

**REPORTS TO MURRUMBIDGEE COUNCIL MEETING  
TO BE HELD TUESDAY 28 MAY 2024**



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## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We pay respect to the traditional custodians of the lands and waters of Murrumbidgee Local Government Area, and to all Aboriginal Elders, past and present and emerging. We are committed to honouring the continuing connection that First Australians hold to Murrumbidgee's land, waters and community, as one of the oldest living cultures in human history.

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# OFFICERS' REPORTS FOR CONSIDERATION

ITEM NO: 1 - GENERAL MANAGER'S MONTHLY REPORT

Council Meeting:	28 May 2024
Report Date:	16 May 2024
Author:	General Manager
File #:	SC218
Approval:	General Manager

## BACKGROUND

To provide information generally relating to past and future actions of the General Manager, along with specific action items being dealt with.

## RECOMMENDATION

The information contained in the General Manager's monthly report be noted, and:

- a) 1 Koongara Crescent Jerilderie be sold as part of the housing replacement program previously developed.
- b) In conjunction with the Local Government elections 2024 being conducted by the NSW Electoral Commission, Council conduct a poll on the question of a nuclear power facility within Murrumbidgee Council Local Government Area, via this question:

*Do you support the construction of a nuclear power plant within the Murrumbidgee Council Local Government Area, on the condition that the wind and solar farms are dismantled and not replaced at the end of their useful life.*

Yes                      No

### 1. Connectivity


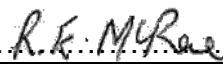
Council was made aware that FSG was successful in obtaining a Federal Government grant which would have provided 80% of our LGA land mass to be covered by mobile phone and internet capabilities via a wireless network backed by fibre.

With the change of Federal Government two years ago, the mapping for this project changed, to a point where it was not viable for FSG to complete within the desired time frame, or financially feasible.

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Unfortunately all the work that went into this opportunity will not come to pass.

The grant has been handed back to the Federal Government by FSG.

Council will continue to work with RAMJO on opportunities, plus seek other partnerships to achieve our aim of having 100% of the LGA landmass covered with high speed internet and mobile phone coverage.

On the plus side, Council had budgeted \$100,000 towards the FSG proposal as our contribution. Finance will not be carrying this amount forward to the 2024/25 financial budget.

## **2. Housing**

The tender document for the 4 x 2 bedroom units in Jerilderie has been finalised and is out to market, closing date 26 June 2024.

49 Barwidgee Boulevard, Darlington Point will be on the market early June, it is now vacant and we are in the process of getting it ready for market.

We have also been informed that the Ambulance Service is not going to fill the vacant position in Jerilderie, as such the property 1 Koongara Crescent is not required for paramedic housing. Therefore I seek a resolution from Council to sell this property.

### **Recommendation**

**That 1 Koongara Crescent Jerilderie be sold as part of the housing replacement program previously developed.**

## **3. Nuclear Power Survey**


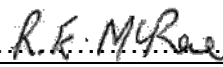
As at the date of writing this report, Council had received 197 responses to the survey question:

Strongly Oppose	97	49.24%
Medium Opposition	10	5.08%
Neither Support nor Oppose	6	3.05%
Medium Support	18	9.14%
Strongly Support	66	33.50%

The survey results came from the following:

Coleambally and Surrounds	58	29.44%
Darlington Point and Surrounds	44	22.34%
Jerilderie and Surrounds	41	20.81%
A different LGA	54	27.41%

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Survey results are attached.

Whilst the results suggest that 54% are against and only 42% are in favour, it is hard to tell if the 54 votes from outside our LGA swung it for or against. In essence, the results are close enough to suggest that we hold a Poll at the upcoming Local Government Election.

The cost of adding the Poll to the election will be approximately \$5,500, as the Returning Officer and staff are already engaged to conduct the election.

### **The Question**

*Do you support the construction of a Nuclear Power Plant within the Murrumbidgee Council Local Government Area, on the condition that the Wind and Solar farms are dismantled and not replaced at the end of their useful life.*

Yes                      No

### **Recommendation**

**In conjunction with the Local Government elections 2024 being conducted by the NSW Electoral Commission, Council conduct a poll on the question of a nuclear power facility within Murrumbidgee Council Local Government Area, via this question:**

***Do you support the construction of a nuclear power plant within the Murrumbidgee Council Local Government Area, on the condition that the wind and solar farms are dismantled and not replaced at the end of their useful life.***

Yes                      No

### **3. Movements**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Meeting</b>	<b>Location</b>
1 - 5 July 2024	National General Assembly	Canberra
10 - 11 July 2024	MDA National Conference	Tamworth
9 August 2024	Country Mayors Association Meeting	Sydney
15 - 16 August 2024	RAMJO Strategy and Board Meeting	Griffith

### **SUSTAINABILITY**


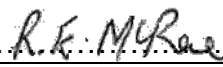
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### **STATUTORY COMPLIANCE/POLICY**

N/A

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## FINANCIAL

N/A

## INTEGRATED PLANS

Theme 5: Our Leadership - Looking to our Future

5.1. Demonstrating Transparent Leadership through Accountability and Community Representation

## RISK MANAGEMENT

N/A

## CONSULTATION/ENGAGEMENT

N/A

## OPTIONS

Option 1 (recommendation)

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Yes                      No

Option 2

Another recommendation of Council.


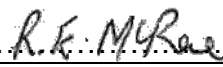
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Attachment # 1: Nuclear Power Survey Results

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## ITEM NO. 2 - REMUNERATION FOR COUNCILLORS & MAYORS

Council Meeting:	28 May 2024
Report Date:	20 May 2024
Author:	Chief Financial Officer
File #:	SC208
Approval:	General Manager

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Pursuant to s239 and s241 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal has reviewed the range of fees for all Councillors and Mayors in NSW for the period 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025, and determined a 3.75% increase in the minimum and maximum fees applicable.

### RECOMMENDATION

That:

- Pursuant to S248(2) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, Council set the annual fee level for Councillors for the financial year 2024/25 at \$13,520;
- Pursuant to S249(3) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, Council set the Mayoral additional fee level for the financial year 2024/25 at \$29,500.

### BACKGROUND

Section 248 of the *Local Government Act 1993* requires Council to pay each Councillor an annual fee, fixed in accordance with the appropriate determination of the Remuneration Tribunal.



Section 249 of the *Local Government Act 1993* also requires that Council pay the Mayor an annual fee, fixed in accordance with the appropriate determination of the Remuneration Tribunal.

Council's classification as a Rural Council is unchanged for the 2024-25 financial year.

Rural Category fees have been determined as follows:

Councillor Annual Fee		Mayor Additional Fee	
Minimum	Maximum	Minimum	Maximum
\$10,220	\$13,520	\$10,880	\$29,500

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## OFFICER COMMENT

Council has previously determined the annual fees be paid at the maximum allowable amount.

## SUSTAINABILITY

NIL

## STATUTORY COMPLIANCE/POLICY

Local Government Act 1993  
Local Government (General) Regulation 2005  
Payment of Expenses and Provision of Facilities Policy

## FINANCIAL

The draft Operational Plan for 2024-25 will provide for a 3.75% increase in the fees applicable.

## INTEGRATED PLANS

### Leading By Example

5.1.3 Maintain sound legislative decision-making that is ethical, accountable and transparent.

## RISK MANAGEMENT

No significant risks associated with this recommendation.

## CONSULTATION / ENGAGEMENT

Local Government Remuneration Tribunal *Annual Determination* (dated 29 April 2024)

## OPTIONS

Option 1 (recommendation)


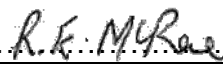
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Option 2

Fix the annual fees for Councillors and the Mayor at a level between the minimum and maximum levels as determined by the Remuneration Tribunal.

Option 3



Not fix an annual fee for Councillors and the Mayor, and consequently pay the minimum level as set by the Remuneration Tribunal.

**ATTACHMENT**

Attachment # 2: Local Government Remuneration Tribunal *Annual Determination* (dated 29 April 2024)

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## ITEM NO. 3 - DRAFT OPERATIONAL PLAN 2024-2025

Council Meeting:	28 May 2024
Report Date:	22 May 2024
Author:	Chief Financial Officer
File #:	SC132; SC133; SC241
Approval:	General Manager

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

To meet its Integrated Planning and Reporting obligations, Council is required to produce an annual Operational Plan. This report seeks approval for public exhibition of the draft Operational Plan 2024-2025, incorporating Council's proposed budget and draft fees and charges.

### RECOMMENDATION

**The draft Operational Plan 2024-2025, incorporating Council's proposed budget and the draft Fees & Charges 2024-2025, be placed on exhibition for 28 days, with public submissions invited.**

### BACKGROUND

In accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993*, Council staff have prepared a draft Operational Plan, budget and fees and charges for 2024-2025.

### OFFICER COMMENT

The Draft Operational Plan 2024-2025 will be provided under separate cover.

### SUSTAINABILITY

NIL

### STATUTORY COMPLIANCE/POLICY


- Sections 404 and 405 Local Government Act 1993
- Clause 201 Local Government (General) Regulation 2005

### FINANCIAL

The 2024 budget is incorporated into the Operational Plan and can be reviewed in the attachment (to be provided under separate cover).

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## **INTEGRATED PLANS**

### **Leading By Example**

5.1.3 Maintain sound legislative decision-making that is ethical, accountable and transparent.

## **RISK MANAGEMENT**

As in previous years, it is anticipated that Council will be unable to meet a number of Local Government Performance Measures, including the Operating Performance Ratio and Own Source Revenue Ratio.

It is not anticipated that Council will be able to meet these benchmarks while we have a low population base and limited ability to generate significant other revenues.

## **CONSULTATION / ENGAGEMENT**

- Councillor Workshops
- Executive Team
- Council Staff
- Finance Manager

## **OPTIONS**

To meet regulatory requirements, the draft Operational Plan 2024-2025 must be publicly exhibited for at least 28 days. Submissions received by Council in that period must be considered before the final plan is adopted.

The recommended option is that Council exhibits the draft documents for 28 days and invites the community to provide input.

Council can amend one or more of the draft documents, however this may cause delays to exhibition timeframes.



The public exhibition period invites submissions on the draft documents, which may result in amendments for Council to consider prior to adopting the documents.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

Under Separate Cover: Draft Operational Plan 2024-25

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## ITEM NO. 4 - LONG TERM FINANCIAL PLAN 2024-2033

Council Meeting:	28 May 2024
Report Date:	15 May 2024
Author:	Chief Financial Officer
File #:	SC241
Approval:	General Manager

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

To meet its Integrated Planning and Reporting obligations, Council is required to produce a Long Term Financial Plan.

### RECOMMENDATION

**The Long Term Financial Plan 2024-2033 be adopted by Council.**

### BACKGROUND

In accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993*, Council staff have prepared a draft Long Term Financial Plan for the period 2024-2033. The draft was endorsed for placement on public exhibition at the March 2024 Council meeting.

This plan has since been subject to a public exhibition period, during which no submissions were received.

### OFFICER COMMENT

It is noted that the Long Term Financial Plan will be further reviewed and updated as part of the development and adoption of Council's Operational Plan and Delivery Program in the coming months, with an update required to be adopted following the Council election in September 2024.

### SUSTAINABILITY

NIL

### STATUTORY COMPLIANCE/POLICY


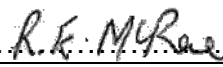
The requirements for Integrated Planning & Reporting are set out in the *Local Government Act 1993* ('the Act') and the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021* ('the Regulation').

Integrated Planning & Reporting Guidelines are also issued under section 406 of the Act and the Regulation.

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## FINANCIAL

The Long Term Financial Plan sets out the financial resourcing strategy of Council for the coming ten years.

The 2024 amounts align to the current 2024 Operational Plan/Budget (as at the March 2024 quarterly budget review) and future years will be subject to further review in June each year as part of the development and adoption of annual Operational Plans.

## INTEGRATED PLANS

### Leading By Example

5.1.3 Maintain sound legislative decision-making that is ethical, accountable and transparent.

## RISK MANAGEMENT

Adoption of a Long-Term Financial Plan addresses one of Council's outstanding Integrated Planning & Reporting requirements. A Plan is required in order to proceed with seeking ministerial approval for internal loan funding for the Young Street subdivision, as well as Safe & Secure Water funding, and likely other opportunities.

Additional opportunities will be afforded to review forward projections in coming years as part of the regular budget cycle.

## CONSULTATION / ENGAGEMENT

- Councillor Workshops
- Executive Team
- Council Staff

## OPTIONS

### Option 1 (recommendation)


The Long Term Financial Plan 2024-2033 be adopted by Council.

### Option 2

Council does not adopt the Long Term Financial Plan. This would mean that Council would continue to be lacking this component of its Resourcing Strategy under the Integrated Planning & Reporting requirements, and may be unable to secure appropriate funding until such time as a new draft was developed and adopted.

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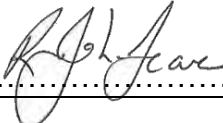

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**ATTACHMENT**

Attachment # 3: Long Term Financial Plan 2024-2033

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## ITEM NO. 5 - DRAFT LEGISLATIVE COMPLIANCE POLICY

Council Meeting:	28 May 2024
Report Date:	1 May 2024
Author:	Manager Corporate & Community Services
File #:	SC49
Approval:	General Manager

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to seek a resolution from Council to adopt the draft Legislative Compliance Policy.

### RECOMMENDATION

**The draft Legislative Compliance Policy be adopted.**

### BACKGROUND

The purpose of this policy is to comply with the Audit Office of NSW recommendations that Council should develop a legislative compliance register and policy to strengthen the Council's legislative framework.


Council currently does not have a legislative compliance register to capture and report on Council's compliance with key legislation. This is important to assist the Council to appropriately monitor and manage its legal obligations.

The policy needs to capture:

- a list of the legislative compliance matters that Council must comply with or report on;
- the risks associated with non-compliance with the laws, regulations and directives;
- responsibilities for identifying, reporting and recording instances of non-compliance;
- how compliance is to be monitored;
- the role of different committees in ensuring compliance;
- the controls/processes in place to manage compliance;
- accountable officer(s) for ensuring compliance with key legislation;
- a register detailing any instances when laws and/or regulations are breached;
- a reporting structure to notify those charged with governance of instances of non-compliance; and
- remedial action(s) to be taken when non-compliance is identified.

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.....Mayor

A compliance framework is important as it:

- promotes a culture of compliance
- fosters continuous improvement in compliance processes
- ensures obligations are met and helps the Council demonstrate its corporate and social responsibilities.

## **OFFICER COMMENT**

A report was presented to Council on 26 March 2024 introducing the draft Legislative Compliance Policy. At that meeting it was resolved to place the draft policy on public exhibition.

The draft policy was placed on exhibition from 27 March 2024, with the close of submissions being 26 April 2024. No submissions were received.

## **SUSTAINABILITY**

N/A

## **STATUTORY COMPLIANCE/POLICY**

The policy will comply with the recommendations of the Audit Office of NSW regarding Council's legislative framework.

## **FINANCIAL**

N/A

## **INTEGRATED PLANS**

Murrumbidgee Council Delivery Program

Strategic Activities

5 - Leading by Example – What we Aim to Achieve

5.1 We have strong partnerships with our community, government and other stakeholders and are seen as a trusted and reliable organisation

Deliverables


5.1.4 Provide best practice financial, corporate and operational management and reporting that meets legislative requirements

Action

5.1.4.1 Ensure Council's policies and processes meet the current Legislation, Statutory and regulatory requirements

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## **RISK MANAGEMENT**

The absence of a Legislative Compliance Policy and register reduces accountability for complying with key legislative requirements. It also increases the Council's risk of breaching key legislative requirements. Non-compliance with laws and regulations may attract penalties and/or result in significant reputation damage.

## **OPTIONS**

### Option 1 (recommendation)

The draft Legislative Compliance Policy be adopted.

### Option 2



The draft Legislative Compliance Policy not be adopted, reducing Council's accountability for complying with key legislative requirements and increasing Council's risk of breaching key legislative requirements.

## **ATTACHMENT**

Attachment # 4: Draft Legislative Compliance Policy.

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**ITEM NO. 6 - DRAFT PLAN OF MANAGEMENT FOR MONASH PARK, JERILDERIE SPORTS CENTRE, GOLF COURSES, THE WILLOWS AND ADOPTION OF PLAN OF MANAGEMENT FOR DARLINGTON POINT MUSEUM**

Council Meeting:	28 May 2024
Report Date:	20 May 2024
Author:	Senior Town Planner
File #:	SC119
Approval:	Director Planning, Community & Development

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to seek Council endorsement to exhibit the following draft plans of management:

1. Plan of Management for Monash Park
2. Plan of Management for the Jerilderie Sports Centre
3. Generic Plan of Management for Golf Courses
4. Plan of Management for Areas of Cultural Significance: The Willows

This report also seeks a resolution to adopt the Plan of Management for Areas of Cultural Heritage: Darlington Point Museum

These Plans of Management are set out in Attachments 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9.

**RECOMMENDATION**


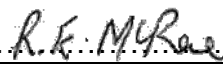
That the:

1. **Draft Plan of Management for Monash Park, the draft Plan of Management for the Jerilderie Sports Centre, the draft generic Plan of Management for Golf Courses; and the draft Plan of Management for Areas of Cultural Significance: The Willows be endorsed and placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days, with a further 14 days for submissions;**
2. **Plan of Management for Areas of Cultural Heritage: Darlington Point Museum be adopted.**

**OFFICER COMMENT**

Council has received notification from the Department of Planning & Environment – Crown Lands informing Council that, in accordance with clause 70B of the Crown Land Management Regulation 2018, the Minister for Lands and Water has given consent to the draft Plans of Management (PoM) and Council can now progress to public exhibition.

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Council is required to place the draft Plans on exhibition for a period of 28 days, and provide a further 14 days for submissions. It is suggested that the exhibition run from 31 May 2024 to 28 June 2024, with submissions being received up until 12 July 2024.

Following the close of submissions, the matter would be reported back to Council for adoption, noting that any amendments (other than for minor editorial and formatting changes) would need further Ministerial approval.

The Plan of Management for Areas of Cultural Significance: Darlington Point Museum was publically exhibited and, following the close of submissions on 10 May 2024, no submissions had been received.

## STATUTORY COMPLIANCE/POLICY

Murrumbidgee Council's role, as a Crown Land Manager under the provisions of the CLM Act, is to ensure that land resources are to be shared equitably in accordance with the principles of environmental protection, conservation and ecological sustainability, public use and enjoyment, as well as encouraging multiple use of land.

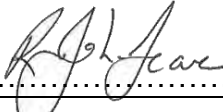
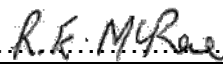
By way of background, Council has prepared a number of draft Plans of Management which are at various stages. The following table identifies the status of each draft Plan of Management for the information of Council.

**Table 1: Status of Crown Land Plans of Management**

POM Name	Status
Elliott Park	Adopted
Lions Park	Adopted
Jerilderie Racecourse & Showground	Adopted
Coree Central Hall	Adopted
Balmeringa	Adopted
Darlington Point Parks	Adopted
ACS: Darlington Pt Museum*	Seeking resolution to adopt
ACS: Jerilderie Courthouse & Library	On exhibition (to 7 June 2024)
ACS: The Willows*	Minister's consent issued*
Natural Areas	On exhibition (to 7 June 2024)
Monash Park*	Minister's consent issued
Jerilderie Sports Centre*	Minister's consent issued
Golf Courses*	Minister's consent issued
Jerilderie Common and Stock Route	Amendments requested by Department
Darlington Point Caravan Park	Amendments requested by Department
ACS: Pump Shed	Department requested separate PoM

\*Subjects of this report

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## FINANCIAL

The current project has no immediate financial implications for Council.

## INTEGRATED PLANS

### Community Strategic Plan

#### *Community*

- Creating community opportunities and equitable access to Council and community services and programs

Ultimately the development of PoMs for Crown land, including undertaking community consultation through public exhibition or, where required, a public hearing will lead to public land being managed in a transparent manner to meet the needs of the community.

#### *Environment*

- Maintaining a balance between growth, development and environmental protection

The fundamental purpose of the initial categorisation of the land and the subsequent Plan(s) of Management is to set the parameters that balance growth, development and environmental protection of community land.

## RISK MANAGEMENT

Provided that the legislative requirements specified in the CLM Act and the Local Government Act and associated regulations are followed, there are no foreseeable risks.

## OPTIONS


### Option 1 (Recommendation)

That the:

1. Draft Plan of Management for Monash Park, the draft Plan of Management for the Jerilderie Sports Centre, the draft generic Plan of Management for Golf Courses; and the draft Plan of Management for Areas of Cultural Significance: The Willows be endorsed and placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days, with a further 14 days for submissions;
2. Plan of Management for Areas of Cultural Heritage: Darlington Point Museum be adopted.

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Option 2



Any other resolution of Council.

**ATTACHMENTS**

- Attachment # 5: Draft Plan of Management for Monash Park
- Attachment # 6: Draft Plan of Management for the Jerilderie Sports Centre
- Attachment # 7: Draft generic Plan of Management for Golf Courses
- Attachment # 8: Draft Plan of Management for Areas of Cultural Significance:  
The Willows
- Attachment # 9: Plan of Management Areas of Cultural Significance –  
Darlington Point Museum

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**ITEM NO. 7 - QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW – MARCH 2024**

Council Meeting:	28 May 2024
Report Date:	22 May 2024
Author:	Chief Financial Officer
File #:	SC133
Approval:	General Manager

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Attached is the Quarterly Budget Review for the period to 31 March 2024, as required by the Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting in accordance with clause 203 (3) of the Regulations.

A summary of proposed variations to the budget is included within the attachment.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**The Quarterly Budget Review be noted and variances to the budget, as outlined therein, be approved.**

**BACKGROUND**

In accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993*, Council staff have prepared a Quarterly Budget Review for the quarter ended 31 March 2024.

Due to the prioritisation of the Operational Plan and implementation of improved budget review processes and frameworks, year-to-date figures have not been provided, but are expected to be included in Quarterly Budget Reviews commencing from the period ending 30 September 2024.



**OFFICER COMMENT**

It is my opinion that the Quarterly Budget Review Statement for Murrumbidgee Council for the quarter ended 31 March 2024 indicates that Council's projected financial position at 30 June 2024 will be satisfactory, having regard to the projected estimates of income and expenditure and the original budgeted income and expenditure.

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The cash has been reconciled with the bank statement, with the last reconciliation undertaken as at 31 March 2024.



Kaitlin Salzke  
Responsible Accounting Officer  
Murrumbidgee Council

22/05/2024  
Date

## **SUSTAINABILITY**

NIL

## **STATUTORY COMPLIANCE/POLICY**

Made in accordance with Clause 203(2) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2005.

## **FINANCIAL**

The full list of variances proposed to the budget is included within the attachment.

## **INTEGRATED PLANS**

### **Leading By Example**

5.1.3 Maintain sound legislative decision-making that is ethical, accountable and transparent.

The QBR relates to the current Operational Plan.

## **RISK MANAGEMENT**

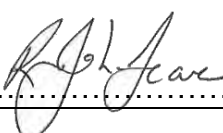
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## **CONSULTATION / ENGAGEMENT**

General Manager  
Finance Manager  
Council Staff

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**OPTIONS**

Option 1 (recommendation)



The Quarterly Budget Review be noted, and variances to the budget, as outlined therein, be approved.

**ATTACHMENT**

Under Separate Cover:    March 2024 Quarterly Budget Review

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# REPORTS/MINUTES OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

## ITEM NO. 8 - JERILDERIE TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Council Meeting:	28 May 2024
Report Date:	6 May 2024
Author:	Jerilderie Tidy Towns Committee Secretary
File #:	SC21
Approval:	Section 355 Committee of Council

Meeting opened at 4.00pm, Monash Room.

**Present:** Faith Bryce (chair), Sadie Herrick, Richard Wright, Ann Wright, Joan Ferris, Judy Knight, Garry Borger, Jackie Molloy, Polly Fisher, Loretta Marriott, Isabell Milne, Michelle Read, Lyn Gillard, Chris Powley.

Chair welcomed New Members Lorriane Keys, Bridget Knight, Wilbur McGuinness & Odette McGuinness.

**Apologies:** Chris Girdwood, Ian Girdwood, Tania Roe, Margaret Borger, Gwen McLaughlin, Rolf Knight, Pat Read, Ruth McRae, Wendy Hurd, Pat Godfrey

Moved: Garry Seconded: Chris P that the apologies be accepted.  
Carried.

The Minutes of the last meeting were accepted as read on the motion of: Faith  
Seconded: Sadie.

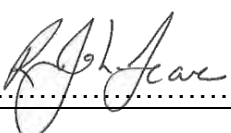
Carried.

### Business arising from the Minutes:

- Members asked to think about new projects for us to work on.
- Working Bee at Memorial Park went well. Pat R was first cab off the rank. Thanks Pat.
- There are many gaps in the Rosemary hedge. New plants to be sourced.
- Big thanks to the children at St Joseph's Primary School for their contribution to the Memorial Park garden.
- Re the KAB Awards. Faith has given Garry Stoll the application info for Council's 3 Bin Project and Worm Tech for FOGO Project. These are fantastic initiatives.
- Re town entrance lights. All 3 towns in Council area have shown interest in obtaining solar lighting for their town entrances.
- Town entrance signs are to be painted.

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### **Treasurer's report as tabled:**

- A donation from Rolf & Judy Knight was acknowledged. This was for the work that Tidy Towns had put into assisting with their clearing sale.

Moved: Richard    Seconded: Faith    that the Treasurers Report as tabled be accepted and accounts be passed for payment.

Carried.

### **Correspondence:**

#### **Inwards:**

- St Joseph's Primary School re thanks for Clean Up after Jerilderie Fun Fair.
- Email to John Scarce forwarded by Faith: Dear John. Please find attached the following documents in relation to The 43rd Annual General Meeting of Keep Australia Beautiful Council (NSW) Limited, which will be held on, Thursday the 16th of May - 3.00pm at: Fossix Gateway Lounge – 1 Macquarie Place Sydney NSW 2000
- KAB Chair Report.

#### **Outwards:**

- Minutes to Members & Council. Update of Members,
- Annual 'JOBS' list to Members.

### **Business arising out of Correspondence:**

- Sadie to contact KAB re mail outs.

Moved: Sadie    Seconded: Jackie    that correspondence be accepted.


Carried.

### **General Business:**

- Faith introduced our newest recruits, Wilbur & Pink (Odette) McGuiness to the meeting and explained how our meetings are run etc. Great to have Junior Tidy Towners.
- Luke Park Woking Bee organised for May 20, 2024, at 9.00am for whoever can turn up. Gloves, rakes, hats, sunscreen etc.
- Richard had mentioned the solar lights that had been installed at Aquatic Club area. Maybe something to think about if we are looking at prices etc.
- **Moved: Joan F/Jackie that bare rooted roses to be purchased for cemetery.**  
**Carried.**
- Bridget asked if children can attend the Working Bees. Affirmation given..
- Bridget also mentioned a Compost Project that supplies the infrastructure for family homes. Committee to seek information about this project.
- Lorraine asked when the next Heavy Waste Collection will be held. Secretary has read that it will be in spring.

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- Michelle mentioned that we work at getting the Footy/Netball Clubs to assist Tidy Towns with a Clean Up. Great idea to involve other Community Groups in the betterment of our town.
- Discussion on how to conduct upcoming (October) Garden Judging. Perhaps, if possible, do same as Christmas Light Up Jerilderie that Eden had organised. It worked a treat and took the heat off TT Members and gave it to the community.

**Meeting Closed: 5.00pm**  
**Next Meeting: June 3, 2024**  
**At: The Monash Room**  
**Time: 4.00pm**

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**President** **Date**

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*R. J. Fear* ..... General Manager *R. E. Murray* ..... Mayor

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**JERILDERIE TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE**

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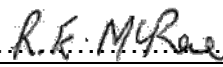
**Account QuickReport**  
As of May 6, 2024

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Split	Amount	Balance
<b>BENDIGO BANK A/C</b>							12,165.35
Deposit	4/9/2024			Deposit	FINES & T...	23.20	12,188.55
Deposit	4/12/2024			Deposit	Unrestricted	500.00	12,688.55
Total BENDIGO BANK A/C						<u>523.20</u>	<u>12,688.55</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>						<u>523.20</u>	<u>12,688.55</u>

**ACTIVITIES FOR 2024**

January Resting.  
 February First meeting – 01/02/24  
 March Meeting – 07/03/24  
 April Working bee Memorial Park for ANZAC Day  
 Meeting – 08/04/24  
 May Meeting – 06/05/24  
 Working bee Luke Park – Monday 20/05/24 9.00am  
 June Meeting – 03/06/24  
 Rose pruning at Cemetery  
 July Meeting – 01/07/24  
 Clean Up after B & S Ball Sunday 28/07/24 time TBA  
 August No Meeting  
 September No Meeting  
 Clean Up after Race Day Sunday 28/09/24 time TBA  
 October Meeting – 14/10/24  
 Garden Judging for Flower Show. Dates TBA  
 November Meeting – 04/11/24 AGM  
 Memorial Garden Working Bee for Remembrance Day TBA  
 December Our Christmas Party. TBA  
 Light Up Jerilderie Christmas Lights Judging.

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## Jerilderie Tidy Towns' Philosophy

We are passionate members of Jerilderie Tidy Towns.

As a community-based organisation, Tidy Town aims to maintain cleanliness and an environmentally friendly mentality around our rural town.

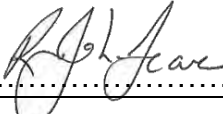
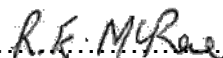
We are hugely passionate about environmental stability.

As a member of Tidy Towns Jerilderie, we take part in attending group meetings, where we help suggest strategies for reforming the community in a way that will benefit both the culture and appearance of our town.

Physical appearance is a representation of a town's mentality towards issues regarding intergenerational equity, environmental stability and respect for the earth; we joined Tidy Towns as a means of ensuring our township takes great pride in all of these aspects.

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# OFFICERS' REPORTS FOR NOTING

ITEM NO. 9 - MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORT – APRIL 2024

Council Meeting:	28 May 2024
Report Date:	17 May 2024
Author:	Accountant
File #:	SC133
Approval:	General Manager

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Under Clause 212 of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021*, Council's Responsible Accounting Officer is required to present Council with a monthly report setting out details of Council's investments.

This report sets out details of all money Council had invested under section 625 of the *Local Government Act 1993* as at the end of April 2024.

## RECOMMENDATION

**Council note the monthly Investment Reports identifying all money Council has invested under section 625 of the *Local Government Act 1993*.**

## BACKGROUND

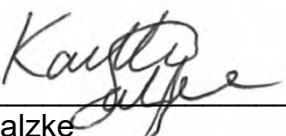
As at 30 April 2024, Council's total invested funds were \$28,020,089 as detailed in the attachment.

Funds invested with Bendigo Bank were approximately 51%.

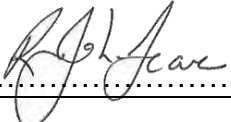
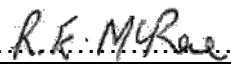
Murrumbidgee Council's money-weighted rate of return (MWRR) outperformed the Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bill Index benchmark rate for both the month and the financial year to date.

## OFFICER COMMENT

I certify that the investments have been invested in accordance with the Local Government Act and Regulations and the Murrumbidgee Council Investment Policy.

  
Kaitlin Salzke  
Responsible Accounting Officer

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## **SUSTAINABILITY**

NIL

## **STATUTORY COMPLIANCE/POLICY**

- Local Government Act 1993;
- Local Government (General) Regulation 2005;
- Local Government Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting (Guidelines);
- Murrumbidgee Council Investment Policy.

## **FINANCIAL**

Nil, for information only.

## **INTEGRATED PLANS**

### **Leading By Example**

5.1.3 Maintain sound legislative decision-making that is ethical, accountable and transparent.

## **RISK MANAGEMENT**

N/A

## **CONSULTATION / ENGAGEMENT**

- General Manager
- Chief Financial Officer
- Finance Manager
- Finance Customer Service

## **OPTIONS**

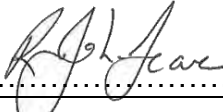
As per the recommendation.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment # 10: Investments as at 30 April 2024

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**ITEM NO. 10 – DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS APPROVED UNDER DELEGATION – APRIL 2024**

Council Meeting:	28 May 2024
Report Date:	10 May 2024
Author:	Director Planning, Community & Development
File #:	SC210
Approval:	General Manager

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Information report provided to Council on Development Applications approved under delegation during April 2024.

**RECOMMENDATION**

The information contained in the Development Applications Approved under Delegation, April 2024 Report be noted.

**BACKGROUND**

<b>DA8-2024</b>	<b>12 Curlew Crescent Coleambally</b>	<b>26/04/2024</b>	<b>Approved (Delegation)</b>
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**Description:**

Steel Clad Double Garage with Carport

**Consideration in determining application:**

The development application was assessed under Section 4.15 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. Neighbour notification and agency referral was not required.

<b>DA7-2024</b>	<b>51 Kookaburra Avenue Coleambally</b>	<b>16/04/2024</b>	<b>Approved (Delegation)</b>
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**Description:**


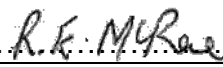
Relocated Dwelling

**Consideration in determining application:**

The development application was assessed under Section 4.15 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. Neighbour notification was carried out.

<b>DA2-2024</b>	<b>40 Bolton Street Jerilderie</b>	<b>16/04/2024</b>	<b>Approved (Delegation)</b>
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**Description:**

Steel Clad Shed

**Consideration in determining application:**

The development application was assessed under Section 4.15 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. Neighbour notification was carried out.

DA1-2024

21-23 Curlew Crescent Coleambally

23/04/2024

Approved  
(Delegation)

**Description:**

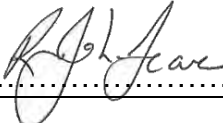
Place of Public Worship

**Consideration in determining application:**

The development application was assessed under Section 4.15 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. Neighbour notification was carried out.

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