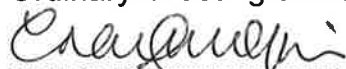


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TO BE HELD THURSDAY 27 APRIL 2017**

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ITEMS FOR DECISION

ITEM NO. 1 - MID MURRAY ZONE QUARTERLY REPORT

FILE: 05.03

FROM: GENERAL MANAGER

The NSW Rural Fire Service Mid Murray Zone Quarterly Report on Rural Fire Activities 1 January 2017 – 31 March 2017 (attachment # 1) has been provided by Superintendent Lindsay Lashbrook, Zone Manager, for Council's information.

The report gives a general overview of activities for the quarter.

District Coordinator and Acting Zone Manager Mr James Puniard will present the report, as Superintendent Lashbrook is currently on leave.

RECOMMENDATION

A presentation be received from the Rural Fire Service Mid Murray Zone District Coordinator and Acting Zone Manager Mr James Puniard on the Zone Quarterly Report, January to March 2017.

ITEM NO. 2 - CHARLES STURT UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP
FILE: 02.07
FROM: GENERAL MANAGER

Commencing in 2007, the former Jerilderie Shire Council offered a Scholarship to the Charles Sturt University (CSU) Student Services. Initially this scholarship was for accommodation, but in later years it was permitted for students to use the scholarship on a discretionary basis for accommodation, course fees, books etc.

The scholarship cost has been \$4000 a year, and the 10 year agreement expired in 2016.

There were no applicants for the scholarship in 2016, so the \$4000 funding has been held over to 2017. The 2017 scholarship has just been awarded.

The Scholarship eligibility criteria is as detailed below:

First Year or Continuing: Any – preference given to first year student

Course: Any

Criteria: The standard Foundation Scholarship Application will be used. This requires applicants to provide information regarding:

- Sound academic achievement; and
- Community /regional involvement

The student must reside within the Murrumbidgee Council Local Government area.

Selection: The Scholarship applicants will be assessed by a University academic based on the set criteria and ranked on academic recommendation. Council requests to be informed of the top three applicants prior to scholarship being awarded. Council to make final determination.

The full amount of the scholarship is paid to the recipient shortly following the scholarship ceremonies each year.

RECOMMENDATION

That funding for continuation of a Charles Sturt University Scholarship be included in the draft 2017/18 Long Term Financial Plan for consideration.

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ITEM NO. 3 – ADOPTION OF COUNCIL'S STATEMENT OF VISION AND PRIORITIES

FILE: 03.13.08

FROM: GENERAL MANAGER

The Department of Premier and Cabinet (DPC) requires all newly amalgamated Councils to prepare a Statement of Vision and Priorities.

The Statement is described as a succinct statement to "provide high level guidance for the early period of the new Council, until the adoption of the first Community Strategic Plan" (DPC Managing Change: Guidance for Key Staff p.32)

The Statement of Vision and Priorities is considered a first step in the development of the CSP for the new Council which will be elected in September 2017.

The Draft Statement of Vision and Priorities was developed by building on the core themes of the Community Strategic Plans of the former Murrumbidgee and Jerilderie Shire Councils and endorsed by Council in February for the purpose of community review.

The purpose of this report is to present to Council a Statement of Vision and Priorities which has been revised following consultation and input from the community as well as members of the Local Representation Committee. This report also recommends the formal adoption of the Statement.

The draft document was placed on Public Exhibition following the February Council meeting.

Copies of the document, along with a paper-based and online survey, seeking feedback from the community were available at each of the Council branch offices as well as distributed via Council's online presence and email.

During the public exhibition period, Council received the following feedback:

- one emailed submission;
- community meeting attendance of approximately 10 community members;
- 23 online and printed survey responses.

Information contained within the feedback was incorporated into the draft document which is being presented for Council's adoption (attachment # 2).

The Statement was further developed with input from members of the Local Representation Committee at a workshop on 11 April and staff engagement in developing the values of the organisation on 5 April. This workshop also

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discussed the details of the submissions received by Council during the community engagement sessions and in the survey responses.

There will be additional internal work undertaken to further explore the organisation values with staff in coming weeks. This work is not expected to impact on the Statement of Vision and Priorities as presented in this report.

The Statement is a “bridging document” that will expire in July 2018 - or earlier, depending on the adoption date of the new Community Strategic Plan (CSP) by Murrumbidgee Council.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Statement of Vision and Priorities, inclusive of the amendments, be adopted, recognising that the Statement’s role is to “provide high level guidance for the early period of the new Council until the adoption of the first Community Strategic Plan”.

ITEM NO. 4 - MURRUMBIDGEE TRACKS AND TRAILS STRATEGY
FILE: 01.06
FROM: GENERAL MANAGER

This Report seeks Council permission to mobilise resources in the Economic, Tourism and Community Development portfolio, and elsewhere in the Long Term Financial Plan, to develop a Murrumbidgee Tracks and Trails Strategy. This Strategy will be used for community recreational and visitor industry planning (attachment # 3).

Summary

Use of recreation trails by residents and visitors has quantifiable benefits in physical and psychological health, social and environmental outcomes, with the additional prospect of increasing the yield from the Visitor Industry. Tracks and Trails create places for the community to exercise at low cost to participants, they also build social connection and 'pride of place'.

Participating in physical activity can help alleviate stress and anxiety, contributing to people's sense of wellness, and, ultimately, reduce demands on the health budget. Use of tracks and trails is expected to increase in older population cohorts.

Research from Australia and overseas shows significant tourism and economic benefits derived from recreation on trails. These benefits include contribution to expenditure in rural and regional areas, increased return visits, and increased overnight stays by domestic and international tourists, especially in Visiting Friends and Relatives, and the burgeoning caravan and camping visitor segments.

The development of a Murrumbidgee Tracks and Trails Strategy (MTTS) will inform:

- Planning for community and recreational amenity within the Council area
- The Murrumbidgee Council response to the Destination Management Plan to be developed in 2017 pursuant to Destination NSW 2017 visitor industry planning protocols

The preparation of the Murrumbidgee Tracks and Trails Strategy will include:

- community consultation
- investigation and auditing of the existing tracks and trails and a review of gaps, to create a 'hierarchy' that will inform investment decisions of Council and assist in attracting external funding
- identification of future demands and opportunities of tracks and trails in our Council area
- signing, interpretation and promotional policy

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Recommendation:

That a Murrumbidgee Tracks and Trails Strategy (MTTS) be developed to inform development, maintenance, signing, interpretation and promotional policy for Tracks and Trails throughout the Council area.

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ITEM NO. 5 - POWELL STREET, JERILDERIE - TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE
FILE: 06.09
FROM: DIRECTOR OF TECHNICAL SERVICES

A request has been received from the Tidy Towns Committee to hold the Jerilderie Tidy Towns Show 'n' Shine and Tractor Trek on Saturday 6 May 2017.

The Committee is seeking Council's permission to hold this event in Powell Street and the Luke Park precinct. The Committee have also requested permission to close Powell Street from the western end adjacent to the Civic Hall to the eastern end adjacent to the Central Park area.

The Committee would like to operate a BBQ service for this event from the complex at Luke Park and erect a gazebo for registration of the Show 'n' Shine participants.

Both events - Show 'n' Shine and Tractor Trek - have been held in previous years at Luke Park and the closure of Powell Street has been approved. Council has also provided assistance in the past in preparation of Luke Park and supplying the signage and staff for the closure of Powell Street.

RECOMMENDATION

Permission be granted to the Jerilderie Tidy Towns Committee to hold the Show 'n' Shine and Tractor Trek event at Luke Park and approve the closure of Powell Street on Saturday 6 May 2017.

ITEM NO. 6 - STREET TREES, JERILDERIE MAIN STREET AREA
FILE: 06.09.01
FROM: DIRECTOR OF TECHNICAL SERVICES

Correspondence has been received from Mr. David Green, Jerilderie Motor Inn, 4 Jerilderie Street, Jerilderie (attachment # 4). Mr. Green advises that the trees adjacent to his business, in particular two (2) trees – one on the northern side and one of the western side adjacent to the Motor Inn swimming pool - are of concern.

Mr. Green states that these two trees are becoming large and are very messy over many months of the year, the red seed pollen is staining furniture, causing problems with the swimming pool filter system and clogging up storm water guttering.

Mr. Green also suggests that the trees cause more allergies when the red pollen seeds drop, are not good for the waterways, the tree roots can damage infrastructure eg; buildings. He feels that the street trees are too close to the buildings in the main street and are an undesirable choice. Mr. Green has advised that Council's help with fixing this problem would be greatly appreciated.

With regard to some of the concerns raised regarding the Chinese Elm Trees – Todd Variety - that were recommended to the former Jerilderie Streetscape Committee who were very active regarding the design and landscaping of the Streetscape within the main street of Jerilderie.

- The trees were selected and planted because of growth pattern, shape and shade cover that was required. Council engaged a Landscape Design Consultant that advised the Committee on the type of trees that would be suitable for the Streetscape construction, taking into consideration the size and root growth of particular trees;
- All trees were planted as per the proposed plan with root barrier and watering points to help prevent tree roots intruding toward any infrastructure;
- The trees were planted as recommended so that the tree canopy would touch and the underside is trimmed so as not to impede pedestrians.

I rang Mr. Green on 12 April 2017 to discuss the concerns raised in his letter. Mr. Green advised me of the problems as indicated in his letter and has suggested that removing the two trees in question would alleviate his issues.

With respect to the Chinese Elm (Todd) variety allergen concerns raised by Mr. Green, Council would need to seek independent advice as to the level of allergens generated by the Chinese Elm trees which would need to be compared before any replacement trees are considered.

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It is understood that allergens are generated from a number of sources and it would be prudent to have a full analysis done as there are a significant number of Chinese Elm trees planted throughout the town.

RECOMMENDATION

That the street trees in the Jerilderie streetscape be maintained in accordance with the Council approved plan.



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**ITEM NO. 7 - PLANNING PROPOSAL FOR AMENDMENT 1 TO JERILDERIE
LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN 2012**

FILE: 04.25.01

FROM: DIRECTOR ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

In 2013 the former Jerilderie Shire Council received grants from Department of Planning and Environment and Office of Environment and Heritage to undertake a Flood Study and an amendment to Jerilderie LEP 2012 in light of the findings from the Flood Study.

A planning proposal has now been prepared in accordance with Section 55 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 for Council consideration and endorsement. The planning proposal is provided (attachment # 5).

The amendment will provide the following changes to the Jerilderie LEP 2012:

- Inclusion of flood mapping within the township of Jerilderie;
- Rezoning of land west of the township of Jerilderie for the expansion of the town;
- Amendments to mapping for the archeological site A3 - site of the Park Homestead.

The following matters have been included in the planning proposal as required by the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act and by the Department of Planning and Infrastructure:

- Any state environmental planning policies applicable to the draft plan;
- All Section 117 Ministerial Directions;
- All Planning Practice Notes.

RECOMMENDATION

That:

1. The Draft Jerilderie Local Environmental Plan 2012 Amendment 1 - Planning Proposal prepared in accordance with Section 55 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, be endorsed;
2. The Proposal be forwarded to the Minister, requesting a gateway determination in accordance with Section 56 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979;
3. The General Manager be issued with delegated authority to act in the Council's interests in finalising the Draft Jerilderie Local Environmental Plan 2012 - Amendment 1, Planning Proposal if any minor changes are required to the formal submission.

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ITEM NO. 8 - DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION NO 25-16/17 MURAL
FILE: DA 25-16/17
FROM: DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Property Description

Applicant: Lions Club of Jerilderie
Property: Lot 6, DP 664086, 55-59 Jerilderie Street, Jerilderie
Zoning: RU5 – Village Zone
Proposed Development: Mural of an Eagle and Waterways
Consent Authority: Murrumbidgee Council
Reason for Report: Requested by Local Representative Committee at March meeting that the application be determined by Council.

Background

1 March 2017 - Development Application 25-16/17 for a mural on the Bakery building wall in Jerilderie Street was received by Council. A copy of the art work for the mural is provided (attachment # 6).

8- 22 March 2017 the application was exhibited by advertisement in the Southern Riverina News. No submissions were received during the exhibition period.

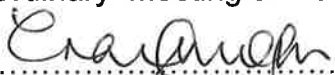
At the March 2017 Local Representative Committee meeting, questions were asked by a number of Committee members and the applicants were asked to provide information regarding the following areas in an email sent 22 March 2017:

- Are the owners of the building still giving their consent to the mural?
- A time line for the mural's completion.
- Are the Lions Club and the owners of the building aware that they will be responsible for the maintenance of the mural?
- How many artists, and their names, that will be involved in the painting of the mural?
- How will the mural site be protected during the painting of the mural?
- Will access be required to the Council land adjacent, i.e. will part of the Council land be used during the painting process? Insurance will be required.
- Is an event proposed around the painting of the mural? If yes, details are to be provided to Council and insurance will be required.
- Will explanation material about the mural be provided? If so what format and where will it be located/available from?

At the time of writing this report, no formal reply had been received from the applicant.

It should also be noted that a number of the concerns raised are not heads of consideration under Section 79C of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. The shaded items are those that need to be considered as part of the approval process for the Development application.

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The applicants have requested to present to the Local Representative Committee at its April 2017 meeting.

Comment

The application has been assessed in accordance with the provisions of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*. A Development Assessment Sheet has been completed to show all considerations under *Section 79C and Section 96(2)* of the *Act* have been examined. It will be available at the meeting.

Policy Implications

Jerilderie Development Control Plan

The proposed development is within the Heritage Conservation Area - As part of the proposal a Heritage Impact Statement was provided with the application. The Heritage Impact Statement will be available at the meeting.

Section 9 of the plan outlines the matters to be considered for a development within the conservation area. The considerations are outlined below with comment:

9.1. Matters for Consideration

In assessing a development proposal, Council will consider the following:

- The heritage significance of the building, work or Aboriginal object to Jerilderie
Comment: The building is a key site located next to the open space near the toilet block at 63 Jerilderie Street. The building is not an item of environmental heritage but is a key building in the overall Jerilderie Street streetscape. The mural will not adversely affect the heritage significance of the building or the overall streetscape.
- The extent to which the carrying out of the development in accordance with the consent would affect the significance of the building, work or aboriginal object and its setting.
Comment: The only impact on the building from a heritage point of view will be on the fabric of the building. Conditions would need to be included regarding the removal of the mural in the future to ensure minimal impact on the brick and mortar of the western wall of the building.
- Whether any stylistic, horticultural or archaeological features of the building or work or its setting should be retained.
Comment: Not applicable.



- Whether the building or work constitutes a danger to the users or occupiers of that item or to the public.
Comment: Not applicable.
- The colour, texture, style, size and type of finish of any materials (or signage) to be used on the exterior of the building compared to other period buildings in the vicinity and the existing fabric of the structure.
Comment: The proposed Mural's colours are in keeping with the colours of the building and the streetscape.
- The style, proportion and position of openings for any windows and doors which will result from, or be affected by, the carrying out of the development.
Comment: Not Applicable
- The pitch and form of any roof or other architectural feature of the structure.
Comment: Not applicable
- The appropriate management, establishment or reinstatement of landscape features; and the style, type and height of any fencing.
Comment: Not Applicable
- Compliance with the principles of the Burra Charter.
Comment: There is some concern about removing the Mural in the future. Conditions should be imposed on any consent regarding removal of the Mural and the requirement for there to be minimal impact on the fabric of the building at the time it is removed.

Legislative Implications

Jerilderie Local Environmental Plan 2012

Under clause 5.10, Development Consent is required for the Mural. A Heritage Impact Statement has been provided in accordance with subclause 4.

5.10 Heritage Conservation

(1) Objectives

The objectives of this clause are as follows:

- (a) to conserve the environmental heritage of Jerilderie,*
- (b) to conserve the heritage significance of heritage items and heritage conservation areas, including associated fabric, settings and views,*

(4) Effect of proposed development on heritage significance

The consent authority must, before granting consent under this clause in respect of a heritage item or heritage conservation area, consider the effect of the

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proposed development on the heritage significance of the item or area concerned. This subclause applies regardless of whether a heritage management document is prepared under subclause (5) or a heritage conservation management plan is submitted under subclause (6).

The proposed Mural is considered to be sympathetic to the overall Jerilderie Streetscape, therefore the development complies with the objective of clause 5.10 – Heritage Conservation, and are also considered to comply with the principles of the Burra Charter.

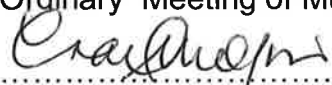
Public Interest

The Mural will provide an attraction to the Heritage Area in Jerilderie. The Mural has been designed to be sympathetic and blend in with the streetscape.

RECOMMENDATION

That consent be granted to Development Application No. 25-16/17 for Mural, Lot 6, DP 664086, 55-59 Jerilderie Street, Jerilderie dated 1 March 2017 as shown on Plan Number DA 25-16/17 and described in details accompanying the application under *Section 80(1) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979* subject to the following conditions:

1. The development shall take place in accordance with the plans and documentation submitted with the application. A copy of these are held by Council as Plan No.25-16/17.
Reason: To clarify the extent of the consent.
2. Building work shall not commence on the site before 7.00 am Monday to Saturday and 8.00am on Sundays and cease by 8.00pm daily.
Reason: To ensure compliance with the requirements of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997 and Regulations.
3. Provision is to be made of an approved safety fence around the site prior to commencement of works. And is to be retained during works.
Reason: To protect the safety of persons on adjoining land.
4. Maintenance of the Mural is to be the responsibility of the Applicant and the building owner. The mural is to be maintained to the satisfaction of Council. If not maintained to the satisfaction of Council the Mural is to be removed under the direction of Council's heritage advisor.
Reason: To ensure the mural is maintained its removal does not damage the fabric of the building.



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ITEM NO. 9 - YOUTH WEEK ACTIVITIES
FILE NO: 02.23
FROM: DIRECTOR CORPORATE & FINANCE

National Youth Week in NSW was conducted over the period 1-9 April 2017.

23 of the area's youth travelled to Go Jump in Shepparton on Saturday 1st April, accompanied by staff member Tianni Given and supervisor Jordy Hawkins.

Participants were provided with goods and gifts, together with lunch on the day.

The Office of Communities provided a grant of \$2,460 in order for Council to undertake Youth Week activities and Council were also fortunate to obtain further funding to cover the shuttle bus used in transportation from Coleambally to Shepparton and return.

RECOMMENDATION

That the report be adopted and thanks be extended to staff member Tianni Given and Mr Jordy Hawkins for the generous amount of time given to ensure our youth enjoyed the activities provided.

ITEM NO: 10 - REQUEST FOR DONATION-CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR SPECIAL CHILDREN
FILE NO: 05.10
FROM : DIRECTOR CORPORATE & FINANCE

A request has been received from the Christmas Party for Special Children organisation in support of the 2017 function to be held on Saturday 25 November at the Wodonga Sports & Leisure Centre.

It is expected that up to 1000 children will benefit from the day, however it is unlikely that residents of Council will be recipients.

Packages commence from \$300 and include 2 radio endorsements.

This organisation has been supported by Council annually for over 10 years.

Council has currently expended \$2427 in donations for this financial year, from the allocation of \$4,551. It is considered that Council's limited donation funds can be better targeted to benefit resident families.

RECOMMENDATION

That no donation be made to the Christmas Party for Special Children 2017 function.

ITEM NO. 11- MURRUMBIDGEE COUNCIL DISABILITY INCLUSION ACTION PLAN
FILE: 03.06
FROM: DIRECTOR CORPORATE AND FINANCE

Under the Disability Inclusion Act 2014, Council is required to develop a Disability Inclusion Action Plan by July 2017.

A Disability Inclusion Action Plan demonstrates a commitment to people with a disability, by improving access to services, facilities and jobs, and is also designed to change perceptions about people with a disability.

Following a Council wide survey, the draft Disability Inclusion Action Plan has been developed (attachment # 7).

RECOMMENDATION

That:

1. The draft Murrumbidgee Council Disability Inclusion Action Plan be publicly notified and exhibited for a period of 28 days, with a submission period of 42 days.
2. On completion of the submission period the draft Murrumbidgee Council Disability Inclusion Action Plan be reported to Council for resolution in accordance with Section 12 of the Disability Inclusion Act 2014, and a copy of the plan be provided to the Disability Council.

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COMMITTEE MINUTES

ITEM NO. 12 - MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE JERILDERIE TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE HELD AT OUR OFFICE ON THURSDAY APRIL 6, 2017 - MEETING OPENED AT 6.05PM

Present: Ian Sneddon (chair), Sadie Herrick, Faith Bryce, Fred Scammell, June Scammell, Garry Borger, Isabell Milne Richard Wright. Joan Ferris, Joan Kuschert, Chris Girdwood, Dot Mills, Graham Mills, Elaine Forbes.

Apologies: Robyne Sneddon, , Ann Wright, Bruce Crittenden, Jan Crittenden, Loretta Marriott, Pat Godfrey, Polly Fisher, Ruth McRae, Alan Knight.

Moved Fred Seconded MFDot that the apologies be accepted.

Carried.

The Minutes of the last meeting were accepted as read on the motion of Garry
Seconded Forbsey
Carried.

Business arising from the Minutes:

- Billabong Bog Run event was a great success. Thanks to all our volunteers.
- Show 'n Shine raffle prizes all organised. Thanks to our sponsors.
- Raffle Rosters organised.
- Machinery ordered – SCG
- Air conditioner not to be installed without Council permission. Secretary to write to Council requesting permission.

Treasurer's report as tabled

Moved Richard Wright Seconded Isobelle that the Treasurers Report as tabled be accepted.
Carried.

Correspondence:

Inwards:

- KNSWB Blue Star Awards open.
- JPS donation – Billabong Bog Run.
- Email – St Joseph's re Project for children and Tidy Towns

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Outwards:

- Letter to Murrumbidgee Council re request for closure of Powell Street for Show 'n Shine.
- Invitation from Coleambally Town Life Committee for a dinner meeting 18/4/17. Emailed to Members
- Letter from Ros Lockhart re Coming Together and Sharing Day Thursday May 4, 2017 10.30 – 3.00. (oh, just noticed that RSVP was 21.3.17) hopefully some have responded? Emailed to Members.

Business Arising Out of Correspondence:

- Sadie to write to Amanda re Tree Day participation. We won't need many volunteers.
- Faith will attend Coming Together event. Any Members who can, please do.

Moved June Seconded Joan Ferris that correspondence be accepted.
Carried.

General Business:

- Machinery ordered. Yay say the Committee.
- Memorial Garden needs trimming. Not too many weeds.
- Forbey mentioned that the southern entrance garden is looking quite sad.
- Day on the Greens (coring and raking etc) went well. The whole project was completed in one day. Thanks to those who assisted.
- Sadie to write to Club requesting future working bees be attended by many more helpers than were at this one.
- Discussion on the CDS (container deposit scheme) and meeting was informed that Jerilderie Men's Shed have been given of the opportunity to offer an expression of interest in this project. This was for Members information only, not as a future Tidy Towns Project. To be noted that meeting hope that the CDS will help reduce container litter.
- Sadie to write to Council re the great work done to keep our Tip in Tip Top Condition.
- Faith spoke on Council's plans for placing more covered in bins around town. New bins have been purchased and will be positioned in the Main Street area and the old bins will be placed at the Service Station ends of town. Yay. Thanks for your efforts in this project Faith.
- Faith also spoke on Council's position on Section 355 Committees. Our Committee to be aware of financial situations of having outside events under our banner.
- Tree Day event July 28, 2017. Committee to organise some shrubs for planting. Sadie to contact Public School re - joining in with this project.

Meeting Closed: 6.35pm

Next Meeting: May 4, 2017

At: Our Office

Time: 6.00pm PRESIDENT

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Who to do What???

- **Sadie to write to Council, St Joey's, Public School and Sports Club.**
- **Members to reply to Ros Lockhart re Coming Together Event for catering purposes. ASAP**
- **Coleambally Town Life Committee Dinner Meeting 18/4/2017.**
- **Raffle selling Saturday April 29, 2017**
- **Helpers to clean Our Office (stinky mice)**
- **Someone with knowledge of bushes to suggest what to plant for Tree Day. (not quite my forte, sorry ☹)**

JERILDERIE TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE


As of April 6, 2017

Bendigo Bank A/C				Amount	Balance
					13,983.60
Deposit	02/03/17	Show & shine	donation	150.00	14,133.00
Deposit	03/03/17	Fines		11.00	14,144.60
Deposit	08/03/17	Show & shine	donation	100.00	14,244.60
<u>Cheque</u>	22/03/17	Alan Cullum	banner	-240.00	14,004.60
Deposit	04/04/17	Show & shine	donations	400.00	14,404.60
<u>Cheque</u>	04/04/17	C Sweeney	postage	-200.00	14,204.60
Total Bendigo Bank A/C				221.00	\$ 14,204.60

The above figure includes Show & Shine component of \$1,612.09 as set out below.

Show & Shine				Amount
Carry forward from 2015/2016				897.09
Deposit	03/02/17	Show & shine	donation	5.00
Deposit	01/03/17	Lions Club	donation	500.00
Deposit	02/03/17	Barlow Grain	donation	150.00
Deposit	08/03/17	L Kelly	donation	100.00
<u>Cheque</u>	22/03/17	Allan Cullum	banner	-240.00
Deposit	04/04/17	Apex Club	donation	250.00
Deposit	04/04/17	Jer Tyre Service	donation	150.00
<u>Cheque</u>	04/04/17	C Sweeney	postage	-200.00
Total Show & Shine Component				\$1,612.09

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ITEM NO. 13 - MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF HERITAGE DARLINGTON POINT - 2 APRIL, 2017, HELD AT THE MUSEUM, DARLINGTON STREET.

Meeting commenced at 10.05 a.m.

Present: Shirley Norris (chair), Ken Geltch, Laurie Finley, Mona Finley.

Apologies: nil.

Minutes of meeting 5 Feb., 2016 tabled; accepted (Shirley/Ken)

Business from Minutes:

1. Fishing Comp. weekend, 10-12 Feb.: very hot weather, 3 visitors; 1 book sold.
2. Enquiries made regarding means for display/storage of photograph collection. Tabled: quote from Riverina Storage Solutions (Griffith) for 10-drawer unit as for map or print storage, 1470mm wide (\$3500.00), and catalogue from BAC Systems (Glendenning, NSW), showing modules of various sizes; not priced. Further consideration needed, also seek special funding.

Correspondence:

Outward:

1. 27 Mar. – Letters seeking support for conservation project: D. Pt School, D. Pt Men's Shed, D. Pt Red Cross, D. Pt Sunshine Club, D. Pt Lions' Club, D. Pt-Coly. Apex Club, W. & M. Ryan, B. & M. Gowrie-Smith, M. & L. Shaw, T. & J. Toscan, N & R. Hutchins.

Inward:

- 1.3 Mar. – Origin Energy, account \$155.85 (paid 9 March)
2. 9 Mar. – RAHS, *History* magazine, March 2017.
3. 20 Mar. – Murrumbidgee Council: re application to fund Conservation, former Police Residence – still under consideration; further support material can yet be added. (Proposed: letters of support [as above], also historical material re early police officers)
4. 24 Mar. -- FAHS Bulletin 161 (email) – printout tabled; includes info re Community Heritage Grants.
5. 27 Mar. -- D. Pt Public School – support for Conservation project.
6. 31 Mar. – Murrumbidgee Council newsletter, April 2017, with D. Pt flood survey. (Sec. to fill survey for museum property).

RAHS e- newsletters (previously forwarded to several members)

1. 8 Mar. – link to "Pathfinders, Aboriginal Trackers in New South Wales"; 75th anniversary of midget sub. raid, Sydney Harbour. Events, books, etc.
 2. 17 Mar. – RAHS conference to be Cowra, 28-29 Oct., '17 .History House redevelopment. Tyson papers from Deniliquin and Dist. Hist. Soc. to be added to UNESCO Memory of the World Register. Banjo Patterson's birthplace. Events, new books.
 3. 28 Mar, – Report re seminar, Wauchope, 18/3/17, with links to handouts*. Events, etc.
- (* Handout, "Furnishing Your Ancestors' House" tabled; filed under Strategic Plans).

Correspondence accepted and actions endorsed (Mona/Laurie)

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Treasurer's Report: No statement available. Estimated balance (after payment to Origin Energy and deposit from book sale): \$3775-72.

General Business:

1. Reported that Solar installation was carried out 8 March; new meter installed 23 March; system now in operation. Paper work conveyed to Susan Appleyard (Director, Environmental Services, Murrumbidgee Council) for finalisation.
2. Archival boxes (2) have been constructed (Shirley), receptacles for (a) MSC Ledger, 1932-34, (b) MSC Correspondence files, Overseer reports, other, 1905-1940s.
3. Open Day preparations:
 - (a) Mona spoke on ABC Riverina "Free-kick Friday" 10 March; will do so again on date nearer the event.
 - (b) Update given re items being selected, supporting photographs and info collected to date.
 - (c) Seeking mannequins for clothing display; ring Pioneer Park (Mona), possibly borrow?
 - (d) Setting up after Easter? Some assistance needed for heavier items to be moved from current display. Storage shed needs cleaning, and general attention given to grounds.
4. Ken displayed photographs taken at "The Avenue" homestead, which were admired.
5. Draft leaflet tabled for approval -- "Darlington Point: brief historical notes". Proposed as brochure free to visitors -- approved.

Meeting closed 10.45 a.m.

Next Meeting, 4 June.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

ITEM NO 14 - AUSTRALIAN CITIZENSHIP CEREMONY – MR NABEEL AHMED BHATTI

FILE: 02.03

FROM: GENERAL MANAGER

I am pleased to inform Council that arrangements have been put in place to conduct a Citizenship Ceremony for Mr Nabeel Ahmed Bhatti. The ceremony will be held in the Council Chambers, Coleambally commencing 10.30am today.

Invitations have been extended to Mr Bhatti's family and friends to attend the ceremony. Morning tea will be served at the conclusion of the ceremony.

RECOMMENDATION

The Australian Citizenship Ceremony Report be adopted.



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ITEM NO: 15 - LOAN BORROWINGS AS AT 31 MARCH 2017
FILE NO: 05.14
FROM: DIRECTOR CORPORATE & FINANCE

The following table of information regarding loan borrowings is provided for Council's information.

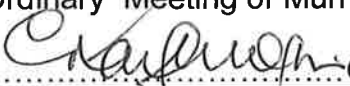
Loan No	Original Amount	Purpose	Outstanding as at 31/3/17	Interest Rate	Maturity Date
159	\$350,000.00	Streetscape	\$ 12,034.82	7.00%	4.7.2017
160	\$200,000.00	Streetscape	\$ 59,298.24	7.90%	12.6.2019
161	\$200,000.00	Streetscape	\$ 77,640.03	8.14%	15.3.2020
162	\$295,000.00	Streetscape/Cenotaph	\$153,958.79	7.922%	27.5.2021
Internal Sewer Fund	\$285,000.00	Library	\$ 57,000.00	Variable	30.6.2019
Internal Sewer Fund	\$250,000.00	Real Estate Development	\$175,000.00	Variable	31.3.2024

This indicates loans outstanding as at 31/3/17 of \$534,931.88, of which \$232,000 is due to the Sewer Fund.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Report be adopted.

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ITEM NO. 16 - STATEMENT OF BANK BALANCES & SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENT

FILE: 05.13

FROM: DIRECTOR, CORPORATE AND FINANCE

STATEMENT OF BANK BALANCES

	2016-17
	Consolidated
CASH AT BANK 28 FEBRUARY 2017	1,665,692.21
ADD - Receipts - 28 February 2017	1,330,627.03
ADD - Receipts - Bendigo Bank	570,997.21
ADD - Cancelled	0.00
ADD - Adjustments	0.00
LESS - Cheques	-109,744.87
LESS - EFT - Autopay	-2,353,586.97
LESS - Payroll	-336,983.92
LESS - Bank Charges & Transfers	-2,694.42
LESS - Loan Repayments	-26,890.42
LESS - Investments	0.00
LESS - Visa Card Pymt	-6,734.53
LESS - Fuel Card	-609.49
LESS - Photocopy Rental	-1,249.60
CASH AT BANK 31 MARCH 2017	728,822.23
Bank Statements 31 MARCH 2017	530,506.70
Bank Statements - Bendigo Bank	198,527.23
PLUS Outstanding Deposits	233.60
LESS Unpresented Cheques	-445.30
LESS Outstanding Autopay	0.00
LESS Reverse Autopay	0.00
CASH AT BANK 31 MARCH 2017	728,822.23
Add Investments	28,393,999.32
Total Cash and Investments	29,122,821.55
Represented by:-	
Trust Account - North	166,878.68
Trust Account - South	17,858.76
Water Fund - North	1,280,886.89
Water Fund - South	474,934.96
Sewer Fund - North	1,838,502.07
Sewer Fund - South	1,765,553.90
Domestic Waste Management - North	11,701.06
Domestic Waste Management - South	103,804.00
Unexpended Grant Funds	610,239.51
Plant Reserve - North	713,943.71
Plant Reserve - South	31,000.00
Employee Leave Entitlement Reserve-North	450,000.00
Employee Leave Entitlement Reserve-South	810,000.00
Infrastructure Reserve - North	4,074,176.20
Infrastructure Reserve - South	701,447.00
Residential Housing Reserve - North	120,000.00
New Council Implementation Fund	3,629,620.21
Stronger Communities Fund	9,487,380.05
General Fund	2,834,894.55

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SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS

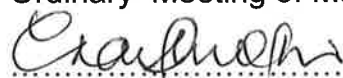
Institution	Amount	Rate	Matures	NO.
IMB Ltd	515,224.11	2.60	04-Apr-17	32/17
St George	510,704.27	2.55	07-Apr-17	26/17
ANZ	302,097.60	2.50	11-Apr-17	34/17
NAB	200,000.00	2.65	17-Apr-17	36/17
St George	302,707.40	2.20	18-Apr-17	35/17
METWAY	704,059.62	2.44	26-Apr-17	37/17
METWAY	1,315,767.22	2.42	02-May-17	38/17
IMB Ltd	250,000.00	2.25	09-May-17	43/17
Bendigo	717,291.71	2.10	18-May-17	39/17
Bendigo	1,248,103.38	2.10	22-May-17	40/17
IMB Ltd	301,753.64	2.55	06-Jun-17	42/17
NAB	828,643.85	2.50	13-Jun-17	44/17
NAB	301,789.59	2.50	20-Jun-17	45/17
St George	201,676.30	2.00	22-Jun-17	41/17
ANZ-Les Wallis	51,804.80	2.00	29-Jun-17	46/17
Bendigo	257,598.29	2.05	30-Jun-17	47/17
IMB Ltd	503,116.44	2.55	09-May-17	20
IMB Ltd	500,000.00	2.60	04-May-17	24
IMB Ltd	403,476.16	2.60	05-Apr-17	25
Bendigo	253,821.12	2.45	08-Jun-17	28
ANZ	536,774.38	2.45	14-Sep-17	29
ANZ	447,035.13	2.50	21-Apr-17	30
Bendigo	460,170.50	2.10	27-May-17	34
Bendigo	1,017,651.73	2.20	16-Aug-17	35
Bendigo	5,000,000.00	2.20	16-Apr-17	38
ANZ	514,207.38	2.35	26-Jun-17	39
Bendigo	1,832,015.27	2.20	16-Jun-17	40
ANZ	680,208.16	2.40	17-Apr-17	41
Bendigo	2,022,155.74	2.50	16-Apr-17	42
Bendigo	579,145.53	2.15	03-Apr-17	43
IMB Ltd	500,000.00	2.60	02-May-17	44
Bendigo	5,135,000.00	2.35	16-Jun-17	45
Total Investments	28,393,999.32			

Average Interest Rates	2014/15	3.16%
	2015/16	2.76%
Average Interest Rates	2016/17	2.36%

PERCENTAGE OF FUNDS HELD

SUNCORP	2,019,826.84	7.11%
St George	1,015,087.97	3.58%
NAB	1,330,433.44	4.69%
ANZ	2,532,127.45	8.92%
Bendigo	18,522,953.27	65.24%
IMB Ltd	2,973,570.35	10.47%
TOTAL	28,393,999.32	100%

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I hereby certify that:

- 1) the cash book was reconciled with the bank balance as shown by the bank statements as at 31 March 2017
- 2) the investments have been invested in accordance with the Local Government Act, Regulations and Council's policies.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Statements of Bank Balances and Schedules of Investments as at 31 March 2017 be noted and received.

Sue Mitchell

RESPONSIBLE ACCOUNTING OFFICER

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ITEM NO. 17 - UPDATE ON PROJECT MANAGEMENT OFFICE (PMO)
FILE: 03.13.08
FROM: DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER

This report provides an update on the activities of the Project Management Office (PMO) as the new Murrumbidgee Council now approaches its first year anniversary. The PMO is responsible for making recommendations to the General Manager (and ultimately Council) on a wide range of matters that are relevant to the integration and harmonisation of the Council. These matters include defining and realising outcomes and benefits of the transition, monitoring risks, quality of outcomes and deliverables, timeliness and budget implications.

The PMO provides strategic direction and advice and monitors progress on the Implementation Plan by others within the Council. The PMO is working collaboratively with the Leadership Group to ensure that workloads are manageable, noting that MANEX is charged with ensuring continuity of service for the services provided by the two former Councils.

The first iteration of the Transition and Implementation Plan was prepared and provided to Department of Premier and Cabinet (DPC) in July 2016. The Plan is subject to regular review so as to reflect progress of the overall project. The Plan has been recently subject to a comprehensive review and was reviewed by MANEX on the 17 November, 2016.

A report on progress on the Plan was also presented to the Council meeting in December 2016.

Below is an update on the activities of the PMO undertaken following the March 2017 meeting of Council:

- ✓ The eighth staff newsletter was prepared and distributed.
- ✓ Council received a report from CAMMS which documented existing service levels across approximately 74 areas of service delivery (in respect of both former Councils)
- ✓ A management response to the recommended actions in the above report is being prepared with a view to both making immediate changes and then reporting more significant proposals to Council for a decision
- ✓ The information within the Service Review Report has been analysed and has been used to assist in creating the new organisation structure
- ✓ Produced and distributed the eighth Community Newsletter
- ✓ Issued twelve media releases
- ✓ Liaised with members of the LRC and community members in relation to potential projects seeking funding under Round Two of the Stronger Communities Fund
- ✓ Coordinated the ongoing meetings of the IT User Group which culminated in the selection of the preferred supplier to provide Council with its Enterprise Management System (EMS). A confidential report to the extraordinary

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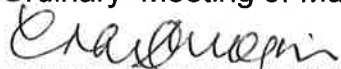
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meeting of Council on 19 April 2017 appointed the successful company, Civica to provide Council with its EMS

- ✓ Continued working with the Asset Management Working Group and consultant Jeff Roorda and Associates to prepare a new Asset Management Plan for Council. This project is expected to be finalised by July 2017
- ✓ Commenced detail design work with ATI Australia Pty Ltd to design and construct a Wide Area Network (WAN) data communications network between the towns of Jerilderie, Coleambally and Darlington Point
- ✓ Undertook community engagement in relation to the draft "Statement of Vision and Priorities" which is intended to provide high level guidance for the early period of the new Council, until the adoption of the first Community Strategic Plan by June, 2018
- ✓ Continued replacement of building and equipment signage throughout the Council area
- ✓ Continued preparing and reviewing policies for the new Council with a view to presenting approximately 25 policies to a Council meeting prior to July 2017
- ✓ Finalised the staff protocol for the provision of uniforms to indoor staff, with staff then making selections of clothing. Uniforms started to arrive last week
- ✓ In conjunction with the General Manager, conducted five staff meetings to provide an update on key issues relating to the merger
- ✓ Provided support to the General Manager in selecting the company to undertake the recruitment of the two Assistant General Managers. Mark Anderson from Local Government Management Solutions will undertake the recruitment
- ✓ Delivered "Coping with Change" training sessions for all staff across the three communities. In total, seven workshops were conducted. Feedback from those workshops has been provided to the General Manager and Deputy General Manager and follow up sessions with the staff groups are now planned.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information on the activities of the Project Management Office be adopted.




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ITEM NO. 18 - WORKS IN PROGRESS 13/3/2017 to 9/4/2017
 FILE: 03.16.04
 FROM: DIRECTOR OF TECHNICAL SERVICES

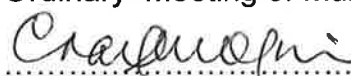
Regional Roads RR552 – Conargo Road RR564 – Berrigan Road RR323 – Oaklands Road RR59 – Urana Road RR596 – Morundah Road RR356 – Berrigan/Oaklands Road RR183 – Whitton Road	Bitumen patching, asset inspection. Bitumen patching, guide post maintenance. Shoulder slashing. Sign maintenance. Bitumen patching, weed inspection. Sign maintenance, shoulder slashing. Asset inspection.
MR321 – Kidman Way	Rubbish collection, guide post maintenance, bitumen patching
H17 – Newell Highway	Heavy patching, rubbish collection, sign maintenance. Resealing section of Segment 106. Bitumen patching.
Local Road Maintenance	<i>Grader Maintenance</i> Four Corners Road, Algudgerie Road, McLennons Bore Lane, Crosbys Lane, Ryan Road, Ercildoune Road, Martin Bell Road, Main Canal Road, Harvey Wells Road. <i>Bitumen Edge Patching</i> Gilbert Road, Four Corners Road, Booroobanilly Road <i>Sign Maintenance</i> Cadell Road, Graham Road, Lloyd Road, Gilbert Road. <i>Shoulder Slashing</i> Wilson Road, Showground Road, Thurrowa Road, Bridge Road, McDonald Road, South Coree Road. <i>Table Drain Maintenance</i> Harvey Wells Road <i>Culvert Repairs</i> South Boundary Road Weed Spraying

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	<p>Areas around Darlington Point and Coleambally.</p> <p>Galvanised Burr on various local roads.</p> <p>Cemetery weed control.</p> <p>Khaki Weed – Elliott Park.</p> <p>Silverleaf Nightshade – various roads.</p> <p>Bathurst Burr –various local roads.</p>
Roads to Recovery Program	<p>South Coree Road construction in progress.</p> <p>Raithbys Lane / Rolfe Road in progress.</p>
Restart NSW Funding	<p>Main Canal Road – preparation of sub base in progress. Final road base later to start end of April.</p>
Wunnamurra Estate	<p>Kerb and guttering approx 60% completed – expected completion by 2nd week of May.</p> <p>Road pavement in progress should also be completed by 2nd week of May.</p> <p>Electrical and communication anticipated to be completed by contractors by end of May.</p> <p>All lots have been graded, with final trimming to be completed.</p>
Water / Sewerage Maintenance	<p>Darlington Point water supply – continuous chlorine dosing in progress.</p> <p>Darlington Point Sewerage Treatment Plan evaporation retention ponds relined and cleaned out. Suitable (material) stones constructed on the pond banks to stop ongoing issues of suspended solids and weeds.</p>
Tip Maintenance	<p>Rubber flap constructed at drop off area for safer drop off of rubbish.</p>
Parks and Gardens	<p>Coleambally netball court repairs as required.</p> <p>All parks and gardens maintained.</p>
Cycleways / PAMPs	<p>Cycleway adjacent to Coleambally Pool in progress.</p>
Plant	<p>All plant registrations / inspections completed. Various repairs to windscreens and minor works on plant required.</p>
Town Streets	<p>Bitumen patching, sign maintenance, gutter cleaning, tree trimming.</p>

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	<p>Drainage sumps cleaned out at Darlington Point, Coleambally and Jerilderie.</p> <p>Mains flushing Darlington Point and Jerilderie.</p>
Tree Lopping	<p>Tree lopping at Coleambally.</p> <p>Tree lopping at Darlington Point Caravan Park in progress.</p>
Private Works	<p>Grader / loader hire steady.</p> <p>Material carting (gravel/ clay/ road base).</p> <p>Minor works.</p>

RECOMMENDATION

The Works in Progress Report be adopted.

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CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

ITEM NO. 19 - DARLINGTON POINT CARAVAN PARK

FILE: 04.13

FROM: GENERAL MANAGER

RECOMMENDATION

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(f) matters affecting the security of the Council, Councillors, Council staff or Council property.

ITEM NO. 20 - BARWIDGEE BOULEVARDE RECONSTRUCTION -
COMPLETION

FILE: 06.09

FROM: GENERAL MANAGER

RECOMMENDATION

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(g) advice concerning litigation, or advice that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege



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