoing maintenance and repairs are as below and inspections continue to happen multiple times a week given the recent spike in crime and vandalism. A positive to take out of the month is that the number of drug related paraphernalia pick ups have dropped significantly in the second half of March. Total number of items found for the month was; 8 used needles and 17 other drug related items.

A list of completed works is below, this along with the assistance in moving the internal staff from Works Depot to the new CCEC Building, continuing to achieve in other departments and staff absence due to personal reasons has seen a good months achievements.

Cunnamulla Shire Hall

- Replenished bait stations.
- Drew up floor plans for Supper room.
- Drone shots of hall.

Broad Street Works Depot

- Replenish bait stations.
- Removed and re-installed gun safe in Local laws office.

Information Centre

- Various small requests throughout the month.

John Kerr Park

- Repairs to flooring in grand stand.
- Removed Graffiti.

Centenary Park

- Playground maintenance.
- Electrical repairs to damaged line (on going).
- Removal of broken glass and Graffiti.

Apex Park

- Park inspections.
- Removed graffiti on equipment and table.
- Removal of fence posts and top dress with sand in places.

Race Course

- Site inspections.
- Tightened coach bolts on seating.
- Fixed damage to Canteen folding window.
- Re-screwed loose sheeting on inner fence.

Housing

- Repairs to rear door, bathroom repairs, painted rear door, removed and replaced fridge, 5 Louise Street.
- Numerous call outs for lock outs and other small tasks after hours.
- Repairs to close line (two properties).
- Ongoing catch ups with tenants for minor repairs.

DV Centre

- Repairs to 3 sliding doors.
- New rear locks on door.

Bob Poncho Park

- Replaced toilet seat in handicapped toilet.
- New door installed, with better locking.
- Fixed male toilet locks.
- Hand cleaner stations for all toilets.

Allen Tannock Weir

- Installed new needle box in toilet.
- Minimised over flow on flood gate at weir (prior to flooding).

Cemetery

- Work in planning and investigation for potential works to take place, installing a public toilet and roadway delineation within the grounds.

6. Water Supply & Sewerage Operations

Water

- Bore number 2, 3 and 4 running and keeping up with demand.
- Water consumption to date for March 81.5 ML.
- Water Breaks: There were seven mains breaks in Cunnamulla.
- Eulo water consumption 3.4ML

Sewerage

- Pumps: All pump stations operating normally.
- Hours run: (1 - 75.5. (2 - 53.4. (3 - 87.1 (4 -25.4. (5 - 28.2. Higher readings reflect the 119mm of rain received for the month.
- Blockages: there were 5 blockages, all being house lines with no mains blockages reported.
- Cunnamulla STP performing well, with 13517KL passing through the plant. Good results on most samples tested.

Customer Requests

- There were eight C/R attended in February, all being sewer callouts for house line blockages.

ID	Task Mode	Task Name	Duration	Start	Finish	% Complete	Resource Names	Predecessors	Crew Cost	Approved Budget	Comments	1 July 29/06	27/07	1 September 24/08	21/09	1 November 19/10	16/11	1 January 14/12	11/01	8/02	1 March 8/03	5/04	1 May 3/05	31/05	1 July 28/06	26/07
1		Paroo Shire Council Works Program	379 days	Tue 14/01/20	Wed 30/06/21	6%			\$10,601,054.40	\$10,600,000.00																
2		Rural Local Roads Projects (Council Funded)	261 days	Wed 1/07/20	Wed 30/06/21	0%			\$522,089.60	\$520,000.00																
3		Patch potholes in depot yard	261 days	Wed 1/07/20	Wed 30/06/21	0%	Paveline Patching Crew (a)		\$20,044.80	\$20,000.00																Paveline Patching Crew (a)
4		Patch potholes in depot yard, around town and on rural roads	261 days	Wed 1/07/20	Wed 30/06/21	0%	Paveline Patching Crew (a)		\$20,044.80	\$20,000.00																Paveline Patching Crew (a)
5		Formation grading to secondary roads	25 days	Tue 5/01/21	Tue 9/02/21	0%	Council Crew 1	16	\$300,000.00	\$300,000.00																
6		Emergency works and miscellaneous	8.5 days	Fri 9/04/21	Wed 21/04/21	0%	Council Crew 3	22	\$102,000.00	\$100,000.00																
7		Town Kerb and Channelling	40 days	Wed 24/02/21	Wed 21/04/21	0%	Town Crew	10	\$80,000.00	\$80,000.00																
8		Rural Local Roads (Grids)	147.5 days	Mon 3/08/20	Wed 24/02/21	0%			\$80,000.00	\$80,000.00																
9		Cleaning of Stock Grids	25 days	Mon 3/08/20	Fri 4/09/20	0%	Town Crew	38	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00																
10		New Grids	15 days	Wed 3/02/21	Wed 24/02/21	0%	Town Crew	47	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00																
11		TIDS Projects	364.68 days	Tue 14/01/20	Thu 10/06/21	35%			\$1,949,120.00	\$1,950,000.00																
12		Bundaleer South Plains Rd	8.3 days	Tue 9/02/21	Fri 19/02/21	0%	Council Crew 2	52	\$99,600.00	\$100,000.00																
13		Jobs Gate Rd - 2km pavement - Prep	43.75 days	Wed 7/04/21	Mon 7/06/21	0%	Contractor (Road)	18	\$700,000.00	\$700,000.00																
14		Jobs Gate Rd - 2km pavement - Seal	2.68 days	Thu 8/06/21	Thu 10/06/21	0%	Contractor (Seal)	13	\$300,160.00	\$300,000.00																
15		Eulo-Toompine Rd - 5km Shoulder Widening - Seal	2.28 days	Tue 14/01/20	Thu 16/01/20	0%	Contractor (Seal)		\$255,360.00	\$255,000.00																
16		Eulo-Toompine Rd - 5km Shoulder Widening - Prep	49.5 days	Wed 28/10/20	Tue 5/01/21	75%	Council Crew 1	34	\$594,000.00	\$595,000.00																
17		R2R Projects	202.25 days	Wed 1/07/20	Fri 9/04/21	5%			\$1,248,040.00	\$1,248,000.00																
18		Town Roads - Prep	16.25 days	Tue 16/03/21	Wed 7/04/21	0%	Contractor (Road)	25	\$260,000.00	\$260,000.00																
19		Town Roads - Seal	1.03 days	Wed 7/04/21	Thu 8/04/21	0%	Contractor (Seal)	18	\$115,360.00	\$115,000.00																
20		Grid Cleaning	25 days	Mon 7/09/20	Fri 9/10/20	0%	Town Crew	9	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00																
21		SE Quadrant - Crew 2	10.5 days	Wed 1/07/20	Wed 15/07/20	0%	Council Crew 2		\$126,000.00	\$125,000.00																
22		SE Quadrant - Crew 3	33.25 days	Tue 23/02/21	Fri 9/04/21	0%	Council Crew 3	50	\$399,000.00	\$400,000.00																
23		Wittenburra Rd (Turn Turn)	6.65 days	Wed 29/07/20	Thu 6/08/20	90%	Council Crew 1	42	\$79,800.00	\$80,000.00																
24		Cuttaburra Rd and Yowah Rd Reseal	1.09 days	Tue 1/12/20	Wed 2/12/20	0%	Contractor (Seal)	15	\$122,080.00	\$122,000.00																
25		Grid Entry and Exit - Prep and Reseal	31 days	Mon 1/02/21	Mon 15/03/21	0%	Paveline Patching Crew (b)		\$49,600.00	\$50,000.00																
26		Stabilised Floodways (Charlotte Plains)	3.85 days	Fri 19/02/21	Thu 25/02/21	0%	Council Crew 2	12	\$46,200.00	\$46,000.00																
27		Queensland Disaster Resilience Fund	109 days	Mon 11/01/21	Thu 10/06/21	0%			\$174,400.00	\$175,000.00																
28		Eulo Flood Boat Channel	109 days	Mon 11/01/21	Thu 10/06/21	0%	Consultants		\$174,400.00	\$175,000.00																
29		TMR RMPC Projects	261 days	Wed 1/07/20	Wed 30/06/21	8%			\$2,054,404.80	\$2,055,110.00																
30		Culvert Program including Thargomindah Culvert (Adventure Way)	35 days	Mon 9/11/20	Fri 25/12/20	0%	Town Crew	20	\$70,000.00	\$70,000.00																
31		Paveline Patching Works	261 days	Wed 1/07/20	Wed 30/06/21	0%	Paveline Patching Crew (a)		\$20,044.80	\$20,000.00																
32		Bollon Road Shoulders	25 days	Wed 15/07/20	Wed 19/08/20	0%	Council Crew 2	21	\$300,000.00	\$300,110.00																
33		Flanelbelly Floodway	3 days	Tue 15/09/20	Fri 18/09/20	100%	Council Crew 1	45	\$36,000.00	\$36,000.00																
34		Thargomindah Rd Shoulders	15 days	Fri 18/09/20	Fri 9/10/20	100%	Council Crew 1	33	\$180,000.00	\$180,000.00																
35		Barrington Rd Shoulders	15 days	Thu 29/04/21	Thu 20/05/21	0%	Council Crew 1	39	\$180,000.00	\$180,000.00																
36		Bollon Rd Pavement Repairs - Prep	9.35 days	Tue 6/04/21	Mon 19/04/21	0%	Council Crew 1	41	\$112,200.00	\$112,000.00																
37		Bollon Rd Pavement Repairs - Seal	0.43 days	Mon 19/04/21	Tue 20/04/21	0%	Contractor (Seal)	36	\$48,160.00	\$48,000.00																
38		Signs and Guideposts and Rubbish	10 days	Wed 1/07/20	Tue 14/07/20	0%	Town Crew		\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00																
39		Bollon Rd Grids - Prep (reshape)	7.4 days	Mon 19/04/21	Thu 29/04/21	0%	Council Crew 1	36	\$88,800.00	\$89,000.00																
40		Bollon Rd Grids - Seal	0.35 days	Thu 29/04/21	Thu 29/04/21	0%	Contractor (Seal)	39	\$39,200.00	\$40,000.00																
41		Bollon-Charleville Rd Medium/Heavy	40 days	Tue 9/02/21	Tue 6/04/21	0%	Council Crew 1	5	\$480,000.00	\$480,000.00																
42		Hungerford Road Medium/Heavy - 1st Grading	20 days	Wed 1/07/20	Tue 28/07/20	100%	Council Crew 1		\$240,000.00	\$240,000.00																
43		Hungerford Road Medium/Heavy - 2nd Grading	20 days	Thu 20/05/21	Thu 17/06/21	0%	Council Crew 1	35	\$240,000.00	\$240,000.00																
44		TMR Element Work	129.5 days	Thu 6/08/20	Wed 3/02/21	51%			\$397,000.00	\$397,000.00																
45		Element 16 - Hungerford Rd Resheeting	28.5 days	Thu 6/08/20	Tue 15/09/20	100%	Council Crew 1	23	\$342,000.00	\$342,000.00																
46		Element 5 - Declared Pest Spraying	12.5 days	Mon 28/12/20	Wed 13/01/21	0%	Town Crew	30	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00																
47		Element 6 - Fire Breaks	15 days	Wed 13/01/21	Wed 3/02/21	0%	Town Crew	46	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00																
48		DRFA Flood Restoration Projects	226.65 days	Wed 1/07/20	Thu 13/05/21	0%			\$4,176,000.00	\$4,180,000.00																
49		APR 19 REPA - Crew 3	2.5 days	Wed 1/07/20	Fri 3/07/20	0%	Council Crew 3		\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00																
50		FEB 20 REPA - Crew 3	166.5 days	Fri 3/07/20	Mon 22/02/21	0%	Council Crew 3	49	\$1,998,000.00	\$2,000,000.00																
51		APR 19 REPA - Crew 2	12.5 days	Wed 19/08/20	Fri 4/09/20	0%	Council Crew 2	32	\$150,000.00	\$150,000.00																
52		FEB 20 REPA - Crew 2 (a)	111 days	Mon 7/09/20	Mon 8/02/21	0%	Council Crew 2	51	\$1,332,000.00	\$1,333,333.00																
53		Feb 20 REPA - Crew 2 (b)	55.5 days	Thu 25/02/21	Thu 13/05/21	0%	Council Crew 2	26	\$666,000.00	\$666,666.00																

9.2.2a Tender Package F 2020 REPA Works

Council Meeting: 20th April 2020

Department: Office of the Chief Executive Officer

Author: Geoff Rintoul, Project Manager – Proterra

Purpose

1. To Award a Contract for Package F as part of PSC 2020 Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets (REPA) - South West Queensland Flooding, 20-26 February 2020 Event.

Recommendation

That Council:

- Award the Contract for Package F of the Paroo Shire Council 2020 REPA to APV Contracting Pty Ltd to the Value of \$1,475,660.32 GST Inclusive subject to Conditions of Contract; and
- Delegate full financial and other authority to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and Execute the Contract.

Discussion

Background: - Paroo Shire Council (PSC) Local Government Area (LGA) made application to the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA) for the Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets (REPA) - South West Queensland Flooding, 20-26 February 2020 event. As part of this delivery of these works Tenders were called to deliver Works for various roads across the Shire. Package F is located in the SW Quadrant.

Tenders were invited from PSC's Panel of Prequalified Suppliers to delivered these works via Vendor Panel with advertising commencing on Wednesday the 10th March 2021 and closing at 2.00 PM Wednesday 7th April 2021 AEST. At the time of closing there were three (3) responses received. These responses were then forwarded to Proterra Group Pty Ltd (Project Managers) for Assessment.

Tender Briefing: - A tender briefing was held of Thursday the 4th February and all members of the Panel of Prequalified Suppliers were invited. It should be noted that only one (1) member of that panel did not attend (business out of town) and that that person has not tendered.

Assessment: - The assessment of Tenders was carried out following the receipt of three (3) packaged forwarded to the Project Managers by the PSC Chief Executive Officer. The Assessment was carried out by Mr. Geoff Rintoul and Ms Nicole Wuehrl. No other personal were involved in the assessment. General details of the Assessment are as follows:

- a. Three (3) packages were received with the company details and tender sum GST Exc as follows;

No.	Tenderer Company Name	Tender Sum (Ex GST)
1	APV Contracting Pty Ltd	\$1,341,509.38
2	Mascott Drilling & Earthmoving Pty Ltd	\$1,372,423.09
3	Simrae Diesel & Welding Pty Ltd	\$1,577,937.75

- b. Assessment was carried out using a predetermined assessment and weighted criteria which was advised in the tender documents and assessed and scored in Attachment 1 to this report. The Contractor with the highest score at the completion of the assessment will generally be considered as the preferred contractor. However further assessment will also be given in order to ensure that the awarding of Contracts is fair and equitable across the panel and not restricted to the cheapest tenderer on all occasions. This is carried out outside the Assessment Criteria process and detailed in Section 7. These are as follows:

Preference will be given to local suppliers wherever possible;

(a) Price – 50%

- (b) Availability – 15%
- (c) Past performance – 15%
- (d) Safety record -10%.
- (e) Local Content – 10%

c. The Scoring Criteria used to score against the waiting is as follows:

Not Compliant	0
Requires assistance/supervision	1
Meets Criteria	2
Exceeds Criteria	3

d. General comments of points of Interest that Council should note regarding the tenders.

No.	Tenderer Company Name	General Comments and capability to deliver the works within	Has this contractor previously been awarded a Package as part of the 2020 REPA works (Yes – include details of package and Value or No.)
	APV Contracting Pty Ltd	No matters of Concern	Yes -Package C
	Mascott Drilling & Earthmoving Pty Ltd	No matters of Concern	Yes -Package B
	Simrae Diesel & Welding Pty Ltd	No matters of Concern	Yes -Package D

e. General Ranking of Tenders following the completion of the Assessment process.

No.	Tenderer Company Name	Ranking
	APV Contracting Pty Ltd	1
	Mascott Drilling & Earthmoving Pty Ltd	2
	Simrae Diesel & Welding Pty Ltd	3

Fair and Equitable Assessment: - It is considered prudent, that consideration be also given to the even distribution of works across the Panel. Where the highest scoring tenderer has been successful in other PSC 2020 Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets (REPA) - South West Queensland Flooding, 20-26 February 2020 Event packages Council may decide to award to another tenderer. This process will need to be transparent in its process. It is the Assessment Teams recommendation that should this be the case then the awarding should be based on the following criteria:

- a. Price of the tender; and
- b. Being previously awarded a package.

In this particular case the Recommendation of the Assessment is to award the Contract to APV Contracting Pty Ltd being the lowest tenderer.

Attachments: - Attachment 1 – Assessment of Package F 20-26 February 2020 REPA.

PSC_REPA February 2020 Event _Tender Assessment								
Tender No.	PSC_2020/21_24		Tenderers		Tender Sum Submitted (GST Exc and No PS)- Value from Schedule D of Part 3	Preferred Ranking (After Assessment) 1-10 (1 Preferred)	GST	GST Inclusive
Package No.	F		APV Contracting Pty Ltd		\$1,341,509.38	1	\$134,150.94	\$1,475,660.32
Date Advertised in Vendor Panel	Wednesday, 10 March 2021		Mascott Drilling & Earthmoving Pty Ltd		\$1,372,423.09	2	\$137,242.31	\$1,509,665.40
Date Closed	Wednesday, 7 April 2021		Simrae Diesel & Welding Pty Ltd		\$1,577,937.75	3	\$157,793.78	\$1,735,731.53
No of Days Opened	28							\$0.00
Any Tender Extensions (Y/N)	N							
Any Addendums to Tender (Y/N)	N							
No. of Addendums to Tender	Nil							
Tenders Opened By	CEO_PSC							
Date Opened	Wednesday, 7 April 2021							
Date Forwarded to PM	Monday, 12 April 2021							
Date Received by Proterra Group	Monday, 12 April 2021			Average Cost	\$1,430,623.41			
Person Received	PM							
Method Received	USB by Hand							
No of Tenderers	3							
Planned Duration (QRA)(Weeks)	18							
No. of Graders (QRA) Planning Figures	2							
Mandatory Information Required	APV Contracting Pty Ltd	Mascott Drilling & Earthmoving Pty Ltd	Simrae Diesel & Welding Pty Ltd					
Completed Part 3 Returned (Y/N/Part)	Y	Y	Y					
Schedule of Works Returned (Y/N)	Y	Y	Y					
Tender Sum EX GST (Not to include Provisional Sum)	\$1,341,509.38	\$1,372,423.09	\$1,577,937.75					
Expected Start Date	01-June-2021	15-May-2021	01-July-2021					
Duration of Works (Weeks)	8	7	10					
Expected Completion Date	27-July-2021	03-July-2021	09-September-2021					
Planned No of Weeks (QRA/PM Calculation)	18	18	18					
Difference in Contractor and Planned Duration	10	11	8					
Insurances Up to Date (Y/N)	Y	Y	Y					
Mean Tender Sum GST Exec	\$1,430,623.41	\$1,430,623.41	\$1,430,623.41					
Tenderer Meets Mandatory Requirements to progress to assessment (Y/N)	Y	Y	Y					
PSC Assessment Criteria								
Tender Sum EX GST	\$1,341,509.38	\$1,372,423.09	\$1,577,937.75					
Average Tender Price	\$1,430,623.41	\$1,430,623.41	\$1,430,623.41					
(a) Price – 50%	50.00%	33.33%	16.67%					
Ranking (1-10) Lowest Cost - highest No.	3	2	1					
Comments								
(b) Availability – 15%	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%					
Ranking (0-3)	3	3	3					
Comments	No issues - this contractor is committed to Package C and is scheduled for completion on or about that time	No issues - this contractor is committed to Package B and is scheduled for completion on or about that time	No issues - this contractor is committed to Package D and is scheduled for completion on or about that time					
(c) Past performance – 15%	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%					
Ranking (0-3)	2	2	2					
Comments								
(d) Safety record -10%.	6.66%	6.66%	6.66%					
Ranking (0-3)	2	2	2					
Comments								
(e) Local Content – 10%	6.66%	6.66%	6.66%					
Ranking (0-3)	2	2	2					
Comments								
Total Score (Ranking)	12	11	10					
Total Score (%)	83.32%	66.65%	49.99%					
Overall Ranking of Contractor (Highest is the Preferred Contractor by Weighting)	1	2	3					

Ranking Criteria to deliver works	
Not Compliant	0
Requires assistance/supervision	1
Meets Criteria	2
Exceeds Criteria	3
Do not Fill	
Preferred Tenderer	

Must be Yes to Progress
Must be Yes to Progress

Must Have
Must Have

Based on QRA Planning Figures
For Noting - Should be less
Must be Yes to Progress

General Comments

9.2.2b Tender Package J 2020 REPA Works

Council Meeting: 20th April 2020

Department: Office of the Chief Executive Officer

Author: Geoff Rintoul, Project Manager – Proterra

Purpose

1. To Award a Contract for Package J as part of PSC 2020 Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets (REPA) - South West Queensland Flooding, 20-26 February 2020 Event.

Recommendation

That Council:

- Award the Contract for Package J of the Paroo Shire Council 2020 REPA to Simrae Diesel & Welding Pty Ltd to the Value of \$426,652.96 GST Inclusive subject to Conditions of Contract; and
- Delegate full financial and other authority to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and Execute the Contract.

Discussion

Background: - Paroo Shire Council (PSC) Local Government Area (LGA) made application to the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA) for the Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets (REPA) - South West Queensland Flooding, 20-26 February 2020 event. As part of this delivery of these works Tenders were called to deliver Works for various roads across the Shire. Package J is located in the NW Quadrant.

Tenders were invited from PSC's Panel of Prequalified Suppliers to delivered these works via Vendor Panel with advertising commencing on Wednesday the 10th March 2021 and closing at 2.00 PM Wednesday 7th April 2021 AEST. At the time of closing there were three (3) responses received. These responses were then forwarded to Proterra Group Pty Ltd (Project Managers) for Assessment.

Tender Briefing: - A tender briefing was held of Thursday the 4th February and all members of the Panel of Prequalified Suppliers were invited. It should be noted that only one (1) member of that panel did not attend (business out of town) and that that person has not tendered.

Assessment: - The assessment of Tenders was carried out following the receipt of three (3) packaged forwarded to the Project Managers by the PSC Chief Executive Officer. The Assessment was carried out by Mr. Geoff Rintoul and Ms Nicole Wuehrl. No other personal were involved in the assessment. General details of the Assessment are as follows:

- a. Three (3) packages were received with the company details and tender sum GST Exc as follows;

No.	Tenderer Company Name	Tender Sum (Ex GST)
	APV Contracting Pty Ltd	\$335,386.09
	Mascott Drilling & Earthmoving Pty Ltd	\$477,401.78
	Simrae Diesel & Welding Pty Ltd	\$387,866.33

- b. Assessment was carried out using a predetermined assessment and weighted criteria which was advised in the tender documents and assessed and scored in Attachment 1 to this report. The Contractor with the highest score at the completion of the assessment will generally be considered as the preferred contractor. However further assessment will also be given in order to ensure that the awarding of Contracts is fair and equitable across the panel and not restricted to the cheapest tenderer on all occasions. This is carried out outside the Assessment Criteria process and detailed in Section 7. These are as follows:
Preference will be given to local suppliers wherever possible;

- (a) Price – 50%
- (b) Availability – 15%
- (c) Past performance – 15%
- (d) Safety record -10%.
- (e) Local Content – 10%

c. The Scoring Criteria used to score against the waiting is as follows:

Not Compliant	0
Requires assistance/supervision	1
Meets Criteria	2
Exceeds Criteria	3

d. General comments of points of Interest that Council should note regarding the tenders.

No.	Tenderer Company Name	General Comments and capability to deliver the works within	Has this contractor previously been awarded a Package as part of the 2020 REPA works (Yes – include details of package and Value or No.)
	APV Contracting Pty Ltd	No matters of concern	Yes -Package C and Recommended for Package F
	Mascott Drilling & Earthmoving Pty Ltd	No matters of concern	Yes -Package B
	Simrae Diesel & Welding Pty Ltd	No matters of concern	Yes -Package D

e. General Ranking of Tenders following the completion of the Assessment process.

No.	Tenderer Company Name	Ranking
	APV Contracting Pty Ltd	1
	Mascott Drilling & Earthmoving Pty Ltd	3
	Simrae Diesel & Welding Pty Ltd	2

Fair and Equitable Assessment: - It is considered prudent, that consideration be also given to the even distribution of works across the Panel. Where the highest scoring tenderer has been successful in other PSC 2020 Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets (REPA) - South West Queensland Flooding, 20-26 February 2020 Event packages Council may decide to award to another tenderer. This process will need to be transparent in its process. It is the Assessment Teams recommendation that should this be the case then the awarding should be based on the following criteria:

- a. Price of the tender; and
- b. Being previously awarded a package.

In this particular case the Recommendation of the Assessment is to award the Contract to Simrae Diesel & Welding Pty Ltd as the next lowest tenderer. This being based on the following:

- a. APV Contracting Pty Ltd have previously been awarded Package C and
- b. Has been recommended to be awarded Package F.

Attachments: - Attachment 1 – Assessment of Package J 20-26 February 2020 REPA.

PSC_REPA February 2020 Event_ Tender Assessment								
Tender No.	PSC_2020/21_28		Tenderers		Tender Sum Submitted (GST Exc and No PS)- Value from Schedule D of Part 3	Preferred Ranking (After Assessment) 1-10 (1 Preferred)	GST	GST Inclusive
Package No.	J		APV Contracting Pty Ltd		\$335,386.09	1	\$33,538.61	\$368,924.70
Date Advertised in Vendor Panel	Wednesday, 10 March 2021		Mascott Drilling & Earthmoving Pty Ltd		\$477,401.78	3	\$47,740.18	\$525,141.96
Date Closed	Wednesday, 7 April 2021		Simrae Diesel & Welding Pty Ltd		\$387,866.33	2	\$38,786.63	\$426,652.96
No of Days Opened	28							
Any Tender Extensions (Y/N)	N							
Any Addendums to Tender (Y/N)	N							
No. of Addendums to Tender	Nil							
Tenders Opened By	CEO_PSC							
Date Opened	Wednesday, 7 April 2021							
Date Forwarded to PM	Monday, 12 April 2021							
Date Received by Proterra Group	Monday, 12 April 2021			Average Cost	\$400,218.07			
Person Received	PM							
Method Received	USB by Hand							
No of Tenderers	3							
Planned Duration (QRA)(Weeks)	4							
No. of Graders (QRA) Planning Figures	1							
Mandatory Information Required	APV Contracting Pty Ltd	Mascott Drilling & Earthmoving Pty Ltd	Simrae Diesel & Welding Pty Ltd					
Completed Part 3 Returned (Y/N/Part)	Y	Y	Y					
Schedule of Works Returned (Y/N)	Y	Y	Y					
Tender Sum EX GST (Not to include Provisional Sum)	\$335,386.09	\$477,401.78	\$387,866.33					
Expected Start Date	01-June-2021	15-May-2021	01-July-2021					
Duration of Works (Weeks)	3	3	4					
Expected Completion Date	22-June-2021	05-June-2021	09-January-1900					
Planned No of Weeks (QRA/PM Calculation)	4	4	4					
Difference in Contractor and Planned Duration	1	1	0					
Insurances Up to Date (Y/N)	Y	Y	Y					
Mean Tender Sum GST Exec)	\$400,218.07	\$400,218.07	\$400,218.07					
Tenderer Meets Mandatory Requirements to progress to assessment (Y/N)	Yes	Yes	Yes					
PSC Assessment Criteria								
Tender Sum EX GST	\$335,386.09	\$477,401.78	\$387,866.33					
Average Tender Price	\$400,218.07	\$400,218.07	\$400,218.07					
(a) Price – 50%	50.00%	16.67%	33.33%					
Ranking (1-10) Lowest Cost - highest No.	3	1	2					
Comments								
(b) Availability – 15%	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%					
Ranking (0-3)	2	2	2					
Comments								
(c) Past performance – 15%	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%					
Ranking (0-3)	2	2	2					
Comments								
(d) Safety record -10%.	6.66%	6.66%	6.66%					
Ranking (0-3)	2	2	2					
Comments								
(e) Local Content – 10%	6.66%	6.66%	6.66%					
Ranking (0-3)	2	2	2					
Comments								
Total Score (Ranking)	11	9	10					
Total Score (%)	83.32%	49.99%	66.65%					
Overall Ranking of Contractor (Highest is the Preferred Contractor by Weighting)	1	3	2					
Assessment Completed by:	Geoff Rintoul	Nicole Wuehrl						

Ranking Criteria to deliver works	
Not Compliant	0
Requires assistance/supervision	1
Meets Criteria	2
Exceeds Criteria	3
Do not Fill	
Preferred Tenderer	

Must be Yes to Progress
Must be Yes to Progress
Must Have
Must Have
Based on QRA Planning Figures
For Noting - Should be less
Must be Yes to Progress

General Comments

9.2.2c Tender Package K 2020 REPA Works

Council Meeting: 20th April 2020

Department: Office of the Chief Executive Officer

Author: Geoff Rintoul, Project Manager – Proterra

Purpose

1. To Award a Contract for Package K as part of PSC 2020 Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets (REPA) - South West Queensland Flooding, 20-26 February 2020 Event.

Recommendation

That Council:

- Award the Contract for Package K of the Paroo Shire Council 2020 REPA to Mascott Drilling & Earthmoving Pty Ltd to the Value of \$676,533.52 GST Inclusive subject to Conditions of Contract; and
- Delegate full financial and other authority to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and Execute the Contract;

Discussion

Background: - Paroo Shire Council (PSC) Local Government Area (LGA) made application to the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA) for the Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets (REPA) - South West Queensland Flooding, 20-26 February 2020 event. As part of this delivery of these works Tenders were called to deliver Works for various roads across the Shire. Package K is located in the SE Quadrant.

Tenders were invited from PSC's Panel of Prequalified Suppliers to delivered these works via Vendor Panel with advertising commencing on Wednesday the 10th March 2021 and closing at 2.00 PM Wednesday 7rd April 2021 AEST. At the time of closing there were three (3) responses received. These responses were then forwarded to Proterra Group Pty Ltd (Project Managers) for Assessment.

Tender Briefing: - A tender briefing was held of Thursday the 4th February and all members of the Panel of Prequalified Suppliers were invited. It should be noted that only one (1) member of that panel did not attend (business out of town) and that that person has not tendered.

Assessment: - The assessment of Tenders was carried out following the receipt of three (3) packaged forwarded to the Project Managers by the PSC Chief Executive Officer. The Assessment was carried out by Mr. Geoff Rintoul and Ms Nicole Wuehrl. No other personal were involved in the assessment. General details of the Assessment are as follows:

- a. Three (3) packages were received with the company details and tender sum GST Exc as follows;

No.	Tenderer Company Name	Tender Sum (Ex GST)
	APV Contracting Pty Ltd	\$708,924.95
	Mascott Drilling & Earthmoving Pty Ltd	\$615,030.47
	Simrae Diesel & Welding Pty Ltd	\$823,040.40

- b. Assessment was carried out using a predetermined assessment and weighted criteria which was advised in the tender documents and assessed and scored in Attachment 1 to this report. The Contractor with the highest score at the completion of the assessment will generally be considered as the preferred contractor. However further assessment will also be given in order to ensure that the awarding of Contracts is fair and equitable across the panel and not restricted to the cheapest tenderer on all occasions. This is carried out outside the Assessment Criteria process and detailed in Section 7. These are as follows:

Preference will be given to local suppliers wherever possible;

(a) Price – 50%

- (b) Availability – 15%
- (c) Past performance – 15%
- (d) Safety record -10%.
- (e) Local Content – 10%

c. The Scoring Criteria used to score against the waiting is as follows:

Not Compliant	0
Requires assistance/supervision	1
Meets Criteria	2
Exceeds Criteria	3

d. General comments of points of Interest that Council should note regarding the tenders.

No.	Tenderer Company Name	General Comments and capability to deliver the works within	Has this contractor previously been awarded a Package as part of the 2020 REPA works (Yes – include details of package and Value or No.)
	APV Contracting Pty Ltd	No specific matters of concern	Yes - Package C and Recommended for Package F
	Mascott Drilling & Earthmoving Pty Ltd	No specific matters of concern	Yes - Package B
	Simrae Diesel & Welding Pty Ltd	No specific matters of concern	Yes - Package D and Recommended for Package J

e. General Ranking of Tenders following the completion of the Assessment process.

No.	Tenderer Company Name	Ranking
	APV Contracting Pty Ltd	2
	Mascott Drilling & Earthmoving Pty Ltd	1
	Simrae Diesel & Welding Pty Ltd	3

Fair and Equitable Assessment: - It is considered prudent, that consideration be also given to the even distribution of works across the Panel. Where the highest scoring tenderer has been successful in other PSC 2020 Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets (REPA) - South West Queensland Flooding, 20-26 February 2020 Event packages Council may decide to award to another tenderer. This process will need to be transparent in its process. It is the Assessment Teams recommendation that should this be the case then the awarding should be based on the following criteria:

- a. Price of the tender; and
- b. Being previously awarded a package.

In this particular case the Recommendation of the Assessment is to award the Contract to Mascott Drilling & Earthmoving Pty Ltd. This being based on;

- a. Are the lowest tenderer and
- b. All other tenderers have been previously awarded or recommended to award

Attachments: - Attachment 1 – Assessment of Package K 20-26 February 2020 REPA.

PSC_REPA February 2020 Event - Tender Assessment

Tender No.	PSC_2020/21_29				Tender Sum Submitted (GST Exc and No PS)- Value from Schedule D of Part 3	Preferred Ranking (After Assessment) 1-10 (1 Preferred)	GST	GST Inclusive	
Package No.	K		APV Contracting Pty Ltd		\$708,924.95	2	\$70,892.50	\$779,817.45	
Date Advertised in Vendor Panel	Monday, 22 March 2021		Mascott Drilling & Earthmoving Pty Ltd		\$615,030.47	1	\$61,503.05	\$676,533.52	
Date Closed	Wednesday, 7 April 2021		Simrae Diesel & Welding Pty Ltd		\$823,040.40	3	\$82,304.04	\$905,344.44	
No of Days Opened	16								
Any Tender Extensions (Y/N)	N								
Any Addendums to Tender (Y/N)	N								
No. of Addendums to Tender	Nil								
Tenders Opened By	CEO_PSC								
Date Opened	Wednesday, 7 April 2021								
Date Forwarded to PM	Monday, 12 April 2021								
Date Received by Proterra Group	Monday, 12 April 2021			Average Cost	\$715,665.27				
Person Received	PM								
Method Received	USB by Hand								
No of Tenderers	3								
Planned Duration (QRA)(Weeks)	6								
No. of Graders (QRA) Planning Figures	2								
Mandatory Information Required	APV Contracting Pty Ltd	Mascott Drilling & Earthmoving Pty Ltd	Simrae Diesel & Welding Pty Ltd						
Completed Part 3 Returned (Y/N/Part)	Y	Y	Y						
Schedule of Works Returned (Y/N)	Y	Y	Y						
Tender Sum EX GST (Not to include Provisional Sum)	\$708,924.95	\$615,030.47	\$823,040.40						
Expected Start Date	01-June-2021	15-May-2021	01-July-2021						
Duration of Works (Weeks)	5	3	8						
Expected Completion Date	06-July-2021	05-June-2021	26-August-2021						
Planned No of Weeks (QRA/PM Calculation)	6	6	6						
Difference in Contractor and Planned Duration	1	3	-2						
Insurances Up to Date (Y/N)	Y	Y	Y						
Mean Tender Sum GST Exec)	\$715,665.27	\$715,665.27	\$715,665.27						
Tenderer Meets Mandatory Requirements to progress to assessment (Y/N)	Yes	Yes	Yes						
PSC Assessment Criteria									
Tender Sum EX GST	\$708,924.95	\$615,030.47	\$823,040.40						
Average Tender Price	\$715,665.27	\$715,665.27	\$715,665.27						
(a) Price – 50%	33.33%	50.00%	16.67%						
Ranking (1-10) Lowest Cost - highest No.	2	3	1						
Comments			Scope of Works Value is \$765,370.35 Ex GST. This discrepancy does not alter the decision making for this tender in the over all ranking in the assessment						
(b) Availability – 15%	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%						
Ranking (0-3)	2	2	2						
Comments									
(c) Past performance – 15%	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%						
Ranking (0-3)	2	2	2						
Comments									
(d) Safety record -10%.	6.66%	6.66%	6.66%						
Ranking (0-3)	2	2	2						
Comments									
(e) Local Content – 10%	6.66%	6.66%	6.66%						
Ranking (0-3)	2	2	2						
Comments									
Total Score (Ranking)	10	11	9						
Total Score (%)	66.65%	83.32%	49.99%						
Overall Ranking of Contractor (Highest is the Preferred Contractor by Weighting)	2	1	3						

Ranking Criteria to deliver works	
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Requires assistance/supervision	1
Meets Criteria	2
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Based on QRA Planning Figures
For Noting - Should be less
Must be Yes to Progress

General Comments

9.3.1 Community Services Report

Council Meeting: 20th April 2021

Department: Community Support & Engagement

Author: Tony Koch, Director

Purpose

The purpose of this document is to provide Council with an update on the activities undertaken by the Community Services Team for the month of February 2021.

Recommendation

That Council receive and note the Community Services Report.

Discussion

1. Corporate Plan

Activities undertaken by the Community Services Team align with Corporate Plan Priority Areas WC1 and WC5.

Program 2 – BOC- Livability of the Community

- *Community Services Administration*
- *Celebrations & Functions*
- *Community Development*
- *Youth Program*
- *Sport & Recreation Program*
- *RADF*
- *Funded Programs*
- *Regional Partnerships*
- *Drought Community Program*

Program 2 – BOC – Community Assets & Services

- *Swimming Pool*

2. Livable Community

2.1. Community Support – Service Program Outcomes

Service Users this Month	Number of service users
Service users who received a service this month	12
Improved ability to access appropriate services	7
Service users who received improved social connectedness	115
Occasions where information, advice and referral services were provided	8

Services Provided this Month	% of time allocated
Access/Enquiries (<i>information, advice, referrals and assessments</i>)	10
Support (<i>community/community centre based development, coordination and support</i>)	20
Program Reporting (<i>daily, monthly and OASIS quarterly</i>)	15
Meetings Channels (<i>interagency, community reference group etc</i>)	10
Development (<i>study, leadership programs, information stalls etc</i>)	0
Community Education (<i>workshops, programs, information stalls etc</i>)	5
Council Community Programs/Events (<i>NAIDOC, Qld Week, Cunnamulla Fella Festival etc</i>)	40

Programs	Actions / Reports	Status
Interagency Meetings	Preparing Agenda & Minutes	Collation & handover
RADF	First round considerations and meeting minutes	Collate applications

2.2. Youth Support – Service Program Outcomes

Clients for the Month	Jan 2021	Feb 2021	Mar 2021
Total number of registered Users	6	5	5
New registered clients	3	0	0
Clients who received one on one service	5	5	0
Active Case management plans	4	5	5
Closed Case management plans	3	0	0
Improved client outcomes	4	5	0
Case management Clients reassessed	4	5	0
Service users closed	2	0	0

Programs	Service Hours Achieved	Program Monthly Total
Access/Enquiries (<i>information, advice, referrals and assessments</i>)	5	0
Support / Client Management (<i>case management /plans/ outcomes/ assessments, referrals and YSCIS reporting, includes reporting, emails and phone calls</i>)	15	0
Program Reporting (<i>daily, monthly and OASIS quarterly</i>)	5	0
Channels (<i>Drop in centre, life line</i>)	4	
Development (<i>Study, Leadership programs, training etc.</i>)	0	
Workshops (<i>Youth Education, mentoring etc</i>)	0	
Council Community Programs/Events (<i>NAIDOC, Qld Week. Cunnamulla Fella Festival etc</i>)	7	

2.3. Sport & Recreation

Statistical Information – Attendance of Events	March Attendees	Number of Events	Average Attendances
Morning Programs	213	14	13-15
School Based Programs	110	4	27-28
After School Program (Cunnamulla P-12, Sacred Heart, Wyandra SS, Eulo SS)	174	14	12-14
Night Programs	0		
Total For the Month	497	32	

Community Programs supported
Soccer, Women's Rugby,
Regional Partnership Project – Lunch with Maia Tua-Davidson

2.4. Swimming Pool

Programs	Feb 2021	March 2021
Number of Days Open	24	26
Average daily swimming pool temperature (degrees)	23	21

Attendance	March			20/21 Year to Date		18/19	19/20
Categories	Number	Daily Average	Revenue	Number	Daily Average	Daily Average	Daily Average
Children	259	9.96	\$259	3844	24.03	21.7	28.2
Adults	58	2.23	\$116	814	5.09	4.69	6.89
Lap Swimmers	92	3.54	\$184	566	3.54	N/A	N/A
Totals	637	26.5	\$559	5224			

Chemical Usage	March 2021		20/21 Year to Date			
Category	Number	Daily Average	Number	Daily Average		
Chlorine (kg)	290kg	11.15	2160	13.50		
Acid (L)	135L	5.19	1330	8.31		

2.5. Upcoming Events & Activities

Date	Event / Activity	Location
25 April	• ANZAC Day	Memorial Fountain, Cunnamulla

9.3.2 Library Services Report

Council Meeting: 20th April 2021

Department: Community Support & Engagement

Author: Tammy Hickey, Library Services Officer

Purpose

The purpose of this document is to provide Council with an update on the activities relating to Library Services within the shire for the month of March 2021.

Recommendation

That Council receive and note the Library Services Report.

Discussion

1. Corporate Plan

Activities undertaken by the Library Services Team align with Corporate Plan Priority Area:

WC5 - *Ensuring the Wellbeing of the Community*

Program 2 – BOC - *Community Assets & Services*

2. Activities

2.1. Cunnamulla Library

2.1.1. Under 5s' Easter Fair set for a big crowd:

If the add "Elsa" did for the Face Book page advertising our Under 5's Easter Fair is anything to go by, we should have an awesome crowd on Thursday 8th April. We have had 40 new members since January which is awesome. A meeting was held on Friday 19th March between the stakeholders for the Under 5's Easter Fair (CACH, KEYS and library staff). We are well organised and very much looking forward to hosting a memorable event.

In the event of more rain we have Plan B sorted...the fair will be held at Sacred Heart in their big undercover area.

We have also organised for the Day Care children to receive a visit from the princesses while they are here after they attend the Fair, but before they come to the library to read the story book of their character.

2.1.2. We are at the faces of State Library at the moment:

Cunnamulla Library is representing well. We are currently the focus of the advertisement State Library of Qld. They are using the upcoming Deadly Digital Communities grants and feature on the P L Connect page (the "go to" page for all Rural Libraries). So we must be doing something right.

2.1.3. Three Library Grants Submitted:

Three State Library of Qld grants have now been submitted. We are now awaiting the outcome and hope that we will once again be successful with our various submissions. Two First5Forever submissions and one Strategic Priorities grant submission.

We have applied for our own PA system, First5Forever marquee, camera and tripod in the First5Forever grants, and extra enclosed wall to wall storage to complement the new circulation desk for the Strategic Priorities grant.

2.2. Wyandra Library

The library was opened for three days in March. We have had quite a few tourists visiting the library asking about road conditions due to all the rainy weather that has been about. Tourists are also asking what there is to visit in the shire and what accommodation is available. I have taken on the role of after school activities for the shire youth program until the position is filled. We have had full attendance each week.

2.3. Yowah Library

State Library of Queensland has assisted us to getting our Parcel Send back up and running. We are slowly getting back up to date with all of our Daily Report mailings, after the few hiccups we had with our new computers.

March 2021	Cunnamulla	Yowah	Wyandra
Open Days	20	4	3
Items Loaned	475	44	9
Average loans per day	23	11	3
Visitor Statistics	1096	22	16
Average Visitors Per Day	54	6	5
Adult Membership	419	153	46
Junior Membership	159	3	25
New Members	23	2	0
Requests made	57	16	2
Internet Hour Usage (hr.)	5 hrs.	3 hrs.	0 hrs.

2.4. Highlights for April 2021

3. Under 5s' Easter Fair
4. Find out if successful with the 3 SLQ grants that we have applied for



Deadly Digital Communities Grant 2021 – applications now open



Image: Participants in Deadly Digital Communities training at Cunnamulla Library. Courtesy of Paroo Shire Council.

State Library is pleased to announce a new round of the **Deadly Digital Communities Grant** funding has now opened.

The faces of State Library of Queensland

9.3.3 Local Laws Report

Council Meeting: 20th April 2021

Department: Community Support & Engagement

Author: Colin Ickeringill, Rural Lands & Compliance Officer and Jason Thomas, Local Laws Officer

Purpose

The purpose of this document is to provide Council with an update on the activities undertaken by the Local Laws Officer for the month of February 2021.

Recommendation

That Council receives and notes the Local Laws Report.

Discussion

1. Corporate Plan

Activities undertaken by the Local Laws Officer align with Corporate Plan Priority Area:

- Ensuring the Wellbeing of the Community - WC5

Program 2 – BOC - *Regulating of the Community*

- *Public Order & Safety*
- *Environmental Health*

2. Activities

	No. of requests received	Attacks / Dangerous	Wandering	Vaccinations	Euthanised	Surrendered	Rehomed	Barking / Noise	Impounded	Notices Issued	Comments
Cats	4				10	5					
Dogs	11	2	19	5	2	10	13	3	13	3	Wandering dog sightings have declined dramatically towards the end of March.
Horses	1		2								
Emus											
Sheep	3										
Goats											
Kangaroos											
Meat Ants	2										
Birds	21										Morning Patrols up and around State School/ dead birds picked up and disposed of.
Snakes	1										28/3/21 call out to Cunnamulla airport/ snake caught and released far from town.

Untidy Allotments	10									10	
Excess Water Use											
No. of animals impounded	13										
No. of rehomed animals	11										
No. of animals euthanised	13										10 cats, 2 dogs and a cow
No. of notices issued											

- 01/3/21 at the request of an impounded dog owner, council officer viewed cctv footage on a camera in Francis St, the resident was adamant that someone had let the dogs out of their yard. The footage was viewed and no one was seen to let the dogs out. Release fees and registration were paid.
- 4 Impounded dog notices were issued and were put on Council's Facebook page as well as the depot notice board so people could try and identify the animals. The owners for 2 of the animals came forward and paid the release fees and registrations, the other 2 were sent rehomed by Lucky Paws.
- 13 dogs impounded for the month of March. 6 were found to be registered and were returned to their owners under the first free release system. 4 impounded dogs that were not registered were released into their owners' custody after the appropriate release fees and dog registration fees were paid. There were 6 dogs rehomed with Lucky Paws for March the other 5 were carried over from February.
- Started a new impound/surrender and euthanasia register for Council, there had not been one since 2019.
- Updated the parvo vaccination register.
- A local resident, the subject of numerous barking dog complaints informed council officers on the 29/03/2021 that the 3 main offending dogs have been re homed out of town. I informed them to present to the admin office and get the dogs taken off their register to make it easier when registrations were due in the new financial year. 29/03/2021 a local resident saw me at the council depot to report dogs barking and howling in the showgrounds at night time, this was investigated on the morning of the 30/03/2021 and no evidence was found of any dogs being present in the showgrounds. 31/03/2021 the local resident that had told me previously that they had re homed their 3 barking dogs, rang me to meet them at their house. I went to their house at 8.35am and they proceeded to tell me that the dogs had in fact not been re homed but re-housed at some horse stables on the outskirts of town and that these dogs were responsible for the reports of dogs in the showgrounds.
- 12/03/2021 report of sheep wandering in Alice St, the sheep were mustered back into the yard they had come from and the owner told to keep the gate closed to stop them from wandering. 18/03/2021 received a report of sheep wandering in Wicks St, council officers rang the owner immediately and were told by the owner that the sheep had been moved to another overgrown allotment earlier that morning; the sheep were moved to another allotment with a more secure fence.
- Parvo shot paid for and administered to a pup on Weir Rd.
- 02/03/2021 Ethan Crumblin was sent an e mail in regards to cleaning up the old works depot and power house as it had become quite untidy. Due to wet weather, and the availability of extra men, Ethan was able to get the clean up completed on the 25/3/21.
- 23/3/21 residents reported 2 wandering dogs in Francis St, council officer responded immediately and they were caught and impounded at 7.01am. 8.39am Council received a phone call from a resident in Garden St to say her cat had been attacked and killed at @ 4.30am that morning, they gave a description of the dogs involved. Their description matched the 2 dogs impounded earlier that morning and they visually identified them later that morning. The owner of the dogs was identified and was told of the incident and that the dogs would stay impounded whilst the matter was dealt with. A proposed Dangerous Dog Declaration was imposed with a 14 day reply period. Council imposed an Undertakings Agreement with the owner of the dogs and they were released on the afternoon of the 26/03/2021.
- 11 to Lucky Paws 12/03/2021, 2 cattle-dog-cross pups re homed to Cunnamulla residents.
- 16/03/2021 a large meat ant nests sprayed out the front of property in Wicks St due to a customer

request. Another large nest was reported in council owned land in Jane St; it was sprayed that morning. Follow up inspections found significantly reduced ant activity at both sites.

- Cat traps deployed at the cnr Louise & Stockyard Sts, King St and Bedford St. All were successful in trapping the unwanted animals.
- Allotment notices that have been sent to local residents and absentee landlords has met with very little response and when contact has been made via telephone the owners have come up with every excuse under the sun as to why they haven't cleaned up their allotment. The next step is to issue a compliance notice and then follow up with an entry notice. Once they receive an entry notice that should get a bit of movement hopefully.
- 12/03/2021 1 adult female cat and 4 kittens surrendered.
- 29/03/2021 Phone call from resident to collect dead dog, dog collected and disposed of.
- 8.28pm 29/03/2021 report from owners that their 2 horses had been let out of their paddock by unidentified persons, horses were found in Garden St at 6.45 am on the 30/03/2021. The owners were notified, they came and caught the horses and took them back to their paddock.

	Priority	Status	Update
Registration	High	Ongoing	Dog registrations are still coming in for animals seized via impound.
Pound upgrade	Low/Medium	Planning stages	New planning stages have recommenced. Quotes for works being requested and assessed.
Effective communication	High	Working strategy	Update with acting local laws officer on status of works, and what has been done in the absence of other worker.
Respond to emails/meetings/training	High	Ongoing	Respond to e-mails.
Toolbox meeting	High	Ongoing	Attended indoor and outdoor staff meetings.
Allotments	High	Ongoing	Due to the recent rainfall the overgrown and untidy allotments will become a high priority.
Illegal dumping	High	No cameras installed	Cameras were going to be deployed at dumping hotspots again, but due to rain, it has made it difficult to access the sites.
Prescribed activities	Low/Medium	Application	Nil to advise.

9.3.4 Rural Lands & Compliance Report

Council Meeting: 20th April 2021

Department: Community Support & Engagement

Author: Colin Ickeringill, Rural Lands & Compliance Officer

Purpose

The purpose of this document is to provide Council with an update on the activities undertaken by the Rural Lands & Compliance Unit for the month of March 2021.

Recommendation

That Council receive and note the Rural Lands & Compliance Report.

Discussion

1. Corporate Plan

Activities undertaken by the Rural Lands & Compliance Officer align with Corporate Plan Priority Areas:

- Ensuring the Wellbeing of the Community - WC3 and WC5.
- Generating & Managing Growth - GMG4

Program 2 – BOC - *Regulating of the Community*

- *Public Order & Safety*
- *Environmental Health*
- *Stock Routes & Rural Lands*
- *Pest & Weed Control*

2. Activities

2.1. Wild Dog & Pest Control

- Received an enquiry from a landholder in regards to wild dog and pig baiting in the Murra Murra area, they asked if council had any bait meat and were told council had approx. 120kg frozen baits, they asked to purchase the available bait meat and would try to acquire extra meat themselves. It was agreed upon to conduct the baiting on 24/03/2021 but postponed due to rain, another date was scheduled for 31/03/2021 but due to unforeseen circumstances has been postponed until 08/04/2021.

2.2. Customer Requests

- Due to the recent rain in the shire, there have been numerous telephone calls from landholders and property managers in regards to sighting/identifying pest weeds, mostly around old feed stockpiles and feeding stations out in their paddocks. They have mostly been asking if council can help them combat the problem, they've been informed that it is up to them under their General Biosecurity Obligation (Biosecurity Act 2014) to manage the threat appropriately.
- A Wyandra landholder made enquiry about a portion of stock reserve for agistment purposes. Due to the fact they had already received 2 short term grazing permits for that area they were advised they were ineligible to apply for that particular portion for 3 months after the 2nd grazing permit finished. I did send them additional information regarding a Permit to Occupy if they want to apply for one.

2.3. Stock Route Fences & Waters

- I have received a couple of complaints from landowners adjoining the stock route east of Cunnamulla along the Balonne Highway in regards to wandering/straying cattle. The origins of the cattle have not been confirmed. Once the owner of the offending cattle is known they will receive a phone call advising them to remove the wandering stock, if they fail to comply a wandering stock notice will be issued.
- Leaking tanks at the Franc Villers water facility on the Jobs Gate Rd, I am unable to tell whether it is the fitting leaking or the tank is compromised. Further investigation is

required.

2.4. Town Commons

- Consultation undertaken with a Biosecurity Qld officer in regards to Parkinsonia trees on the Cunnamulla town common that had been treated months previously and didn't seem to be showing any signs of dying. He suggested that re-treatment would have to be carried out. I have been waiting for a break in the weather so the poison has a better chance of working.
- A local apiarist who has previously had permission to place hives on the Eulo common, has approached council to again place hives on the common. Permission has been granted through a Trustee Permit issued by council.
- Tiger Pear cactus has been discovered on the Wyandra Common. When time permits it will be dealt with and a thorough inspection of the adjoining area will be carried out.

2.5. Processes & Policy

- Nil.

2.6. Miscellaneous

- Some of the 36 bait meat racks that have been received by council have started to be picked up by the various area representatives. They will continue to get distributed over the coming month.
- On the 15/03/2021 received a call from the Cunnamulla Police that cattle had fallen from a moving road train on the Mitchell Hwy about 10 kilometres south of Cunnamulla and that some cattle may have to be destroyed. Swift response to the call, a total of 3 head had fallen from the road train. One beast had to be destroyed the other 2 were walked back to town by the truck driver. The dead beast was removed from the roadside by council with the aide of a front end loader and was disposed of at the animal waste facility. The NILS tag that was attached to the cow was returned to the truck driver so that particular animal could be taken off the NILS database.
- A report of an injured cow approximately 80 kilometres east of Cunnamulla. LLO and RLCO drove out there to discover someone had already put the beast down and cut the back legs off and removed the ear tags. LLO & RLCO removed viable meat for an upcoming baiting campaign.

9.3.5 Tourism Report

Council Meeting: 20th April 2021

Department: Community Support & Engagement

Author: Philippa Hooker, Tourism Officer

Purpose

The purpose of this document is to provide Council with an update on the progress of the Tourism Program for February/March 2021.

Recommendation

That Council receives and notes the Tourism Report.

Discussion

1. Corporate Plan

Activities undertaken by the Tourism Team align with Corporate Plan Priority Area:

TD1-4 – Developing and Promoting Paroo as a Tourist Destination

Program 2 – BOC- Community Brand and Resilience

2. Activities

2.1. Tourism Brochures

The Tourism Team has been working on updating Paroo Shire's Destination Guide and the Town Books for Eulo, Yowah and Wyandra. The brochures are currently in final updates and will soon be available for distribution.

2.2. Adventure Way

The Adventure Way Promotions Group met via Microsoft Teams on the 9th of March.

Each member gave a brief overview of their tourism activities, discussing potential areas of cross promotion; this was particularly mentioned in regard to events. The group also discussed the design concept for the new adventure way brochure which is currently in production.

2.3. Top Towns Awards

The Cunnamulla Fella Visitor Centre submitted an application to the Queensland Tourism Industry Council's Top Towns Awards on behalf of Cunnamulla for the Category of Top Small Tourism Town. The submission will now be assessed by a panel of judges before opening to public voting from the 11th - 26th of April.

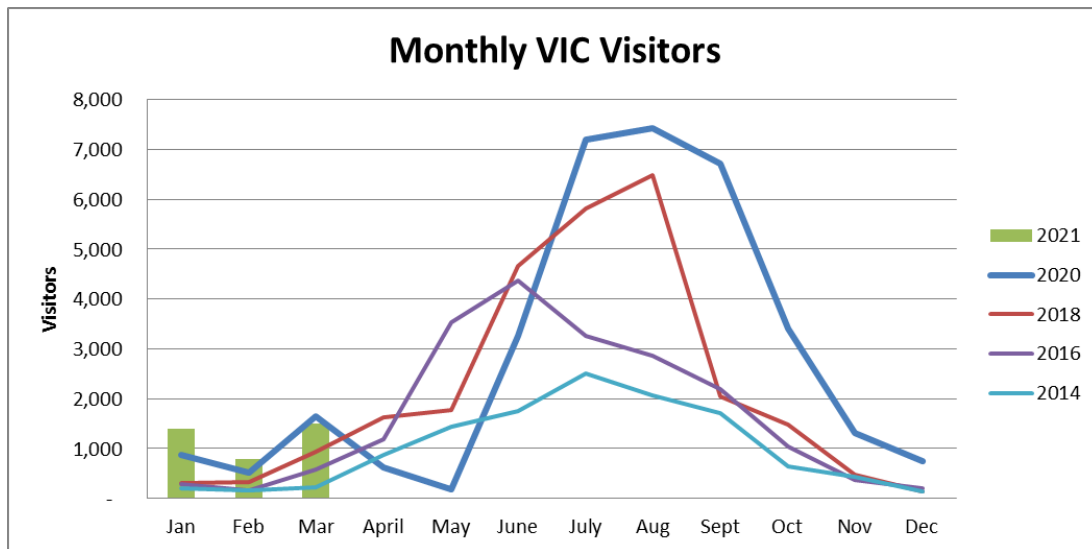
2.4. Visitor Information Centre

The Cunnamulla Fella Visitor Centre will be opening from 10am - 2pm on weekends from April 10. The Centre will also open 10am – 2pm on Easter Saturday for people travelling over the long weekend.

On the 5th of March the Centre held its first Art Gallery Opening for 2021, in conjunction with RESQ. The opening was invite only to comply with COVID19 regulations, however, was well attended with several paintings sold. Local artist Kirk Mitchell will be hosted in the gallery for 8 weeks.

2.5. Visitor Statistics

Visitor numbers through the Centre for March were 1511.



9.3.6 Community Donation Report

Council Meeting: 20th April 2021

Department: Community Support & Engagement

Author: Tony Koch, Director

Purpose

This report provides a summary of applications that have been submitted through the Community Donations Grants process.

Recommendation

That Council approves the following application(s) to be funded from the Community Grants budget.

Discussion

Applicant & Event	Project Description
Wyandra District Progress & Recreation Assoc. Inc. GYMKHANA 1 May 2021	Motorbike Gymkhana and Enduro event for the whole family. The committee expects 200 competitors and families. The event is to provide the community with an event to promote social interaction. Our community has endured prolonged drought and then 2020 delivered COVID-19. The committee would like to deliver to our community, and beyond, a gathering to help with their mental health, socialising and build overall spirit in the Bush. Funding sought to assist with the additional costs of delivering a COVID-safe and compliant event – such as extra cleaning and consumables. Some of the funding will also go to part of the costs of trophies and ribbons.

OPENING BUDGET AMOUNT 2020/21	36,995
APPROVED APPLICATIONS (incl March Mtg)	
Cunnamulla P-12 Bursary	-1,000
Full Boar Gymkhana Event	-1,000
Cunnamulla Swim Club Event	-1,000
Eulo Gymkhana Event	-1,000
Eulo Gymkhana Event	-4,700
Ladies Auxiliary Events	-1,000
Cunnamulla Show Event	-7,500
Country Education Bursary	-3,000
TOTAL	-20,200
CURRENT BALANCE	16,795
SUBMITTED APPLICATIONS (April Council Meeting)	
Wyandra Gymkhana Event	-2,000
TOTAL	-2,000
REMAINING BALANCE	14,795

9.3.7a RADF Advisory Committee Minutes

Council Meeting: 20th April 2021

Department: Community Services

Author: Teresa King, Temporary Liaison

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with the minutes from the RADF General Advisory Committee Meeting held 13th April 2021.

Recommendation

That Council receive and note the minutes from the April RADF General Advisory Committee Meeting held 13th April 2021.

Discussion

A copy of the RADF minutes will be tabled at the meeting

9.3.7b RADF Temporary Liaison Officer

Council Meeting: 20th April 2021

Department: Regional Arts Development Fund Advisory Committee

Author: Teresa King

Purpose

This report provides a recommendation by the RADF Advisory Committee from the meeting held on the 13th April 2021 for financial assistance for 2 projects. Council is requested to approve and adopt the following projects that were endorsed in accordance with current policies.

Discussion

Applications received for assistance.....2

Applications out of round0

Applications approved.....2

RADF Financials

Balance brought forward	-\$ 6,175.48 as at 30.06.20
<input type="checkbox"/> RADF start amount	\$ 45,187.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Council Contribution	<u>\$ 15,000.00</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Available funds	\$54,011.52
<input type="checkbox"/> Expenditure to date	\$41,195.00
Balance	\$12,816.52
<input type="checkbox"/> Round 2 IF APPROVED	\$11,642.00 (\$4,562 + \$7,080)
Balance	\$ 1,174.52

Applicant Name	Project Description	Amount (No GST)
Round 2 2021		
HOPE Program – Earring making Workshops x 2	RADF Requested \$4,562.00 This project involves running 2 x 3 hour workshops in Cunnamulla on 5 & 6 May 2021. Up to 15 participants per workshop will be guided through the creative process of handmade earrings.	\$4,562.00 Approved
Noorama Artists Group – Establishing the Noorama Artists Group Pottery Classes.	RADF Requested \$7,080.00 This project is to facilitate workshops and start-up costs to build & develop an arts hub at the Noorama Recreation reserve with a focus on pottery initially including pottery classes.	\$7,080 Approved with requirements of a Facilitators letter to be attached to the Application

Recommendation:

That Council

approve the recommendations of the RADF Advisory Committee meeting for ROUND 2 2021 RADF Funding held on Tuesday 13th April 2021 and allocates the following grants:

<i>Hope Program</i>	<i>\$4,562.00</i>
<i>Noorama Arts Group</i>	<i>\$7,080.00</i>

Paroo Shire RADF Committee

The Committee's Role is to make recommendations to Council on the proposed distribution of RADF grant funds and on Council's Arts Policy.



MEETING MINUTES Tuesday 13th April 2021

Minutes

Chairperson: Debbie Dunsdon

1. **Opening of Meeting:** 4.10pm
Committee members are reminded of their confidentiality requirements and that Council has to approve the committee's recommendation before any applicants are to be advised of the outcome.
2. **Present:** Suzette Beresford, Joanne Woodcroft, Judy Stewart, Rachael Johnson,
Teleconference Attendees: Deb Dunsdon, Hannah McKillop, Corissa Jackson, Kathleen Fagan
3. **Apologies:** Anna Murphy, Peter Summers, Doug and Fiona
4. **Minute Taker:** Teresa King
5. **Welcome of New Members**

Thankyou to Teresa for taking on the Liaison Role in the interim of no Community Support Officer

6. **Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting**

Friday 29 January 2021

That the minutes be adopted with the amendments of:

1. Item 6 - Outward Correspondence show Nil
2. Item 9 - General Business RADF Spreadsheets to reflect the removal of the last 2 sentences. This item should read: *"The budget for the 2020-21 started with a deficit of \$6175.48."*

Moved: Sue Beresford

Seconded: Joanne Woodcroft

7. Business Arising from the Minutes

Nil

8. Inward Correspondence

Amended CACH SFSC (HOPE) Application

This project involves running workshops in Cunnamulla on 5 & 6 May 2021. Up to 15 participants per workshop will be guided through the creative process of handmade earring making. Using polymer clay resin, participants will design and construct earrings under the guidance of an experienced teacher and resin artist, Emily Wood of Splinters Earrings.

Rachael declared a conflict of Interest with the Amended CACH SFSC Application. The committee agreed Rachael could stay in the room during discussion and abstain from voting.

The RADF Committee has recommended the approval for the amount requested of \$4,562.00. A report will be prepared and submitted to Council.

Noorama Picnic Race Club Application

This grant will be used towards the costs of facilitating workshops and start-up costs to build & develop an arts hub at Noorama Recreation Reserve with a focus on pottery initially including pottery classes.

Hannah declared a conflict of Interest with the Noorama Picnic Race Club Application. The committee agreed Hannah could stay during discussion and abstain from voting.

The RADF Committee has recommended the approval for the amount requested of \$7,080.00. A report will be prepared and submitted to Council.

9. Outward Correspondence

Nil

10. General Business

- Committee Assessment Checklist

Deb noted that there was a new assessment checklist sent out with 1-18 points however looking at assessment checklist with points 1-16 used today to keep using this form. It was suggested to amend the form to change the 1-16 to the flow of the RADF Application being 1-6.1, aligning the questions with the application.

Teresa will amend form and send out to the committee for review.

11. RADF Financials

- Finance Report Attached

The P&L statement tabled today was well received as this showed actuals. It was noted where as previous financials reports were estimates.

Balance brought forward	-\$ 6,175.48 as at 30.06.20
<input type="checkbox"/> RADF start amount	\$ 45,187.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Council Contribution	<u>\$ 15,000.00</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Available funds	\$54,011.52

□ Expenditure to date \$41,195.00

Balance \$12,816.52

□ Round 2 Recommendation Stage \$11,642.00

Balance \$ 1,174.52

The committee was in agreeance there are not enough funds to call another Round and to look at utilising the balance of funding for training of the RADF Committee with an invitation to the community to participate.

Teresa to investigate the interest and costing in facilitating an RADF training session with any of the following people:

Allison Shaw – Tambo

Karen Tulley – Charleville

Robyn Furmeister – St George

12. Chair & date for next meeting

❖ Chairperson: TBC

❖ Date: TBC

13. Closure of Meeting: 5.00pm

9.4.1 Financial Position Update Report

Council Meeting: 20th April 2021

Department: Finance

Author: Melanie Wicks, Governance Manager

Purpose

The purpose of this document is to provide Council with an update on our current financial position.

Recommendation

That Council receive and note the report as presented.

Discussion

Monthly Financial Report

Attachment List

- Monthly Financial Report for the month of March 2021



MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT
March 2021

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1 Capital

- 1.1 *Capital Revenue*
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- *Detailed Financial Performance March 2021*

SUMMARY

A budget review is required as Paroo Shire Council have received funds that have not been budgeted for and reallocated previously budgeted amounts from Capital funding to Tied Operational funding.
The full budget review for the 20/21 financial year will take place in May 2021.

1.1 Capital Performance

YTD March-21 Capital revenue received was \$4,893,897. This is a negative variance against budget of (\$6,292,637) and is due to timing differences in when the funding is received.

Capital Expenditure YTD across the below projects was \$9,611,610.

1.1 Capital Revenue March 2021

Summary of Tied Grants - Capital	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Act/Bud Variance	Total 20-21 Budget	Remaining Budget 20-21 FY
Council Buildings - CCEC - Civic Centre	-	4,370,868	(4,370,868)	4,789,947	4,789,947
Road Construction - TIDS	369,674	650,000	(280,326)	975,000	605,326
Roads to Recovery	857,835	666,667	191,168	1,000,000	142,165
Sewerage Treatment Plant	1,773,924	2,812,000	(1,038,076)	2,812,000	1,038,076
Drought Communities Programme	472,500	400,000	72,500	525,000	52,500
Spa & River Walk	-	250,000	(250,000)	1,250,000	1,250,000
YOOTEP - Stage Funding	17,500	70,000	(52,500)	70,000	52,500
W4QLD - COVID	550,000	1,026,000	(476,000)	1,100,000	550,000
Driver Reviver - VMS	-	20,000	(20,000)	20,000	20,000
Bolonne Rest Area - TTC	-	-	-	169,212	169,212
BRP - Deep Creek Bridge	156,000	390,000	(234,000)	390,000	234,000
W4QLD 3	472,000	531,000	(59,000)	590,000	118,000
Unbudgeted	224,464	-	224,464	-	(224,464)
TOTAL Revenue	4,893,897	11,186,534	(6,292,637)	13,691,159	8,797,261

1.2 Capital Expenditure March 2021

Capital Projects Summary	Council Funded	Total Budget	YTD Expenditures	Remaining Budget
Council Buildings - CCEC - Construction of New Council Office	1,261,164	6,051,111	5,671,866	379,245
Road Construction - TIDS	975,000.00	1,950,000	754,023	1,195,977
Roads to Recovery	-	1,000,000	252,344	747,656
Sewerage Treatment Plant	-	2,812,000	1,607,953	1,204,047
Drought Communities Programme	-	525,000	118,438	406,562
Spa & River Walk	-	1,250,000	84,139	1,165,861
YOOTEP - Stage Funding	-	70,000	-	70,000
COVID W4Q	-	1,100,000	504,745	595,255
Driver Reviver - VMS	-	20,000	-	20,000
Balonne Rest Area - TTC	169,213.00	338,425	-	338,425
BRP - Deep Creek Bridge	-	390,000	172,045	217,955
W4QLD 3	-	590,000	446,057	143,943
TOTAL	2,405,377	16,096,536	9,611,610	6,484,926

Drought Funding Projects

Paroo Drought Projects - Extension to 30-Jun-21	Total Budget	YTD Expenditures	Remaining Budget
Cunnamulla Airport	-	-	-
Cunnamulla Fella Centre	73,000	-	73,000
Cunnamulla Visitor Centre	42,000	41,980	20
Eulo Beautification	40,000	3,857	36,143
Noorama Race Course	100,000	50,000	50,000
Upgrade to Cunnamulla Shire Hall Courtyard	145,000	22,601	122,399
Wyandra Exclusion Fence	100,000	-	100,000
Yowah SES	25,000	-	25,000
TOTAL	525,000	118,438	406,562

COVID – Works for Queensland Projects

COVID Works for Queensland Projects - Completion By 31-Oct-21	Total Budget	YTD Expenditures	Remaining Budget
Cunnamulla Racecourse Building	200,000	124,203	75,797
Stage 2 Cunnamulla Water Meter Installation	450,000	318,214	131,786
Cunnamulla Swimming Pool Upgrades	250,000	31,014	218,986
Cunnamulla Cemetery Toilets	50,000	4,988	45,012
Council Pound/Dog Kennel Upgrade	50,000	1,325	48,675
Warrego River Lookout Upgrade	25,000	25,000	-
Council Town Hall - Upgrade Toilets and Kitchen/Servery Areas	50,000	-	50,000
SFSC Building Repair	25,000	-	25,000
	1,100,000	504,745	595,255

Appendix A

Detailed Financial Performance

Paroo Shire Council for the Month Ending 31-Mar-21					
Whole of Council	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Act/Bud Variance	Total 20-21 Budget	Remaining Budget 20-21 FY
Council Operations	9,639,973	9,746,969	(106,996)	11,879,090	2,239,117
Enterprises	216,309	240,721	(24,412)	312,259	95,950
Tied Grants - Operations	16,328,331	13,822,025	2,506,305	18,727,743	2,399,412
Tied Grants - Capital	4,893,897	11,186,534	(6,292,637)	13,691,159	8,797,261
Untied Grants	2,056,306	2,803,553	(747,247)	6,681,038	4,624,732
TOTAL Revenue	33,134,815	37,799,802	(4,664,987)	51,291,288	18,156,473
Council Operations	(9,440,361)	(10,624,044)	1,183,682	(14,028,084)	(4,587,723)
Enterprises	(582,248)	(834,807)	252,559	(1,083,062)	(500,814)
Tied Grants - Operations	(6,566,276)	(1,288,313)	(5,277,963)	(1,715,474)	4,850,802
Tied Grants - Capital	-	-	-	-	-
Untied Grants	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	(16,588,885)	(12,747,164)	(3,841,721)	(16,826,619)	(237,734)
Council Operations	199,611	(877,075)	1,076,686	(2,148,994)	(2,348,605)
Enterprises	(365,939)	(594,086)	228,147	(770,803)	(404,864)
Tied Grants - Operations	9,762,055	12,533,712	(2,771,657)	17,012,269	7,250,215
Tied Grants - Capital	4,893,897	11,186,534	(6,292,637)	13,691,159	8,797,261
Untied Grants	2,056,306	2,803,553	(747,247)	6,681,038	4,624,732
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) LESS Depn	16,545,930	25,052,638	(8,506,708)	34,464,669	17,918,739
Depreciation	(3,013,185)	(2,963,542)	(49,644)	(3,951,389)	(938,204)
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	13,532,745	22,089,096	(8,556,351)	30,513,280	16,980,535

Year to Date

Council reported a YTD surplus before depreciation of \$16,545,930 as at 31 March 2021. This is a negative variance against budget of (\$8,506,708) and is due to timing issues in receiving Tied Capital funding and not having an expenditure budget against the REPA Apr-19 and REPA Feb-20 events.

Revenue - Operations

Summary of Operations	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Act/Bud Variance \$	Total 20-21 Budget	Remaining Budget 20-21 FY
Executive	-	-	-	-	-
Councillors	-	-	-	-	-
Governance	35,497	-	35,497	-	(35,497)
Human Resources	-	-	-	-	-
Information Technology	-	-	-	-	-
Economic Development	-	7,500	(7,500)	10,000	10,000
Finance	2,371,275	2,519,005	(147,731)	2,613,581	242,306
Assets Administration	-	67,375	(67,375)	134,750	134,750
Staff Resources	1,515,344	1,436,343	79,001	2,093,717	578,373
Stores	77,183	113,403	(36,220)	147,486	70,303
Community Services	-	-	-	-	-
Cemeteries	74,870	90,000	(15,130)	120,000	45,130
Celebrations & Functions Operations	-	-	-	-	-
Community Housing HPW	50,251	54,471	(4,221)	72,693	22,442
Public Order & Safety	24,613	9,375	15,238	12,500	(12,113)
Stock Routes & Rural Lands	1,020	7,500	(6,480)	10,000	8,980
Pest & Weed Control	124,362	102,600	21,762	128,600	4,238
Waste Management	370,939	372,551	(1,612)	372,551	1,612
Environmental Health	97,919	96,381	1,538	97,641	(278)
Eng, Plan & Env - Administration	3	-	3	-	(3)
Workplace Health & Safety	-	-	-	-	-
TV Translators	-	-	-	-	-
Council Buildings	203,523	100,497	103,026	133,996	(69,527)
Halls & Recreation Facilities	10,075	15,000	(4,925)	20,000	9,925
Parks & Gardens	-	-	-	-	-
Depot	-	-	-	-	-
Plant Operations	1,965,448	1,852,811	112,637	2,475,272	509,824
Levee Banks	-	-	-	-	-
Town Street Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-
Storm Water	37,509	36,972	537	36,972	(537)
Road Maintenance	22,000	-	22,000	-	(22,000)
Road Construction	-	-	-	-	-
RMPC - State Roads	1,414,821	1,593,750	(178,929)	2,125,000	710,179
Water	743,419	753,104	(9,684)	753,104	9,684
Sewerage	492,918	518,329	(25,411)	521,227	28,309
COVID 19 Disaster Management	-	-	-	-	-
Flood Damage Feb-20 - Emergent Works	6,984	-	6,984	-	(6,984)
TOTAL Revenue	9,639,973	9,746,969	(106,996)	11,879,090	2,239,117

Expenditure – Operations

Summary of Operations	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Act/Bud Variance	Total 20-21 Budget	Remaining Budget 20-21 FY
Executive	(402,277)	(509,520)	107,243	(630,096)	(227,819)
Councillors	(181,982)	(203,176)	21,194	(267,828)	(85,845)
Governance	(491,202)	(401,606)	(89,596)	(510,984)	(19,782)
Human Resources	(144,864)	(209,426)	64,562	(273,675)	(128,811)
Information Technology	(178,216)	(247,500)	69,284	(330,000)	(151,784)
Economic Development	(136,195)	(132,622)	(3,573)	(158,571)	(22,376)
Finance	(425,236)	(834,016)	408,780	(1,126,855)	(701,619)
Assets Administration	(146,603)	(341,126)	194,522	(415,318)	(268,715)
Staff Resources	(1,548,507)	(1,643,099)	94,592	(2,146,272)	(597,765)
Stores	(104,578)	(118,403)	13,825	(157,486)	(52,908)
Community Services	(72,861)	(31,496)	(41,364)	(41,995)	30,866
Cemeteries	(93,906)	(82,660)	(11,246)	(109,380)	(15,474)
Celebrations & Functions Operations	(10,582)	(13,500)	2,918	(20,000)	(9,418)
Community Housing HPW	(53,626)	(36,800)	(16,825)	(55,495)	(1,870)
Public Order & Safety	(133,755)	(114,028)	(19,727)	(148,486)	(14,731)
Stock Routes & Rural Lands	(75,462)	(88,971)	13,509	(116,662)	(41,200)
Pest & Weed Control	(209,941)	(275,950)	66,009	(376,200)	(166,259)
Waste Management	(202,626)	(201,118)	(1,509)	(246,444)	(43,817)
Environmental Health	(7,017)	(19,669)	12,652	(31,839)	(24,823)
Eng, Plan & Env - Administration	(206,693)	(229,908)	23,214	(299,400)	(92,707)
Workplace Health & Safety	(117,699)	(136,083)	18,384	(166,168)	(48,469)
TV Translators	(7,856)	(19,840)	11,983	(24,598)	(16,742)
Council Buildings	(667,073)	(604,209)	(62,864)	(739,285)	(72,212)
Halls & Recreation Facilities	(3,625)	(11,250)	7,625	(15,000)	(11,375)
Parks & Gardens	(319,419)	(236,300)	(83,119)	(326,090)	(6,671)
Depot	(68,495)	(40,655)	(27,840)	(54,207)	14,289
Plant Operations	(1,045,651)	(1,077,672)	32,020	(1,579,416)	(533,764)
Levee Banks	(1,462)	(10,350)	8,888	(13,800)	(12,338)
Town Street Maintenance	(350,621)	(324,000)	(26,621)	(438,000)	(87,379)
Storm Water	-	(27,729)	27,729	(36,972)	(36,972)
Road Maintenance	(296,090)	(450,000)	153,910	(600,000)	(303,910)
Road Construction	-	-	-	-	-
RMPC - State Roads	(1,221,453)	(1,444,894)	223,440	(1,926,525)	(705,072)
Water	(186,472)	(307,022)	120,549	(393,194)	(206,722)
Sewerage	(219,396)	(199,449)	(19,947)	(251,842)	(32,446)
COVID 19 Disaster Management	(99,295)	-	(99,295)	-	99,295
Flood Damage Feb-20 - Emergent Works	(9,622)	-	(9,622)	-	9,622
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	(9,440,361)	(10,624,044)	1,183,682	(14,028,084)	(4,587,723)

Net Position – Operations

Summary of Operations	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Act/Bud Variance	Total 20-21 Budget	Remaining Budget 20-21 FY
Executive	(402,277)	(509,520)	107,243	(630,096)	(227,819)
Councillors	(181,982)	(203,176)	21,194	(267,828)	(85,845)
Governance	(455,705)	(401,606)	(54,099)	(510,984)	(55,279)
Human Resources	(144,864)	(209,426)	64,562	(273,675)	(128,811)
Information Technology	(178,216)	(247,500)	69,284	(330,000)	(151,784)
Economic Development	(136,195)	(125,122)	(11,073)	(148,571)	(12,376)
Finance	1,946,039	1,684,989	261,049	1,486,726	(459,313)
Assets Administration	(146,603)	(273,751)	127,147	(280,568)	(133,965)
Staff Resources	(33,163)	(206,756)	173,593	(52,555)	(19,392)
Stores	(27,395)	(5,000)	(22,395)	(10,000)	17,395
Community Services	(72,861)	(31,496)	(41,364)	(41,995)	30,866
Cemeteries	(19,036)	7,340	(26,376)	10,620	29,656
Celebrations & Functions Operations	(10,582)	(13,500)	2,918	(20,000)	(9,418)
Community Housing HPW	(3,375)	17,671	(21,046)	17,197	20,573
Public Order & Safety	(109,142)	(104,653)	(4,490)	(135,986)	(26,844)
Stock Routes & Rural Lands	(74,443)	(81,471)	7,028	(106,662)	(32,219)
Pest & Weed Control	(85,579)	(173,350)	87,771	(247,600)	(162,021)
Waste Management	168,313	171,434	(3,121)	126,108	(42,205)
Environmental Health	90,903	76,712	14,190	65,802	(25,101)
Eng, Plan & Env - Administration	(206,690)	(229,908)	23,217	(299,400)	(92,710)
Workplace Health & Safety	(117,699)	(136,083)	18,384	(166,168)	(48,469)
TV Translators	(7,856)	(19,840)	11,983	(24,598)	(16,742)
Council Buildings	(463,550)	(503,712)	40,162	(605,289)	(141,739)
Halls & Recreation Facilities	6,450	3,750	2,700	5,000	(1,450)
Parks & Gardens	(319,419)	(236,300)	(83,119)	(326,090)	(6,671)
Depot	(68,495)	(40,655)	(27,840)	(54,207)	14,289
Plant Operations	919,797	775,140	144,657	895,856	(23,941)
Levee Banks	(1,462)	(10,350)	8,888	(13,800)	(12,338)
Town Street Maintenance	(350,621)	(324,000)	(26,621)	(438,000)	(87,379)
Storm Water	37,509	9,243	28,266	-	(37,509)
Road Maintenance	(274,090)	(450,000)	175,910	(600,000)	(325,910)
Road Construction	-	-	-	-	-
RMPC - State Roads	193,368	148,856	44,511	198,475	5,107
Water	556,947	446,082	110,865	359,909	(197,038)
Sewerage	273,522	318,880	(45,358)	269,385	(4,138)
COVID 19 Disaster Management	(99,295)	-	(99,295)	-	99,295
Flood Damage Feb-20 - Emergent Works	(2,638)	-	(2,638)	-	2,638
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	199,611	(877,075)	1,076,686	(2,148,994)	(2,348,605)

Year to Date

Council Operations reported a YTD surplus of \$199,611, against a budgeted deficit of (\$877,075), this is a positive variance against budget of \$1,076,686.

Summary of Enterprises	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Act/Bud Variance \$	Total 20-21 Budget	Remaining Budget 20-21 FY
Tourism	76,326	53,451	22,875	86,105	9,779
Swimming Pool	32,783	19,947	12,836	20,238	(12,544)
Airport	75,011	147,981	(72,969)	181,703	106,692
Private Works	32,189	19,343	12,846	24,213	(7,976)
TOTAL Revenue	216,309	240,721	(24,412)	312,259	95,950
Tourism	(300,493)	(416,009)	115,516	(533,749)	(233,256)
Swimming Pool	(159,801)	(165,035)	5,234	(176,065)	(16,264)
Airport	(86,994)	(236,355)	149,361	(351,457)	(264,463)
Private Works	(34,960)	(17,408)	(17,552)	(21,791)	13,169
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	(582,248)	(834,807)	252,559	(1,083,062)	(500,814)
Tourism	(224,167)	(362,558)	138,391	(447,644)	(223,477)
Swimming Pool	(127,018)	(145,088)	18,069	(155,827)	(28,809)
Airport	(11,983)	(88,374)	76,391	(169,754)	(157,771)
Private Works	(2,771)	1,934	(4,705)	2,421	5,192
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	(365,939)	(594,086)	228,147	(770,803)	(404,864)

Year to Date

Council Enterprises recorded a positive variance against budget of \$228,147. Tourism and the swimming pool are ahead of the revenue budget and under in the expenditure budget. The airport is also performing under in the expenditure budget, whilst private works is ahead of budgeted revenue.

Summary of Tied Grants - Operations	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Act/Bud Variance	Total 20-21 Budget	Remaining Budget 20-21 FY
Governance - Regional Partnership Project	50,000	50,000	-	50,000	-
Library	15,722	30,047	(14,325)	30,169	14,448
Celebrations & Functions Funded	14,009	7,650	6,359	7,650	(6,359)
Community Development	62,316	91,303	(28,987)	121,738	59,422
Youth Program	62,909	90,776	(27,867)	121,034	58,125
ICSRO	39,751	49,706	(9,955)	66,274	26,523
RADF	45,187	40,000	5,187	40,000	(5,187)
Community Services Funded Programs	24,400	41,638	(17,238)	41,638	17,238
Drought Communities Programme - Tied Operations	427,500	350,000	77,500	475,000	47,500
Waste Management - Illegal Dumping of Tyres & RRTAP	100,856	36,480	64,376	36,480	(64,376)
W4QLD - COVID ???	20,000	40,000	(20,000)	40,000	20,000
Get Ready QLD - QRA	-	7,760	(7,760)	7,760	7,760
Roads to Recovery	324,928	306,667	18,261	460,000	135,072
BoR FSG Connectivity Project & TV Transmitter	300,000	-	300,000	-	(300,000)
Flood Damage - Apr-2019 Event	2,471,955	1,680,000	791,955	2,230,000	(241,955)
Flood Damage - REPA Feb-2020	12,368,798	11,000,000	1,368,798	15,000,000	2,631,202
TOTAL Revenue	16,328,331	13,822,025	2,506,305	18,727,743	2,399,412
Governance - Regional Partnership Project	(383)	(50,000)	49,617	(50,000)	(49,617)
Library	(187,491)	(180,981)	(6,510)	(232,900)	(45,409)
Celebrations & Functions Funded	-	-	-	(7,650)	(7,650)
Community Development	(60,454)	(91,804)	31,350	(121,738)	(61,284)
Youth Program	(73,240)	(91,400)	18,161	(121,034)	(47,794)
ICSRO	(37,465)	(48,206)	10,740	(66,274)	(28,809)
RADF	(41,195)	(43,500)	2,305	(55,000)	(13,805)
Community Services Funded Programs	(24,419)	(38,638)	14,219	(41,638)	(17,219)
Drought Communities Programme - Tied Operations	(312,340)	(325,000)	12,660	(475,000)	(162,660)
Waste Management - Illegal Dumping of Tyres & RRTAP	(243,062)	(36,480)	(206,582)	(36,480)	206,582
W4QLD - COVID ???	-	(40,000)	40,000	(40,000)	(40,000)
Get Ready QLD - QRA	-	(7,760)	7,760	(7,760)	(7,760)
Roads to Recovery	(298,463)	(334,545)	36,083	(460,000)	(161,537)
BoR FSG Connectivity Project & TV Transmitter	(215,461)	-	(215,461)	-	215,461
Flood Damage - Apr-2019 Event	(1,486,046)	-	(1,486,046)	-	1,486,046
Flood Damage - REPA Feb-2020	(3,586,257)	-	(3,586,257)	-	3,586,257
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	(6,566,276)	(1,288,313)	(5,277,963)	(1,715,474)	4,850,802
Governance - Regional Partnership Project	49,617	-	49,617	-	(49,617)
Library	(171,769)	(150,934)	(20,835)	(202,731)	(30,961)
Celebrations & Functions Funded	14,009	7,650	6,359	-	(14,009)
Community Development	1,862	(500)	2,362	(0)	(1,862)
Youth Program	(10,331)	(625)	(9,706)	0	10,331
ICSRO	2,285	1,500	785	-	(2,285)
RADF	3,992	(3,500)	7,492	(15,000)	(18,992)
Community Services Funded Programs	(19)	3,000	(3,019)	(0)	19
Drought Communities Programme - Tied Operations	115,160	25,000	90,160	-	(115,160)
Waste Management - Illegal Dumping of Tyres & RRTAP	(142,206)	-	(142,206)	-	142,206
W4QLD - COVID ???	20,000	-	20,000	-	(20,000)
Get Ready QLD - QRA	-	-	-	-	-
Roads to Recovery	26,465	(27,879)	54,344	-	(26,465)
BoR FSG Connectivity Project & TV Transmitter	84,539	-	84,539	-	(84,539)
Flood Damage - Apr-2019 Event	985,909	1,680,000	(694,091)	2,230,000	1,244,091
Flood Damage - REPA Feb-2020	8,782,541	11,000,000	(2,217,459)	15,000,000	6,217,459
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	9,762,055	12,533,712	(2,771,657)	17,012,269	7,250,215

Year to Date

Tied Grants reported a YTD surplus of \$9,662,055 (less \$100,000 net result of BoR FSG Connectivity Project) against a budgeted surplus of \$12,533,712 which is a negative variance against budget.

The flood damage from the Apr-19 & Feb-20 events have now been relocated from Tied Capital funding (as this is not capital) to Tied Grants Operational & all costs for the 20-21 FY have been journaled from Work In Progress (WIP) in the balance sheet to the profit & loss. Total YTD expenditure as at 31-Mar-21 for these events is \$5,072,303. As part of the May-21 budget review expenditure for these events will be recorded and therefore the net result will no longer be distorted by having a revenue budget with no expenditure. In the month of Mar-21 \$ 8,081,383 was received from QRA for the REPA Feb-20 event.