



As at 31 March 2019

Project	Funding source	Status	Percentage complete	Budget	Total expenditure	Percentage spent
Tourism and Economic development strategic plan	NCIF 2	Execution	50.00%	150,000	49,955	33.30%
Recreational Needs Study	NCIF 2	Procurement	10.00%	100,000	20,279	20.28%
Consolidation and upgrade of Authority Corporate Software System	NCIF 2	Execution	5.00%	414,282	100,224	24.19%
GIS Operational Review	NCIF 2	Planning	0.00%	50,000	-	0.00%
Fees and charges review	NCIF 2	Execution	20.00%	30,000	-	0.00%
Internal audit committee implementation	NCIF 2	Execution	40.00%	20,000	-	0.00%
Business continuity and disaster recovery plans	NCIF 2	Not started	0.00%	50,000	-	0.00%
Rates structure review	NCIF 2	Execution	20.00%	50,000	-	0.00%
Signage updates	NCIF 2	Planning	10.00%	250,000	-	0.00%
Local environmental plan development	NCIF 2	Not started	0.00%	200,000	-	0.00%
Total NCIF 2				1,914,282	368,159	19.23%
Cootamundra AFL - Demolition of old clubrooms & construction of new clubrooms	SCCF Round 1	Construction	10.00%	372,800	58,197	15.61%
Gundagai Tigers - Construction of new shed & fitout of gymnasium	SCCF Round 1	Procurement	10.00%	100,000	27,747	27.75%
Cootamundra Racecourse - EXTERNAL repairs to flooring, repainting inside & out, refurbishment of function room, replacement of external cladding & replacement of seating of Grandstand building	SCCF Round 1	Construction	10.00%	50,000	29,058	58.12%
Gundagai RSL - refurbishment of tennis clubrooms and squash courts - EXTERNAL	SCCF Round 1	Construction	10.00%	50,000	4,383	8.77%
Coolac to Tumblong Rail Trail Development Plan	SCCF Round 1	Complete	100.00%	54,600	54,600	100.00%
Nangus - Village Playground & Fitness Infrastructure (CAPREN)	SCCF Round 1	Complete	100.00%	53,322	53,322	100.00%
Stockinbingal Playground and BMX track	SCCF Round 1	Complete	100.00%	109,200	110,902	101.56%
Wallendbeen fitness infrastructure, playground and Rage Cage	SCCF Round 1	Complete	100.00%	216,393	204,397	94.46%
Cootamundra Tennis - refurbishment of tennis court surfaces, new line marking including hot shot courts	SCCF Round 1	Complete	100.00%	183,029	183,029	100.00%
Gundagai Scouts - EXTERNAL Construction & Installation of Climbing Wall	SCCF Round 1	Complete	100.00%	100,000	88,875	88.88%
Large Scale Teen Playground at Jubilee Park Cootamundra	SCCF Round 1	Procurement	10.00%	499,900	20,041	4.01%
Gundagai large scale adventure playground & fitness centre	SCCF Round 1	Procurement	10.00%	1,000,000	56,462	5.65%
Total SCCF Round 1 projects				2,789,244	891,011	31.94%
Cootamundra Showground Completion of Multipurpose Pavilion SCCF2	SCCF Round 2	Construction	5.00%	53,290	28,274	53.06%
Anzac Park South Supporters Toilets	SCCF Round 2	Procurement	5.00%	86,061	-	0.00%
Mirrabooka Revivification (SCCF2)	SCCF Round 2	Construction	5.00%	67,045	10,675	15.92%
Cootamundra Rifle Club Mower, top dressing, building maintenance, storage shed	SCCF Round 2	Construction	0.00%	63,015	11,595	18.40%



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Upgrades to Christ Church hall Cootamundra	SCCF Round 2	Construction	5.00%	70,273	2,013	2.86%
Cootamundra Squash Court Renovation	SCCF Round 2	Planning	5.00%	97,655	-	0.00%
Gundagai Pony Club Undercover Arena	SCCF Round 2	Construction	5.00%	199,151	93,411	46.90%
Gundagai Racecourse and Showground Amenities Block	SCCF Round 2	Construction	0.00%	215,000	2,820	1.31%
Cootamundra Event Promotion Banners	SCCF Round 2	Procurement	25.00%	53,841	-	0.00%
Gundagai Event Promotion Banners	SCCF Round 2	Procurement	25.00%	53,841	-	0.00%
Gundagai Friendship Park Playground	SCCF Round 2	Planning	10.00%	60,000	313	0.52%
Muttama Hall Re-stumping	SCCF Round 2	Planning	10.00%	140,707	-	0.00%
Gundagai Community Garden	SCCF Round 2	Construction	15.00%	63,552	6,335	9.97%
Stockinbingal Tennis Court resurfacing - 3 courts	SCCF Round 2	Construction	25.00%	118,093	118,093	100.00%
Community Safety & Beautification of King Street Wallendbeen	SCCF Round 2	Not started	0.00%	55,964	-	0.00%
Barry Grace Oval Wallendbeen - Lighting	SCCF Round 2	Construction	25.00%	98,397	2,918	2.97%
O'Connor Park - Home of the Cootamundra Strikers Soccer Club - Lighting	SCCF Round 2	Planning	25.00%	98,397	-	0.00%
Cootamundra Arts Centre Tin Shed Theatre Projection	SCCF Round 2	Construction	50.00%	61,682	61,682	100.00%
Cootamundra Arts Centre Rehearsal Space	SCCF Round 2	Planning	15.00%	122,294	-	0.00%
Cootamundra Turf Club Irrigation system upgrade	SCCF Round 2	Planning	2.00%	81,970	5,038	6.15%
Cootamundra Aerodrome Drag Pad and Taxiway for Water Refilling	SCCF Round 2	Planning	2.00%	160,312	-	0.00%
Cootamundra Junior Rugby League Rejuvenation of football field	SCCF Round 2	Planning	10.00%	60,000	-	0.00%
Upgrade to change rooms at ANZAC park Gundagai	SCCF Round 2	Not started	0.00%	172,987	-	0.00%
Gundagai Tennis Club and Bowling Club toilets	SCCF Round 2	Not started	0.00%	100,000	-	0.00%
Cootamundra Community Garden	SCCF Round 2	Planning	10.00%	70,242	-	0.00%
Total SCCF Round 2 projects				2,423,769	343,168	14.16%
Gundagai pool tiling and disabled ramp	SCF1	Procurement	5.00%	300,000	383	0.13%
Gundagai Visitors Information Centre redevelopment - disabled ramp and disabled toilet	SCF1	Planning	5.00%	300,000	1,472	0.49%
Gundagai Netball Courts Masterplan - construction of lighting, storage & shelter	SCF1	Procurement	5.00%	200,000	4,958	2.48%
Stephen Ward Rooms Outdoor Area construction	SCF1	Planning	5.00%	200,000	23,188	11.59%
Rathmells Lane - Bitumin seal from Temora St to end	SCF1	Complete	100.00%	248,451	237,115	95.44%
Footpath renewal	SCF1	Construction	58.00%	500,000	406,530	81.31%
Cootamundra pool - water park	SCF1	Planning	25.00%	400,000	-	0.00%
Fisher Park Cootamundra sports ground lighting installation	SCF1	Planning	25.00%	250,000	-	0.00%
Pool shade Cloth - Cootamundra	SCF1	Complete	95.00%	100,000	51,020	51.02%
Extension of Gundagai Water Supply to the Dog on the Tuckerbox site	SCF1	Planning	10.00%	600,000	38,230	6.37%
Nangus Water Supply Works	SCF1	Planning	10.00%	647,500	-	0.00%
Water supply feasibility - Nangus	SCF1	Planning	0.00%	-	-	#DIV/0!
Stormwater mitigation	SCF1	Execution	5.00%	1,000,000	120,006	12.00%
Cootamundra saleyards lighting and electrical upgrade	SCF1	Complete	99.00%	270,467	224,525	83.01%



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Adjungbilly Road reconstruction for B'Doubles	SCF1	Construction	35.00%	2,100,000	1,568,654	74.70%
Cootamundra water mains replacement project *should be a separate work order for each segment*	SCF1	Construction	60.00%	2,000,000	1,778,333	88.92%
Investment into Department of Education	SCF1	Not Started	0.00%	672,759	-	0.00%
Construct public toilets - Sheridan St Gundagai	SCF1	Planning	20.00%	150,000	29,448	19.63%
Total SCF1 projects				9,939,177	4,483,861	45.11%
Yarri Park Youth precinct/Lions Park – Basketball courts and new amenities.	SCF2	Planning	5.00%	130,000	-	0.00%
Gundagai Preschool – Capital works projects to build additional rooms, providing more spaces.	SCF2	Planning	5.00%	510,000	355	0.07%
Coolac Hall & Oval – Project includes relining hall, new kitchen, installation of cricket nets, picket fence, irrigation and seating.	SCF2	Construction	10.00%	200,000	41,415	20.71%
Gundagai Public School P&C – Installation of soft fall for playground.	SCF2	Complete	100.00%	75,100	75,099	100.00%
Gundagai Tourism Action Group (s355 Committee) – Gundagai Main Street History walk.	SCF2	Procurement	25.00%	50,000	1,699	3.40%
Ellwood Hall (Stockinbingal) – General repairs and installation of heating and cooling.	SCF2	Construction	25.00%	60,000	60,000	100.00%
Gundagai Junior Rugby League – New PA system.	SCF2	Procurement	25.00%	10,000	10,000	100.00%
Battle of the Bidgee – Installation of permanent storage sheds to support to event.	SCF2	Planning	10.00%	22,449	7,973	35.52%
Town & Country Inc – Disabled toilet.	SCF2	Procurement	15.00%	30,000	3,600	12.00%
Gundagai South Public School – Sensory garden.	SCF2	Planning	5.00%	60,000	-	0.00%
Adjungbilly Hall – Upgrade tennis courts into multipurpose facility, install community BBQ.	SCF2	Construction	25.00%	130,000	104,838	80.64%
Tumblong Hall – Community facilities, multipurpose courts and BBQ area.	SCF2	Planning	10.00%	137,447	-	0.00%
Mill Centre – Interactive Tourist Attraction.	SCF2	Procurement	20.00%	200,000	37,255	18.63%
Owen Vincent Oval Gundagai – Lighting	SCF2	Planning	25.00%	150,000	-	0.00%
Gundagai RSL – Landscaping Anzac Grove, Gundagai.	SCF2	Construction	50.00%	25,000	16,824	67.30%
Cootamundra Nursing Home – Installation of solar panels	SCF2	Complete	100.00%	53,227	52,507	98.65%
Cootamundra Mens Shed – Relocation of Mens Shed to Depot 2 on Hovell Street.	SCF2	Planning	1.00%	100,000	-	0.00%
Cootamundra Arts Centre – Disabled access ramp.	SCF2	Planning	5.00%	3,142	-	0.00%
Owen Vincent Oval Gundagai – River water pump	SCF2	Complete	90.00%	40,000	-	0.00%
Cootamundra Rugby Union Club – New dressing room facilities and club room. (CAPNEW)	SCF2	Construction	55.00%	350,000	347,545	99.30%
Cootamundra Harness Racing – Upgrades and maintenance to track.	SCF2	Construction	2.00%	52,000	-	0.00%
Cootamundra Netball Courts – 4 new netball courts to replace non-complying courts.	SCF2	Planning	2.00%	450,000	-	0.00%
Cootamundra Country Club – Upgrades to precinct including dam, machinery shed, course, upgrade to building façade.	SCF2	Procurement	5.00%	1,355,000	15,892	1.17%
Total SCF2 projects				4,193,365	775,002	18.48%



As at 31 March 2019

Project	Funding source	Status	Percentage complete	Budget	Total expenditure	Percentage spent
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Status explanation

Not started - project not yet commenced.

Planning - includes meeting with community groups, design preparation, DA lodgement if necessary, community consultation and general planning

Procurement - Obtaining the necessary goods and or services to complete the project. Includes tendering and quotes as necessary

Construction - on ground works underway.

Execution - project underway for non construction projects

Complete - Construction/Execution complete pending final project review

Final - ready for acquittal

8.2.2 INVESTMENT REPORT - MARCH 2019

DOCUMENT NUMBER	301930
REPORTING OFFICER	Tim Swan, Manager Finance and Customer Service
AUTHORISING OFFICER	Phil McMurray, Acting General Manager
RELEVANCE TO COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN	4. Good governance: an actively engaged community and strong leadership team 4.3 Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council is a premier local government Council
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS	Council's investment income for March 2019 was \$60,199, 8% under the budgeted figure of \$65,526.
LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS	Council investments comply fully with section 625 of the Local Government Act (NSW) 1993, Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 paragraph 212 and Council's Investment Policy.
POLICY IMPLICATIONS	The Investment Policy was adopted on 31 July 2018 and is due for review on 31 July 2021.
ATTACHMENTS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Investment Report P1 ↓ 2. Investment Report P2-3 ↓ 3. Investment Report P4-5 ↓

RECOMMENDATION

That the attached Investment Report as at 31st March, 2019 be received and noted.

Introduction

Returns on investments are 8% below budget but above benchmark for March, 2019.

Discussion

Investments for March, 2019 have produced interest of \$60,199.

Due to the excellent performance of Council's investments in the 2017/18 financial year, the budgeted income has been increased from \$52,983 per month to \$65,526.

For the current financial year the interest income is 4% ahead of budget, and the net return is significantly higher than the benchmark.

Returns are expected to decrease as funds reserved for major projects are expended, however it is anticipated that the annual budget will still be exceeded.

REPORT - CASH & INVESTMENTS

Year of Report 30-06-19
 Month of report 31-Mar



Institution	Credit Rating	Investment Type	Date Lodged	Maturity Date	Interest Rate	Value
Commonwealth Bank	AA-	Bank Account				\$2,759,610.90
National Australia Bank	AA-	Bank Account				\$146,572.93
Commonwealth Bank	AA-	Business Online Saver				\$4,761,632.53
National Australia Bank	AA-	Term Deposit	10-09-18	24-04-19	2.70	\$2,500,000.00
Rural Bank Ltd	BBB+	Term Deposit	01-05-18	01-05-19	2.80	\$1,000,000.00
Members Equity Bank	BBB	Term Deposit	23-05-18	23-05-19	2.75	\$3,000,000.00
National Australia Bank	AA-	Term Deposit	12-06-18	12-06-19	2.75	\$1,000,000.00
Bendigo & Adelaide Bank Limited	BBB+	Term Deposit	26-06-18	24-06-19	2.83	\$1,000,000.00
Bendigo & Adelaide Bank Limited	BBB+	Term Deposit	26-06-18	23-07-19	2.83	\$1,000,000.00
BankWest	AA-	At Call Account	15-11-18	20-12-19	2.00	\$1,000,000.00
BankWest	AA-	At Call Account	28-11-18	02-01-20	2.00	\$1,000,000.00
National Australia Bank	AA-	Term Deposit	23-01-19	23-04-19	2.7	\$2,000,000.00
Bank of Queensland	BBB+	Term Deposit	25-01-19	24-07-19	2.8	\$2,063,810.08
AMP	A	Term Deposit	13-02-19	13-08-19	2.8	\$3,000,000.00
AMP	A	Term Deposit	21-02-19	20-08-19	2.8	\$2,000,000.00
Total Cash & Investments						\$28,231,626.44

Source of Investments	Interest budget for month	Interest for month	Total Invested
General Fund Operations	\$4,000.75	\$3,675.50	\$1,723,693.44
Sewer Fund	\$10,181.49	\$9,353.76	\$4,386,618.44
Domestic Waste Mgmt Fund	\$5,185.29	\$4,763.74	\$2,234,044.00
Other externally restricted	\$11,035.46	\$10,138.31	\$4,754,543.71
Internally restricted funds	\$24,308.81	\$22,332.56	\$10,473,263.00
TOTAL	\$65,526.58	\$60,199.44	\$28,231,626.44

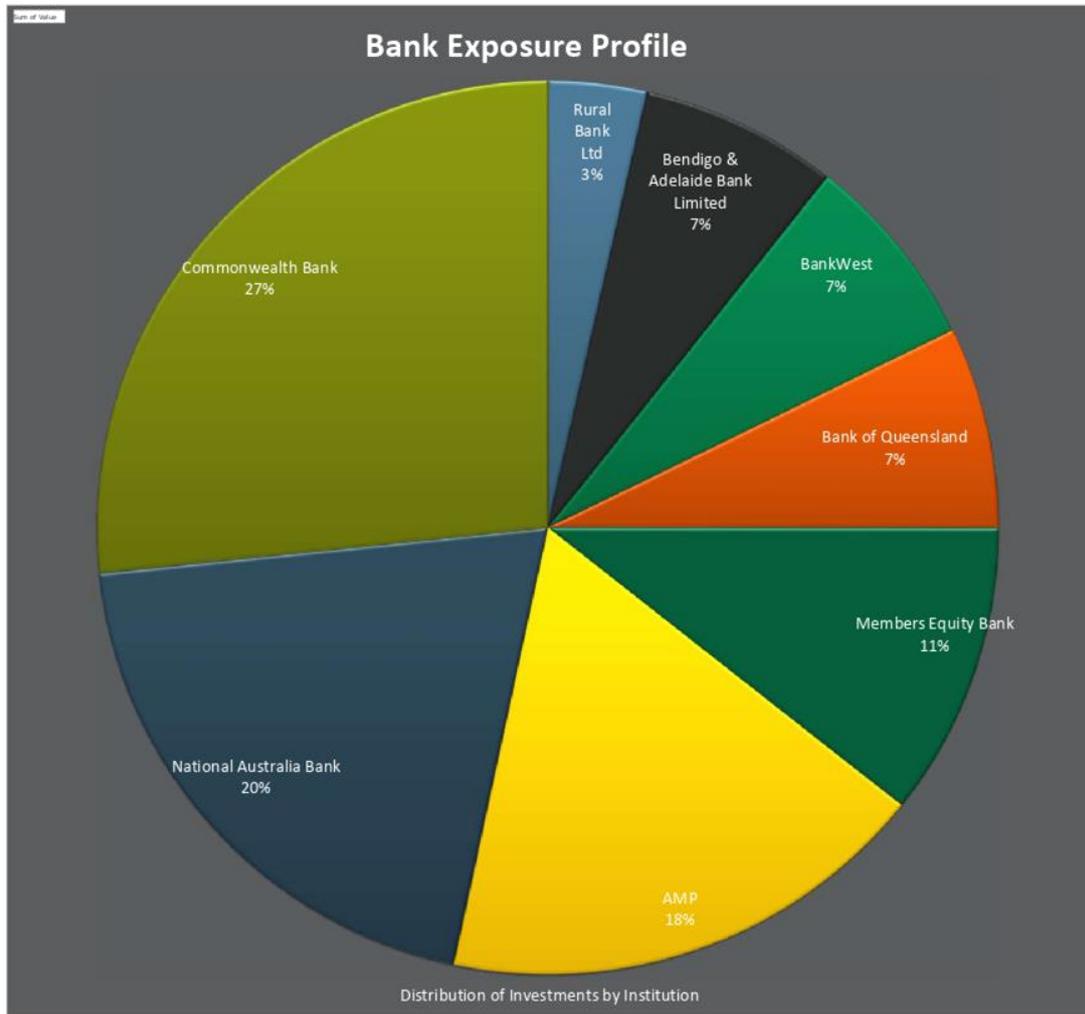
This report is produced in accordance with section 625 of the Local Government Act 1993 and all investments have been made in accordance with Act & the Regulations.

Responsible Accounting Officer

Signature  Tim Swan
 Finance Manager

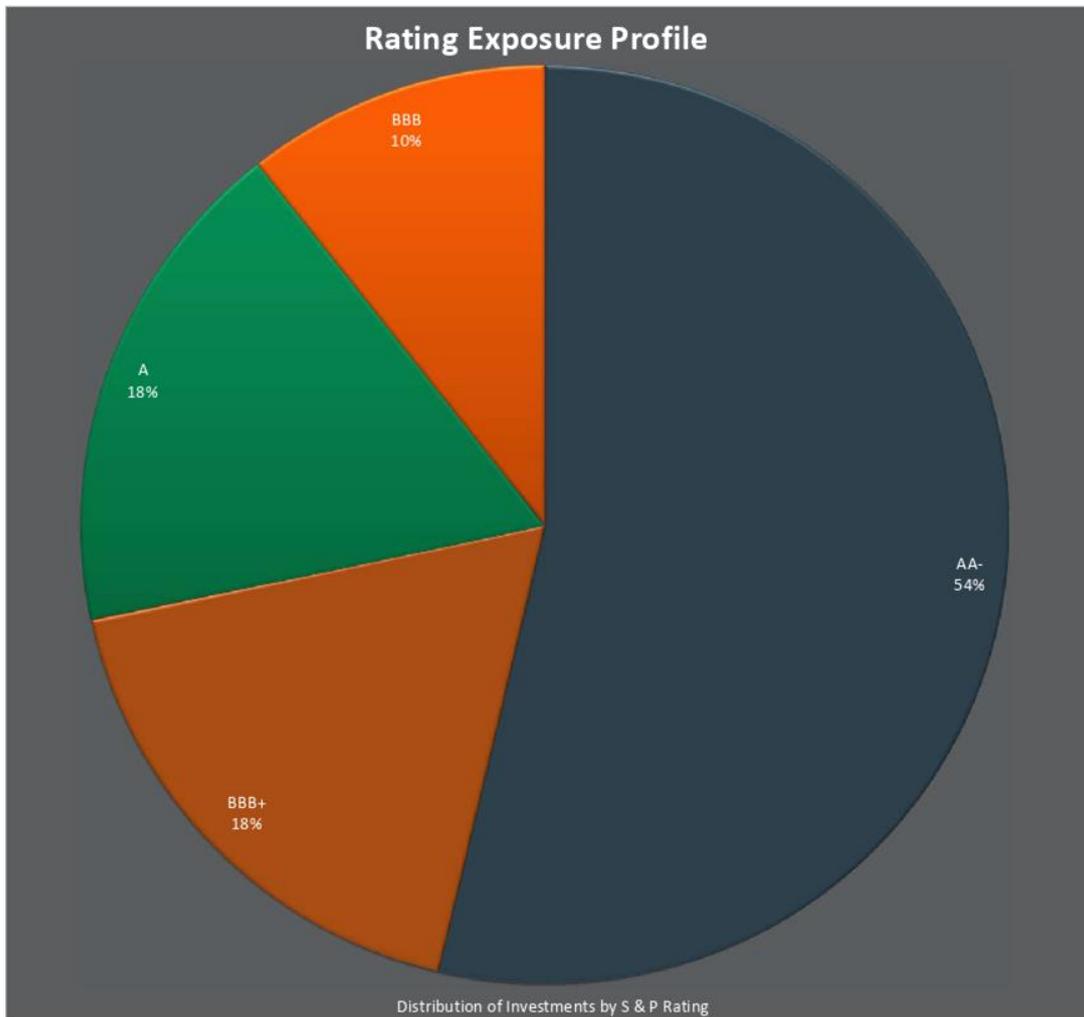


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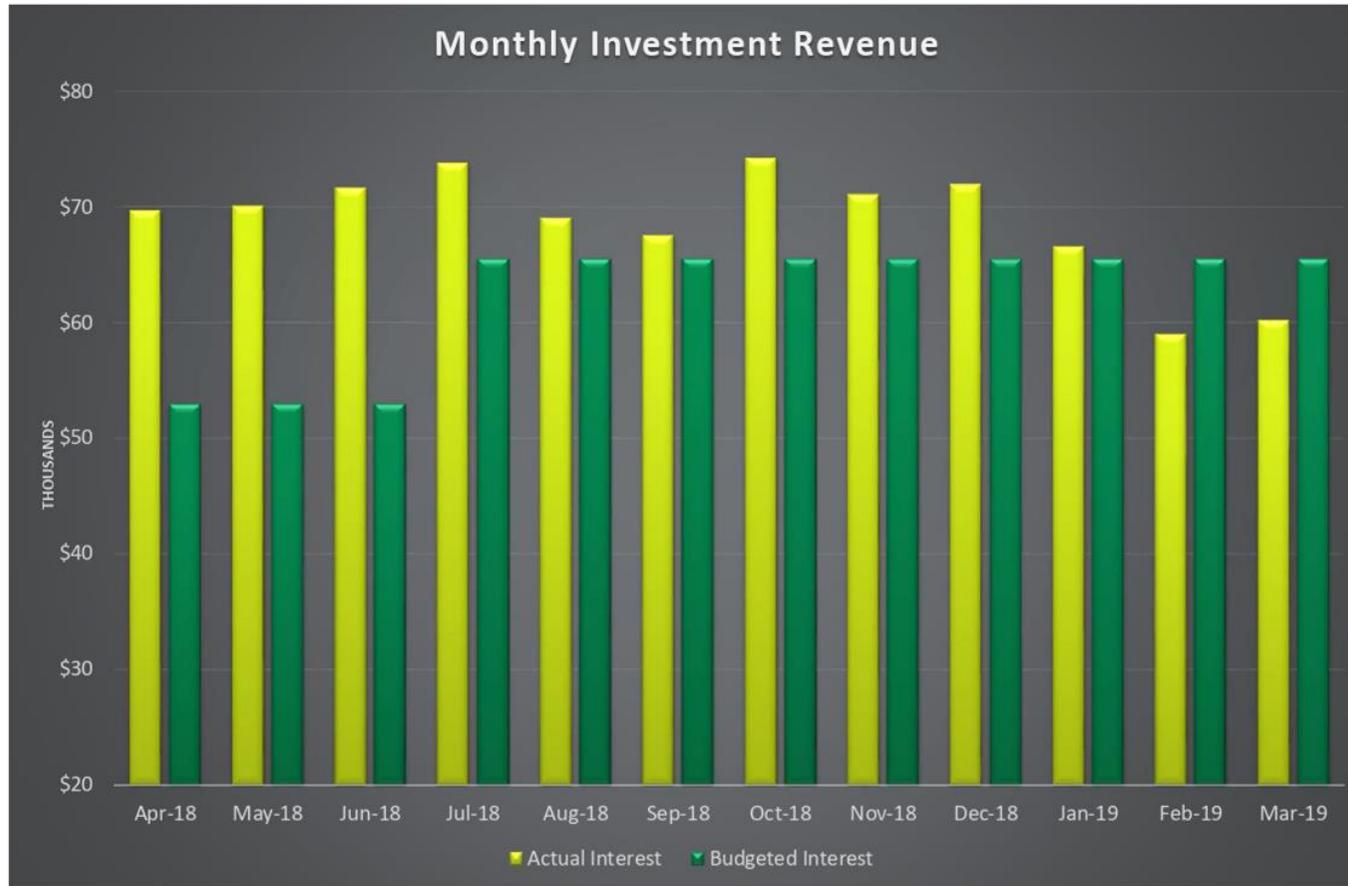


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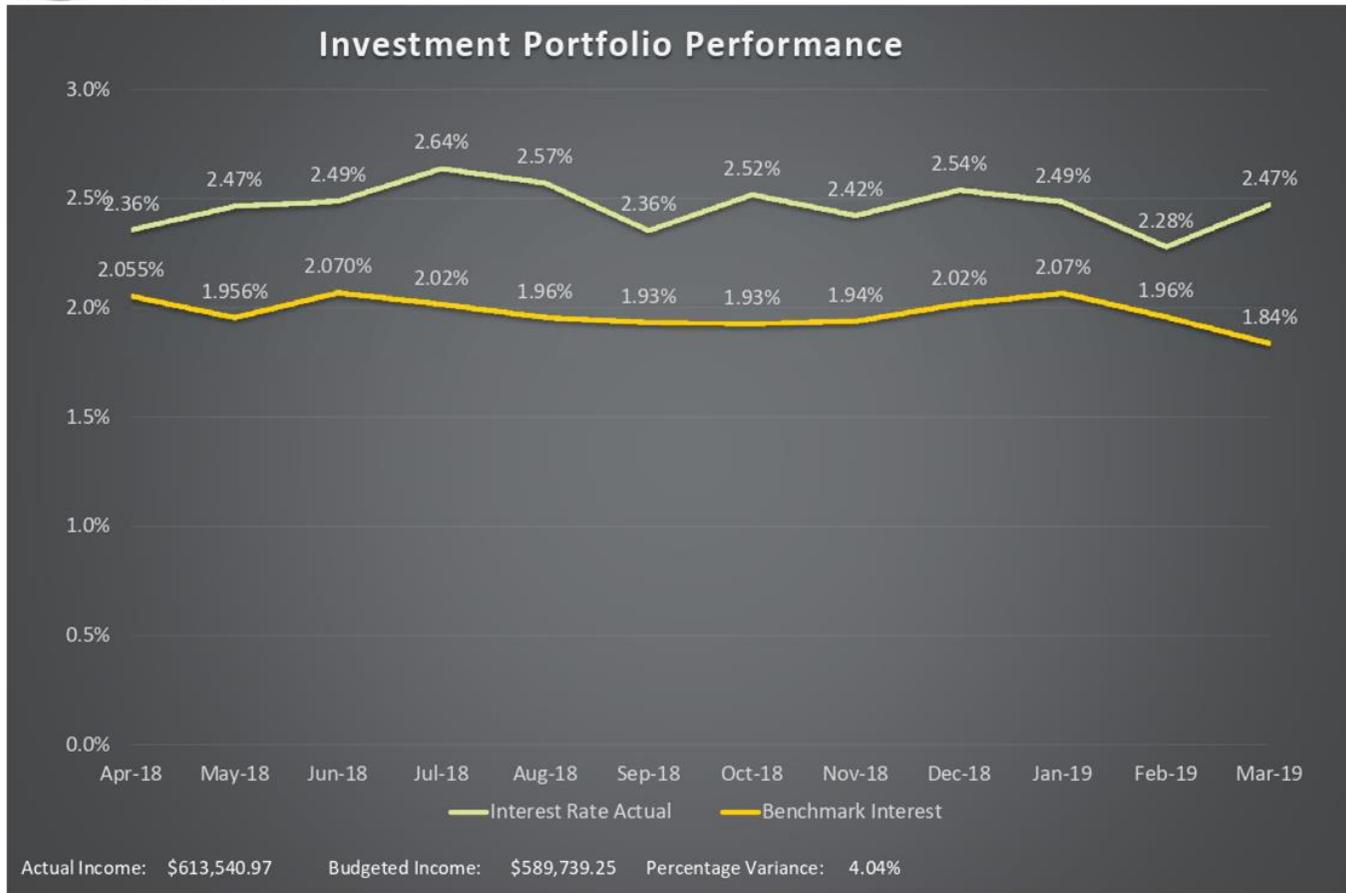


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8.2.3 MONTHLY FINANCE REPORT FOR MARCH 2019

DOCUMENT NUMBER	301931
REPORTING OFFICER	Tim Swan, Manager Finance and Customer Service
AUTHORISING OFFICER	Phil McMurray, Acting General Manager
RELEVANCE TO COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN	4. Good governance: an actively engaged community and strong leadership team 4.1 Decision-making is based on collaborative, transparent and accountable leadership
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS	Regular monitoring of Council's finances will ensure that any issues are identified in a timely manner.
LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS	There are no Legislative implications associated with this report.
POLICY IMPLICATIONS	There are no Policy implications associated with this report.
ATTACHMENTS	1. March 2019 Financial Reporting Package ↓

RECOMMENDATION

That the attached Monthly Finance Report for March, 2019 be received and noted.

Introduction

This monthly reporting package provides Councillors with an update on the financial position of Council.

Discussion

There are no major concerns identified, with most variances attributable to timing.

Reporting on overdue balances is a recent addition to the package, and is included for the first time in this month's report.



**COOTAMUNDRA-
GUNDAGAI** REGIONAL
COUNCIL

March 2019

Financial reporting pack

Monthly operational analysis



Consolidated
To 31 March 2019



	YTD	Budget	Variance	75.07% %	Comments
Income from continuing operations					
Rates and annual charges	11,725,770	12,247,408	(521,638)	95.74%	😊 Ok
User charges and fees	6,184,864	7,394,432	(1,209,568)	83.64%	😊 Ok
Interest and investment revenue	716,500	811,173	(94,673)	88.33%	😊 Ok
Other revenues	1,015,853	558,288	457,565	181.96%	😊 Ok
Operating grants and contributions	10,830,520	13,695,238	(2,864,718)	79.08%	😊 Ok
Capital grants and contributions	1,224,709	14,038,223	(12,813,514)	8.72%	😞 The main budgeted item in this category is the \$13.5M grant for the Gundagai Sewerage Treatment works. This will not be received this year given delays in the project.
Net gain from the disposal of assets	-	50,000	(50,000)	0.00%	😞
Total Income	31,698,216	48,794,762	(17,096,546)	64.96%	
Expenses from continuing operations					
Employee benefits and on-costs	9,408,826	11,661,905	(2,253,079)	80.68%	😞 Expenditure impacted by termination payments (\$375k) which are not budgeted. Unused annual and long service leave is provided for in the ELE reserves and adjusted out at year end.
Borrowing costs	54,883	120,659	(65,776)	45.49%	😊 On track
Materials and contracts	11,914,380	11,918,389	(4,009)	99.97%	😞 Timing of expenditure appears to be the main driver for the variance in this category. The full year's budget has been expended on items such as rates and registration fees. Expenditure is also advanced for projects such as the floodplain risk management study and rural lands strategy. Fuel costs are tracking above budget with the increase in pump price. 80% of the Roads operational budget is already spent.
Other expenses	2,671,713	3,323,407	(651,694)	80.39%	😞 A number of items in this category are paid annually in a single lump sum. These include insurance (\$669K) and regional library membership (\$192k). 50% of the Emergency Service Levy (\$199k) is included. Electricity expenditure is trending higher than budget. This is currently being reviewed.
Plant income	(2,233,869)	(3,582,534)	1,348,665	62.35%	😞 The plant income is currently running below trend. A new monthly utilisation report is being circulated to operational staff and measures are being investigated to correct this trend.
Total Expenses	21,815,933	23,441,826	(1,625,893)	93.06%	
Net Operating Result	9,882,283	25,352,936			
Net operating result before grants and contributions provided for capital purposes	8,657,574	11,314,713			

Business Unit Summary - Operating
To 31 March 2019

75.07%



	Income				Expenditure				Comments
	Actual	Budget	Variance	%	Actual	Budget	Variance	%	
Operations									
Asset management planning	-	-	-	0.00%	716,993	853,434	136,441	84.01%	
Buildings and property management	581,452	298,285	(283,167)	194.93%	797,409	1,801,893	1,004,484	44.25%	
Emergency services	281,855	267,373	(14,482)	105.42%	487,924	700,141	212,217	69.69%	
Infrastructure	6,549,254	8,105,002	1,555,748	80.81%	6,032,969	8,595,614	2,562,645	70.19%	
Land development	4,773	50,000	45,227	0.00%	54,319	50,483	(3,836)	107.60%	Annual rates and charges allocated to properties. Timing issue only.
Parks and gardens	59,988	1,530,914	1,470,926	3.92%	504,634	1,118,372	613,738	45.12%	Income relates to Stronger Country Communities Income to be received
Plant management	215,464	394,024	178,560	54.68%	(464,867)	1,498,397	1,963,264	-31.02%	Plant income currently under review
Recreation facilities	152,972	159,187	6,215	96.10%	846,317	1,128,181	281,864	75.02%	Swimming pool revenue will increase over the summer open period.
Sewerage Management	2,039,924	12,829,434	10,789,510	15.90%	905,286	2,627,105	1,721,819	34.46%	Income variance relates primarily to receipt of grant funding for the sewerage treatment works in Gundagai. This will be received as works are undertaken and claims are lodged.
Waste Collection services	2,214,850	2,197,066	(17,784)	100.81%	1,236,672	2,233,116	996,444	55.38%	
Water Management	3,253,801	3,690,902	437,101	88.16%	2,138,061	3,485,259	1,347,198	61.35%	
Development and Community Services									
Community services	-	-	-	0.00%	9,991	10,560	569	94.61%	
Development and building	253,075	313,642	60,567	80.69%	1,013,153	1,244,692	231,539	81.40%	
Economic development	119,542	174,988	55,446	68.31%	725,069	694,121	(30,948)	104.46%	Actual expenditure includes allocation for property insurance which has been budgeted in the Buildings and property management business unit. Reallocation of actuals or budget to correct
Library	77,986	92,348	14,362	84.45%	573,951	689,096	115,145	83.29%	Annual payment to the Riverina Regional Library made.
Noxious weeds	66,163	72,906	6,743	0.00%	197,825	256,166	58,341	77.23%	Actual expenditure includes termination payment for staff member which will be offset against reserves reducing impact on current budget.
Regulatory services	191,338	323,985	132,647	59.06%	580,950	829,521	248,571	70.03%	
Executive									
Civic leadership	5,813,453	5,800,584	(12,869)	100.22%	966,249	1,949,147	982,898	49.57%	Receipt of State Government funding for additional merger projects and Stronger Country Communities Round 2.
Communications and engagement	-	-	-	0.00%	138,480	152,778	14,298	90.64%	
Customer Service	2,823	12,094	9,271	23.34%	280,456	346,997	66,541	80.82%	
Executive office	-	-	-	0.00%	1,098,297	390,678	(707,619)	281.13%	Wages budget to be corrected.
Financial management	9,539,693	12,404,599	2,864,906	76.90%	825,188	(1,424,705)	(2,249,893)	-57.92%	
Governance and business systems	273,310	77,429	(195,881)	352.98%	494,794	656,813	162,019	75.33%	
Human resource management	6,500	-	(6,500)	0%	976,198	732,281	(243,917)	133.31%	Cost of workers compensation insurance needs to be allocated out to other business units to match expenditure and budget.
Information technology	-	-	-	0.00%	679,615	852,553	172,938	79.72%	Hardware purchases expensed and not capitalised, timing of software licence renewals, purchase order raised for annual printer rental and pre purchase of Civica helpdesk services.
Total	31,698,216	48,794,762	17,096,546	64.96%	21,815,933	31,472,693	9,656,760	69.32%	

Capital expenditure

To 31 March 2019



	YTD	Budget	Variance	%	Comments
Capital income					
Proceeds from sale of plant	463,807	518,250	(54,443)	89.49%	On track to meet budget based on actuals to date and projected receipts.
Proceeds from sale of property	653,545	-	653,545	0.00%	Sale of properties in Yass Road and Bartely Street.
Sports facilities capital income	-	-	-	0.00%	
Stormwater capital income	-	-	-	0.00%	
Roads capital income	-	-	-	0.00%	
Water capital income	-	-	-	0.00%	
Sewer capital income	-	-	-	0.00%	
Waste capital income	-	-	-	0.00%	
Other capital income	-	-	-	0.00%	
Total Income	1,117,352	518,250	599,102	215.60%	
Capital expenditure					
Plant and equipment	3,213,536	3,269,500	(55,964)	98.29%	
Office equipment	111,071	35,350	75,721	314.20%	New servers and switches replacing damaged equipment. Investigations were undertaken to determine if a claim under Council's insurance policy was possible which has proved unsuccessful. An adjustment to budget will be required in March QBR.
Buildings	1,804,469	1,680,229	124,240	107.39%	Main projects include Cootamundra Town Hall refurbishment works, Rugby Union clubhouse upgrade, Gundagai Depot training room, Cootamundra AFL clubrooms and Sheridan Street public toilets
Land improvements	901,783	815,000	86,783	110.65%	Main projects include Yass Road works, Old Mill Building Gundagai and Turners Lane. \$200k budget for Old Mill to be added to this line.
Other structures	538,942	1,400,000	(861,058)	38.50%	Cootamundra Saleyards truckwash and lighting and electrical upgrade.
Roads, bridges and footpaths	5,466,166	6,286,196	(820,030)	86.96%	Significant projects include Adjungbilly Road reconstruction, Footpath renewal program, Shoulder reconstruction Yeo Yeo Hamstead, Rathmells Lane and Old Hume Hwy
Stormwater drainage	30,525	1,181,246	(1,150,721)	2.58%	Main projects include Cootamundra Tennis Club court resurface, Morely's Creek Fishing Pier, Wallendbeen Fitness infrastructure and South Gundagai Inclusive Community Playground
Recreation assets	1,034,719	3,384,904	(2,350,185)	30.57%	Main projects include Cootamundra water mains replacement and extension of Gundagai water supply to Dog on the Tuckerbox
Water supply network	1,679,086	3,280,395	(1,601,309)	51.19%	Main projects include Gundagai Sewerage Treatment Plant upgrade and Cootamundra Sewer Mains relining
Sewerage network	1,602,934	11,013,175	(9,410,241)	14.55%	
Other assets	-	70,542	(70,542)	0.00%	
Total Expenses	16,383,231	32,416,537	(16,033,306)	50.54%	
Net capital expenditure	15,265,878	31,898,287	(16,632,409)		

Rates Outstanding

	As at rate levy	2/20/2019	3/6/2019	18/03/2019	3/31/2019	RATES								
	Jul-18	(First Report)				Arrears / Overdue		2/20/2019		3/6/2019		3/18/2019		
							No.	\$	No.	\$	No.	\$	No.	\$
Prior Years' Arrears	\$598,865.27	\$406,129.00	\$404,154.00	\$408,317.00	\$394,531.49									
Interest, & Legal Fees						Overdue > \$30,000	1	\$33,173	1	\$35,342	1	\$35,425	1	\$35,541
Current at Levy July 2019	\$9,232,414.35					Overdue \$20,000 - \$30,000	0	\$0.00	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0
Instalment 1 due 30/8/18		\$81,930.00	\$73,633.00	\$71,203.00	\$66,893.07	Overdue \$15,000 - \$20,000	1	\$17,516	1	\$18,764	1	\$18,794	1	\$18,853
Instalment 2 due 30/11/18		\$115,011.00	\$97,506.00	\$92,314.00	\$85,729.35	Overdue \$10,000 - \$15,000	2	\$24,205	3	\$36,254	3	\$36,329	3	\$36,432
Instalment 3 due 28/2/19		\$1,373,282.00	\$261,557.00	\$215,497.00	\$164,582.27	Overdue \$5,000 - \$10,000	12	\$84,063	15	\$100,519	16	\$105,884	16	\$106,159
Instalment 4 due 31/5/19		\$1,781,989.00	\$1,751,643.00	\$1,739,918.00	\$1,723,583.10	Overdue \$1,000 - \$5,000	143	\$329,889	173	\$401,191	170	\$391,251	160	\$363,122
Rates Outstanding	\$9,831,279.62	\$3,758,341.00	\$2,588,493.00	\$2,527,250.00	\$2,435,319.28	Overdue \$100 - \$1,000	256	\$111,507	672	\$237,436	538	\$193,891	400	\$147,259
Total Arrears & Overdue	\$598,865.27	\$603,070.00	\$836,850.00	\$787,331.00	\$711,736.18									
Total Not Yet Due	\$9,232,414.35	\$3,155,271.00	\$1,751,643.00	\$1,739,918.00	\$1,723,583.10									

Water & Sewer Outstanding

	Water & Sewer Outstanding					Water/Sewer										
	As at July 2018	2/20/2019	3/6/2019	3/18/2019	3/31/2019	Arrears / Overdue		2/20/2019		3/6/2019		3/18/2019		3/31/2019		
		(1st Report)					No.	\$	No.	\$	No.	\$	No.	\$	No.	\$
Prior Periods' Arrears & Interest	\$598,865.27	\$672,017.00	\$614,285.00	\$585,034.00	\$448,741.37	Overdue > \$100,000	1	\$104,381	1	\$104,522	1	\$104,829	0	\$0		
						Overdue \$15,000 - \$100,000	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0		
						Overdue \$10,000 - \$15,000	2	\$24,533	2	\$23,571	2	\$23,631	2	\$23,714		
						Overdue \$5,000 - \$10,000	17	\$108,727	16	\$102,849	16	\$102,751	15	\$97,256		
						Overdue \$1,000 - \$5,000	145	\$318,390	126	\$282,174	118	\$273,993	110	\$252,490		
						Overdue \$100 - \$1,000	291	\$114,924	246	\$98,981	208	\$82,412	179	\$73,216		

8.3 COMMUNITY AND CULTURE

8.3.1 FINAL TOURISM AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

DOCUMENT NUMBER	301040
REPORTING OFFICER	Miriam Crane, Manager Community and Culture
AUTHORISING OFFICER	Phil McMurray, Acting General Manager
RELEVANCE TO COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN	<p>2. A prosperous and resilient economy: we are innovative and 'open for business'</p> <p>2.1 The local economy is strong and diverse</p>
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS	There are no Financial implications associated with this report.
LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS	There are no Legislative implications associated with this report.
POLICY IMPLICATIONS	There are no Policy implications associated with this report.
ATTACHMENTS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Final Tourism and Economic Development Strategy (under separate cover) ⇨ 2. Appendices Final (under separate cover) ⇨

RECOMMENDATION

1. The attached Final Tourism and Economic Development Strategy be adopted.
2. Actions arising from the Strategy be incorporated in the relevant operational plan.

Introduction

Council engaged Western Research Institute to prepare a Tourism and Economic Development Strategy for the Local Government Area. The Strategy was placed on public exhibition following the February, 2019 Ordinary Meeting of Council where it was resolved to be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days.

Discussion

Council received six submissions on the Tourism and Economic Development Strategy during the period of public exhibition. Some of these submissions were long and detailed. These submissions were forwarded to the Consultant for consideration and also discussed at a Councillor workshop on the Strategy on 25th March, 2019. Major structural changes to the document were made to allow the actions being proposed by the Strategy to be clearer to determine. In addition, some strategic changes were drafted in response to feedback received from the respective town Tourism Action Committees. Following this the document was circulated back to representatives of each committee to ensure the relevant changes reflected the sentiment of submissions.

8.3.2 NEXTWAVE YOUTH FILM WORKSHOPS

DOCUMENT NUMBER	301048
REPORTING OFFICER	Miriam Crane, Manager Community and Culture
AUTHORISING OFFICER	Phil McMurray, Acting General Manager
RELEVANCE TO COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN	1. A vibrant and supportive community: all members of our community are valued 1.1 Our Community is inclusive and connected
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS	There are no Financial implications associated with this report.
LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS	There are no Legislative implications associated with this report.
POLICY IMPLICATIONS	There are no Policy implications associated with this report.
ATTACHMENTS	1. Nextwave Film Workshop Program ↓ 2. Youth Film Festival 2018 ↓

RECOMMENDATION

Funding of \$3000 be made available from 2019/20 budget to run one Screenwave workshop for high school students in both Gundagai and Cootamundra.

Introduction

Nextwave is the major youth program of the Coffs Coast’s Screenwave International Film Festival (www.swiff.com.au). They find and develop the next wave of young regional filmmakers across NSW.

In 2018, Nextwave’s program expanded to cover 11 Regional NSW LGAs and delivered 54 workshops. Now, they would like to bring it to our area in 2019.

Screenwave delivers a 100-minute (double period) filmmaking and mental health education workshop at schools (accompanied by Headspace in relevant regions).

Students then make short films (max 6 minutes) to enter into the competition over the next few months. The short film competition is open to young regional Australians aged 10 to 25 and includes over \$40,000 in film gear prizes for schools and students.

Discussion

Nextwave have received a grant from Regional Arts NSW to train up local filmmakers from Wagga Wagga and are able to expand their program into our region. Workshops cost \$1,000 plus GST to deliver, plus travel/accommodation costs and will be delivered in June/July, 2019.

Participants in the 2018 workshops provided excellent feedback on the opportunity. The workshops are based on a skillset that can be applied broadly in modern life, not just to arts type projects.



Bring Nextwave to your Region in 2019

Nextwave: Developing Young Filmmakers In Your Region

Nextwave is the major youth program of the Coffs Coast's Screenwave International Film Festival (www.swiff.com.au). We find and develop the next wave of young regional filmmakers across NSW.

In 2018, Nextwave's program expanded again, covering 11 Regional NSW LGAs. Now, we would like to bring it to your community's primary schools, high schools, and youth centres in 2019.

How do I bring Nextwave to my community?

Our program model includes Councils like yours funding workshop at schools within their regions. On the next page you will find information about the workshops, what they teach, costings, and other important information on how to bring Nextwave to your community.

Participating Councils are recognised as Festival Partners on the Nextwave website, at workshops and in the printed SWIFF program.

2019/2020 Program Timeline

- **May-Aug:** In-school filmmaking workshop program across Regional NSW
- **Sep:** Short film competition entries due, with \$40k+ in prizes for students and schools
- **Jan:** The Nextwave Youth Film Awards premiere screening event at SWIFF
- **Apr:** Distribution of Nextwave's short film finalists and winners for Regional Australian communities to host the Nextwave Youth Film Festival as a Youth Week event.

Previously called REC Ya Shorts Youth Film Festival (www.recyashorts.com.au), the new Nextwave program aims to build filmmaking and visual storytelling skills in students and teachers throughout Regional NSW.

CONTACT US:

Stephanie Sims: 0421 346 713
stephanie@filmoutreach.com.au

How it Works

Finding and Developing the Next Wave of Regional Filmmakers

How Nextwave Workshops Work

Screenwave delivers a 100-minute (double period) filmmaking and mental health education workshop at schools in your region (accompanied by Headspace in relevant regions).

Students then make short films (max 6 minutes) to enter into the competition over the next few months. The short film competition is open to young regional Australians aged 10 to 25 and includes over \$40,000 in film gear prizes for schools and students.

Teaching the Nextwave of Regional Filmmakers

Nextwave is tailored to empower and activate student filmmakers and to build capacity for schools to support student filmmakers by winning quality film equipment.

The workshops teach Filmmaking 101 (writing, shooting, editing – 90 mins) with no assumed knowledge. Complexity is tailored to year level. Includes film theory and practical exercises, along with film career pathway information. Basic mental health education provided (10 mins).

Development Pathways

Nextwave partners with Create NSW, the Australian Film, Television and Radio School (AFTRS), the National Institute of Dramatic Arts (NIDA), and Southern Cross University to foster development pathways for young filmmakers demonstrating talent, passion, and dedication.

When?

All workshops are scheduled between May and August each year. Workshops will be scheduled subject to availability within that period.

Costs

Cost: \$1100 (incl. GST) per workshop + travel & accommodation (see below)

Travel & Accommodation

Please allow for \$0.90/km round trip from Coffs Harbour plus \$250/night for accommodation for two workshop facilitators.

Maximum 25 workshop attendees.

Bookings

Contact Stephanie Sims: 0421 346 713 or stephanie@filmoutreach.com.au





Thanks & Acknowledgements



It's been another record-breaking year for Regional Australia's largest youth film development program. More partners. More workshops. More entries. More new regional filmmakers.

Kate and I would like to thank you for contributing to the development of the next wave of Regional Australian filmmakers from within your local region. Each partner plays a clear role, whether you have been a council funding workshops, a RADO training facilitators, or our incredible film gear partners equipping regional students and schools for the future. We would like to particularly thank our major sponsors – Southern Cross University and Regional Arts NSW, through the Regional Arts Fund, for their significant partnerships.

REC Ya Shorts 2018 short film competition will award **over \$40,000 in prizes this year** for young filmmakers and regional schools – largely thanks to Black Magic Design, Rode Microphones, and Samyang lenses.

Our team have worked tirelessly to bring this program to the regions, so we would like to acknowledge their contribution for the program running smoothly and effectively.

With much work still needing to be done for Australia to recognize the contribution – economically and socially – of the Creative Industries, our goal has always been to set up regional towns with skills for the future. The change in skill needs is coming, and we're preparing for it. Filmmaking and storytelling skills are adaptable outside of the arts in today's workforce – whether it be science, health, agriculture or sport – and in our workshops, students are taught how to tell their message through film.

Regional Australia continues to have an unacceptable level of youth suicide. Teaching positive mental health practices to young regional students continues to be one of the most critical pieces of this puzzle. There are many personal stories that don't make it to the statistics page of this report (p5) about young people seeking the guidance they need or supporting their friends to get help after attending a workshop. We would like to acknowledge the contribution of our co-presenting partner, headspace Coffs Harbour, for their ongoing support of the program.

Finally, we would like to acknowledge that REC Ya Shorts Youth Film Festival has been created in Coffs Harbour, on the land of the Gumbayngirr nation, and we continue to pay our respects to their Elders past, present, and emerging.

Thank you for your contribution,

Dave Horsley
SWIFF Festival Director



Kate Howat & Dave Horsley
SWIFF Directors

From 2019, REC Ya Shorts becomes "Nextwave", the youth program of the Screenwave International Film festival

Festival Partners



Major Partner



Equipment Partners



Distribution



Industry Partners



Event Partner

Workshop Partners



Statistics By Region



Region	Workshops	Attendees	Film Entries	Finalists
<u>Mid North Coast</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>615</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>17</u>
Bellingen Shire Council (est. 2015)	2	33	8	6
Coffs Harbour City Council (est. 2015)	6	170	21	8
Kempsey Shire Council (est. 2016)	4	68	1	-
Mid Coast Council (est. 2018)	7	138	8	2
Nambucca Shire Council (est. 2015)	3	60	11	-
Port Macquarie Hastings Council (est. 2018)	8	146	4	1
<u>New England</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>338</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>2</u>
Armidale Regional Council (est. 2017)	12	164	1	1
Gunnedah Shire Council (est. 2018)	2	64	-	-
Tamworth Regional Council* (est. 2017)	4	99	9	1
Uralla Shire Council (est. 2017)	1	11	1	-
<u>Northern Rivers</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>1</u>
Lismore Regional Council (est. 2017)	5	58	5	1
<u>TOTALS</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>1011</u>	<u>71</u>	<u>20</u>



*Each Council funded workshops within their region, with the exception of Tamworth, proudly supported by Tamworth Family Support Services



Goodbye [REC] Ya Shorts, Hello SWIFF's Nextwave

Nextwave Youth Film Awards Launches

REC Ya Shorts Youth Film Festival will be re-branded heading into 2019, becoming "Nextwave", the official youth program of the Screenwave International Film Festival (SWIFF).

The new name, *Nextwave*, better shows our aim: finding and developing the next wave of young regional filmmakers – and is a great fit with Screenwave.

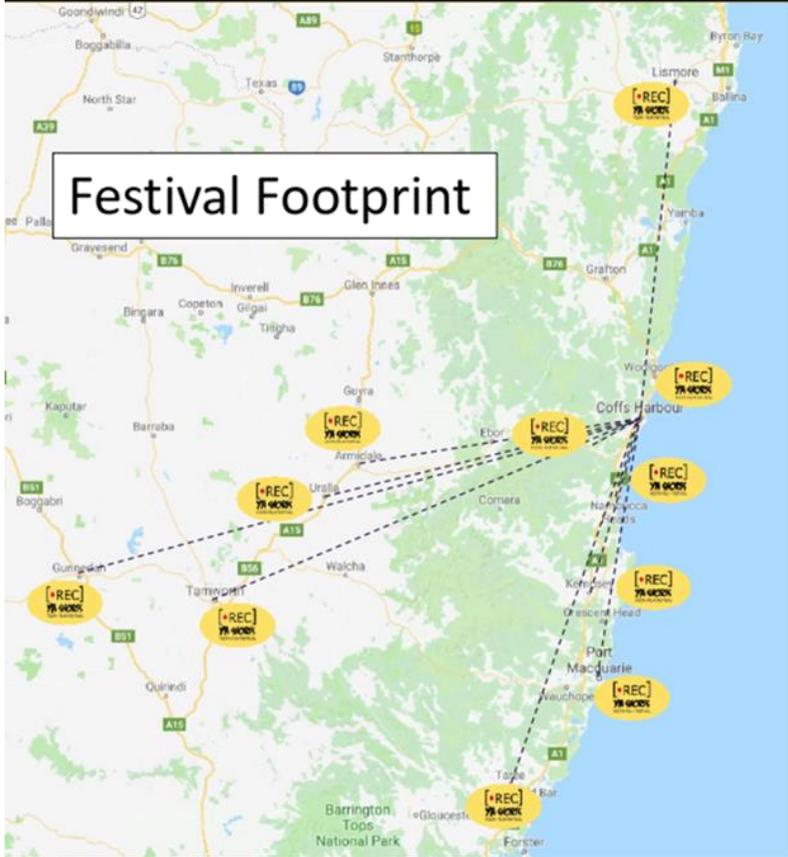
As both REC Ya Shorts and SWIFF programs have grown quickly, we want to create more development and networking opportunities for our young filmmakers, whose films will now premiere at the Nextwave Youth Film Awards, held during SWIFF each year.

The Nextwave Youth Film Awards vision is to become the premium awards gala for young Regional Australian filmmakers.

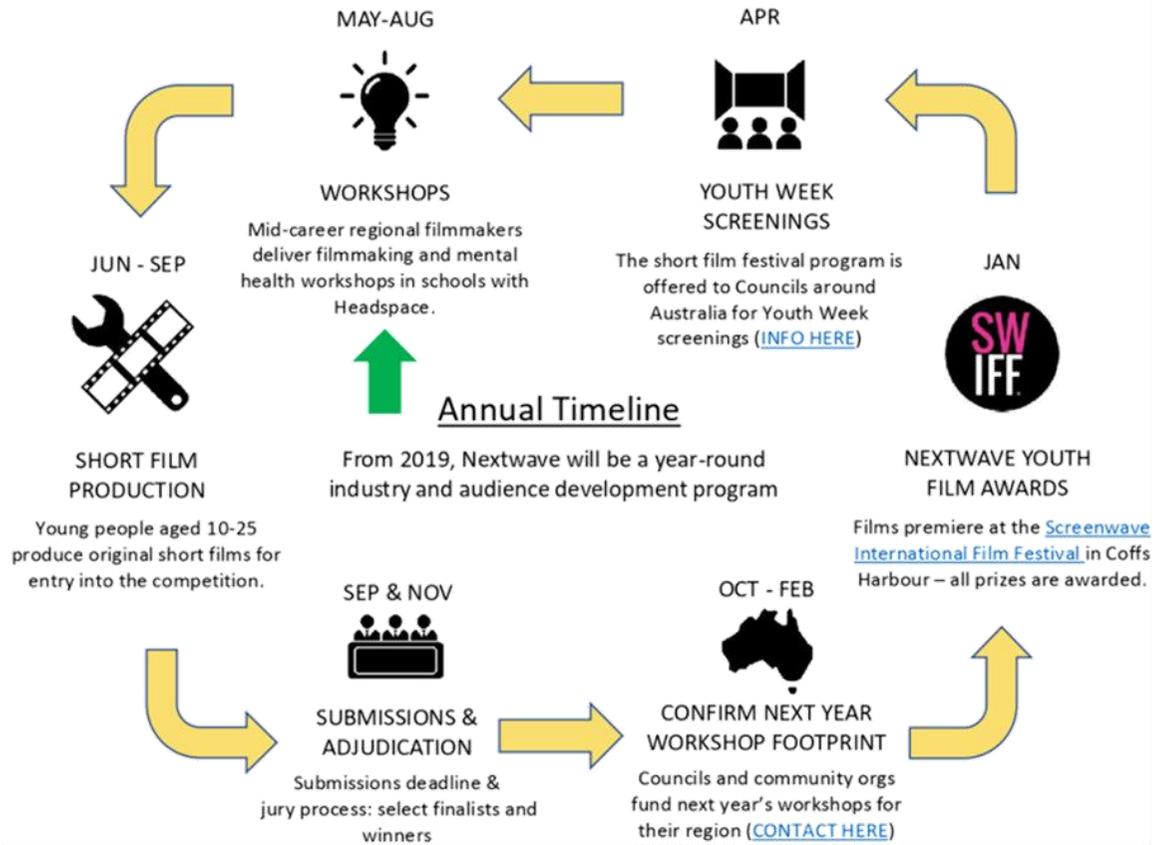
What does this mean for you, our festival sponsors? All Nextwave sponsors will dually become SWIFF sponsors, creating more opportunities to link your organisation with Screenwave programs and reach new audiences.



Footprint, Program + Timeline



Festival Footprint

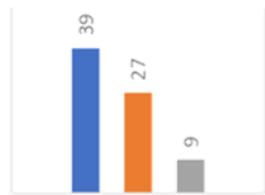


Student Survey Results

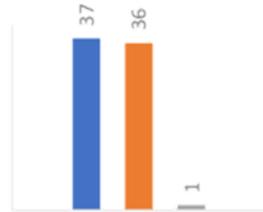


Demographics:

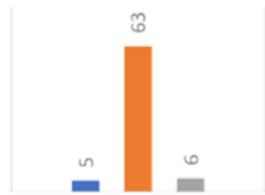
Statistics below gathered from **75 workshop attendees**



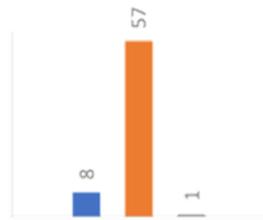
■ 13-15 ■ 16-18 ■ 19-25



■ Female ■ Male ■ Other



■ Yes ■ No ■ Withheld



■ Yes ■ No ■ Withheld

My experience with filmmaking is...

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	Count
None - I've never tried to make a short film before	13.33%	10
Limited - I've shot a few videos on my smartphone, but never to tell a story	14.67%	11
Getting there - I've made a short film before and can see how it all works	49.33%	37
Good - I've made multiple short films before and entered some into competitions	17.33%	13
Experienced - I've made multiple short films and been awarded in competitions	5.33%	4
TOTAL		75

The main reason I'd like to make a short film is...

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	Count
To tell my story	37.10%	23
To work with my friends or make new friends	50.00%	31
To learn a new skill	46.77%	29
I want to pursue a career in film after high school	40.32%	25
I want other people to see my film up on the big screen	25.81%	16
I like to express myself and be creative	53.23%	33
Because there are important social issues I want to talk about	22.58%	14
To win all of the prizes!	19.35%	12
Other (please specify)	4.84%	3
Total Respondents: 62		



Regional NSW Film Development Outcomes

1011 Young Regional Australians taught how to write, shoot, and edit a short film across 54 workshops
Value \$80,880

11 Regional NSW councils actively funding youth film and screen culture development
Value: \$59,400

3 Emerging and mid-career filmmakers trained to deliver youth filmmaking workshops
Value \$6400

5 Film kits awarded to regional schools to further support their student filmmakers
Value \$21,000

3 Film kits awarded to young regional filmmakers that each won the Best Film category for their age group
Value \$12,000

72 Original short films were created for this year's competition – many by first time filmmakers
Estimated production & skills value \$79,720

29 Short films were short listed for adjudication by REC Ya Shorts' 2018 competition jury
Estimated value \$1450

20 Finalists' films selected to be screened at SWIFF's Nextwave Youth Film Awards
Estimated value \$20,000

15 2019 Youth Week screening kits sold nationally by Film Outreach Australia, screening short films finalists
Value \$29,850

2 Development prizes: 2x AFTRS Short Courses, 2x NIDA Short Courses, 12-month ADG membership, 12-month SPA Membership, admission to Screenworks' Producers conference
Value \$2300

Total 2018 Regional NSW Film Development Value: \$313,000

Total 2018 REC Ya Shorts Operating Budget: \$105,000



Major Prize Film Kits

Blackmagicdesign

Introducing Blackmagic Pocket Cinema Camera 4K
Next generation 4K camera with 4/3 HDR sensor, dual gain ISO 25,600 and direct recording to USB-C disks.
Only \$1,975

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Building Capacity

The festival will award **eight prize packs** (three for individuals, five for regional schools) to build the capacity for schools to support student filmmaking. The prize pack is an easy-to-use, professional setup. Each prize pack is valued at RRP \$3638.

Prize Kit Inclusions

- Black Magic Design Pocket Cinema Camera 4K
- Rode Filmmaker Kit + Rode VideoMic Pro Plus
- Samyang 24mm lens

Mental Health Outcomes



Gary Maher
Community &
Engagement Officer
headspace Coffs Harbour

headspace & REC Ya Shorts

headspace Coffs Harbour has been part of the REC Ya Shorts program since 2014. Since then, headspace centres in Port Macquarie, Lismore, and Tamworth have been involved in the program.

The headspace Coffs Harbour program provided services to 1,035 Young People in 2016/17 encompassing 5,868 face-to-face occasions of service. 72% of the Young People who engaged with the service in 2016/17 did so for mental health services.

Through the workshop program, REC Ya Shorts provides information on depression, anxiety, and youth suicide prevention. Our aim is to get more young people seeking the support they need to live a fulfilling life.



My personal experience has been:

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
I had already visited Headspace before the [REC] Ya Shorts Workshop	20.29% 14
I had already visited eHeadspace (online) before the [REC] Ya Shorts Workshop	11.59% 8
I had already visited another organisation or school counselor about my mental health before the [REC] Ya Shorts Workshop	10.14% 7
I've visited Headspace since the [REC] Ya Shorts Workshop, or I intend to	14.49% 10
I've visited eHeadspace (online) since the [REC] Ya Shorts Workshop, or I intend to	7.25% 5
I've visited another organisation or school counselor about my mental health since the [REC] Ya Shorts Workshop	5.80% 4
I had encouraged a friend, family member or loved one to visit Headspace, eHeadspace, a counselor or another organisation before the [REC] Ya Shorts Workshop	17.39% 12
I've encouraged a friend, family member or loved one to visit Headspace, eHeadspace, a counselor or another organisation since the [REC] Ya Shorts Workshop, or I intend to	14.49% 10
I've taken other steps towards more positive mental health (exercise, diet, journaling, building strategies, working on a short film) since the [REC] Ya Shorts workshop	55.07% 38

For me, the most important mental health actions are:

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Get informed	25.71% 18
Exercise	38.57% 27
Sleep well	58.57% 41
Be self reflective	34.29% 24
Seek help	37.14% 26
Eat well	42.86% 30
Build strategies	24.29% 17
Positive self talk	44.29% 31
Set goals	38.57% 27



Media, Publicity, & Resources

Festival Blog

For all of the stories that have come out for this year's festival, [click here to view the festival blog.](#)

Festival Video Trailer

Each year we promote the previous year's winners in the festival's promo reel. [Click here to see the 2018 festival trailer](#)

Workshop images

To view this year's workshop photos and publicity shots, [click here to view the Dropbox folder](#)

Arts Industry News

- [Regional Arts NSW](#)
- [Arts Mid North Coast](#)
- [Arts Northern Rivers](#)
- [Arts Out West](#)
- [Create NSW](#)
- [Screen West](#)

Television News



News Media

- [Northern Daily Leader](#)
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- [Gloucester Advocate](#)
- [Coffs Coast Advocate](#)
- [Coffs Coast Advocate #2](#)
- [Newcastle Star](#)

News Media





Festival Team & Jury

Festival Team



David Horsley
Director, Screenwave



Kate Howat
Director, Screenwave



Gary Maher
Headspace Liaison



Saige Browne
Program Coordinator
& Workshop
Facilitator



Simon Portus
Workshop Facilitator



Elliot Daniel
Workshop Facilitator



Stephanie Sims
Marketing and
Partnerships



Julie Toussaint
Brand Design



Ben Toussaint
Web Design

Employment

- 4 FTE regional screen jobs supported
- 4 part-time contract screen jobs supported

Nextwave Youth Film Awards MC



Each year, emerging and mid-career filmmakers adjudicate submissions and decide finalists and winners.

For full biographies of our 2018 Jury, [please click here.](#)

REC Ya Shorts 2018 Jury



**Daniel
Monks**



**Tysan
Towney**



**Greg
Erdstein**



**Alice
Foulcher**



**Stevie
Cruz-Martin**

Testimonials & Feedback



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27th June, 2018

Dear Kate,

I would like to pass on my thanks to both yourself and the Gunnedah Shire Council for including us in the Screenwave REC Ya Shorts Youth Film Workshop. The students who attended ranged from Year 7 up to Year 11 and they were all inspired by the presentation from Saige and Simon.

Three groups of students, two from Year 10 and one from Year 9, are intending on submitting short films because of your workshop and the others enjoyed the experience.

I have included behind this letter some of the individual comments that the students wrote themselves. Year 10 are currently away so unfortunately their comments are not included but I know both groups of Year 10 students really enjoyed it and were very enthusiastic about submitting a short film themselves.

Thank you again for this great opportunity and we would be very interested if you come back to our region again.

Yours sincerely

Jen Long
Teacher - English/Art
Librarian

From: GRIMWOOD Catherine <cgrimwood@tareeccs.nsw.edu.au>
Date: Wednesday, 16 May 2018 at 6:04 pm
To: "saige.browne@screenwave.com.au" <saige.browne@screenwave.com.au>
Cc: GRIMWOOD Catherine <cgrimwood@tareeccs.nsw.edu.au>, "James Grimwood" <jcgrimwood@gmail.com>
Subject: Thank you for the film making workshop at TCC today

Hi Saige,

I'm writing to let you know that I am more than happy with how the Rec Ya Shorts film making workshop went today. David and Kate were very well received by the 24 Year 7-10 students that attended. The content regarding how to make a film and technical demonstration was exactly what we all needed to hear and the students appear to be very energised by the session. They left the room sprouting off ideas they intended to use for their films. I am sure I will be a very busy art teacher during lunch times teaching and guiding students through film making processes and Premiere Pro software after today.

Please consider us as a school that would like to be involved with another Rec Ya Shorts workshop in the future should the opportunity arise.

I am sending you some photos of Kate and David facilitating the workshop as they requested. Please use them to advertise or promote what you do.

I will send video files of David and Kate presenting today at a later date.

Kindest regards
Catherine Grimwood
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"Virtue is the way of life"

The film workshop was very inspiring and insightful and it has inspired me and my friends to create our very own short film for the competition. Thank you for this opportunity. - chloe wilscraft

The workshop that was offered was great it inspired and engaged us all. My friends and I will definitely enjoy making our short film. I thank you very much for this wonderful opportunity - Sienna Miller

The workshop was amazing it was inspiring and has driven me to be more creative and has made me want to ~~document~~ create a short film I am thankful for this amazing opportunity - Claudia Hamblin

The film workshop was amazing & makes me want to try filming however, I believe there should have been more film time! It was awesome though. I learnt so much. - Katrina Hupp

Coming in 2019



1. REC Ya Shorts becomes Nextwave

The REC Ya Shorts Youth Film Festival is changing its name permanently to Nextwave, and will become the official youth program of the Screenwave International Film Festival (SWIFF), held across the Coffs Coast in January each year.

2. We're growing again

Due to demand from regional councils, we will again be expanding our workshop footprint in 2019, to teach more young regional Australians about filmmaking, visual storytelling, and positive mental health.

3. We're employing regional filmmakers

From 2019 onwards, we will start training up mid-career regional filmmakers in how to deliver our youth workshops, so they can go back into their communities and teach young people within a three-hour driving radius of their hometown. This creates a new source of revenue for these filmmakers, and it allows the Nextwave program to proliferate to new areas and reach even more young Regional Australians.

4. Professional Development workshops for teachers begin

Nextwave is currently being accredited by NESA so that teachers can undertake training through the program on how to best support their student filmmakers. NESA accreditation will mean the Nextwave workshops will formally count towards teachers' mandatory professional development learning hours, making filmmaking a higher priority in schools.

5. Nextwave screenings available for Youth Week 2019

Council and community organisations around Australia will have an opportunity to purchase a Youth Week Film Festival screening kit for \$1980. The kit includes the 20 finalist short films from the previous year, plus all marketing tools, licensing, and event ideas – a complete screening kit – to run the Youth Week Film Festival in their town.

6. Discounted Youth Week event kit for participating councils

We recognise that young filmmakers want their films seen in front of their hometown audiences, so we are subsidising the cost of the \$1980 Nextwave Youth Week Film Festival screening kit for all participating councils that fund two or more workshops within their council area. The reduced cost is \$440 (incl. GST) – a 75%+ saving of \$1540 – so that your young filmmakers can see their films on the big screen locally. [More details on the kit here.](#)

8.4 DEVELOPMENT, BUILDING AND COMPLIANCE

8.4.1 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS APPROVED MARCH, 2019

DOCUMENT NUMBER	300949
REPORTING OFFICER	Brooke Douglas, Executive Assistant
AUTHORISING OFFICER	Phil McMurray, Acting General Manager
RELEVANCE TO COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN	<p>3. Sustainable natural and built environments: we connect with the places and spaces around us</p> <p>3.1 The natural environment is valued and protected</p>
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS	There are no Financial implications associated with this report.
LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS	There are no Legislative implications associated with this report.
POLICY IMPLICATIONS	There are no Policy implications associated with this report.
ATTACHMENTS	Nil

RECOMMENDATION

The information on Development Applications approved in March, 2019 be noted.

The following development applications were approved by Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council in March, 2019:

APP. NO.	PROPOSED BUILDING	STREET NAME
DA2018/148	New Retail Shop	Parker Street
DA2018/155	New Dwelling	Bartley Street
DA2018/160	New Dwelling and Shed	Bartley Street
DA2019/006	New Deck	Pinkerton Road
DA2019/007	New Carport	Temora Street
DA2019/010	Balcony with Stairs	Sheridan Street
DA2019/015	New Carport	Britannia Street
DA2019/016	New Carport	Wall Avenue
DA2019/019	Alterations to village hall	Martin Street
DA2019/021	Change of use	Punch Street
DA2019/023	New Subdivision	Turners Lane
DA2019/024	Change of Use	Sheridan Street

DA2019/025	RFS Fire Station	Old Cootamundra Road
DA2019/026	New Carport	Carrigg Place
DA2019/027	New Garage	First Avenue
DA2019/029	New Shed	Pinkerton Road
DA2019/030	New Shed	Donaldson Street
DA2019/032	New Dwelling	Mantons Road
DA2019/036	New Shed	Warren Street
DA2019/039	Internal Staircase	Sheridan Street
DA2019/041	New Dwelling	Bartley Street
CDC2019/007	New Garage	Murray Street
CDC2019/008	New Swimming Pool	Poole Street
CDC2019/009	Dwelling Additions	Hurley Street
CDC2019/010	New Swimming Pool	West Jindalee Road
CDC2019/011	Conversion Office to Ensuite	Hurley Street

VALUE OF WORK REPORTED TO THIS MEETING: \$3,705,837.00

VALUE OF WORK REPORTED YEAR TO DATE : \$27,716,258.00

THIS TIME LAST YEAR:

VALUE OF WORK –March 2018 - \$ 693,515.00

VALUE OF WORK – YTD 2018 - \$ 13,042,977.00

8.4.2 COOTAMUNDRA LEP 2013 PROPOSED AMENDMENT 7 - DEFERMENT OF ITEM 8

DOCUMENT NUMBER	301318
REPORTING OFFICER	Grace Foulds, Acting Manager Development, Building and Compliance
AUTHORISING OFFICER	Phil McMurray, Acting General Manager
RELEVANCE TO COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN	3. Sustainable natural and built environments: we connect with the places and spaces around us 2.2 Strategic land-use planning is co-ordinated and needs-based
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS	There are no Financial implications associated with this report.
LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS	Proposed Amendment 7 will result in changes to the Cootamundra LEP 2013.
POLICY IMPLICATIONS	There are no Policy implications associated with this report.
ATTACHMENTS	Nil

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. Cootamundra LEP 2013 Proposed Amendment 7 Items 1 – 7 be made.**
- 2. Cootamundra LEP 2013 Proposed Amendment 7 Item 8 be deferred until Council has conducted a proper assessment of the additional permitted use.**

Introduction

Cootamundra LEP 2013 Proposed Amendment 7 was exhibited 15th February, 2019 to 15th March, 2019. Council received 12 submissions specifically related to Item 8 – Additional Permitted Use of a Feedlot at 358 Jugiong Road, highlighting that insufficient assessment had been conducted prior to the inclusion of Item 8 in Proposed Amendment 7.

Staff are recommending that Proposed Amendment 7 Items 1-7 be made, with Item 8 deferred until proper assessment has occurred.

Discussion

Cootamundra LEP 2013 Proposed Amendment 7 items 1 – 7 was presented at the Ordinary Council Meeting of 22nd May, 2018. Amendment to the Planning Proposal with the addition of Item 8 – Additional Permitted Use of a Feedlot at 358 Jugiong Road was presented and approved at the Extraordinary Council Meeting of 18th December, 2019.

Council received Gateway Determination to exhibit Proposed Amendment 7 on 6th February, 2019.

Public exhibition of Proposed Amendment 7 occurred 15th February, 2019 to 15th March, 2019. 12 submissions were received specifically relating to Item 8 – Additional Permitted Use of a Feedlot at 358 Jugiong Road. Notwithstanding the fact that Item 8 is controversial, it is the opinion of staff that it is not appropriate to proceed with this Item until such time as a proper assessment of the additional permitted use has been undertaken. Endorsing such a use without a full assessment would severely mitigate Council's ability to assess and determine the application based on merit at

the Development Application stage as the endorsement and making of the additional permitted use would give “in principle” approval to such a development.

8.5 REGULATORY SERVICES

Nil

8.6 ASSETS

8.6.1 GUNDAGAI WATER RESTRICTIONS

DOCUMENT NUMBER	302081
REPORTING OFFICER	Phil McMurray, Acting General Manager
AUTHORISING OFFICER	Phil McMurray, Acting General Manager
RELEVANCE TO COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN	<p>3. Sustainable natural and built environments: we connect with the places and spaces around us</p> <p>3.1 The natural environment is valued and protected</p>
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS	There are no Financial implications associated with this report.
LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS	There are no Legislative implications associated with this report.
POLICY IMPLICATIONS	To act in accordance with Council's Water Restrictions Policy
ATTACHMENTS	Nil

RECOMMENDATION

Council endorse the Acting General Manager's actions under the Delegation of Authority to implement Water Restrictions in accordance with Council Policy.

Introduction

Council policy and procedures details how the Gundagai Local Water Utility (Gundagai LWU) implements Water Restrictions for the purpose of water conservation, demand management and drought management. The Mayor and General Manager have been delegated authority to implement and vary water restriction levels in accordance with Council's Policy.

Discussion

URGENT MANDATORY LEVEL 5 WATER RESTRICTION FOR GUNDAGAI ON WEDNESDAY 17 APRIL 2019

Major maintenance work was undertaken at the Gundagai Water Filtration Plant on Tuesday, 16th April, 2019 to place an extension on the foot valve into the Murrumbidgee River to secure water supply during drought conditions. A problem occurred following this maintenance which resulted in the pumps not able to hold their prime. The plant was not able to operate, and a limited water supply was available for the town only in its reservoirs.

In this circumstance, there was an urgent need to reduce water consumption, and an interim mandatory Level 5 Water Restriction was determined necessary for Wednesday, 17th April, 2019. Advertisement of the water restrictions occurred.

Work completed that day had the town's water supply restored in the evening which resulted in the imposed restrictions being lifted.

MANDATORY LEVEL 2 WATER RESTRICTION FOR GUNDAGAI IN PLACE FROM 18 APRIL 2019

In accordance with Council procedures, the trigger level for Level 2 Restrictions occur when storage in Blowering or Burrinjuck Dams falls below 30%. Both dams in this case have now fallen below 30%.

Provided below is an extract from the Council Procedure for the information of Councillors:

1. Introducing a Level of Water Restriction:

The following table indicates when a level of water restriction may be introduced

Trigger	Restriction Level introduced
The storage in Blowering Dam or Burrinjuck Dam falls below 50%	1
The storage in Blowering Dam or Burrinjuck Dam falls below 30%	2
The storage in Blowering and Burrinjuck Dams fall below 20% or Water allocation reduced to 50%	3
The storage in Blowering and Burrinjuck Dams fall below 10% or Water allocation reduced to 30%	4
The Murrumbidgee River flow falls below 200 Mgl/day for a period 7 days or more or Water Allocation reduced to 25%	5
The Murrumbidgee River Flow falls below 100 Mgl/day for 7 days or more or Water allocation reduced to <20%	6

The Mayor and General Manager have delegated authority to impose a Restriction Level different to the above Trigger levels if it is considered necessary.

2. Revoking a Level of Water Restriction:

Revoking the water restriction levels shall be the reverse of the above provided the dam levels or flows are likely to be sustained in the immediate future.

3. Variation of Water Restriction Level:

The Mayor and General Manager shall determine which water restriction level will be implemented. This will be reported to the next Council meeting.

4. Communication Strategies:

Whenever a level of water restriction is introduced or varied, the General Manager will arrange for appropriate advertising to be placed. During the period of the restrictions the advertising will be repeated monthly.

The current level of water restrictions will be displayed on Council's website and on signs displayed at the approaches to town.

For level 3 and above radio and television ads will be placed as determined by the General Manager. For level 4 and above a letter box drop of every house and business in the Gundagai LWU area will be undertaken. The General Manager may elect to undertake a letterbox drop for lower level restrictions if he considers that it would be desirable and could enhance compliance.

Whenever water restrictions are revoked or downgraded, similar advertising will be undertaken as deemed appropriate by the General Manager.

5. Dealing with Breaches of Water Restrictions

Consumers who are detected breaching water restrictions which are in place at that time will be dealt with as follows:

- a) For the first observed breach, a warning notice from the General Manager
- b) For a second observed breach, a Penalty Infringement Notice will be issued under S.637 of the Local Government Act 1993.
- c) For breaches in excess of two – both the appropriate fine as in b) above and a restriction of water flow to the property, in accordance with Regulation 144(f) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005, will be the penalty.

Gundagai LWU will utilise the services of the Infringement Processing Bureau for the purpose of processing all fines issued.

6. Resourcing Activities associated with Water Restrictions

The General Manager will allocate sufficient skilled personnel and other resources to ensure that all procedures are carried out in a timely and professional manner.

7. Restriction Philosophy

The current restriction triggers are based on minimising our impact on the Murrumbidgee River system during times of drought and ensuring that in the event that the river drops to minimal flow, supply for essential use will be available and last as long as possible.

8. Restriction Levels

Details of Restriction Levels are shown in Appendix 1

The Mayor and General Manager may vary Restriction Level descriptions if considered necessary.

9. Exemptions

Exemptions may be available for the various domestic, commercial or industrial purposes. The General Manager will determine if the application has merit and if adequate supply is available prior to issuing an exemption. Consumers must have a valid exemption or they shall be liable to a penalty. An Exemption Permit form is attached in APPENDIX 2

10. Public Parks, Sporting Grounds, Public Swimming Pool and School Grounds

Irrigation water shall be limited as shown below. Sprinklers shall be controlled to ensure that water is not wasted on paved areas or roads.

Level	Permissible use
Level 1	No restriction on fixed irrigation sprinklers provided that they are on a timer and controlled so that there is no pooling or runoff
Level 2	Fixed irrigation sprinklers, night time use on a timer, controlled so that there is no pooling or runoff
Level 3	Fixed irrigation sprinklers, night time use on a timer, controlled so that there is no pooling or runoff, no more than 3 times per week.
Level 4	Fixed irrigation sprinklers, night time use on a timer, controlled so that there is no pooling or runoff, no more than once per week.
Level 5	No irrigation permitted
Level 6	No irrigation permitted. No topping up of Public Swimming Pool.(May need to close for operational or health reasons.)

APPENDIX 1**WATER RESTRICTION LEVELS**

The following restrictions are for all domestic, commercial and industrial consumers in the Gundagai LWU.

Level 1 Voluntary

- no watering with fixed hoses or sprinklers between restriction times
- Washing of vehicles on lawns with a hose provided the use of a hose with a trigger cut off nozzle
- Water runoff onto roads or gutters banned
- Council Ranger will advise and warn anyone not co-operating.

Level 2 Mandatory

- Fixed hoses and sprinklers banned between restriction times*
- Fixed hoses and sprinklers to be on a timer
- Washing of vehicles on lawns with a hose permitted provided the use a trigger cut off nozzle
- Hosing of paths and driveways banned
- Water runoff onto roads or gutters banned

Level 3 Mandatory

- Fixed Hoses and sprinklers banned
- Odds and evens relating to street number and date. No watering on 31st.
- One hand held hose per property before or after restriction times*
- Fixed micro sprays and dripping systems maximum of 15 minutes before or after restriction times*
- Washing of vehicles on lawns with a hose permitted provided the use a trigger cut off nozzle before or after restriction times*. Washing with bucket at other times.
- Hosing of paths and driveways banned
- Water runoff onto roads or gutters banned
- Filling or topping up of Swimming Pools only permitted if cover is fitted

Level 4 Mandatory

- Fixed Hoses and sprinklers banned
- Odds and evens relating to street number and date. No watering on 31st.
- One hand held hose per property before or after restriction times* for a maximum of ½ hour
- Fixed micro sprays and dripping systems maximum of 15 minutes before or after restriction times*
- Washing of vehicles on lawns with buckets.
- Hosing of paths and driveways banned
- Water runoff onto roads or gutters banned
- Filling or topping up of Swimming Pools banned.

Level 5 Mandatory

- Outside use of hoses banned
- Bucket watering only
- Washing vehicles banned
- Limitations placed on commercial and industrial usage

Level 6 Mandatory

- No outside use of town water
- Use of recycled grey water, rainwater tank water or bore water only for outside use
- Limitations placed on internal domestic use
- Limitations placed on commercial and industrial use.

***Restriction Times Daylight Savings Hours from 9:00am to 6:00pm**

Non Daylight Savings Hours from 9:00am to 4:00pm

8.7 CIVIL WORKS

8.7.1 CIVIL WORKS REPORT - APRIL 2019

DOCUMENT NUMBER	301802
REPORTING OFFICER	Shelley Liehr, Executive Assistant - Operations
AUTHORISING OFFICER	Phil McMurray, Acting General Manager
RELEVANCE TO COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN	3. Sustainable natural and built environments: we connect with the places and spaces around us 3.2 Our built environments support and enhance liveability
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS	There are no Financial implications associated with this report.
LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS	There are no Legislative implications associated with this report.
POLICY IMPLICATIONS	There are no Policy implications associated with this report.
ATTACHMENTS	1. Works Report - April 2018 ↓

RECOMMENDATION

The Operations Update Report and Works Program for the month of April, 2019 attached to the report be received and noted.

Introduction

This report provides a detailed update of the Operations Department’s works for the month of April, 2019.

Discussion

Maintenance grading has been completed on roads around the Jindalee and Stockinbingal areas. Currently the crews are working in the Yannawah areas. Gravel road resheeting has been completed on Hillbank and Ryan’s Lanes as well as various street in the Stockinbingal area. Resheeting on the various roads/streets was determined from the priorities identified in Council’s gravel road asset management plan.

Drainage repairs have been completed on Old Cootamundra Road where recent heavy rainfall had washed away materials from both the upstream and downstream sides of the bridge.

Over the last month, Council’s sealing contractor Boral has completed all of the scheduled reseals for 2018/19. Line marking of these roads was expected to be completed by Easter.

Footpath repairs have been undertaken in Yass Road and Harold Conkey Drive to repair sections of raised and broken footpaths. A section of pavers has been re-laid at the corner Parker and Wallendoon Streets where the pavers had shifted over time.

Interflow are once again working in the Cootamundra township. These current works involve finishing off the 2019 sewer lining program as well as cutting property junctions into these relined sewers.

Work crews have completed pavement stabilisation on stage 1 of the Adjungbilly Road project with the first 1.2kms now sealed. Work has commenced at Gobarralong Road with culvert installation and shoulder widening in progress. Remaining works include minor shape correction, realignment, pavement widening and stabilisation. Work has commenced on the Muttama Road with culvert replacement and pavement geotechnical investigation in progress.

Gravel resheeting has been completed on Riverview and Hopewood Roads, and as such, work is planned to occur on Parsons Creek Road in the coming weeks pending surplus material from the Adjungbilly Road project.

Maintenance grading has commenced with work being undertaken in the Old Hume Highway/Mundarlo area.

The main street amenities block is underway with excavation and service adjustment complete. Work is continuing with the placement of concrete footings and blockwork.

Preparation for the installation of the Gundagai Pony Club undercover arena has seen the site levelled at the Gundagai Showground.

Work was completed for the Lindley Park playground with the earthworks and soft fall completed by Council operations staff.

2018-19 WORKS PROGRAM							March				April					May				June				
		PROJECT	Budget	Survey	Design	Progress	Expenditure	5th	12th	19th	26th	2nd	9th	16th	23th	30th	7th	14th	21st	28th	4th	11th	18th	25th
		Parker Street - Fuel Depot entrance		complete	complete																			
FCTW	C	Coota Saleyards Truckwash	\$ 333,000.00	complete	complete		\$ 360,000.00																	
SCF	c	Saleyards lighting			complete		\$ 222,255.00																	
R2R	C	Turners lane causeway and reconstruction	\$ 184,447.00	complete	complete																			
R2R	C	Yeo Yeo Hampstead shoulder -stage 2	\$ 120,000.00			Complete	\$ 126,000.00																	
SCF	C	Rathmells Lane- Construction	\$ 200,000.00	complete	complete		\$ 243,000.00																	
		Rathmells Lane- Drainage				complete																		
RC/SC	C	Adjunbilly Road Construction	\$ 2,100,000.00	complete	Progressing		\$ 1,742,000.00																	
SCF	C	Coota Footpath renewal Program	\$ 250,000.00				Total \$ 167,000.00																	
		Parker St at Sacred Heart				75%																		
		Bourke St				complete	\$ 17,000.00																	
		Boundary Road- shared footpath				complete	\$ 110,000.00																	
		Cooper St Bourke to Adams				complete	\$ 40,000.00																	
		Temora Street																						
SCF	G	Gundagai Footpath renewal Program	\$ 250,000.00				Total \$ 160,000.00																	
		Punch Street				complete	\$ 32,000.00																	
		Byron Stet-First to Sheridan				complete	\$ 105,000.00																	
		Virgil Street				complete	\$ 16,000.00																	
		First Ave					\$ 7,000.00																	
RMS	C	Burley Griffin Way Heavy Patching				complete																		
RMS	C	Burley Griffin Way shoulder grading				complete																		
RMS	C	Olympic Highway Heavy Patching				complete																		
RMS	C	Olympic Highway shoulder grading				complete																		
		Regional Roads REPAIR Wambidgee Rd area	\$301,600			10%	\$ 301,600.00																	
		Heavy Patching	TBC																					
		Shoulder Grading for resealing- Cootamundra				complete																		
		Shoulder Grading for resealing- Gundagai				complete																		
		Pinkerton Road Drainage- Railway line to c	\$ 65,000.00	complete	complete	complete	\$ 38,000.00																	
		O'Donnell/Murray St culverts	\$ 25,000.00																					
		Gundagai Kerb & Gutter	\$ 125,160.00																					
		Byron St																						
		First Ave																						
		Kitchener St																						
		Cootamundra Kerb & Gutter	\$ 124,200.00																					
		Justin Street																						
		Cooper St				complete	\$ 79,000.00																	
		Morleys Creek Bridge				Complete																		
		Edwards Town road Bridge			complete	Complete	\$ 107,400.00																	
		Morleys Creek Fishing Jetty				Complete	\$ 5,300.00																	
		Sheridan St/West St Intersection treatment		complete	progressing																			
		Rural Sealed Roads																						
		Resealing	\$ 2,021,714.00			complete	\$ 2,000,000.00																	
		Pavement reconstruction- Gundagai	\$ 663,309.00																					
		Soldiers Settlement Road	\$ 68,191.00			progressing	\$ 6,600.00																	
		Byron st- Sheridan Ln to Sheridan St	\$ 35,552.00				\$ 19,000.00																	
		Tumut St- Mount St to end seal	\$ 15,930.00																					
R2R	G	Old Hume Highway	\$ 279,300.00			complete	\$ 258,000.00																	
		Sommerset Rd- start seal to cattle grid	\$ 59,535.00																					
		Hopewood Rd- Gobarralong Rd to Seal ch	\$ 80,595.00			complete	\$ 141,000.00																	
		Burra Rd- Yammmtree Rd to Wambidgee R	\$ 190,314.00																					
R2R	G	Gobarralong Road	\$ 295,826.00			50%	\$ 46,000.00																	
		Pavement reconstruction- Cootamundra	\$ 665,000.00																					
R2R	C	Old Gundagai Rd	\$ 261,118.00																					
		Justin St	\$ 140,000.00																					
		Thompson/Centenary Laneway	\$ 80,000.00																					
R2R	C	Berthong Rd	\$ 150,000.00			complete	\$ 163,000.00																	
R2R	C	Parker/Walendoon R-bout pavement	\$ 150,000.00																					
		Gravel Road maintenace & resheeting				progressing																		
		Flood damage repairs Regional Roads (expiry date June 2019)	\$ 344,605.00			progressing	\$ 335,000.00																	
		Flood Damage - Local Roads (expiry date Ju	\$ 2,035,760.00			progressing	\$ 1,500,000.00																	
		Gundagai Sewer treatment works- earthworks-																						

8.7.2 NANGUS WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

DOCUMENT NUMBER	301805
REPORTING OFFICER	Bill Moore, Consultant Engineer
AUTHORISING OFFICER	Phil McMurray, Acting General Manager
RELEVANCE TO COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN	3. Sustainable natural and built environments: we connect with the places and spaces around us 3.2 Our built environments support and enhance liveability
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS	There are no Financial implications associated with this report.
LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS	There are no Legislative implications associated with this report.
POLICY IMPLICATIONS	There are no Policy implications associated with this report.
ATTACHMENTS	1. Correspondence from Goldefields Water County Council ↓ 2. Nangus Project Initiation Plan (under separate cover) ⇒

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. Council resolve to proceed with the Nangus Water Supply Project project up to and including the development of a business case.**
- 2. Council advise Goldenfields Water County Council that all costs associated with providing property connections to Nangus and surrounding properties are to be covered in the capital works cost of any scheme developed.**
- 3. Council not seek a submission for funding under the Safe and Secure Water program for the first phase of the project.**
- 4. Council commit \$350,000 toward the cost of completing the investigations and concept designs and in preparing a business case for the Nangus water project.**

Introduction

A letter has been received from Goldenfields Water County Council (GWCC) regarding investigations into the feasibility of the construction of a water supply scheme to serve the Village of Nangus. The letter accompanied a draft Project Implementation Plan (PIP). Copies of both the letter and the draft plan are attached to this report.

The letter requests Council respond to the following points:

1. Review and provide feedback where appropriate to the attached PIP;
2. Provide a Council resolution on behalf of Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council (CGRC) confirming the desire for the project to proceed;
3. Confirm if a submission under the Safe and Secure funding program is desired, noting the delay this may cause; and

4. Confirm that funding for the project is available by CGRC, noting GWCC's co-contribution limit.

Discussion

1. Review and provide feedback where appropriate to the attached PIP:

This plan is a fairly detailed document setting out the issues that both CGRC and GWCC need to address in the initial stage of the project.

The plan identifies six (6) potential sources of supply for the project that need further investigation:

- Extension from Gundagai's existing scheme;
- Extraction from the river;
- Ground water extraction; and
- Three possible supply points and routes from GWCC's existing Tenandra scheme.

The plan details probable membership of a Project Reference Group involving both elected members and senior staff of both councils, stakeholders and government personnel. Reporting to that body would be a Project Team consisting of staff from both councils, consultants and contractors.

Both the plan and the accompanying letter make several references to the Nangus community's "willingness to pay". Given the commitments of a previous General Manager and Administrator that there would be no construction nor connection costs charged to residents, the project needs to include all such costs as part of the capital works. The PIP requires amendment to reflect this.

3. Confirm if a submission under the Safe and Secure funding program is desired, noting the delay this may cause:

The Safe and Secure Water program is currently under review and it is likely that the cost/benefit requirement might be relaxed in recognition of the difficulty of reaching this criteria in small and remote locations where health and safety issues outweigh conventional economic considerations.

Council has already committed approximately \$650,000 from the Stronger Communities Fund for this project, which is more than sufficient to cover the first phase of this project (ie: feasibility and scoping studies) which is currently estimated to cost about \$216,000.

4. Confirm that funding for the project is available by CGRC, noting GWCC's co-contribution limit:

As mentioned above, Council has committed almost \$650,000 to the project and GW are seeking, at this stage, a commitment to match their contribution of \$350,000 towards the cost of completing the investigations and concept designs and in preparing a business case for submission for State Government funding under the Safe and Secure Water Program to proceed with construction.



8 April 2019

Mr Phillip McMurray
Acting General Manager
Cootamundra Gundagai Regional Council
PO Box 420
COOTAMUNDRA NSW 2590

Dear Phillip

NANGUS WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

I write to you in regards to the proposed Nangus water supply project. It is Goldenfields Water's (GW) understanding that Cootamundra Gundagai Regional Council (CGRC) have expressed a desire to proceed with the investigation of potential supply to the village of Nangus, with the aid of GW to facilitate the project management of works up to the delivery of a business case.

GW can confirm that an allocation of \$175,000 has been established within the current financial year to cover its estimated 50% of costs required to complete an investigation, concept design and business case. This funding was to be used as a co-contribution with CGRC and additional funds were to be sought from the State Governments Safe & Secure funding scheme.

GW can advise that if additional grant funding is required, then under the new guidelines for the Safe & Secure funding program, it could delay the project by up to 6 months to undertake the new review and approvals process.

A draft Project Initiation Plan (PIP) has been developed and is attached for your review and feedback. Specifically, please note that part of the investigation (feasibility) phase of the project, GW feel that it is necessary to investigate all sources of water supply for potential options to consider for the village reticulation system. This could mean that a suitable ground water supply could be available in lieu of a direct connection to GW's existing water supply infrastructure. These alternative options might provide CGRC with a more viable water supply scheme.

A critical component for the feasibility of the project will require CGRC to undertake community consultation to confirm that there is a "willingness to pay" for the scheme and that customers have an understanding of the future financial imposts this project could represent. This consultation process has not been considered as part of the scope of works GW will seek to engage a consultant for, as we feel the process is generally a normal Council function undertaken as part of the development of a Customer Service Plan (CSP), Integrated Water Cycle Management Plan (IWCM) or an annual customer survey.



In order for the project to move forward GW are respectfully requesting that CGRC provide the following points in response to this letter:

1. Review and provide feedback where appropriate to the attached PIP;
2. Provide a Council resolution on behalf of CGRC confirming the desire for the project to proceed;
3. Confirm if a submission under the Safe & Secure funding program is desired, noting the delay this may cause, and
4. Confirm that funding for the project is available by CGRC, noting GW's co-contribution limit.

Please do not hesitate to contact myself or the Manager Production & Services (Geoffrey Veneris) to discuss any of the information within this letter or the attached documentation.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "A. Drenovski".

Aaron Drenovski
General Manager

CC: Bill Moore

8.7.3 PLANT REPLACEMENT - BACKHOE

DOCUMENT NUMBER	301897
REPORTING OFFICER	Mark Ellis, Manager Civil Works
AUTHORISING OFFICER	Phil McMurray, Acting General Manager
RELEVANCE TO COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN	4. Good governance: an actively engaged community and strong leadership team 4.3 Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council is a premier local government Council
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS	The cost of the backhoe as outlined in the report.
LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS	To comply with s55 of the Local Government Act, 1993.
POLICY IMPLICATIONS	To comply with Council's Procurement Policy and Procedures.
ATTACHMENTS	1. Backhoe Quote Summary - Confidential (under separate cover)

RECOMMENDATION

The tender from JCB Construction Equipment Australia be accepted for the JCB 3CX Elite in an amount of \$175,500 be accepted.

Introduction

Council recently undertook a Request for Quotation (RFQ) through Local Government Procurement for the replacement of the Cootamundra works backhoe which was damaged in a work related incident in December, 2018. This RFQ closed on the 12th February, 2019.

An assessment panel comprising Council's Cootamundra Plant Foreman, Work Supervisor and plant operators have assessed these machines with the following report being prepared.

Discussion

At the close of the RFQ, five companies had supplied quotes for the specified backhoe. These being JCB Construction Equipment, WesTrac (Caterpillar), Komatsu, Capital Construction Equipment (New Holland) and Hartwigs Wagga (Case). A confidential summary of these machines is provided under separate cover.

The spreadsheet is confidential as, it is considered that discussions of this matter in open Council would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it would prejudice Council's ability to secure the optimum outcome for the community.

Further, it is considered that discussions of this matter in open Council would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as publication of all tendered amounts would discourage potential tenderers from submitting commercial information in the future and therefore prejudice Council's ability to secure the optimum outcome for the community.

From these, six machines were quoted. The JCB 3CX Classic machine was not considered as its engine power output was the lowest rated of the six and was concluded to be below Council's requirements.

The other five machines quoted on have similar engine sizes. Engine torque and power on the Caterpillar, Komatsu and Case are all less than the JCB Elite and New Holland. The higher outputs are considered advantageous when digging and excavating in solid ground as they have less engine strain and superior long term performance.

Of those five machines, the JCB, Caterpillar and Komatsu machines come with standard GPS tracking and plant monitoring capabilities. The panel considered this to be advantageous for any new item of plant being purchased by Council, with benefits including being able to monitor all the critical aspects of the machine by the workshop staff and having records of the plants operational history easily accessible. Having the ability to monitor performance and make a diagnosis by workshop staff is considered advantageous as the machine maintenance can be undertaken with greater efficiency and prevent future down time of the machine. Such maintenance provides significant improvement in the fleet program for Council as the machine can be running at its optimal performance during its operational life.

Council currently has this monitoring as a standard feature on the Caterpillar and John Deere graders, Hyundai excavator and loader, and mini Komatsu excavator. Workshop staff are now monitoring and receiving warnings when these items of plant have operation faults. Such monitoring allows a remote diagnose to be undertaken by the workshop staff indicating what maintenance or repair is required to resolve any issue prior to leaving for a site inspection for the vehicle. This will save time of the mechanics, works staff and down time of the machine.

Having this monitoring capability also increases the security advantages of the machine as its operational position can be tracked 24/7 with options to establish working boundaries for the machine to send off a security alert if movements occur outside these boundaries.

The New Holland and Case units don't offer these as standard features. Simple aftermarket tracking units are available but don't offer the same degree of technology as the factory fitted units.

GPS tracking capabilities, in addition to performance abilities, will be a feature that Council specifies for future quotes when new plant is sought. Such features will contribute to ensuring that Council has a modern fleet with optimal performance capabilities to assist in undertaking works programs in the most efficient and economical manner. Furthermore, performance management of the fleet aligns with the objectives of recent reports to improve Council's plant usage and the income from all plant.

When testing these machines it was evident that the JCB Elite cabin and operator controls were superior. The operator can sit in the seat and rotate from front to rear or in the direction of the work, with all controls rotating in the seat with the operator. This feature is not offered in the other machines which have fixed controls at the front and rear. The feature is considered to provide safer work space for the operator in addition to people working near the machine as by providing a 360deg view, the operator will be facing the work zone directly.

In consideration of the Caterpillar, JCB and Komatsu machines, it is noted that only the JCB has its own manufactured buckets and side shift. This is considered advantageous as any issues with aftermarket additions to machines have to be rectified by a third party and in the past some problems have been encountered in this regard, which has resulted in down time of the machine. Furthermore the JCB buckets include certified lifting lugs to enable the lifting of pipes and other gear with the bucket. No other manufacturer is willing to provide a certified bucket. Obtaining certification on aftermarket products is an extremely difficult process to go through and as such no other manufactures will provide buckets with this option.

The advantage of having a machine on site to be able to lift pipes into place means a crew does not have to rely on having a crane truck on site, thus less plant and resources tied up in one place.

In regard to resale value, typically Caterpillar and JCB machines will attract a better resale at the time of trade in at the end of their useful life. This has to be taken into account when purchasing any new item of plant as the better the resale value the better the change-over price.

In terms of delivery times, the JCB and New Holland can be supplied within 2 to 3 weeks, whereas others are up to 8 weeks. As Council is currently hiring a replacement backhoe, the quicker a replacement is delivered the less hire costs will be incurred. JCB has also noted that their machine is likely to be a 2019 built machine.

Based on the above information and in particular the advantages of the certified buckets and lifting capacity, it is recommended that the JCB 3CX Elite Backhoe be purchased.

Council has allocated \$150,000 in the current plant replacement program for this new backhoe. While acknowledging the JCB will exceed this amount, several items of surplus plant and fleet vehicles have been traded which has resulted in additional funds being in the plant fund. These excess funds are sufficient to cover the cost of this recommended backhoe.

Further Council also received \$58,590 as a result of the insurance claim on the old backhoe.

8.7.4 COOTAMUNDRA WATERMAINS REPLACEMENT

DOCUMENT NUMBER	301732
REPORTING OFFICER	Bill Moore, Consultant Engineer
AUTHORISING OFFICER	Phil McMurray, Acting General Manager
RELEVANCE TO COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN	3. Sustainable natural and built environments: we connect with the places and spaces around us 3.2 Our built environments support and enhance liveability
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS	The costs associated with the recommended tender party as stated in the report.
LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS	There are no Legislative implications associated with this report.
POLICY IMPLICATIONS	There are no Policy implications associated with this report.
ATTACHMENTS	1. Water Mains Tender Attachment - Confidential (under separate cover)

RECOMMENDATION

The Tender for Water Mains Replacement in Cootamundra (003/2019) to replace existing aged asbestos water mains infrastructure from Killard Infrastructure Pty Ltd in the amount of \$450,850 be accepted.

Introduction

Tenders were recently invited for the replacement of aged asbestos cement water mains in Cootamundra in the vicinity of Cameron Square. The water mains in this area have become notorious for regular water mains breakages requiring emergency repairs by staff. The increasing cost involved in ongoing business and after hours emergency water mains repairs impacts Council's annual Water Fund budget. This water mains replacement work will eliminate that impact on Council's Water Fund budget.

Discussion

Note that a confidential tender assessment report is provided under separate cover as, it is considered that discussions of this matter in open Council would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it would prejudice Council's ability to secure the optimum outcome for the community.

Further, it is considered that discussions of this matter in open Council would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as publication of all tendered amounts would discourage potential tenderers from submitting commercial information in the future and therefore prejudice Council's ability to secure the optimum outcome for the community.

The tender called for the replacement of a total of about 1.2kilometers of 100millimeters diameter mains in the following areas:

- McKenna Street;
- Williams Street;

- Oban Street (both sections);
- Cameron Square (North East side);
- Harley Avenue; and
- Bapaume Street between Hay and Murray Streets.

The four tenders received by Council are provided in the table below:

1. Utilstra Pty Ltd
2. Killard Infrastructure Pty Ltd
3. Aqua Options Pty Ltd
4. Beno Excavations Pty Ltd

There is available funds in the Water Supply budget to be used for water infrastructure maintenance and are sufficient to fund this work.

The tenders were assessed by a panel consisting of Catherine Smith (Procurement Officer), Ganesh Ganeshamoorthy (Manager Assets) and Bill Moore (Consultant Engineer).

A summary of the tenders found that:

Killard Infrastructure Pty Ltd

Already contracted to Council, and replacing approximately 18kilometers of water main pipes in Cootamundra, the work undertaken by Killard Infrastructure Pty Ltd for Council to date has been of a sound standard.

The panel noted cost variations in their tender amount for the new contract being significantly higher than those charged under the existing contract. For example, their rate for the supply and lay the new water main, a major component of the contract, is the highest of all four tenders, yet their other rates are generally much more competitive making their total tendered price the 2nd lowest.

The total tendered price is a little above the pre-tender estimate however it is still considered competitive against the alternate tenders. They provided a comprehensive list of previous works and supportive referees.

The panel believe Killard Infrastructure Pty Ltd to be the most suitable of all four tenders.

8.8 TECHNICAL SERVICES

Nil

8.9 FACILITIES

Nil

8.10 WASTE, PARKS AND RECREATION

8.10.1 WASTE SITE ASSESSMENT REPORT

DOCUMENT NUMBER	301053
REPORTING OFFICER	Wayne Bennett, Manager Waste, Parks and Recreation Services
AUTHORISING OFFICER	Phil McMurray, Acting General Manager
RELEVANCE TO COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN	<p>3. Sustainable natural and built environments: we connect with the places and spaces around us</p> <p>3.1 The natural environment is valued and protected</p>
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS	Adoption of the recommendation will result in expenditure of \$16,500(Inc. GST)
LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS	There are no Legislative implications associated with this report at this stage.
POLICY IMPLICATIONS	There are no Policy implications associated with this report at this stage.
ATTACHMENTS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Waste Strategy Issues and Actions Report (under separate cover) ➡ 2. Waste Strategy Site Assessment Report (under separate cover) ➡

RECOMMENDATION

1. The Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council Waste Site Assessment Report Stage (1) prepared by Wright Corporate Strategy Pty Ltd attached to the report be received and noted.
2. The Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council Waste Issues and Actions Report Stage (2) attached to the report be received and noted.
3. Council endorse the engagement of Wright Corporate Strategy Pty Ltd to prepare a technical Waste Management and Resource Recovery (WRMM) Strategy, Stage (3), at a cost of \$16,500 (Inc. GST) to be funded from the Waste Reserve.
4. Council approve a further \$16,500 (Inc GST) in the event staff consider a Community Facing Version feasible, to be funded from the Waste Reserve.

Introduction

Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council previously resolved to undertake the development of a five year Waste Strategy to improve its waste management. Council sought an experienced external consultant to investigate Council's existing waste services and submit a proposal for a new waste strategy. The new Strategy is to focus on delivery of effective and efficient waste services based on assessment of current services and delivery mechanisms and options available, underpinned by

suitable financial analysis and some investigation of regulatory compliance of Council owned or managed waste assets.

The project required and has included workshop consultation with Council and its principal service providers in developing improved options for assessment, as well as public consultation with the community. The project also involves assistance with delivery of the new Strategy across the LGA.

Wright Corporate Strategy (WCS) has workshopped the possible depth and range of the new Strategy as part of their service delivery.

The final Waste Strategy would be prepared along the EPA-endorsed structure, including at least:

- Overview and Introduction
- Where are we today? (Review of current strategies, services, community expectation, recycling and landfill diversion rates, kerbside performance, waste infrastructure, population forecasts, waste education, regional issues and challenges)
- Where do we want to get to? (Development of new Vision, Themes, Strategic Objectives and Targets for the new Strategy)
- How will we get there? (Development and assessment of Options/delivery mechanisms to meet the strategic Objectives and Targets, before finalising and developing those selected as Strategic Actions to be implemented during the Strategy's term)
- How will the Strategy be implemented? (Development of an Action Plan document to deliver the new Strategy)
- How to measure success? (Requirements to review progress in delivering the Strategy and update the Action Plan over time. Consideration during this process should also be given to ensuring continuous improvement of the Strategy and its Action Plan within an assessment feedback loop)

As part of the Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council waste review initiative, Wright Corporate Strategy Pty Ltd were engaged to prepare a Waste Strategy Review aligned with the above based on three document development Stages.

- Stage (1) Site Assessment Report (completed)
- Stage (2) Issues and Actions Report (completed) &
- Stage (3) Waste Management and Resource Recovery Strategy Report.

Discussion

Stage (1) Site Assessment Report

As part of a project to revise the waste strategy for Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council (CGRC), and on behalf of Wright Strategy Pty Ltd, Environment Improvement Projects (EIP) has inspected the operating landfills and transfer stations in the local government area. The work completed by EIP aims to inform Council about the current sites, highlight risks, and suggest a priority for remedial works and actions. The information in this report provides Council with information about the status of the current sites, identifies potential liabilities, highlights deficiencies, and provides evidence to assist Council in its decisions about the future management of the sites and its decisions to revise its waste strategy.

This report provides the data gathered before, during and after the inspections and provides selective site photographs, location data, responses to questionnaires and risk assessment

checklists. The assessment focused on determining compliance with current guidelines and regulations relevant to rural landfill and transfer stations.

EIP has assessed the environmental conditions at the sites, assessed compliance against minimum operating standards, determined the likelihood and consequence of environmental harm, estimated the risks, identified works and actions to reduce the risks, and estimated the cost of those works and actions.

Stage (2) Issues and Actions Report

This document "Issues and Actions Report" follows on from the Stage 1 "Situation Review and Waste Sites Assessments" taking up issues identified and developing strategic actions for positive change. From both Stage 1 and 2, Wright Corporate Strategy will develop Council's new Waste Strategy and its Action Plan, whilst a financial assessment of the Strategy's impact will be prepared within the project's final stage. Summary content from Stages 1 and 2 will be presented within the Waste Strategy document.

Stage 2 commences with development of the new Strategy's Mission Statement and Objectives using "guiding principles" discussed and developed within the Councillor Workshop. During this workshop, separate Councillor Information material relating to Issues identified and draft actions was provided to inform and guide discussion. A two week period following the workshop was also provided for further distillation of thoughts and feed-back, with all input and feedback incorporated into this Report.

Strategic Actions to be delivered by the new Waste Strategy have been prepared and assessed herein within strategic Key Focus Areas. These areas were developed by Wright Corporate Strategy in consideration of Stages 1 and 2, prevailing waste policy and experience gained, describing principal components for change for Council. Assessment of actions produced a relative ranking, suggested by Wright Corporate Strategy to provide priority for delivery within the Strategy's Action Plan.

Council and staff recognises the disparity in the operating standards of its waste sites, service provision and fees charged between the former Cootamundra and Gundagai Shire Councils, and encourages the new Waste Strategy to consider this also.

Stage (3) Waste Management and Resource Recovery Strategy Report.

Within Stage 3, Wright Corporate Strategy will prepare a technical Waste Management and Resource Recovery Strategy document. Technical information and prior reports will be included within Technical Appendices as appropriate. It is proposed that the final Waste Strategy be structured in line with the WARR and Regional Waste Strategies.

It is proposed the document includes:

- Table of Contents
- Acronyms used
- Executive Summary
- Introduction and Purpose of the Strategy

Part One: Current Situation

- Description of strategy development process and Guiding Principles
- Current performance in managing waste (LG requirements, Services, Sites, Waste and Recycling Performance)

- Drivers for Change (Current performance, Sustainability, Waste Policy, Regulatory Compliance, Equitable Services, Business Development)

Part Two: Development of new Strategy

- Council's strategic direction
- Council's strategic planning
- Guiding Principles
- Strategy term
- Mission Statement
- Strategic Objectives
- Key Focus Areas (including a full description)
- Strategic Actions (including a full description, consideration of expected operating outcomes, merits and potential issues)

Part Three: Strategy Implementation/Delivery

- Action & Financial Plans
- Measurement of success
- Technical Appendices

8.10.2 COOTAMUNDRA CBD STREET FURNITURE COLOUR SCHEME

DOCUMENT NUMBER	301086
REPORTING OFFICER	Wayne Bennett, Manager Waste, Parks and Recreation Services
AUTHORISING OFFICER	Wayne Bennett, Manager Waste, Parks and Recreation Services
RELEVANCE TO COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN	3. Sustainable natural and built environments: we connect with the places and spaces around us 3.2 Our built environments support and enhance liveability
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS	There are no Financial implications associated with this report. All costs are associated with the CBD annual maintenance costs.
LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS	There are no Legislative implications associated with this report.
POLICY IMPLICATIONS	There are no Policy implications associated with this report.
ATTACHMENTS	Nil

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. The colour scheme for Cootamundra’s Central Business District street and park furniture be Gun Metal Hammer Tone with Dark Silver and Black Trimming.**
- 2. The colour for Stratton and Simpson Bridges be two differing tones of dark grey with complimenting white/black trim.**

Summary

The purpose of this report is to indicate the importance of maintaining and presenting Councils existing assets to an adopted standard through good management practices and principals.

A review of Cootamundra’s urban landscape, and the colours associated with street and park furniture including Stratton Bridge, have indicated that the existing condition and colours are not presenting the furniture or the town to their optimum.

Working towards standardising Cootamundra’s visual amenity, Council approval of the recommendations provided above, the recommended colour scheme would be implemented throughout the streetscapes and public open space areas.

The proposed colours are thoughtful of the furniture’s period styling and emphasises the materials used (steel & Timber) highlighting the furniture’s features. It’s important that the colours also fit well with the surrounding architecture. The Cootamundra wattle theme would be better emphasised by the use of significant sculptures throughout the CBA area in the future.

It may be opportune for Council to seek community opinion with proposed colour schemes, however, as we can all appreciate, colour stimulates a very personal view.

Introduction

As part of Council’s Community Strategic Plan, the community responded indicating their expectation for Council to address the following:

- pride in local community and assets,

- promote the region from a tourism and residential perspective,
- investigate opportunities to take advantage of the unique geographic location,
- promote a strong and supportive community, and
- called for good leadership, decision making and communication from Council

In association with delivering the points listed above, our local Urban and CBD design and maintenance can significantly influence:

- economic success and socio-economic composition of a locality – whether it encourages local businesses and entrepreneurship; whether it attracts people to stop and or live here; and whether facilities and services are equitable;
- the physical scale, space and ambience of a place. As such, it affects the balance between natural ecosystems and built environments, and their sustainability and effectiveness;
- the social and cultural nature of a locality: how people interact with each other, how they move around, and how they use a place.
- public opinion and how locals, tourists, businesses etc. look at an area for opportunity and can reflect on a councils professionalism and attitudes regarding a town/village visual presentation and amenity.

Although a new or redevelopment of an urban and or town design is often delivered as a specific ‘project’, it is in fact a long-term process that continues to evolve over time with the application of good management practices, adaptability and well developed ongoing maintenance programs . It is this layering of building and infrastructure types, natural ecosystems, changing community’s, their needs and cultures that gives places their unique characteristics and identities.

Discussion

The value of presentation of our towns and villages amenity, has a significant impact on the quality of our daily lives. Quality urban landscape design makes a valuable contribution to our economy, our natural and built environments, and the liveability of our towns and villages.

A quality well-presented vibrant CBD helps local businesses and communities thrive. It attracts travellers to stop, visitors to want to live and work in such a well-planned and maintained location. It has an important influence on our physical and mental health and wellbeing. It provides and encourages for healthy lifestyles and community interaction. Creating beautiful, colourful and tranquil places for our community is an important and valued responsibility of our Council. Quality open space management and design principles must take into account the unique characteristics of a location and its community, and encourages excellence in the design and where possible custodianship of urban places is to be encouraged.

A recent visit to Harden, Tumbarumba and Gundagai’s CBD areas, clearly demonstrates how an extremely well designed streetscapes can enhance a towns unique character and improve liveability and visual amenity. It’s clear, that all these towns have benefited significantly with increased tourism, visitation and community satisfaction.

It is the first impressions that have the biggest impact. We all acknowledge that a well-designed and maintained urban landscape leaves a memorable impression on visitors and can in part be the reason behind a town’s success. It is recognised by councils throughout Australia that the importance of their town’s urban landscapes, if developed and maintained well, will encourage tourism and, therefore, contribute to the prosperity of their region.



Figure 1 –Stratton Bridge (proposed colour two tone of grey with white trim)

Stratton Bridge is a beautiful bridge and a focal point for traffic entering and or leaving the Parker Street business area typically from the south and west of Cootamundra. Improved maintenance, in particular it’s repainting, will beautify the bridge and portray it as an important historical piece of the Cootamundra streetscape.



Figure 2 CBD Main Street Harden

Cootamundra is in a good position with a CBD area that has good Civil infrastructure (roads, footpaths and stormwater drainage) and complimenting beautiful heritage buildings, lighting and healthy mature street trees that give a great framework to work with reflecting Cootamundra’s unique character.

Until a major review of the town’s CBD landscape and amenity is undertaken, basic maintenance is all that is needed to bring existing assets back to life and to give the towns CBD area a revitalised vibrant and well maintained appearance.

It would be prudent for Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council be competitive with its neighbouring councils to maximise tourism and regional growth opportunities. In addition to this, it’s important to maintain a liveable and visually pleasing amenity for the local community to enjoy.



Figure 3 Cootamundra's Main Street



Figure 4 CBD Main Street Harden



Figure 5 Cooma NSW

The pictured monument located in the vicinity of Cooma CBD area depicts how sculptures and structures may give a 3rd dimension to a landscape, however, most importantly, the level of care and presentation shown by the council.



Figure 6 and 7 Water feature adds a focal point, a form of street sculpture and tranquillity in a Streetscape.

Figure 7



Figure 8 Aged Street Furniture Cootamundra CBD



Figure 9 showing the results with an existing CBD seat refurbished



Figure 10 Bare Garden and Sick Tree Cootamundra CBD



Figure 11 Harden CBD



Figure 11 and 1 Pictures show the differences between Cootamundra's and Hardens CBD Landscapes

A recent review of all council's furniture and associated assets has indicated that the majority of Cootamundra's Towns Street and Park furniture is in poor condition and in need of urgent maintenance and repairs.

As a start of revitalising Cootamundra's CBD areas, Parks and Gardens staff will commence with the painting and refurbishment of all existing and relevant street furniture and associated infrastructure. This will include removing all damaged equipment, repairing, treating and painting all existing furniture in selected colours considered modern but in tune with the town's historic values and character.

The colours recommended for the majority of street furniture (Dark Metal Hammer Tone, Silver and Black) give a modern refreshed look while not being too visually demanding. The Hammer Tone texture enhances the metal finish of the furniture as a street sculpture while complemented with subtle trim colours and timber finishes.



Attached photos show the extent of works required but also highlight the opportunity to revitalise the CBD areas and its magnificent heritage assets with minimal costs and as part of the council’s normal routine maintenance program.

Figure 13 and 14 shows some colour variations of the proposed colour scheme



Figure 14



Figure 15 colour selection and visual presentation



Figure 16



Figures 16 and 17 shows opportunity to add colour



Figure 16 shows how simple planting of annuals and complementing fresh paint will improve the visual amenity of a beautiful asset.



Figure 17 Discussion and approval from Woolworths gives further opportunity to improve the streets amenity at prime focal points.



Figure 18 properly the busiest point in the CBD area entry into Woolworths



Figure 19 Blister in urgent need of upgrading



Figure 20 Urban Street Furniture in need of repair

In addition to the painting of street furniture, the CBD areas gardens that are currently showing stress and in poor state will also be refurbished introducing vibrant colours. All sick, dead plants and trees will be removed and replaced with suitably selected varieties. All associated assets that are currently not working or damaged will be repaired.

Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council is very fortunate to have a team of quality, enthusiastic and talented Parks and Garden staff that have all the appropriate skills to carry out these works. Staff have embraced the opportunity to work towards the upgrade and the improvement the towns and villages visual amenity. It is anticipated that staff will commence works as part of their autumn, winter and spring Works program. Works following the same principals as outlined in this report will extend to surrounding villages over time.

Within the near future a strategic review will be undertaken of all the towns and villages open space areas, with the intent of developing an Open Space Strategy complemented with specific Landscape Master Plans. The plans will give Council a review of what currently exists and how to deliver present these areas to their full potential. These plans will also include detailed implementation and financial plans for the consideration of Council and its communities.

9 MOTION OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

9.1 NOTICE OF MOTION - FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS

DOCUMENT NUMBER	301933
REPORTING OFFICER	Leigh Bowden, Councillor
AUTHORISING OFFICER	Phil McMurray, Acting General Manager

The following Notice of Motion signed by Councillor Leigh Bowden was submitted on 18 April, 2019.

I hereby give notice of my intention to move the following motion at the Council meeting of Tuesday, 30 April, 2019:

MOTION

1. Council acknowledges the importance of federal funding through the Financial Assistance Grants (FAGs) program for the continued delivery of Council services and infrastructure;
2. Council expresses its concern about the decline in the value of Financial Assistance Grants funding at the national level from an amount equal to around 1% of Commonwealth taxation revenue in 1996 to a current figure of approximately 0.55%.; and
3. Council calls on all political parties contesting the 2019 Federal Election and their local candidates to support the Australian Local Government Association's call to restore the national value of Financial Assistance Grants funding to an amount equal to at least 1 % of Commonwealth taxation revenue and therefore to provide a Fairer Share of Federal funding for our local communities.

Note from Councillor

FAGs are a vital part of the revenue base of all councils, and this year councils will receive \$2.4 billion from the Australian Government under this important program.

The value of the FAGs has been declining for more than 20 years. In 1996 the level of funding for the FAGs was equal to around 1% of Commonwealth taxation revenue but this has steadily fallen since 1996, under successive Federal Governments, until it has reached a level now less than 0.55% of Commonwealth Taxation revenue. This decline was exacerbated by a three-year freeze on the indexation of FAGs from 2014-15 to 2016-17 which has cost local government an estimated \$925m in foregone FAGs funding.

FAGs are essential for many councils, particularly those in regional and remote areas of Australia which have very limited access to alternative revenue sources such as rates. Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council is one of these regional councils

We are dependent on the FAGs for the provision of infrastructure and services for our communities.

At the national level there has been an increasing level of demand from the community for local services and a growing expectation for a higher standard of services. This comes at the same time as cost shifting by state and territory governments onto local government continues to be a problem

and state and territory governments in several states impose revenue restrictions on councils through rate capping.

The Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) has made the restoration of the FAGs and the provision of a Fairer Share for local communities a key election initiative and ALGA and the state and territory local government associations are seeking the support of Council for the campaign and asking Council to engage directly with local candidates in the Federal Election to seek their support for a Fairer share of Federal funding for our community.

9.2 NOTICE OF MOTION - COUNCIL DEVELOP A CIVIC EVENTS AND CEREMONIAL FUNCTIONS POLICY

DOCUMENT NUMBER	302034
REPORTING OFFICER	Leigh Bowden, Councillor
AUTHORISING OFFICER	Phil McMurray, Acting General Manager

The following Notice of Motion signed by Councillor Leigh Bowden was submitted on 10 April, 2019.

I hereby give notice of my intention to move the following motion at the Council meeting of Tuesday, 30 April, 2019:

MOTION

That Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council develop a Civic Events and Ceremonial Functions Policy.

Note from Councillor

The purpose of the Policy will be to provide guidance on the types and processes involved in delivering Council events, civic events and ceremonial functions.

It will set out the roles of the Mayor and Councillors at these events and functions as well as external events held within the CGRC LGA where representation from Council is required.

It will also include protocols to be followed in any formal situations.

Specifically the Policy will provide guidance about when it is appropriate to hold events to acknowledge and commemorate citizens, for example on receipt of Bravery Decorations

10 QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

Nil

11 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Nil