

## **Ordinary Council Meeting**

# Minutes

## Tuesday, 17 August 2021

Video Conference Commenced 9.31 am

#### **Council Values**

Councils corporate values were adopted in 2017 and in various ways, Council is continuing to ensure they remain visible and at the front of mind in all aspects of Council business and operations. Including them in the Council Business Paper agendas is another way of continuing to be visible with the Council values.

These values will be reviewed and updated/readopted in the new Council post the December 2021 elections.

#### **Embracing change**

We will create our future by being innovative and encouraging new ideas, opportunities and better ways of doing things.

#### **Quality outcomes**

We will strive for excellence and to deliver value for money for the community.

#### Accountability

We will plan well and report on our progress. We will ensure fair and transparent decision-making and take responsibility for our actions.

#### Collaboration

We support each other as a team and will engage closely with the community.

#### **Customer focus**

We will be responsive and accessible to the community. We will be open, respectful and truthful in our dealings.

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#### 1. OPENING MEETING AND READ LIVE STREAMING STATEMENT

The Mayor opened the meeting at 9.31 am.

#### COVID-19 - Live Streaming of Council Meetings

Due to COVID-19 restrictions regarding gatherings and the need to comply with social distancing measures, all Council meetings will be held by video conference until further notice.

Residents will not be able to attend meetings in person. Federation Council wishes to advise members of the public that Council meetings will be live streamed so that the public may view the proceedings of the meeting in real time or later, and will be available after each meeting on Council's website <u>www.federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au</u>

View meetings via the link https: <u>Federation Council Live Stream</u>

#### 2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

I would like to acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we are meeting today, the Bpangerang people, and acknowledge the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who now reside in this area. I extend that respect to Elders – past and present of the Bpangerang nations.

## 3. APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY COUNCILLORS

#### PRESENT:

The Mayor, Councillor PMJ Bourke (Chairperson), Councillors AC Kennedy, GJ Law, DS Longley, FT Longmire, PI Miegel, BJ Thomas, NW Wales APM and SM Whitechurch.

#### ALSO PRESENT:

Mr A Butler (General Manager), Ms J Shannon (Director Corporate and Community Services), Ms S Appleyard (Director Development and Environmental Services), Mr S Carmichael (Director Engineering Services) and Mrs R Henson (Executive Assistant – Minute Taker).

#### 3.1 <u>APOLOGIES</u>

Chair to ask for any apologies at meeting.

Nil. All present.

#### 3.2 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Application for leave of absence received by Chair to be tabled at meeting.

No new leave of absence applications have been received for the August 2021 Council Meeting.

#### 4. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

#### 4.1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING 20 JULY 2021

**RECOMMENDED** that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 20 July 2021 be confirmed.

281/21FC **RESOLVED** on the motion of Councillors Law and Kennedy that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 20 July 2021 be confirmed.

#### 5. DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS

Disclosures of interest declarations received by the Chair to be noted.

Councillor Kennedy declared a significant pecuniary interest under Part 4 (Pecuniary Interest) of Council's Code of Conduct and Clause 16 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice in item 8.3 Sale of a section of Road Reserve at the rear of 36-40 Corowa Road Mulwala as he is the Director of the Company that owns 36-40 Corowa Road Mulwala. He will leave the meeting while the item is discussed.

**RECOMMENDED** that the disclosures be noted.

282/21FC **RESOLVED** on the motion of Councillors Whitechurch and Law that Council note the significant pecuniary interest disclosure from Councillor Kennedy for agenda item 8.3 Sale of a section of Road Reserve at the rear of 36-40 Corowa Road Mulwala.

#### 6. MAYORAL MINUTE(S)

6.1 MAYORAL MINUTE

The Mayor noted it was his wife's birthday today.

283/21FC **RESOLVED** on the motion of Councillors Law and Kennedy that Council note the Mayoral Minute.

#### 7. GENERAL MANAGER REPORT

#### 7.1 LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW ANNUAL CONFERENCE 29 NOVEMBER 2021 AND SPECIAL CONFERENCE 28 FEBRUARY TO 2 MARCH 2022

Author: Rachelle Henson, Executive Assistant

#### Summary

The purpose of this report is to nominate delegates to attend the 2021 Local Government NSW (LGNSW) Annual Conference and to allow Council to consider and determine motions to be submitted to LGNSW, for consideration by the LGNSW Board, to be debated at the Annual Conference to be held 28 February to 2 March 2022.

The deadline for submitting motions is **midnight on Sunday 30 January 2022**.

#### Background

The Annual Conference is the main policy making event for the local government sector. It is council's opportunity to submit motions for consideration and debate by delegates. Motions passed at Conference become Resolutions, which LGNSW takes forward on Council's behalf, as part of the sector's advocacy agenda.

The 2021 Local Government NSW (LGNSW) Annual Conference (Conference) has been postponed and will now be held over two separate sessions.

The Annual Conference will be a one-hour, online event from 9.30 on 29 November 2021, followed by a Special Conference from 28 February to 2 March 2022 at the Hyatt Regency, Sydney, 161 Sussex Street, Sydney.

Council needs to nominate their voting delegates to enable registration as a nominated voting delegate for the 2021 Annual Conference and Board election. With the change to the structure of the conference the dates for nomination of voting delegates are as follows:

- Annual Conference online event (29 Nov) by 5pm (AEDT) on **Tuesday 5 October 2021**
- Special Conference (28 Feb 2 March) by 5pm (AEDT) on **Thursday 17 February 2022**

Proposed motions should be strategic, affect members state-wide and introduce new or emerging policy issues and actions. More information on motions is available in the <u>2021 Motions</u> <u>Submissions Guide</u>.

Council will be required to resolve any motions at either the September or October Council meeting for submission to LGNSW for consideration for inclusion on the conference business paper. A further report will be presented at the September or October Council meeting to allow this to occur.

The deadline for accepting motions for inclusion in the Special Conference business paper has been extended to **midnight on Sunday 30 January 2022**.

The <u>online portal</u> for submitting motions to be considered at the Conference is **now open**.

Community Engagement N/A.

Attachments

7.1.1 Nil.

#### Links to Councils Integrated Planning Framework

Community Strategic Plan 2018 – 2028 'Our Community Our Opportunity' **Theme:** Well Governed Federation

**Outcome 5:** Strong civic leadership and governance supporting equity across communities and effective communication with residents.

**Delivery Program 2018-21 3 year Goal - 5.3:** *Ensure good governance and administration.* **Operational Plan 2019/2020 Action – 5.3.13:** *Provide Councillor Support Services.* 

#### **Financial Implications**

The Annual Conference (online) is a free registration.

The Special Conference registration and additional session costs will be approximately \$7,500. This includes flights, 3 nights' accommodation and conference registration for 3 attendees.

#### **Financial Sustainability**

Adopting this recommendation has a neutral effect on Council's Long Term Financial Sustainability.

#### **Risk Implications**

There are no unreasonable risks as a result of the actions proposed in this report.

#### Legal Implications

There are no legal implications as a result of the actions proposed in this report.

#### **RECOMMENDED:**

- THAT Council note the report on the 2021 Local Government NSW Annual Conference to be held Monday 29 November 2021 (online) and from Monday 28 February to Wednesday 3 March 2022 (in person), at the Hyatt Regency, Sydney, 161 Sussex Street, Sydney;
- 2. THAT the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and General Manager attend the LGNSW Annual Conference from 28 February to 3 March 2022;
- 3. THAT the Mayor and Deputy Mayor be Council's nominated voting delegates; and
- 4. THAT Council receive a further report to finalise any motions for submission to LGNSW for consideration at the conference at the October 2021 Council meeting.

284/21FC **RESOLVED** on the motion of Councillors Miegel and Thomas:

 THAT Council note the report on the 2021 Local Government NSW Annual Conference to be held Monday 29 November 2021 (online) and from Monday 28 February to Wednesday 3 March 2022 (in person), at the Hyatt Regency, Sydney, 161 Sussex Street, Sydney;

- 2. THAT the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and General Manager attend the LGNSW Annual Conference from 28 February to 3 March 2022;
- 3. THAT the Mayor and Deputy Mayor be Council's nominated voting delegates; and
- 4. THAT Council receive a further report to finalise any motions for submission to LGNSW for consideration at the conference at the October 2021 Council meeting.

#### 7.2 WATER MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

The General Manager advised the Council and noted in the minutes that Item 7.2 Water Management Conference would be withdrawn.

LGNSW are again rescheduling the Water Management Conference in Narrabri, as a result of the extended Public Health Orders, lockdowns, and ongoing travel restrictions.

The revised new dates are Wednesday 9 February to Friday 11 February 2022. An updated report will be provided to Council in December.

#### 7.3 DECEMBER 2021 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING, BRIEFING SESSION AND COUNCILLOR WORKSHOP - DEFERRAL OF 2021 COUNCIL ELECTIONS FROM 4 SEPTEMBER UNTIL 4 DECEMBER 2021

Author: Rachelle Henson, Executive Assistant

#### Summary

The purpose of this report is formally advise Council that the Local Government elections planned for 4 September 2021, have now been deferred by the NSW Government and will be held on 4 December 2021, due to the latest COVID-19 (Delta) outreach in NSW. The report therefore recommends that the December 2021 Council Meeting and Councillor Workshop, be postponed from 21 December 2021 to Thursday 23 December 2021 and that the December Briefing Session be cancelled. The reason for the recommended postponement is due to the Local Government Election and results not expected to be known until 21 December 2021.

#### Background

The 2021 Local Government Election has been postponed until 4 December 2021 with postal voting closing at 6 pm 17 December 2021. Election results will be declared progressively from 21 December 2021.

Council is required to hold its first meeting within 3 weeks of the results being determined.

#### **Community Engagement**

Council notifies the public of any Ordinary and Extraordinary meetings as required, and they are all live streamed.

#### Attachments

7.3.1 Nil.

#### Links to Council's Integrated Planning Framework

Community Strategic Plan 2018 – 2028 'Our Community Our Opportunity' Theme: Well Governed Federation

**Outcome:** Strong civic leadership and governance supporting equity across communities and effective communication with residents.

**Delivery Program 2018-22 4 year Goal** – 5.3 Ensure good governance and administration. **Operational Plan 2021/2022 Action** – 5.3.14 Council meeting agendas and minutes distributed and available in accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice.

#### **Financial Implications**

Council meeting costs are minimal and met within existing budgets.

#### **Financial Sustainability**

Proceeding with this recommendation will have a neutral impact on Council's Long Term Financial Plan 2021-2031 financial sustainability ratios.

#### **Risk Implications**

None foreseeable.

#### Legal Implications

Council is required to give notice of meetings and ensure public access.

#### **RECOMMENDED:**

- 1. THAT Council note the report on the December 2021 Ordinary Council Meeting, Briefing Session and Councillor Workshop;
- 2. THAT the December 2021 Ordinary Council Meeting be postponed from 21 December 2021, and held on Thursday 23 December 2021 in the Corowa Council Chambers commencing at 11.00 am;
- 3. THAT the December Councillor Workshop be postponed from 21 December 2021, and held on Thursday 23 December 2021 in the Corowa Council Chambers commencing at 9.30 am; and
- 4. THAT the December Briefing Session be cancelled.

285/21FC **RESOLVED** on the motion of Councillors Wales and Law:

- 1. THAT Council note the report on the December 2021 Ordinary Council Meeting, Briefing Session and Councillor Workshop;
- 2. THAT the December 2021 Ordinary Council Meeting be postponed from 21 December 2021, and held on Thursday 23 December 2021 in the Corowa Council Chambers commencing at 11.00 am;

- 3. THAT the December Councillor Workshop be postponed from 21 December 2021, and held on Thursday 23 December 2021 in the Corowa Council Chambers commencing at 9.30 am; and
- 4. THAT the December Briefing Session be cancelled.

#### 7.4 JANUARY 2022 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING, BRIEFING SESSION AND COUNCILLOR WORKSHOP

Author: Rachelle Henson, Executive Assistant

#### Summary

The purpose of this report is to recommend that the January 2022 Council Meeting, Briefing Session and Councillor Workshops be cancelled. The reason for the recommended is to enable the first stage of the Councillor Induction to be conducted.

#### Background

The 2021 Local Government Election has been postponed until 4 December 2021 with postal voting closing at 6 pm 17 December 2021. Election results will be declared progressively from 21 December 2021.

Due to the changes to the Election date Council staff have had to review the proposed induction schedule and determined new dates for the induction which will now occur in January 2022.

This will allow more time for the new Council to complete induction and for other materials and resources to be circulated prior to their next meeting.

#### **Community Engagement**

Council notifies the public of any Ordinary and Extraordinary meetings as required, and they are all live streamed.

Attachments

7.4.1 Nil.

#### Links to Council's Integrated Planning Framework

Community Strategic Plan 2018 – 2028 'Our Community Our Opportunity'

#### **Theme: Well Governed Federation**

**Outcome:** Strong civic leadership and governance supporting equity across communities and effective communication with residents.

**Delivery Program 2018-22 4 year Goal** – 5.3 Ensure good governance and administration.

**Operational Plan 2021/2022 Action** – 5.3.14 *Council meeting agendas and minutes distributed and available in accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice.* 

#### **Financial Implications**

Council meeting costs are minimal and met within existing budgets.

#### **Financial Sustainability**

Proceeding with this recommendation will have a neutral impact on Council's Long Term Financial Plan 2021-2031 financial sustainability ratios.

#### Risk Implications

None foreseeable.

#### Legal Implications

Council is required to give notice of meetings and ensure public access.

#### **RECOMMENDED:**

- 1. THAT Council note the report on the January 2022 Ordinary Council Meeting, Briefing Session and Councillor Workshop;
- 2. THAT the January 2022 Ordinary Council Meeting, Briefing Session and Councillor Workshop be cancelled.

286/21FC **RESOLVED** on the motion of Councillors Whitechurch and Kennedy:

- 1. THAT Council note the report on the January 2022 Ordinary Council Meeting, Briefing Session and Councillor Workshop; and
- 2. THAT the January 2022 Ordinary Council Meeting, Briefing Session and Councillor Workshop be cancelled.

## 7.5 FEDERATION COUNCIL - MERGER IMPLEMENTATION PLAN & STRONGER COMMUNITIES - PROGRESS REPORT

Author: Ermawaty Tai, System Accountant

#### Summary

The purpose of this report is to allow the tabling of the progress on the New Council Implementation Plan and Stronger Communities Grants as at 30 June 2021.

#### Background

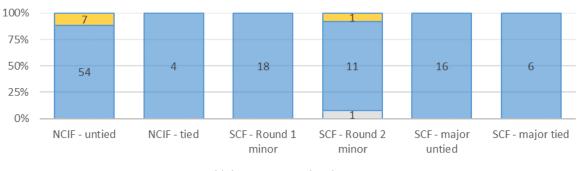
It has been 5 years since Federation Council was formed on 12 May 2016 with the merger of Corowa and Urana Shire Councils. The establishment of the new Council and its new geographic area was supported with \$20,590,000 of grant funding from the NSW State Government. Council was allocated \$15,318,215 under the Stronger Communities Fund (SCF) and \$5,271,785 under the New Council Implementation Fund (NCIF). During the period, unexpended funds were invested and Council earnt interest income totalling \$1.2 million to be used in addition to the principal funding received.

The timeframe for finalising projects had previously been extended by the Office of Local Government to 30 December 2020. With the onset of the COVID-19 Council has faced significant challenges in delivering all the projects within this timeframe. At 30 June 2021, eight projects (of 118) remain to be completed.

\$'000 125% Total allocation 99% 100% 75% 50% 25% 0% 2016/17 2017/18 2018/19 2019/20 2020/21 <sup>§</sup> 21,550 Fundin Balan 21,790 241

As at the end of the 30 June 2021, Council has expended 99% out of \$21,790,460 allocation, with remaining funds of \$240,790 to be spent.

Out of 118 total projects undertaken under New Council Implementation Fund (NCIF) and Stronger Communities Fund (SCF), only eight projects remain to be delivered.



□ Withdrawn □ Completed □ Current

Those eight projects by funding source are: **NCIF – untied** 

- Continuous Improvement Support
- Asset Management & Long Term Financial Plan
- Interoffice Communications Projects stage 2
- Fire Safety Project

#### SCF - Round 2 minor - untied

- Oaklands Lions Club Start your Engines
- Risk Management Framework
- Local Environmental Plan Project
- Section 355 Committees

#### New Council Implementation Fund (NCIF) – Untied funds

The New Council Implementation Fund (NCIF) untied funds provided by the State Government as part of the merger have been allocated to many internal projects and improvements. The funding has enabled the delivery of 61 projects with total funding and expenditure detailed below:

	Funding sources	
	Initial grant funding	\$ 5,000,000
	Interest earned	\$ <i>259,795</i>
	Interest transferred to SCF – untied funds	\$ -130,000
	Total funding available for project delivery	\$ 5,129,795
	Expenditure on funded projects	
54	Completed projects from 2016/17 to 2020/21 financial year	\$ 4,954,916
7	Remaining projects still in progress	\$ 174,879
61	Total NCIF projects - untied funds	\$ 5,129,795
	Remaining funding available to be allocated	\$ 0

#### New Council Implementation Fund (NCIF) – Tied funds

The New Council Implementation Fund (NCIF) tied funds provided as part of the merger have been applied to specific internal projects. The funding has enabled the delivery of 4 projects with total funding and expenditure detailed below:

	Funding sources	
	Initial grant funding	\$ 271,785
	Interest earned	\$ 0
	Interest transferred to SCF – tied funds	\$ -90,785
	Total funding available for project delivery	\$ 181,000
	Expenditure on funded projects	
4	Completed projects from 2019/20 to 2020/21 financial year	\$ 186,659
	1 project overspent in 2020/21 financial year	\$ -5,659
4	Total NCIF projects - tied funds	\$ 181,000
	Shortfall of funding	\$ <i>-5,659</i>

The overspend relates to additional community engagement undertaken as part of the Rates & Revenue Policy Harmonisation project.

#### Stronger Communities Fund (SCF) - Minor Projects Rounds 1 and 2 – untied funds

The Stronger Communities Fund (SCF) - Minor Projects Rounds 1 and 2 – untied funds, provided grants injected across the community to provide positive community outcomes and to assist in allowing the Council and the communities to quickly move forward post-merger. The funding has enabled the delivery of 31 projects with total funding and expenditure detailed below:

Funding sources	
Original Stronger Community Grant allocation - Minor projects	\$ 1,000,000
Interest earned	\$ 34,750
Interest transferred to SCF Major – untied (OLG approved)	\$ -108,676
Recoup transfer of interest to SCF major – untied	\$ 8,602
Total funding available for project delivery	\$ 934,676

#### Expenditure on funded projects

	Excess of funding	\$ 1,382
31	Total SCF minor projects - untied funds	\$ 934,676
	1 project underspent in 2020/21 financial year	\$ 1,382
1	Round 2 minor project still in progress	\$ 51,194
1	Withdrawn Round 2 minor projects	\$ -
11	Completed Round 2 minor projects	\$ 261,530
1	Completed Round 1 minor projects – exceed allocation	\$ 65,127
17	Completed Round 1 minor projects – within allocation	\$ 555,443

The project that is still in progress is the Start your Engines-The Ruston Cold Starting Oil Engine Restoration Project being delivered by the Oaklands Lions Club. The Club was hoping to finish by the end of June 2021. Despite their best efforts to complete the project, further work is still required.

#### Stronger Communities Fund (SCF) - Major Projects - untied funds

The Stronger Communities Fund (SCF) - Major Projects – untied funds have been allocated to significant infrastructure projects. The funding has enabled the delivery of significant projects with the funding and expenditure as detailed below:

	Funding sources	
	Original Stronger Community Grant allocation - Major projects	\$ 9,000,000
	Interest accrued to date	\$ 725,383
	Balance of interest transferred from NCIF – untied funds	\$ 130,000
	Initial transfer from SCF Minor – untied	\$ 108,676
	Transfer of interest back to SCF minor – untied	\$ -8,602
	Transfer of interest from SCF – tied	\$ 53,000
	Total funding available for project delivery	\$ 10,008,457
	Expenditure on funded projects	
16	Completed major projects	\$ 10,022,157
	1 project overspent in 2020/21 financial year	\$ -16,008
	1 project underspent in 2020/21 financial year	\$ 2,308
16	Total SCF major projects - untied funds	\$ 10,008,457
	Shortfall of funding	\$ -13,700

The Kyffins Reserve Improvements Mulwala project has exceed its funding allocation while Oaklands RV Parks project was completed under budget. In July 2020, a request has been sent to the Office of Local Government seeking approval to transfer \$53,000 of the unallocated balance of SCF Major - tied fund to SCF Major – untied fund to cover shortfall from projects that have exceeded their allocation.

#### Stronger Communities Fund (SCF) - Major Projects - tied funds

The Stronger Communities Fund (SCF) - Major Projects – tied funds were allocated to part fund further significant infrastructure projects. The funding has enabled the delivery of 6 significant projects with total funding and expenditure as detailed below:

Total funding available for project delivery	\$ 5,536,533
Transfer of interest to SCF – untied	\$ -53,000
Balance of interest transferred from NCIF – tied funds	\$ <i>90,7</i> 85
Interest earned	\$ 180,533
Original Stronger Community Grant allocation - Major projects	\$ 5,318,215
Funding sources	

	Expenditure on funded projects	
6	Completed major projects	\$ 5,452,645
	Unallocated interest accrued set aside for contingency	\$ 83,888
6	Total SCF major projects - tied funds	\$ 5,536,533
	Unallocated interest accrued set aside for contingency	\$ 83,888

#### Snapshot

Table below summarises the remaining number of projects and available funding:

No.	Summary	Balance \$
7	New Council Implementation Fund (NCIF) – Untied funds	174,879
0	New Council Implementation Fund (NCIF) – Tied funds	-5 <i>,</i> 659
1	Stronger Communities Fund (SCF) - Minor Projects Rounds 1 and 2 – untied funds	1,382
0	Stronger Communities Fund (SCF) - Major Projects - untied funds	-13,700
0	Stronger Communities Fund (SCF) - Major Projects -tied funds	83,888
		240,790

Grant for the Ruston Cold Starting Oil Engine Restoration Project under Stronger Communities Fund (SCF) - Minor Projects Rounds 1 and 2 – untied funds have been fully disbursed but are still in progress.

#### Conclusion

Council is committed to delivering all projects funded under the Stronger Communities Fund (SCF) and the New Council Implementation Fund (NCIF), and will request approval from Office of Local Government on:

- Extension until end of June 2022 as the current extension has lapse; and
- Reallocation of remaining funds to cover the shortfalls with the remaining balance of \$65,911 to be transferred to the New Council Implementation Fund (NCIF) – Untied funds (effectively reversing the interest on NCIF funds that had previously been transferred to the Stronger Communities Fund).

The proposed reshuffling of allocation	Current Balance	Reallocate funds	New Balance
	\$	\$	\$
New Council Implementation Fund (NCIF) – Untied funds	174,879	65,911	240,790
New Council Implementation Fund (NCIF) – Tied funds	-5,659	5,659	0
Stronger Communities Fund (SCF) - Minor Projects Rounds 1 and 2 – untied funds	1,382	-1,382	0
Stronger Communities Fund (SCF) - Major Projects - untied funds	-13,700	13,700	0
Stronger Communities Fund (SCF) - Major Projects -tied funds	83,888	-83,888	0
	240,790	0	240,790

The top up will be used for these ongoing projects:

New Council Implementation Fund (NCIF) – Untied funds Project	Current Availability	Reallocate funds	New Availability
	\$	\$	\$
Continuous Improvement Support	19,330	0	19,330
Asset Management & Long Term Financial Plan	-318	42,465	42,147
Risk Management Framework	8,763	4,737	13,500
Interoffice Communications	45,006	0	45,006
Local Environmental Plan	74,467	0	74,467
Fire Safety Project	20,000	0	20,000
Section 355 Committees	7,631	12,369	20,000
Unallocated for contingencies	0	6,340	6,340
	174,879	65,911	240,790

#### **Community Engagement**

N/A.

#### Attachments

7.5.1 Merger Implementation Plan Progress Report as at end June 2021 (21/28258)

#### Links to Councils Integrated Planning Framework

Community Strategic Plan 2018 – 2028 'Our Community Our Opportunity'

#### **Theme: Well Governed Federation**

**Outcome:** Strong civic leadership and governance supporting equity across communities and effective communication with residents.

**Delivery Program 2018-22 4 year Goal** – 5.2: Work toward the equitable servicing of all areas. **Operational Plan 2021/2022 Action** – 5.2.4: Deliver projects funded by various state and federal grant programs.

#### **Financial Implications**

N/A - The funds are contained within the current budget.

#### **Financial Sustainability**

Proceeding with this recommendation will have a neutral impact on Council's Long Term Financial Plan 2020-2030 financial sustainability ratios.

#### **Risk Implications**

Managed as part of the project, no unmanageable risks are foreseen, many of the identified internal improvement projects assist Councils in its overall risk management.

#### Legal Implications

Managed as part of this project, Council ensures compliance with the Office of Local Government funding requirements.

#### **RECOMMENDED:**

1. THAT Council note the report on the Merger Implementation Plan, with progress to the end June 2021; and

2. THAT Council seek approval from the Office of Local Government for an extension until 30 June 2022 and for the reallocation of remaining funds as detailed in this report.

287/21FC **RESOLVED** on the motion of Councillors Thomas and Law:

- 1. THAT Council note the report on the Merger Implementation Plan, with progress to the end June 2021; and
- 2. THAT Council seek approval from the Office of Local Government for an extension until 30 June 2022 and for the reallocation of remaining funds as detailed in this report.

A BUTLER GENERAL MANAGER

#### 8. DIRECTOR CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT

#### 8.1 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE REPORT AS AT 31 JULY 2021

#### Summary

This report is to provide Council with an update on its financial performance for the month ending 31 July 2021.

#### Report

The accompanying report provides a summary of key financial results for the month ending 31 July 2021 in the following areas:

- Capital works program
- Debtors
- Cash balance
- Investments

#### **Community Engagement**

Community engagement was conducted on the draft Annual Budget and Long Term Financial Plan 2020-2030, with feedback considered by Council prior to the adoption of final plans. This report provides the community with information on Council's financial performance against the approved Annual Budget.

#### Attachments

8.1.1 Financial Performance Report for 31 July 2021 (21/37604)

#### Links to Councils Integrated Planning Framework

Community Strategic Plan 2018 – 2028 'Our Community Our Opportunity'

#### **Theme: Well Governed Federation**

**Outcome:** Strong civic leadership and governance supporting equity across communities and effective communication with residents.

**Delivery Program 2018-22 4 year Goal –** 5.3 Ensure good governance and administration.

**Operational Plan 2021/2022 Action** – 5.3.1 Implement Long Term Financial Plan and associated strategies.

**Operational Plan 2021/2022 Action** – 5.3.10 Demonstrate appropriate, effective and efficient financial services.

#### **Financial Implications**

The financial implications are contained within the attached report.

#### **Financial Sustainability**

Proceeding with this recommendation will have a neutral impact on Council's Long Term Financial Plan 2020-2030 financial sustainability ratios.

#### **Risk Implications**

This reporting increases accountability for the use of Council resources and reduces the risk of unfavourable financial performance in delivering on Council's Delivery Program and Annual Operational Plan.

#### Legal Implications

There are no anticipated legal implications from proceeding with this recommendation.

**RECOMMENDED** that Council note the financial performance report as at 31 July 2021.

288/21FC **RESOLVED** on the motion of Councillors Miegel and Law that Council note the financial performance report as at 31 July 2021.

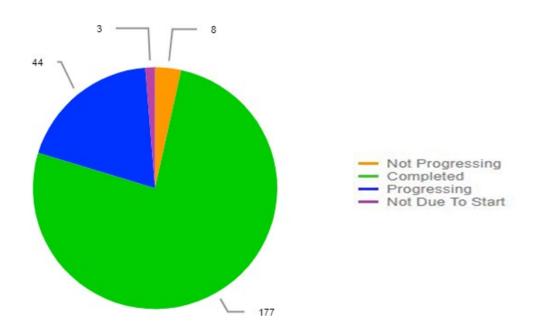
#### 8.2 PERIODIC REPORT AGAINST DELIVERY PROGRAM AND OPERATIONAL PLAN 2020-2021

Author: Heidi Neumeister, Governance Officer

#### Summary

This report allows the General Managers 2<sup>nd</sup> 6 month progress report to Council for the 2020-2021 financial year, outlining progress to end June 2021, against the Delivery Program 2018-21 and the final report for Operational Plan 2020-21. The report has now been prepared and will be available for viewing on Councils website.

Council has completed 177 of 232 actions (76%), and this is considered a very sound achievement in light of the many challenges posed by the Covid-19 pandemic. The graph below shows a summary of actions completed, progressing, not progressing and some not due to commence as yet.



#### Background

All NSW councils must have a Delivery Program detailing the principal activities it will undertake to achieve the objectives established in the Community Strategic Plan, within the resources available under the Resourcing Strategy.

Progress reports must be provided to the council with respect to the principal activities in the Delivery program at least every 6 months (S. 404 LGA).

The progress report is a valuable tool for councillors to facilitate conversations and build on connections within the community by sharing with them the achievements of council and gaining feedback on activities undertaken.

This report outlines some important achievements over this reporting period including:

- 1.2.2 This major project was completed and operational from April 2021. The project was delivered on-time, under budget, and to a high standard.
- 1.4.2 Participated in the NSW DPIE Sustainable Councils and Communities Program. Energy audit has been completed for 9 main council buildings and sites. Currently awaiting results. Not able to be more substantially progressed due to a lack of staff resources to allocate to this project, and existing staff who initially were able to commit some time to this, have been diverted to major projects and COVID-19 management. Further consider in 21/22 including with Riverina Murray Joint Organisation of Councils support (RAMJO).
- 2.5.5 All lots in the Corowa Industrial Estate have now sold, with only 12 months forecast supply remaining in the Mulwala Business Park. Howlong industrial land (16 lots) to come on stream in the second half of 2021.
- 2.7.3 Corowa Saleyards sheep selling complex continued to be managed at a high standard attracting strong sales throughout the year. Was particularly well managed and ongoing in mitigating the Covid-19 risks, to ensure the facility has not had to stop operating due to Covid-19 as yet.
- 2.8.4 The new North of the Murray brand marketing strategy roll out has been planned and implemented with a strong digital presence and merchandise sales at the Corowa VIC and other key sites.
- 3.2.7 Council works to ensure private developments include suitable public spaces. Council also in the reporting period finalised the Corowa Foreshore Structure Plan and Morris Park South Corowa Masterplan. This resulted in a \$2.6M grant being obtained from the State Government, to be rolled out in 21/22 and 22/23. Council also plans to work further on the Urana JM Smith Nature Reserve and Aquatic Centre area, as well as Kyffins Reserve Mulwala and Memorial Park/Cross Street Reserve Howlong.
- 4.1.5 The 2021 Festival of Fun for Seniors was completed in April with 500 senior residents attending one of the four senior's events across the Federation Council area.
- 4.3.2 The Federation Youth Council with the support of council deliver the Youth Fest 2021, which included four events across the Federation Council including a photography workshop in Corowa, Colour Run event in Mulwala, Come and Try Sports Day in Oaklands and a Learn to Skate workshop in Howlong.
- 4.8.6 The annual Volunteer Celebration was held at the Yarrawonga Mulwala Golf Resort for Friday June 18. Volunteers from across the council attend the complimentary lunch and listened to Chief Inspector Robert Fitzgerald, Blacktown Police Command.
- 5.2.1 Considerable engagement has occurred with NSW Cross Border Commissioner and the Victorian Cross Border Commissioner during 2020/21. Discussions have focused on the impact of COVID-19, associated restrictions and opportunities to support the community in recovery.

The progress report is a valuable tool for councillors to facilitate conversations and build on connections within the community by sharing with them the achievements of council and gaining feedback on activities undertaken.

It is also a very valuable tool going forward for all to understand where Councils strategic work is up to, in addition to the many day to day service activities and one off projects also listed as actions. As can be seen, Council has a significant amount of strategic work underway that will take several years or longer to fully integrate, but when done, will set the Council up for the future in terms of infrastructure delivery and management, enabling sustainable growth, and continuing to drive service delivery.

Council Long Term Financial Plan will continue to be the overarching framework with which Council operates, along with continuing work to update the Asset Management Plan across Councils asset classes, and ensuring Council has a Workforce Plan complimented by contractors as and when needed, that can deliver on these commitments.

The new Council in early 2022 will use this as a base when consulting with the Community for the updated Community Strategic Plan (10 year minimum) and new 4 year Delivery Program 2022/26 and in finalising the 22/23 Operational Plan.

#### **Community Engagement**

N/A.

#### Attachments

8.2.1 Six month report against Councils Delivery Program and Operational Plan for the period 1 January 2021 to 30 June 2021 (21/35476)

#### Links to Councils Integrated Planning Framework

Community Strategic Plan 2018 – 2028 'Our Community Our Opportunity'

#### Theme: Well Governed Federation

**Outcome:** Strong civic leadership and governance supporting equity across communities and effective communication with residents.

**Delivery Program 2018-22 4 year Goal** – 5.6: *Provide operational efficiency and effectiveness to ensure a resilient and responsive organisation.* 

**Operational Plan 2021/2022 Action** – Many – Council does not have a set action to deliver on the Operational Plan and Delivery Program as the actions within, holistically, are designed to ensure Councils meets its key objectives and commitments to the community.

#### **Financial Implications**

Councils financial implications from actions contained within are managed as part of the budgetary progress including monthly reporting to Council and quarterly budget reviews presented after each quarter.

#### **Financial Sustainability**

Proceeding with this recommendation will have a neutral impact on Council's Long Term Financial Plan 2020-2030 financial sustainability ratios.

#### **Risk Implications**

#### Legislative Compliance

There is a risk of non-compliance with the S. 404 of the *Local Government Act 1993* if Council fails to provide a twice yearly progress report to the Community.

Without implementation: Moderate With implementation: Low

Legal Implications N/A.

#### **RECOMMENDED:**

- 1. THAT Council note the six month progress report on implementation of the Delivery Program for the period 1 January 2021 to 30 June; and
- 2. THAT the Report be made available on Council's website and made available to each of Councils Customer Service locations.

289/21FC **RESOLVED** on the motion of Councillors Kennedy and Law:

- 1. THAT Council note the six month progress report on implementation of the Delivery Program for the period 1 January 2021 to 30 June; and
- 2. THAT the Report be made available on Council's website and made available to each of our Customer Service locations.

Councillor Kennedy left the meeting at 10.07 am.

#### 8.3 <u>SALE OF A SECTION OF ROAD RESERVE AT THE REAR OF 36-40 COROWA ROAD</u> <u>MULWALA</u>

Author: Ian Rich, Property Officer

#### Summary

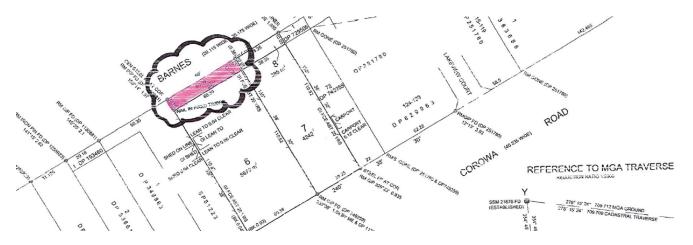
The purpose of this report is to seek Councils consideration of a partial road closure and sale of land in the Barnes Street road reserve, at the rear of 36-40 Corowa Road, Mulwala.

#### Background

Barnes Street, Mulwala was originally a 30 metre road reserve for its full length. Over time however most of the reserve has been sold, leaving the road reserve to be only 20 metres wide in all but two sections. Much of the road reserve has been partially closed and sold off, making it unusable an ongoing road reserve. See the diagram over the page.



An application has now been received to close the 10 metre wide section, as shown below in pink and make it available for sale. This is would bring this parcel of land in line with many others along the road reserve. The land has been valued with the agreed value being \$41,875.



#### **Community Engagement**

Under the requirements of the Roads Act and Council's Policy Public Road Permanent Closure policy, neighbours will be advised, the Road Closure Proposal will be advertised in the Council Snippets, published in the Yarrawonga Chronicle and on the Council Website. Government Departments will be advised as per the requirements of the Policy and Legislation.

#### Attachments

8.3.1 Federation Council Public Road Permanent Closure - Operational Policy (20/36328)

#### Links to Councils Integrated Planning Framework

Community Strategic Plan 2018 – 2028 'Our Community Our Opportunity'

#### Theme: Built Federation

**Outcome:** Strong civic leadership and governance supporting equity across communities and effective communication with residents.

**Delivery Program 2018-21 3 year Goal** – 5.3 Ensure good governance and administration.

**Operational Plan 2020/2021 Action** – 5.3.1 Implement Long Term Financial Plan and associated strategies.

#### **Financial Implications**

The sale of this section of the road reserve would bring \$41,875 in additional revenue to Council from sale of land based on the Valuer General's valuation.

#### **Financial Sustainability**

Whilst it will provide a one off cash injection if sold, and also remove any maintenance costs from this land, the overall impact to Councils longer term financial sustainability ratios is neutral due to the relatively low amount of income in relation to Councils overall funds.

#### **Risk Implications**

Minimal. Managed as part of this process including ensuring transparency and any conflicts of interest are managed if applicable.

#### Legal Implications

Council will follow legal requirements and are required to use solicitors for land transfers.

#### **RECOMMENDED:**

- THAT Council support the closure of and sale of approximately 600 square metre section (10 metres deep x 60 metres wide) in Barnes Street, Mulwala at the rear of 36-40 Corowa Road at the valuation of \$41,875 based on the Valuer General's Valuation for rating and that the Property Officer be authorised to proceed with the process in accordance with Council's Operational Policy – Public Road Permanent Closure.; and
- 2. THAT the Council Seal be authorised to be affixed to the contract of sale and associated documents.

290/21FC **RESOLVED** on the motion of Councillors Longmire and Wales:

- THAT Council support the closure of and sale of approximately 600 square metre section (10 metres deep x 60 metres wide) in Barnes Street, Mulwala at the rear of 36-40 Corowa Road at the valuation of \$41,875 based on the Valuer General's Valuation for rating and that the Property Officer be authorised to proceed with the process in accordance with Council's Operational Policy – Public Road Permanent Closure.; and
- 2. THAT the Council Seal be authorised to be affixed to the contract of sale and associated documents.

Councillor Kennedy returned to the meeting at 10.10 am.

#### 8.4 COROWA TOURISM ADVISORY S355 COMMITTEE - COUNCILLOR REPRESENTATIVE

Author: Gerard Van Emmerik, Manager Community & Economic Development

#### Summary

At its July 2020 Council meeting, Council supported the establishment of a new Tourism Advisory Committee for Corowa. The first meeting will occur on 8 September 2021 and this report seeks the nomination of a Councillor representative to be part of the Committee.

#### Background

Council staff engaged with tourism and local businesses to develop a Terms of Reference for the Tourism Advisory Committee for Corowa. This was developed and endorsed by Council at its December 2020 meeting (Resolution 430/20FC). Under the Terms of Reference a Councillor and Alternate Councillor representative are required to be appointed to the committee. Staff are now seeking Council to appoint these representatives prior to the first meeting next month. It is likely that there will only be one meeting prior to the caretaker period.

#### **Community Engagement**

The community have been engaged throughout the expression of interest stage of the Committees formation.

#### Attachments

8.4.1 Nil.

#### Links to Councils Integrated Planning Framework

Community Strategic Plan 2018 – 2028 'Our Community Our Opportunity' **Theme: Economic Federation Outcome:** Visitor Data will show yield from visitor data information. **Delivery Program 2018-22 4 year Goal** – 2.8 Increase Tourism. **Operational Plan 2021/2022 Action** – 2.8.5 Participate in opportunities for regional collaboration that drives visitation to the Riverina/Murray Region.

**Financial Implications** 

Nil.

#### **Financial Sustainability**

Proceeding with this recommendation will have a neutral impact on Council's Long Term Financial Plan 2020-2030 financial sustainability ratios.

#### **Risk Implications**

Failure to have a Councillor appointed to the Committee would lead to the conditions of the Terms of Reference endorsed by Council being unable to be met.

#### Legal Implications

Nil.

**RECOMMENDED** that Council nominate a Councillor Representative as a member to the Corowa Tourism Advisory S355 Committee and an alternate in the event that the Councillor Representative is unable to attend.

- 17 August 2021
- 291/21FC **RESOLVED** on the motion of Councillors Wales and Whitechurch that Councillor Bourke be endorsed to be the Councillor Representative to the Corowa Tourism Advisory S355 Committee with Councillor Law to be an alternate in the event that Councillor Bourke is unable to attend.

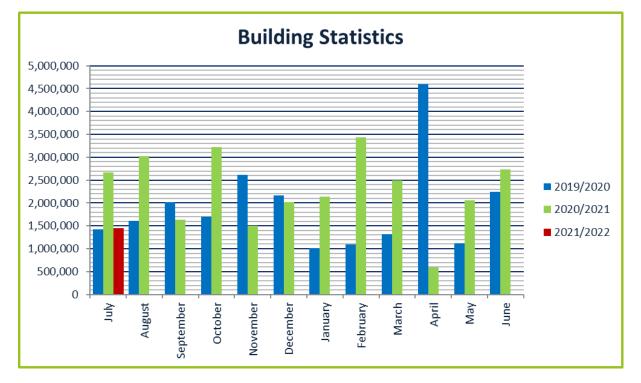
J SHANNON DIRECTOR CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

#### 9. DIRECTOR DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT

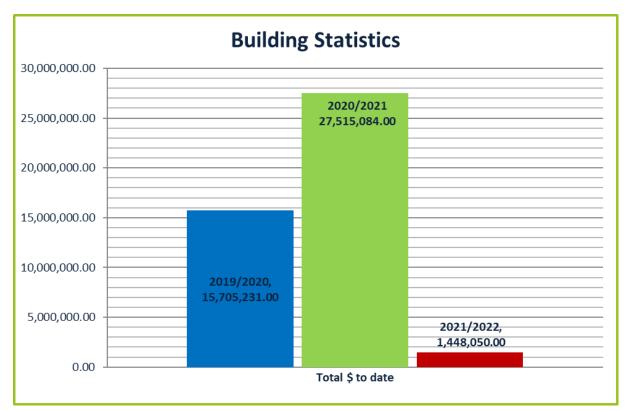
#### 9.1 BUILDING APPROVALS – COMPLYING AND CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATES APPROVED

This report provides for Councils information, the construction and complying development certificates issued in the month of July 2021. The report also includes graphs on the value of works approved, over the last three financial years. These graphs show that building activity is continuing to grow each year, which is a positive indicator for the local economy and developer confidence.

2020/21	Lot 7004 & 7005 Federation Way Coreen	Alterations & Additions
2021/124	119 Melbourne Street Mulwala	5 New Motel Rooms
2021/128	6 Adam Close Mulwala	Shed
2021/136	17 Justin Court Corowa	Shed
2021/265	12 Lakeview Court Mulwala	Swimming Pool
2021/281	102-118 Pimpala Crescent Mulwala	Shed
2021/100	25-35 Hammersley Road Corowa	Shed
2021/288	85 Hawkins Street Howlong	Shed
2020/213	7 Kenno Court Mulwala	2x Two Story Townhouses
2021/517	54 Cypress Way Mulwala	Swimming Pool
2021/522	5 Macgill Court Corowa	Shed



#### 17 August 2021



#### Links to Councils Integrated Planning Framework

Community Strategic Plan 2018 – 2028 'Our Community Our Opportunity'

#### Theme: Built Federation

**Outcome:** Maintained and improved infrastructure that meets the needs of residents and industry. **Delivery Program 2018-22 4 year Goal – 1.7:** Consistent and appropriate land use planning outcomes.

**Operational Plan 2021/2022 Action – 1.7.1:** Provide Building Control and Planning Services.

#### **Financial Implications**

Activities are managed within Councils adopted budget.

#### **Financial Sustainability**

Proceeding with this recommendation will have a neutral impact on Council's Long Term Financial Plan 2020-2030 financial sustainability ratios.

#### **Risk Implications**

Managed as part of each application.

#### Legal Implications

Council is required to follow many legislative instruments in development and building control works.

**RECOMMENDED** that Council note the report on construction/complying development certificates issued since the July 2021 Ordinary Council meeting.

#### **17 August 2021**

#### 292/21FC **RESOLVED** on the motion of Councillors Law and Miegel that Council note the report on construction/complying development certificates issued since the July 2021 Ordinary Council meeting.

#### 9.2 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS APPROVED UNDER DELEGATED (STAFF) AUTHORITY SINCE THE 1 JULY 2021 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

This report provides for Council's information, the Development approvals that have been determined under delegated authority by the granting of consent subject to conditions, since the July 2021 Ordinary Council meeting.

#### DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION REGISTERED NO. 2021/101

Application for a dwelling on general residential land being Lot 2; DP1235748; 73 Jude Street, Howlong.

#### **DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION REGISTERED NO. 2021/119**

Application for a dwelling on low density residential land being Lot 104; DP1252963; 48 Cypress Way, Mulwala.

#### DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION REGISTERED NO. 2021/133

Application for a swimming pool on general residential land being Lot 13; DP1210554; 69 Sturt Street, Mulwala.

#### **DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION REGISTERED NO. 2021/256**

Application for a dwelling on general residential land being Lot 5; DP1118012; 47 Bayly Street, Mulwala.

#### DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION REGISTERED NO. 2021/134

Application for a dwelling on low density residential land being Lot 202; DP1262909; 36 Damian Crescent, Mulwala.

#### DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION REGISTERED NO. 2021/260

Application for a dwelling on general residential land being Lot 11; DP1272333; 18 Marie Court, Howlong.

#### **DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION REGISTERED NO. 2021/116**

Application for relocatable dwelling on general residential and environmental management land being Lot 11; DP1180750; 24 Ash Avenue, Corowa.

#### DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION REGISTERED NO. 2021/261

Application for alterations and additions on general residential land being Lot 3; DP1002381; 156 Melbourne Street, Mulwala.

#### DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION REGISTERED NO. 2021/130

Application for a carport on general residential land being Lot 1; DP986461; 5 Lindsay Street, Corowa.

#### DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION REGISTERED NO. 2021/260

Application for a dwelling on low density residential land being Lot 179; DP1262909; 3 Adam Close, Mulwala.

#### DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION REGISTERED NO. 2021/36/2

Application for an amendment to plans on general residential land being Lot 16; DP773576; 214 Jones Street, Mulwala.

#### DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION REGISTERED NO. 2021/272

Application for a dwelling on general residential land being Lot 27; DP1272333; 8 Marie Court, Howlong.

#### **Community Engagement**

Managed as part of Councils Notification policies.

#### Attachments

9.2.1 Nil.

#### Links to Councils Integrated Planning Framework

Community Strategic Plan 2018 – 2028 'Our Community Our Opportunity' **Theme: Built Federation Outcome:** Maintained and improved infrastructure that meets the needs of residents and industry. **Delivery Program 2018-22 4 year Goal – 1.7:** Consistent and appropriate land use planning outcomes.

**Operational Plan 2021/2022 Action – 1.7.1:** Provide Building Control and Planning Services.

#### **Financial Implications**

Activities are managed within Councils adopted budget.

#### **Financial Sustainability**

Proceeding with this recommendation will have a neutral impact on Council's Long Term Financial Plan 2020-2030 financial sustainability ratios.

#### **Risk Implications**

Managed as part of each application.

#### Legal Implications

Council is required to follow many legislative instruments in development and building control works.

**RECOMMENDED** that Council note the report on the Development approvals that have been determined under delegated authority by the granting of consent subject to conditions, since the July 2021 Ordinary Council meeting.

293/21FC **RESOLVED** on the motion of Councillors Miegel and Wales Council note the report on the Development approvals that have been determined under delegated authority by the granting of consent subject to conditions, since the July 2021 Ordinary Council meeting.

#### 9.3 **REGIONAL AND STATE SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS LODGED**

#### Summary

This report provides for Council's information, the Development Applications lodged with Council, that have been assessed based on the information presented on lodgement, to be Regionally or State significant. These applications are required to be determined by the Western Joint Regional Planning Panel (JRPP) for regionally significant applications, or by the State Government for State significant applications. Council staff have a role in regionally significant applications, to assess the applications and present a report to the JRPP for their determination. Council is consulted on State significant applications but do not assess those.

#### Background

As the applications progress, the table will be updated for each Council meeting, to reflect any approvals issued and any new applications lodged. Those applications then listed as approved won't appear the following month.

#### STATE SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENT 8804 -

Application for Howlong Sand and Gravel Quarry Expansion on RU1 - Primary Production and E3 Environmental Management land comprising Lots 173, 174, 174A & 231, DP753744; Lot 1 DP1039973; Lot 1, DP798291; Lots 3 & 4, DP113703; Lot 1 DP741037 and two Unnamed Crown Roads – Additional Information requested from a number of agencies, including Council.

#### DEVELOPMENT APPLICATON REGISTERED NO. 2020/37 - REGIONAL

Application for Concept Development for residential Subdivision development total 495 Lots and detailed Stage 1 approval for 106 Lots on R1 – General Residential land being Lots 1&2, DP1082130; Lots 69, 70, 71, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, DP752290; Lot 2, DP600973; & Lots 6 & 7, DP253594 - North Street and Tocumwal Road, Mulwala NSW 2647– Applicant given deadline of 6 August 2021 to provide additional information request 17 November 2021. In addition the applicant was advised to lodge a request for a planning agreement before the end of August 2021.

#### DEVELOPMENT APPLICATON REGISTERED NO. 2021/259 - REGIONAL

Application for 5MG Solar Farm on E3 – Environmental Management land being Lots 2, DP842047; 7 Wemyss Road, Mulwala NSW 2647– On exhibition until 4 August 2021.

#### **Community Engagement**

Managed as part of Councils notification policies.

#### Attachments

9.3.1 Nil.

#### Links to Councils Integrated Planning Framework

Community Strategic Plan 2018 – 2028 'Our Community Our Opportunity'

#### Theme: Built Federation

**Outcome:** Maintained and improved infrastructure that meets the needs of residents and industry. **Delivery Program 2018-22 4 year Goal – 1.7:** Consistent and appropriate land use planning outcomes.

**Operational Plan 2021/2022 Action – 1.7.1:** *Provide Building Control and Planning Services.* 

#### **Financial Implications**

Activities are managed within Councils adopted budget.

#### **Financial Sustainability**

Proceeding with this recommendation will have a neutral impact on Council's Long Term Financial Plan 2020-2030 financial sustainability ratios.

#### **Risk Implications**

Managed as part of each application.

#### Legal Implications

Council is required to follow many legislative instruments in development and building control works.

**RECOMMENDED** that Council note the July 2021 update report on the Regional and State Significant Development Applications Lodged.

## 294/21FC **RESOLVED** on the motion of Councillors Whitechurch and Law that Council note the July 2021 update report on the Regionally Significant Development Applications Lodged.

#### 9.4 HERITAGE PROGRAM FOR 2021-2023

Author: Susan Appleyard, Director Development and Environmental Services

#### Summary

This report updates Council on the Local Heritage program proposed for 2021-2023.

Two grants have been received to help council run locally based heritage incentive programs. These being the Heritage Advisor Program and a Local Heritage Fund.

#### Background

Bi-annual grants are offered to Local Government to run heritage programs at the local level. Again Council has been successful in obtaining a grant of \$12,000 to continue the Heritage Advisory Service and in addition has secured \$6000 to re-establish a Local Heritage Fund which provides small grants to property owners of heritage buildings.

The Heritage advisory contract for 19-21 ended on the 30 June 2021, and expressions of interest are currently being sought for a heritage advisor to undertake the following in conjunction with Council for 2021-2023.

The role of the heritage advisor will be to;

- (i) Assist the general community by providing;
  - A contact for owners and residents to obtain advice about heritage items of items in the heritage conservation area
  - Education of community in heritage issues
  - Raised awareness of breadth and value of heritage places
  - Assistance in interpreting community wishes regarding heritage
  - An explanation of relevant heritage legislation and regulations
  - Facilitation of contact between individuals and council/state government
  - Advice on relevant sources of funding and non-financial contributions

- (ii) Assist council by providing advice for:
  - Heritage and conservation advice council owned heritage items/conservation areas
  - Review of listed items in Draft Federation Council LEP 2021
  - Preparation of controls for inclusion in the Federation Development Control Plan
  - Preparation of a Heritage Management Document for Lake Urana
  - Liaison with other community heritage bodies
  - Conservation of council-owned assets
- (iii) Preparation of reports including reporting for grant acquittal monitor progress against the Federation Local Strategic Planning Statement;
- (iv) Preparation of heritage grant applications which council is eligible for.

This program of works and assistance has been designed to have a strategic focus to link into other key pieces of statutory landuse planning works that are due to be completed over the next 2-3 years and with Federation Council's Local Strategic Planning Statement Planning priorities and actions.

The Local Heritage Fund program is a small grants program for owners of locally heritage listed properties. The aim of the program is to assist property owners in maintaining their buildings and sites. The change for this fund from the past operation of the fund will be that applications for the small grants will be called rather than works defined for specific properties by the Heritage Advisor or staff.

The Council can determine a target group or areas for the grants to be given. For example buildings in the main streets of Federation's Towns and Villages or Tourist based heritage items.

#### FEDERATION COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLANNING STATEMENT

The heritage program is consistent with the following priorities and actions from the statement:

#### Planning Priority 1 – Consistent Approach to Land Use Planning

Action: Develop a Land Use Strategy for the Council area, including the review of rural planning controls.

#### Planning Priority 3 – Towns and Villages

Action: Review heritage listings and heritage conservation area within the Council area.

#### **Planning Priority 8 - Protecting Heritage Values**

Actions: Update and review heritage listings to ensure the importance of sites and items are maintained within context.

Undertake further studies into the significance of Lake Urana in History both geologically and anthropologically

#### OPTIONS

- 1. Endorse recommendation and program.
- 2. Endorse the funding and alter the program.
- 3. Not endorse the recommendation and decline the funding offer.

#### **Community Engagement**

The Works that will be developed from the program will be reported to council on an annual basis in accordance with Policy Context of the Federation Local Strategic Planning Statement which outlines the reporting on the statement is to be included in the IP& R reporting for Council.

#### Attachments

9.4.1 Nil.

#### Links to Councils Integrated Planning Framework

Community Strategic Plan 2018 – 2028 'Our Community Our Opportunity' **Theme: Built Federation Outcome:** Maintained and improved infrastructure that meets the needs of residents and industry.

**Delivery Program 2018-22 4 year Goal** – 1.7 Consistent and appropriate land use planning outcomes.

Operational Plan 2021/2022 Action – 1.7.3 Provide Development Assessment Services.

#### **Theme: Social Federation**

**Outcome:** Close-knit and welcoming communities where people come together and support each other.

Delivery Program 2018-22 4 year Goal – 4.10 Celebrate the area's rich culture and heritage.

#### **Financial Implications**

Two grants have been received from the NSW Heritage Office.

One for the continuation of the Heritage Advisory Service – \$12,000 Another for the re-establishment of the Local Heritage Fund – \$6000

#### **Financial Sustainability**

Proceeding with this recommendation will have a neutral impact on Council's Long Term Financial Plan 2020-2030 financial sustainability ratios.

#### **Risk Implications**

Managed as part of the project.

#### Legal Implications

Council is required to follow many legislative instruments in development and building control works including additional layers at times for Heritage items.

#### **RECOMMENDED:**

- 1. THAT Council endorse the Heritage Program as outlined in the report; and
- 2. THAT the Local Heritage Fund grants priority for 2021-2023 be for Main Street Heritage Items.

295/21FC **RESOLVED** on the motion of Councillors Thomas and Wales:

- 1. THAT Council endorse the Heritage Program as outlined in the report; and
- 2. THAT the Local Heritage Fund grants priority for 2021-2023 be for Main Street Heritage Items.

#### 9.5 <u>HOWLONG COROWA AND MULWALA FLOODPLAIN RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE</u> <u>COMMUNITY MEMBERS</u>

Author: Trevor Clark, Project Officer

#### Summary

This report seeks Councils consideration of endorsing the proposed community members as listed, to join the Councils Floodplain Risk Management Committee to progress the Howlong Corowa and Mulwala Flood planning strategic works.

Under the process outlined by the NSW Government Floodplain Development Manual, a Floodplain Risk Management Committee (the Committee) is established by the local council to oversee and direct the preparation and implementation of floodplain risk management plans. The Committee consists of council staff representatives (e.g. typically engineering and planning), key government agency representatives (e.g. typically DPIE and SES), councillors and local community representatives.

The Corowa, Howlong and Mulwala Flood Study encompasses an assessment of flooding conditions and impacts at the three towns. It was therefore appropriate that a community representative be appointed for each town (Corowa, Howlong and Mulwala) to serve on the committee.

Council has subsequently sought interest from local residents from each town to serve on the Committee. Each nominated resident has confirmed their acceptance of this role. The three local community residents proposed to serve on the committee are:

- Geoff Lewis Corowa
- John Skinner Howlong
- Ross McHenry Mulwala

#### Background

At the November 2019 meeting of council the following was resolved:

That a Corowa, Howlong, Mulwala Floodplain Risk Management Committee be established with the following membership:

- (a) A Councillor from each of the towns Corowa Representative Cr Paul Miegel; Howlong Representative Cr David Longley; Mulwala Representative Cr's Bronwyn Thomas and Andrew Kennedy.
- (b) Council staff be represented by the Director of Development and Environment and the Director of Engineering.
- (c) Expressions of Interest be sought from the public for community representatives from each of the towns.
- (d) Local Environmental Groups be invited to provide a representative.

Committee nominations from individual residents or residents representing local environmental groups was subsequently sought via a public advertising process. Only one nomination was received at the conclusion of this process. This nomination was for John Skinner, a resident of Howlong. The nomination was made by Councillor David Longley.

In July 2021, the following has occurred:

- John Skinner has accepted his nomination and pending Council approval will be the Howlong township community representative on the committee. John has a technical background suited to the technical nature of this flood study project.
- Geoff Lewis has accepted an approach from council staff and pending Council approval will be the community representative for Corowa Township on the committee. Geoff is a former long serving Council staff Engineer and has a good knowledge of flooding conditions at Corowa and current infrastructure and measures taken in flooding events. He is also a resident of Corowa.
- Ross McHenry has accepted an approach from council staff and pending Council approval will be the community representative for Mulwala township on the committee. Ross is a resident of Mulwala and a former staff member of council on the Utilities sector, and has a very good knowledge of infrastructure in and around Mulwala.

# STATUTORY COMPLIANCE/POLICY

### FEDERATION COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLANNING STATEMENT

Planning Priority 7 – Resilience and Natural Hazards

### Actions:

Update planning controls once the flood study and subsequent floodplain risk management plan is adopted by Council. (Medium- Long term)

### OPTIONS

- 1. Endorse recommendation
- 2. Not endorse recommendation

Community Engagement N/A.

Attachments 9.5.1 Nil.

# Links to Councils Integrated Planning Framework

Community Strategic Plan 2018 – 2028 'Our Community Our Opportunity'

# Theme: Built Federation

**Outcome:** Maintained and improved infrastructure that meets the needs of residents and industry.

**Delivery Program 2018-22 4 year Goal** – 1.3 Maintain and improve water supply, sewerage, and flood protection services and systems to meet the needs of residents and industry.

**Operational Plan 2021/2022 Action** – 1.3.12 Progress Howlong, Corowa and Mulwala Flood Study and Plan.

**Delivery Program 2018-22 4 year Goal –** *1.7 Consistent and appropriate land use planning outcomes.* 

# **Financial Implications**

The project is predominantly funded by a NSW Government Floodplain Management Program grant secured by Council in 2019/20. Grant details are as follows:

- Grant Number 2019-20-FM-0036 for Corowa, Howlong & Mulwala Flood Study
- Maximum grant amount \$154,285.71
- Grant funding ratio 6:1 (i.e. Council required to contribute \$1 for every \$6 of grant money).
- Resultant maximum Council contribution \$25,714.21
- Total project budget \$180,000

### **Financial Implications**

Activities are managed within Councils adopted budget.

### **Financial Sustainability**

Proceeding with this recommendation will have a neutral impact on Council's Long Term Financial Plan 2020-2030 financial sustainability ratios.

### **Risk Implications**

The Floodplain Risk Management Committee is a steering committee set up to guide and oversee the consultant's engaged by Council to undertake the Flood Study project. The consultant's engaged to undertake the project will be subject to stringent contract conditions and a fixed lump sum fee.

### Legal Implications

Council is required to follow many legislative instruments in development and building control works.

**RECOMMENDED** that Council appoint the following persons as the community representatives on the Floodplain Risk Management Committee for the Corowa, Howlong and Mulwala Flood Study project:

- Corowa township community representative Geoff Lewis
- Howlong township community representative John Skinner
- Mulwala township community representative Ross McHenry
- 296/21FC **RESOLVED** on the motion of Councillors Kennedy and Thomas that Council appoint the following persons as the community representatives on the Floodplain Risk Management Committee for the Corowa, Howlong and Mulwala Flood Study project:
  - Corowa township community representative Geoff Lewis
  - Howlong township community representative John Skinner
  - Mulwala township community representative Ross McHenry

# 9.6 FEDERATION COUNCIL DEVELOPER LEVY PLAN UPDATE TO SCHEDULE 1

Author: Susan Appleyard, Director Development and Environmental Services

### Summary

The purpose of this report is to seek Councils consideration of updating the Developer Contribution Plan.

In May 2019 Council formally adopted the Developer Contribution Levy Plan. The plan should be reviewed periodically to ensure the projects and works outlined in Schedule 1 are current.

It is recommended that Schedule 1 of the plan be updated in accordance with the Long term Financial Plan adopted as outlined in the body of this report.

### Background

Schedule 1 was last updated in August 2020, since that time a number of the projects and works outlined in schedule 1 have been commenced and/or been completed. The following table outlines the projects and their status:

# Schedule 1 for Developer Levy Plan for 20/21 financial year.

Facilities			
Item	Value	Priority	Update
Runway upgrade Corowa Aerodrome	\$100,000	Medium	No works undertaken.
Corowa Bowling Club Upgrades to access and facilities	\$15,205	Medium	Works programed under RLCI grant before December 2021.
Corowa Memorial Hall Upgrades	\$330,152	Low	Works programed under RLCI grant before December 2021.
Oddfellows Hall Kitchen Upgrade	\$69,561	Low	No works undertaken.
Corowa Boat Shed Retaining Wall	\$6,080	High	Completed.
Rand School of Art Entrance upgrade	\$12,873	High	Works programmed.

Open spaces

Item	Value	Priority	Update
Corowa Mulwala Trail	\$3,542,740	High	Partially grant funded. Tender Awarded.
John Foord Oval Watering System	\$101,366	High	Partially Funded.
Morris Park – Tennis Shelter Shed –Replacement	\$24,191	Low	No works undertaken.
Oaklands Restoration Reserve – Kiosk Upgrade	\$6,589	High	No works undertaken.
Howlong Pool Upgrades	\$512,748	Low	No works undertaken.
Oaklands Swimming Pool upgrades	\$71,735	High	No works undertaken.
Dump Point for Mulwala	\$160,000	High	Grant and \$50,000 from contributions to be used as council's contribution to the project.

### Drainage

Item	Value	Priority	Update
Howlong Drainage Works – Stage 1	\$100,000	High	No works undertaken.
South Corowa Drainage Improvements - Area 1	\$164,941	Low	Partial works undertaken.
South Corowa Drainage Improvements - Area 2	\$121,639	High	No works undertaken.
South Corowa Drainage Improvements - Areas 3	\$538,68	Medium	Works removed from program.
Stormwater upgrade John Street Corowa	\$205,519	Medium	No works undertaken now a priority project.
Stormwater upgrade Billyday Court and Gibson Place Howlong	\$100,000	High	No works undertaken.
Jude Street, Holbeach Street & Kennedy Street Catchment upgrade Howlong	\$152,049	High	No works undertaken.
North Street and Savernake Road Drainage Upgrade, Mulwala	\$130,000	High	No works undertaken.
Oura Street Stormwater Drainage Upgrade	\$96,000	High	No works undertaken.

# Roads

Item	Value	Priority	Update
Daysdale Slight curve	\$1,100,000	High	Works commenced. Funds still required.
Redlands Road and Guy Street Intersection upgrade. Corowa	\$82,470	Low	No works undertaken.
Lucan Street/Bayly Street intersection upgrade	\$150,000	Medium	No works undertaken.

# Proposed Schedule 1 for the Developer Levy Plan 21/22

Schedule 1 for Developer Levy Plan 21/22 Update

Facilities

Item	Value	Priority
Runway upgrade Corowa Aerodrome	\$100,000	Medium
Oddfellows Hall Kitchen Upgrade	\$69,561	Low

Open spaces		
Item	Value	Priority
Corowa Mulwala Trail	\$3,542,740	High
John Foord Oval Watering System	\$101,366	High
Morris Park Upgrades in accordance with Master Plan 2020	\$2,800,000	Low
Oaklands Restoration Reserve – Kiosk Upgrade	\$6,589	High
Howlong Pool Upgrades	\$512,748	Low
Oaklands Swimming Pool upgrades	\$71,735	Medium
Dump Point for Mulwala	\$160,000	High
Shade Sail installation at various parks one sail per annum	\$45,000	Medium
Corowa Foreshore Upgrades in accordance with Master Plan 2020	\$2,700,000	High

#### Drainage

Item	Value	Priority
Stormwater upgrade John Street Corowa	\$205,519	High
Village and Town drainage upgrades per annum	\$200,000	Medium

### Roads

Item	Value	Priority
Daysdale Slight Curve Upgrade	\$1,100,000	High
Redlands Road and Guy Street Intersection upgrade. Corowa	\$82,470	Low
Lucan Street/Bayly Street intersection upgrade	\$150,000	Medium

The plan was approved by Council in May 2019 and no submissions were received during that exhibition. As the changes to the Developer Levy Plan are limited to Schedule 1 ensuring that the plan aligns with the Long Term Financial Plan it is recommended that the plan be approved with the changes to schedule 1 as defined in this report in accordance with Clause 31(1)(b) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2005.

### STATUTORY COMPLIANCE/POLICY

### FEDERATION COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLANNING STATEMENT

Planning Priority 6 – Infrastructure

The levy funds are used to upgrade or provide additional community infrastructure.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT 1979

#### 31 Approval of contributions plan by council

- (1) After considering any submissions about the draft contributions plan that have been duly made, the council:
- (a) may approve the plan in the form in which it was publicly exhibited, or
- (b) may approve the plan with such alterations as the council thinks fit, or
- (c) may decide not to proceed with the plan.
- (2) The council must give public notice of its decision in a local newspaper within 28 days after the decision is made.
- (3) Notice of a decision not to proceed with a contributions plan must include the council's reasons for the decision.
- (4) A contributions plan comes into effect on the date that public notice of its approval is given in a local newspaper, or on a later date specified in the notice.

# OPTIONS

- 1. Endorse the updates to Schedule 1
- 2. Make no changes to Schedule 1 from the 20/21 financial year.

#### **Community Engagement**

The only changes proposed to the document are to the projects outlined in Schedule 1. The plan was exhibited in 2019 during the exhibition period no submissions were received, therefore it is not considered necessary to re-exhibit the plan.

#### Attachments

9.6.1 Nil

### Links to Councils Integrated Planning Framework

Community Strategic Plan 2018 – 2028 'Our Community Our Opportunity' **Theme: Built Federation Outcome:** Maintained and improved infrastructure that meets the needs of residents and industry.

#### **Financial Implications**

The Contributions are used to upgrade and provide additional community infrastructure.

#### **Financial Sustainability**

Proceeding with this recommendation will have a neutral impact on Council's Long Term Financial Plan 2020-2030 financial sustainability ratios.

#### **Risk Implications**

Schedule 1 if not reviewed annually can result in no projects being able to be funded under the contribution levy.

#### Legal Implications

Council is required to follow many legislative instruments in development and building control works.

**RECOMMENDED** that Council adopt the Update Federation Developer Levy Plan for 21/22 with changes in Schedule 1 in accordance with Section 31(1)(b) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2005 to ensure the plan matches the long term financial plan.

297/21FC **RESOLVED** on the motion of Councillors Wales and Thomas that Council adopt the Update Federation Developer Levy Plan for 21/22 with changes in Schedule 1 in accordance with Section 31(1)(b) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2005 to ensure the plan matches the long term financial plan.

S APPLEYARD DIRECTOR DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

# **10. DIRECTOR ENGINEERING SERVICES REPORT**

# 10.1 REPORT ON THE PROGRESS OF WORKS PROGRAM – JULY 2021

Author: Steve Carmichael, Director Engineering Services

### Summary

The following activities were undertaken within the month of July 2021 by the Works teams.

# • Fixing Local Roads Program – Traffic Facilities

- Continue audit of signs for upgrade/replacement in urban streets and rural roads throughout Federation Council. Continue audit of signs & guideposts.
- Completion of upgrade of Regulatory town speed limit signs from "A" size to "B" size, (50, 60, 80, 100 km/h), Urana, Boree Creek. Commence replacement program of signs & guideposts.

# • Daysdale S Bends

- In winter lockdown.
- Corowa Mulwala Cycleway
  - Works on hold due to wet weather.

# • Maintenance Grading Program

- Maintenance Grading Program has commenced where possible. Many roads are unable to be graded due to the amount of rainfall resulting in water laying in potholes and tabledrains.
- McCartney's Road, Coles Road, Davies Hill Road, Mahonga Lane, Hanrahan's Road, Nagles Road.
- Snarvil Road, Exton's Road, Barragunda Road, Meriton's Road, Spraydon Road, Woodside Road, Coonong Road, Nixon's Road, Smith's Road, Northcote's Road, Coreen-Creek Road, and Kerr's Road

# Tabledrain Maintenance

- Tabledrain Maintenance on sealed and unsealed roads in urban and rural areas.
- Quarries

Balldale quarry - Clearing works and new bunds constructed for the next stage of expansion in August for blast and crush of 20,000 tonnes of 20mm crushed rock for capital works program 2021/22.

Daysdale quarry - next stage of expansion in August for blast and crush of 60,000 tonnes of 20mm crushed rock for capital works program 2021/22.

- **COVID 19** Work Crews continue with high productivity output with some changes to work methods.
- Flocon & Patching Trucks Urban and rural pothole patching as per Reflect. Assist Construction crews on Capital Works Projects & shoulder grading with traffic control as required. MR131 Fed Way ,MR385 Fed Way ,MR59 Jerilderie , Boree Rd ,Urana township , Oakland's township & Regional Roads.
- **Sundry Gang** FLR Program Traffic Facilities in conjunction with Construction teams, various Customer Requests. Footpath repairs. Traffic control for construction crews & contractors where required.
- Heavy Trucks Support Grader Gangs & Construction Gangs on maintenance hauling spoil, gravel, and sand. Stock piling from strontian to Cullivel Rd
- Slasher Oaklands and surrounds

• **Cullivel Road Fixing local roads** - VMS Boards have been set in place for the Vegetation and clearing of Cullivel Rd in the coming weeks, making way for the set out and start of the earthworks heading for early September

# Attachments

10.1.1 Nil.

### Links to Councils Integrated Planning Framework

Community Strategic Plan 2018 – 2028 'Our Community Our Opportunity'

### **Theme: Built Federation**

**Outcome:** Maintained and improved infrastructure that meets the needs of residents and industry. **Delivery Program 2018-22 4 year Goal** – 1.1 Maintain and improve roads, bridges and footpaths to meet the needs of residents and industry.

**Operational Plan 2021/2022 Action** – 1.1.1 Implement Road Management Services (including road, footpath and stormwater drainage construction and maintenance).

# **Financial Implications**

Within budgets. Council needs to be aware that this year there is limited funding, especially for roads, drainage, footpaths and kerb and guttering maintenance works. Council will receive further reports to consider allocation of projects deemed priorities, for the next planned round of the Roads and Local Community Infrastructure funding, due around February 2022.

### **Financial Sustainability**

Based on delivering these projects within the approved budget, proceeding with this recommendation will have a neutral impact on Council's Long Term Financial Plan 2020-2030 financial sustainability ratios.

### **Risk Implications**

Managed as part of project delivery framework.

### Legal Implications

Council is required to follow many legislative instruments in managing these works.

**RECOMMENDED** that Council note the Report on the Progress of Works Program – July 2021.

298/21FC **RESOLVED** on the motion of Councillors Wales and Thomas that Council note the Report on the Progress of Works Program – July 2021.

# 10.2 <u>REPORT ON THE CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM – JULY 2021</u>

Author: Steve Carmichael, Director Engineering Services

### **Capital Works Program**

Council 2021/2022 Capital Works Program as updated for July 2021, is as detailed over the page. Council's roads, drainage and any other works other than as outlined in this table will be further added to future monthly reports, as the planning and detailed budgets are further finalised for this financial year. This will include pending grants, and adding any carry forward projects from 2020/21 when the accounts are finalised, for Councils consideration.

Work Order	Annual Current Budget	YTD Actuals
Expenditure		
Capital		
Drainage		
	0	0
Drainage Total	0	0
Drought		
	0	0
Drought Total	0	0
Recreation		
00001891 - Regional Growth Fund - Rowers Park Cafe (\$124,299)	50,000	358
00001926 - Stronger Country Communities R2 - Urana Aquatic Leisure Centre	50,000	3,289
00001967 - Regional Growth Fund - Corowa Riverfront Improvement (\$263,700)	50,000	14,457
Recreation Total	150,000	18,104
Roads		
00001767 - Regional Growth Fund - Corowa Mulwala Trail Cycleway path	550,000	13,519
00001832 - Daysdale - Federation Way - 900m Road Reconstruction and floodway upgrade	0	56,642
00002137 - Fixing Country Roads - Federation Way Upgrade - 83.23km to 107.27km	0	13,288
00002148 - Doctors Road Timber Bridge (\$680,000 - Grant for \$340,000)	87,000	78,536
00002611 - Cullivel Road -Transport for NSW grant (Project ID: 430)	110,000	4,692
Roads Total	747,000	166,677

Work Order	Annual Current Budget	YTD Actuals
Sewer		
00002374 - Sewer Relining (Project ID 277)	240,000	52
00002390 - Howlong STP - Complete Rock Dam Walls (Project ID 324)	0	91,153
00002397 - Howlong STP - New Step Screen & Auger (Project ID: 326)	350,000	0
00002399 - Mulwala STP - Replace Existing Step Screen & Auger (Project ID: 328)	200,000	0
00002400 - Mulwala STP - Replace Split Cycle A/C for Operational Areas (Project ID: 329)	0	0
00002404 - Major Microwave Network Upgrade - Corowa Civic Centre to Urana Council Building - Supply, Install Commission (Project ID: 336)	12,000	0
00002406 - Treatment Plants & Pumping Stations - Backup Generator Connections - Treatment works (Project ID: 339)	10,000	0
00002407 - Treatment Plants & Pumping Stations - Backup Generator Connections - W & S Pumping Stations (Project ID: 340)	15,000	0
00002408 - Solar Facility - Telemetry Installation (Project ID: 341)	5,000	0
00002409 - Annual Switchboard Replacement, Upgrade & Maintenance Program - Sewerage Pumping Stations (Project ID: 343)	120,000	121
00002616 - Corowa Road Sewer Main Realignment, Mulwala (Project ID: 407)	85,000	709
00002619 - Pump replacement and Upgrade Mulwala Payne and Savernake Street SPS`s (Project ID: 291a)	50,000	0
00002620 - Pump replacement and Upgrade Corowa Fire Station, Cadel and Saleyards SPS's (Project ID: 291b)	50,000	0
00002621 - Pump replacement and Upgrade Howlong SPS`s (Project ID: 291c)	30,000	0
00002622 - Pump replacement and Upgrade Oaklands Thompson and Humphry SPS's (Project ID: 291d)	35,000	0
00002623 - Pump replacement and Upgrade Urana SPS's (Project ID: 291e)	35,000	0
00002624 - Howlong STP - Proposed Augmentation of Existing Works - Preparation of Concept Plan (Project ID: 323)	100,000	0
00002625 - Pump Station Lids Mulwala (Project ID: 394a)	20,000	0
00002626 - Pump Station Lids Corowa - Santos and Flemming SPS`s (Project ID: 394b)	20,000	0
00002627 - Pump Station Lids Howlong (Project ID: 394c)	20,000	0
00002628 - Septic Waste Receival Station Corowa STP (Project ID: 396)	85,000	0
00002629 - Automated Security Gate Corowa Sewer Treatment Plant (Project ID: 397a)	30,000	0

Work Order	Annual Current	YTD Actuals
	Budget	
00002630 - Irrigation and cutter spray reuse system Corowa Sewer Treatment Plant (Project ID: 397b)	65,000	0
00002631 - Air Conditioner Replacement Corowa Sewer Treatment Plant (Project ID: 397c)	10,000	0
00002632 - Bunded Tanker Unloading Area Mulwala Sewer Treatment Plant (Project ID: 398a)	35,000	0
00002633 - Replace Split System AC Mulwala Sewer Treatment Plant (Project ID: 398b)	30,000	0
00002634 - On-line Instrumentation Howlong Sewer Treatment Plant (Project ID: 399a)	80,000	0
00002635 - Access Road and Drainage Improvements Howlong Sewer Treatment Works (Project ID: 399b)	40,000	0
00002636 - Inlet Works Epoxy Repair Urana Sewer Treatment Works (Project ID: 400a)	15,000	0
00002637 - Refurbish amenities and laboratory Urana Sewer Treatment Works (Project ID: 400b)	15,000	0
00002638 - Storage Shed for sewer jetter trailer and plumbing fittings and pipe Urana Sewer Treatment Plant	20,000	0
00002639 - Inlet Works Epoxy Repair Oaklands Sewer Treatment Works (Project ID: 401a)	15,000	0
00002640 - Gravel Resheet access road Oaklands Sewer Treatment Works (Project ID: 400b)	10,000	0
00002641 - Refurbish amenities and laboratory Oaklands Sewer Treatment Works (Project ID: 401c)	15,000	C
00002642 - Riverland Gardens Estate Audit of LPS SPSs (Project ID: 402)	20,000	0
00002643 - Dock Street SPS Corowa - installation of storm surge tank (Project ID: 403)	115,000	0
00002644 - SPS valve pit replacement and upgrade Saleyards SPS Corowa (Project ID: 404a)	20,000	C
00002645 - SPS valve pit replacement and upgrade Rugby/Fire Shed SPS Corowa (Project ID: 404b)	30,000	C
00002646 - SPS valve pit replacement and upgrade Cadell Street SPS Corowa (Project ID: 404c)	20,000	C
00002647 - SPS valve pit replacement and rising main upgrade Hammersley Drive SPS Corowa (Project ID: 404d)	80,000	0
00002648 - SPS valve pit replacement and upgrade Caravan Park SPS Urana (Project ID: 404e)	20,000	C
00002649 - SPS valve pit replacement and upgrade Recreation Reserve SPS Urana (Project ID: 404f)	20,000	C
00002650 - SPS valve pit replacement and upgrade Caravan Park Cabins SPS Urana (Project ID: 404g)	20,000	C
00002651 - SPS valve pit replacement and upgrade Caravan Wanani Road SPS Mulwala (Project ID: 404h)	25,000	C
00002652 - SPS valve pit replacement and upgrade Payne Street SPS Mulwala (Project ID: 404i)	25,000	С
00002653 - SCADA, Telemetry and Communications network upgrade (Project ID: 405)	10,000	C
00002654 - Motor Drive, energy efficiency and cooling upgrades (Project ID: 406)	78,500	С
00002655 - CCTV Inspections (Project ID: 276)	100,000	C

Work Order	Annual Current Budget	YTD Actuals
00002656 - Locate, Inspect, Clean and Maintain hydrants and manholes throughout four towns (Project ID: 280)	130,000	0
Sewer Total	2,575,500	92,035
Water		
00002188 - Corowa Water - Extension of filter platform walkway (Project ID: 293)	22,500	0
00002412 - Corowa Water - Netherby WPS Flow Meter (Project ID: 294)	35,000	0
00002413 - Corowa Water - Netherby WPS Reline suction main (Project ID: 295)	95,000	0
00002415 - Corowa Water - Netherby WPS - Replace Switchboard (Project ID: 298)	25,000	0
00002416 - Corowa WTP Improve laboratory Facilities (Project ID: 299)	20,000	0
00002418 - Howlong Water - New Trunk Main from WTP to Town Reservoir Planning and Design (Project ID: 301)	0	1,270
00002420 - Howlong WTP - Refurbish filters (Project ID: 304)	301,500	0
00002422 - Howlong WTP - Service Water Pump Upgrade (Project ID: 306)	11,500	0
00002425 - Mulwala WTP - Replacement of PAC Dosing pumps (Project ID: 311)	10,500	0
00002426 - Mulwala Reservoirs - New Chlorine & pH Analysers (Project ID:313)	17,000	0
00002427 - Water Reticulation Analyses & Computer Modelling - Howlong & Mulwala (Project ID: 315)	76,500	0
00002428 - Install pressure sensors at strategic locations (Project ID: 318)	60,000	0
00002433 - Variable Speed Drive Installation with Remote Monitoring & Control system (Project ID: 348)	10,500	3,990
00002612 - Water Main New- DN375 Lucan Street Mulwala (Project ID: 423)	160,000	700
00002615 - Howlong RWPS - Replace vertical lineshaft pumps with submersible pumps (Project ID: 408)	85,000	39,368
00002657 - Locate, Inspect, Clean and Maintain hydrants and manholes throughout four towns (Project ID: 281)	130,000	0
00002658 - Enclose Floc Tanks - Roof and Walls Corowa WFP (Project ID: 292a)	35,000	0
00002659 - Skillion Corowa WFP (Project ID: 292b)	30,000	0
00002660 - Replace Clear Water Pumps x3 Corowa WFP (Project ID: 297a)	65,000	0
00002661 - Overhaul booster pumps to Rivalea at Corowa WFP (Project ID: 297b)	12,000	0
00002662 - Replace Filtered Water Outlet Valves, Actuators and instrumentation Corowa WFP (Project ID: 297c)	15,000	0

Work Order	Annual Current Budget	YTD Actuals
00002664 - Replace booster pumps Tower Street WPS (Project ID: 414)	40,000	0
00002666 - Howlong Service Reservoir - Check Condition and Investigate Cleaning of Reservoir (Project ID: 307)	15,000	0
00002667 - Treatment Plants & Pumping Stations - Backup Generator Connections - Treatment works (Project ID: 425)	10,000	0
00002668 - Howlong new steel standpipe reservoir 2.5ML design and tender documentation (Project ID:409)	75,000	0
00002669 - IWCM Plan - Complete (Project ID: 314)	150,000	0
00002670 - Water Main Renewal Birdwood Street Corowa DN250 (Project ID: 361a)	38,100	0
00002671 - Water Main Renewal Birdwood Street Corowa DN100 (Project ID: 361b)	40,000	0
00002672 - Water Main Renewal East Street Howlong DN100 (Project ID: 361c)	42,000	0
00002673 - Water Main Renewal Larmer Street Howlong DN150 (Project ID: 361d)	56,000	0
00002674 - Water Main Renewal Loughnan Street under railway line (Project ID: 361e)	52,200	0
00002675 - Construct bunded concrete bulk tanker delivery pad and access improvements Mulwala WFP (Project ID: 410a)	45,000	0
00002676 - Construct bunded concrete bulk tanker delivery pad Corowa WFP (Project ID: 410b)	35,000	0
00002677 - Construct bunded concrete bulk tanker delivery pad Howlong WFP	35,000	C
00002678 - NRAR Water Metering and telemetry regulatory compliance works Corowa, Mulwala and Howlong (Project ID: 411)	75,000	C
00002679 - Improvements Victoria St RWPS (Project ID: 412)	5,000	C
00002680 - Install Liquid Alum Bulk Storage Tank and Dosing Pumps Corowa WFP (Project ID: 413a)	35,000	C
00002681 - Replace Sodium Hypochlorite Dosing Pumps Corowa WFP (Project ID: 413b)	8,000	C
00002682 - Irrigation System and Landscaping Howlong WFP (Project ID: 415a)	10,000	C
00002683 - Drainage improvements Howlong WFP (Project ID: 415b)	10,000	C
00002684 - Concrete floor Howlong WFP Storage Shed (Project ID: 415c)	25,000	C
00002685 - Upgrade Access Hatches, Ladders, Fall Restraint and recovery equipment (Project ID: 416)	75,000	С
00002686 - Construct Shelter Over PAC dosing area Mulwala WFP (Project ID: 417a)	15,000	C

Work Order	Annual Current Budget	YTD Actuals
00002687 - Construct Shelter over Alum Bulk Storage Tank Mulwala WFP (Project ID: 417b)	15,000	0
00002688 - Replace Sodium Hypochlorite Dosing Pumps and Bulk Storage Tanks Mulwala WFP (Project ID: 417c)	8,000	0
00002689 - Refurbish Lime Dosing system Mulwala WFP (Project ID: 417d)	5,000	0
00002690 - Refurbish amenities at Mulwala WFP (Project ID: 417e)	18,000	0
00002691 - Repair to Sedimentation Tank Mulwala WFP (Project ID: 417f)	10,000	0
00002692 - Sludge Inlet Valve replacement Mulwala WFP (Project ID: 417g)	12,000	0
00002693 - Backwash System, safety platform and rails installation Mulwala WFP (Project ID: 417h)	8,000	0
00002694 - Upgrade Control Board Mulwala WFP (Project ID: 418a)	45,000	0
00002695 - Citec/Clear SCADA upgrade Mulwala WFP (Project ID: 418b)	45,000	0
00002696 - Disconnect old reservoir Mulwala (Project ID: 419)	5,000	0
00002697 - Replace Gas Detector (Project ID: 420)	3,000	0
00002698 - Melbourne Road Mulwala Water Main Relocation (Project ID: 422)	162,000	0
00002699 - Major Microwave Network Upgrade - Corowa Civic Centre to Urana Council Building - Supply, Install Commission (Project ID: 424)	12,000	0
00002700 - Treatment Plants & Pumping Stations - Backup Generator Connections - W & S Pumping Stations (Project ID: 426)	10,000	0
00002701 - SCADA, Telemetry and Communications network upgrade (Project ID: 428)	10,000	0
00002702 - UPS Replacement Program (Project ID: 429)	7,500	0
Water Total	2,488,800	45,328

Attachments 10.2.1 Nil.

### Links to Councils Integrated Planning Framework

Community Strategic Plan 2018 – 2028 'Our Community Our Opportunity'

### Theme: Built Federation

**Outcome:** Maintained and improved infrastructure that meets the needs of residents and industry **Delivery Program 2018-22 4 year Goal** – *1.1 Maintain and improve roads, bridges and footpaths to meet the needs of residents and industry.* 

**Operational Plan 2021/2022 Action** – 1.1.1 Implement Road Management Services (including road, footpath and stormwater drainage construction and maintenance).

**Delivery Program 2018-22 4 year Goal** – 1.3 Maintain and improve water supply, sewerage, and flood protection services and systems to meet the needs of residents and industry.

**Operational Plan 2021/2022 Action** – 1.3.1 Implement Capital Works Program for sewerage and water services.

### **Financial Implications**

Within budgets. Council needs to be aware that this year there is limited funding, especially for roads, drainage, footpaths and kerb and guttering capital works. Council will receive further reports to consider allocation of projects deemed priorities, for the next planned round of the Roads and Local Community Infrastructure funding, due around February 2022.

### **Financial Sustainability**

Based on delivering these projects within the approved budget, proceeding with this recommendation will have a neutral impact on Council's Long Term Financial Plan 2020-2030 financial sustainability ratios.

### **Risk Implications**

Managed as part of project delivery framework.

### Legal Implications

Council is required to follow many legislative instruments in carrying out capital works.

**RECOMMENDED** that Council note the Report on Council's 2021/2022 Capital Works program – July 2021.

299/21FC **RESOLVED** on the motion of Councillors Kennedy and Wales that Council note the Report on Council's 2021/2022 Capital Works program – July 2021.

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# **11. NOTICES OF MOTION / QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE**

# 11.1 NOTICE OF MOTION - COUNCIL WATER LICENCES

Moved by Councillor Thomas:

### THAT Council provide their water licence details to the next Council Meeting.

# Background information to support this motion

The NSW State Government are in the process of finalising 12 NSW Water Strategies, one being the Murray. Linked to the strategy is the Town Water Reduction Program. A clear understanding of this program is yet to ascertain from the Department of Planning Industry and Environment, hence the importance to have a transparent process of allocation of water resources at a LGA level.

300/21FC **RESOLVED** on the motion of Councillors Thomas and Longmire that Council provide their water licence details to the next Council Meeting.

# 11.2 <u>NOTICE OF MOTION - HONOUR BOARDS, COUNCILLOR GROUP PHOTO AND</u> INSTALLATION OF ABORIGINAL FLAG IN CHAMBERS

Moved by Councillor Thomas:

- 1. THAT Council update the honour boards;
- 2. THAT Council add Councillors photo in the Corowa and Urana Chamber in respect to the last four fabulous years of the inaugural Federation Council representatives; and
- **3.** THAT Council install the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags in both the Corowa and Urana Chambers.

301/21FC **RESOLVED** on the motion of Councillors Thomas and Wales:

- 1. THAT Council update the honour boards;
- 2. THAT Council add Councillors photo in the Corowa and Urana Chamber in respect to the last four fabulous years of the inaugural Federation Council representatives; and
- 3. THAT Council investigate the cost of installation of the Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander and NSW State flags in both the Corowa and Urana Chambers and provide a further report to Council.

# 11.3 NOTICE OF MOTION - MURRAY DARLING ASSOCIATION

Moved by Councillor Thomas:

THAT Council write to Murray Darling Association CEO Ms Emma Bradbury thanking her for her contribution, commitment and creation of key connections over the past seven years.

# Background information to support this motion

MDA CEO Ms Emma Bradbury has tendered her resignation from the position. This will be effective mid-September. A board meeting will be held on 16/08, a more detailed update can be verbally presented in the Chamber.

302/21FC **RESOLVED** on the motion of Councillors Thomas and Kennedy:

- 1. THAT Council write to Murray Darling Association CEO Ms Emma Bradbury thanking her for her contribution, commitment and creation of key connections over the past seven years; and
- 2. THAT Council also write to RAMJO Executive Officer Bridgett Leopold.

- **12. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES**
- 12.1 <u>NO ITEMS</u>

# **13. REPORTS FROM DELEGATES**

### 13.1 VERBAL REPORTS FROM DELEGATES

Verbal reports to be provided by delegates at the meeting.

Councillor Longmire reported on his attendance at the ALSA board meeting and noted the AGM to be held on 28 August 2021.

Councillor Thomas reported on her attendance at the MDA board meeting.

**RECOMMENDED** that Council note the verbal reports from delegates.

303/21FC **RESOLVED** on the motion of Councillors Longmire and Law that Council note the verbal reports from delegates.

# 14. CORRESPONDENCE REQUIRING COUNCIL ACTION/FOR INFORMATION

# 14.1 FEDERATION ZONE SERVICE LIAISON COMMITTEE - DRAFT MINUTES - JULY 20210715 (21/35565)

Forwarding a copy of the minutes of their meeting held on 15 July 2021. A copy of the minutes is included with the agenda.

**RECOMMENDED** that Council note the draft minutes from the Federation Zone Service Liaison Committee from the meeting held 15 July 2021.

304/21FC **RESOLVED** on the motion of Councillors Wales and Law that Council note the draft minutes from the Federation Zone Service Liaison Committee from the meeting held 15 July 2021.

# 14.2 MURRAY RIVER COUNCIL (21/35273)

Email dated 23 July 2021 from Murray River Council seeking Council's support for a Murray Border Region – Government Advocacy Initiative. This initiative is to save our regional economy and to encourage State and Federal Governments to adopt better processes, for dealing with COVID 19 outbreaks, to deliver both health and economic outcomes. A copy of this email is included with the agenda.

Contact with the Council to advise Council are not in a position to contribute financially revealed that the Council is still willing to have partners with in-kind support.

**RECOMMENDED** that Council note the letter from Murray River Council, and decline to contribute a monetary amount towards the Government Advocacy initiative, but continue to be involved in this project on an in-kind basis.

305/21FC **RESOLVED** on the motion of Councillors Thomas and Kennedy that Council note the letter from Murray River Council, and decline to contribute a monetary amount towards the Government Advocacy initiative, but continue to be involved in this project on an in-kind basis.

### 14.3 <u>CITY OF SYDNEY - INFRASTRUCTURE CONTRIBUTION REFORM (21/29045)</u>

Email dated 15 July 2021 from the Lord Mayor of Sydney in regards to Environmental Planning and Assessment Amendment (Infrastructure Contributions) Bill 2021 and their perceived impact the changes to infrastructure contributions will have on councils. A copy of this email and attachment is included with the agenda.

### Note from Director Development and Environmental Services -

On reading the draft bill that is being considered by the NSW Parliament, it is considered to not support the City of Sydney in appealing against the draft bill.

It is recommended to await until/if the bill is passed by Parliament, and the intent, if passed, is then likely to be drafted into a draft State Environmental Planning Policy (SEPP). The reason why it is not recommended to lobby against this bill, is that it could actually benefit the smaller rural and regional councils, also the submission period closed on 11 July 2021.

The potential benefits to Federation Council and other regional and rural Councils and potentially RAMJO are likely to be:

- An increased ability to levy for environmental works
- The potential for a regional levy on all development as is currently happening in the Shoalhaven and Illawarra including complying developments. For this region Councils should be pushing for increased roads and related infrastructure (bridges etc) funding.
- It will also ensure that contributions are missed for state significant developments which has been an issue since the SEPP (State and Regional Development) 2011 came into force.

Council understands the Sydney City Council's concerns as it potentially could remove direct revenue from them.

If the bill is passed and made into a draft SEPP, a report would be presented to Council at this time when more operational details are known, for consideration of a submission.

### **RECOMMENDED:**

- 1. THAT Council note the letter from the City of Sydney Council, in regards to Environmental Planning and Assessment Amendment (Infrastructure Contributions) Bill 2021; and
- 2. THAT Council not support the requests in the letter at this time, and if the bill is passed and made into a draft SEPP, a report would be presented to Council at this time when more operational details are known, for consideration of a submission.

306/21FC **RESOLVED** on the motion of Councillors Law and Whitechurch:

- 1. THAT Council note the letter from the City of Sydney Council, in regards to Environmental Planning and Assessment Amendment (Infrastructure Contributions) Bill 2021; and
- 2. THAT Council not support the requests in the letter at this time, and if the bill is passed and made into a draft SEPP, a report would be presented to Council at this time when more operational details are known, for consideration of a submission.

# **15. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS**

15.1 <u>NO ITEMS</u>

# **16. CONCLUSION OF MEETING**

The meeting closed at 11.29 am.

CONFIRMED: 28 September 2021.

THE MAYOR: