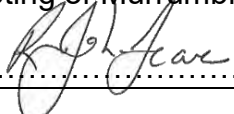



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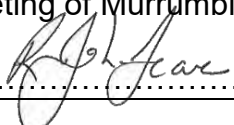
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# OFFICERS' REPORTS FOR CONSIDERATION

ITEM NO: 1 - GENERAL MANAGER'S MONTHLY REPORT

Council Meeting:	23 April 2024
Report Date:	15 April 2024
Author:	General Manager
File #:	SC218
Approval:	General Manager

## BACKGROUND

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

## RECOMMENDATION

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

1. Not proceed with a farm gate waste collection or commercial service at this stage and it be revisited in three years, to gauge interest at that time.
2. Sell 1 Koongara Crescent Jerilderie NSW as part of the housing replacement program previously developed.
3. Make application for solar and battery under the Community Energy Fund Round 1 (behind the meter solar and batteries), for Sites Darlington Point Treatment Works, Jerilderie Treatment Works and Jerilderie Depot, with Councils 50% contribution derived from the Sewerage, Water and infrastructure Reserves as applicable.
4. Budget, at its next review, an amount of \$2,625.00 for the Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) development fee and sitting charges, rolling forward to the next financial year unexpended funds.
5. Apply the Regional Roads Repair Fund (RRRF) allocation of \$6,957,206 to the roads as detailed within table 1 of the report, authorising the General Manager to inform the Department.

1. Farm Gate Recycling and General Waste Collection

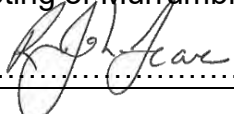
Every response we received from the survey has been collated as follows:

We received 334 responses to 1011 requests which indicates a 34% return

334 surveys identified:

- 135 residences (15 indicated did not want service), plus 32 known works dongas.
- 112 without residences

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- 116 not stated if residence or not
- 2 uninhabitable residence
- 2 unoccupied residences
- 84 commercial services
- 117 did not require commercial service
- 55 do not want a wheeled bin service (15 residences - the remainder did not identify a residence)

If we were to extrapolate the above numbers to the 100% of residences which we know who want, or did not indicate they did not want, we would have 120/34% equals 353 residences.

Original cost per annum to operate the service was \$174,000, given increases in costs, both capital and operational, it is now closer to \$205,000 pa.

353 residences divided by \$205,000 equals \$581 per service.

This is over \$100 more than we first indicated, and too expensive for this service in my opinion. The only way to bring this number down is to have more properties willing to be involved.

The commercial service to operate the front load truck annually is in the order of \$318,000, so for 247 (84/34%) properties, that would equate to \$1287 pa or \$107 per month, close to 30% more than the current commercial rate on offer. .

As such, the commercial operation is not feasible.

Both farm gate wheeled bin service and commercial service costings worked on only using 25% each of the front load truck, so would still have 50% capacity of the front load truck under utilised. In saying that, it would be utilised in a revamp of the rubbish tips, if that was feasible.

As part of the landfill strategy, it should be expanded to see if offering more transfer stations at select locations in the rural community is feasible, along with a waste levy attached to all rural properties to fund the service.

### **Recommendation**

**That Council not proceed with a farm gate waste collection or a commercial service at this stage, and it be revisited in three years to gauge the interest at that time.**

## 2. Housing

The tender document for the 4 x 2 bedroom units in Jerilderie has been finalised and is out to market.

I was unable to progress with the Young Street subdivision homes in Darlington Point for a couple of reasons - the soil tests had not been completed and we do not have spatial information on the lots for builders to identify. It will be closer to June before we can put a tender out for the design and construction of the 2 x 3 or 4 bedroom homes in Darlington Point.

We will be in a position to sell one of the Barwidgee Boulevard homes by mid-May, plus we are preparing 1 Koongara Crescent for market. Council, about 24 months or so back, gave authority for its sale, however we did not sell at that time, as the Chief Financial Officer took it up as her residence. Since it is over 24 months, I will seek a new resolution to sell.

### **Recommendation**

**That Council sell 1 Koongara Crescent Jerilderie NSW as part of the housing replacement program previously developed.**

## 3. Power Purchase Agreement

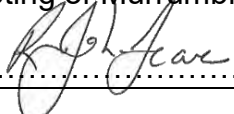
### Overview of Procurement Process

Request for Tender Stage	Status	Timelines
Stage 1: Request for Tender – Qualification Stage	Closed	Open 15 March Close 12pm 8 April
Stage 2: Request for Tender – Additional information to qualified Tenderers	Open (to qualified tenderers only)	Open 10 April* Close 2pm 23 April*
Stage 3: Request for Tender – Final energy mix and pricing clarifications	Not released	Market dependent (estimated w/c 29 April)

### Solar and Battery Fund

Council Facility	Project
DP Treatment Works	73.6kW Solar System with 57.96kWh Battery storage
Jerilderie Treatment Works	79.2kW Solar System with 57.96kWh Battery storage
Jerilderie Depot	71.2kW Solar System with 44.16kWh Battery storage

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Jerilderie Comms Tower	26.4kW Solar System with 38.64kWh Battery storage
DP Depot	36.4kW Solar System with 44.16kWh Battery storage
Jerilderie Council Office	100kW Solar System with 57.96kWh Battery storage
Jerilderie Town Water	98.4kW Solar System with 57.96kWh Battery storage
DP Council Office	50.4kW Solar System with 57.96kWh Battery storage
DP Water Tower	100kW Solar System with 173.88kWh Battery storage
Coleambally Water	100kW Solar System with 173.88kWh Battery storage

The above 10 projects have been identified for application under a grant.

My recommendation is that Council only apply for the first three facilities, with Council's 50% contribution coming from the relevant reserve, be it Sewerage, Water or Infrastructure, for the corresponding identified project.

### **Recommendation**

**That Council make application for solar and battery under the Community Energy Fund Round 1 (behind the meter solar and batteries) for the Darlington Point Treatment Works, Jerilderie Treatment Works and Jerilderie Depot, with Council's 50% contribution derived from the Sewerage, Water and Infrastructure Reserves as applicable.**

#### 4. Reconciliation Plan

##### **What is RAP Reconciliation Action Plan?**

Known as RAPs: help change systems, engage and support First Nations people and reconciliation.

Reconciliation is about strengthening relationships between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and non-Indigenous peoples, for the benefit of all Australians.

##### **Who has a RAP?**

Australian Federal, State and Local Governments, and business groups in all industries.

(Berrigan Shire – Reflect RAP, Albury City Council – Innovate RAP)

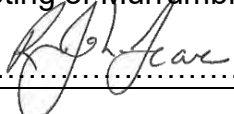
##### **What are Reconciliation Australia's four RAP types?**

###### **Reflect RAP: Building strong foundations**

Helps prepare to engage in reconciliation meaningfully.

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Engaging staff and leaders in understanding the importance of reconciliation.  
By developing relationships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander stakeholders within Council's LGA.

A Reflect RAP is implemented over 12 - 18 months.

**Innovate RAP: Implementing change**

Outlines actions for achieving Council's vision for reconciliation.

Gain a deeper understanding and establish the best approaches to advance reconciliation.

Focusing on strengthening relationships and piloting strategies for further reconciliation commitments to empower Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

An Innovate RAP is implemented over two years.

**Stretch RAP: Reconciliation leadership**

Is best suited for organisations that demonstrate strong meaningful engagement with internal and external Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander stakeholders, who have established a very strong approach towards advancing reconciliation internally.

A Stretch RAP spans a three-year period and is focused on high impact commitments based on defined measurable targets and goals.

**Elevate RAP: Transformational change**

A strong strategic relationship with Reconciliation Australia and actively champion initiatives to uphold the self-determination of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and drive systemic and transformational change.

They must demonstrate high accountability measures including independent assessment of their activities.

Elevate RAPs are implemented over a three-year term.

**What are the impacts of having RAPs?**

Reconciliation Australia measures the extraordinary impact that organisations with Reconciliation Action Plans (RAPs) are having across the country.

Relationships

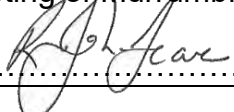
At the heart of reconciliation is the relationship between the broader Australian community and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Respect

The biennial Workplace RAP Barometer shows that ongoing cultural learning increases understanding and support for truth-telling over time.

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## Opportunities

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' equal and equitable participation in range of life opportunities is crucial to reconciliation.

The 2023 RAP Impact Survey shows RAP organisations expanding their impact to deliver meaningful results.

The increase of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in leadership positions, as well as the growth in partnerships between RAP organisations and First Nations organisations, are marked achievements that must be sustained.

## **What is the process to Council completing RAP?**

- Establish that Council is eligible – Completed, YES.
- Expression of Interest – Murrumbidgee Council completed EOI stage
- Complete registration – Council RAP type - Reflect RAP: Building strong foundations - fee \$825
- Draft/start date (after fee and Council commitment approved)
- Submit
- Accreditation
- Murrumbidgee Council Reconciliation Reflect Action Plan Implementation (18months after start date)

Reconciliation Australia - fee for developing your RAP	\$ 825.00
RAP sitting fees to First Nations People sitting on RAP Board at meetings <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 4 over the 18 month period</li><li>• 5 members on board with 3 members being First Nations' People</li><li>• Recommended Elders from Wiradjuri, Bangerang and Wamba Wamba nations.</li></ul>	\$ 1,800.00 (\$150 per Elder per sitting)
Total cost for Murrumbidgee Council Reflect RAP	\$2,625.00
Approvals	Murrumbidgee Council Reconciliation Australia
Milestones reporting	Council representative

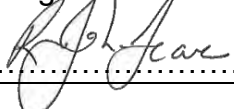
For more information please visit: <https://www.reconciliation.org.au>

## **Recommendation**

**That Council budget, at its next review, an amount of \$2,625.00 for the Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) development fee and sitting charges, rolling forward to the next financial year unexpended funds.**

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## 5. Regional Roads Repair Fund (RRRF)

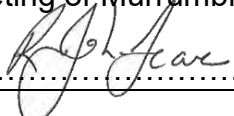
Council has \$6,957,206 to allocate on the RRRF, and notification must be given to the Department by 30 April 2024 as to the allocation.

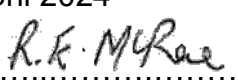
The following allocations are recommended:

Table 1

<b>Financial Year 2023/24</b>			
Algudgerie Road	Resheeting	3.870 km/27090 m <sup>2</sup>	\$154,413
Jim Cattanach Road	Resheeting	1.763 km/10578 m <sup>2</sup>	\$126,936
<b>Financial Year 2024/25</b>			
Mahonga Street	K&G Replacement	0.210 km	\$75,000
Bonnars Road	Resheeting	3.180 km/ 22260 m <sup>2</sup>	\$126,882
Boona Road	Resheeting	2.660 km/18620 m <sup>2</sup>	\$106,134
Bundure Road	Resheeting	0.520 km/3640 m <sup>2</sup>	\$20,748
Durnam Lane	Resheeting	2.280 km/15960 m <sup>2</sup>	\$90,972
Leonard Road	Resheeting	3.430 km/24010 m <sup>2</sup>	\$136,857
Willows Road	Rehabilitation / Stabilisation	0.845km/6760 m <sup>2</sup>	\$540,800
Logie Brae Road	Rehabilitation / Stabilisation	0.210 km/1575 m <sup>2</sup>	\$126,000
South Coree Road	Reseal	1.000 km/7000 m <sup>2</sup>	\$63,000
Booroobanilly Road	Rehabilitation / Stabilisation	0.300 km/2250 m <sup>2</sup>	\$180,000
Harris Lane	Rehabilitation / Stabilisation	0.630 km/4410 m <sup>2</sup>	\$352,800
Argoon Road	Resheeting	0.710 km/4970 m <sup>2</sup>	\$28,329
<b>Financial Year 2025/26</b>			
Mackie Rd	Resheeting	4.570 km/31990 m <sup>2</sup>	\$182,343
Muntz Lane	Resheeting	2.240 km/15680 m <sup>2</sup>	\$89,376
O'Neill Lane	Resheeting	0.110 km/770 m <sup>2</sup>	\$4,389
Oolambeyan Road	Resheeting	4.080 km/28560 m <sup>2</sup>	\$162,792
Sewer Works Road	Resheeting	0.410 km/2870 m <sup>2</sup>	\$16,359
Stud Park North Road	Resheeting	1.540 km/10780 m <sup>2</sup>	\$61,446
Yamma Road	Rehabilitation / Stabilisation	2.800 km/25200 m <sup>2</sup>	\$1,764,000

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Gilbert Road	Rehabilitation / Stabilisation	1.200 km/9600 m <sup>2</sup>	\$768,000
Carathool/Conargo Road	Rehabilitation / Stabilisation	2.289 km/18312 m <sup>2</sup>	\$1,464,960
<b>Financial Year 2026/27</b>			
Regional Road 596 (Morundah Road)	Shoulder widening/stabilisation	3.218 km/15446 m <sup>2</sup>	\$314,670

### Recommendation

That Council apply the Regional Roads Repair Fund (RRRF) allocation of \$6,957,206 to the roads as detailed within table 1 of the report, authorising the General Manager to inform the Department.

### 7. Movements

Date	Meeting	Location
1 – 3 May 2024	LGNSW Employment Law	Sydney
9 - 10 May 2024	Country Mayors Meeting	Sydney
16 - 17 May 2024	RAMJO Board Meeting	Corowa
1 - 5 July 2024	National General Assembly	Canberra
10 - 11 July 2024	MDA National Conference	Tamworth

### SUSTAINABILITY

N/A

### STATUTORY COMPLIANCE/POLICY

N/A

### FINANCIAL

N/A

### INTEGRATED PLANS

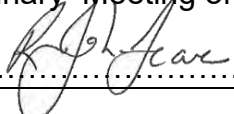
Theme 5: Our Leadership - Looking to our Future


5.1. Demonstrating Transparent Leadership through Accountability and Community Representation

### RISK MANAGEMENT

N/A

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## CONSULTATION/ENGAGEMENT

N/A

## OPTIONS

### Option 1 (recommendation)

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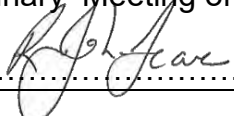
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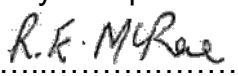
## ATTACHMENTS

NIL

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**ITEM NO. 2 – YOUNG STREET SUBDIVISION – STREET NAMES AND HOUSE NUMBERS**

Council Meeting:	23 April 2024
Report Date:	15 April 2024
Author:	Ray Davy, Project Manager
File #:	SC610
Approval:	General Manager

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report seeks a resolution to confirm or amend proposed street names and house numbers for the subdivision currently under development at Young Street, Darlington Point.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That in relation to the Young Street subdivision:**

- 1. Street names in the subdivision be confirmed as:**
  - Helena Parade (Road No 1);
  - Mungo Street Road No 2); and
  - Nebo Street (Road No 3).
- 2. The proposed names (or any alternatives approved by Council) be referred to the NSW Geographic Names Board for approval, if not already done so.**
- 3. The proposed house numbering shown on the attached plan be approved.**

**BACKGROUND**

With the imminent completion of the Young Street subdivision it has become necessary to determine street names and house numbers for purposes such as the cadastral survey and the allocation of electrical service connections.

At the Ordinary Meeting of Council dated 15 May 2013, Council resolved:

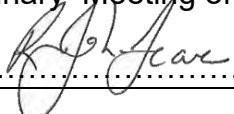
*...that the new streets in the Young Street Subdivision be named as follows:*


- *Helena Parade;*
- *Mungo Street; and*
- *Nebo Street.*

It is not clear from the minutes of that meeting whether the allocation of these names was specific to any particular streets (shown on plans at that time and at present only identified as Road Nos 1, 2 and 3). It is of course open to Council to

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vary those names given the lapse of time since that decision was made. The selected names must be approved by the Geographic Names Board before final adoption (if not already done so in the case of the decision above).

## **OFFICER COMMENT**

It is assumed, in the absence of further information, that the intention of Council was for the names to be allocated as recommended but this should be confirmed by resolution.

There are two matters to be considered in deciding upon the allocation of individual house numbers, noting that there is no statutory or regulatory requirement for any specific system. These are:

- (i) Whether the new road northwards from Kook Street should be regarded as an extension of Young Street or treated as part of Road No 1 (however named); and
- (ii) Whether house numbering along Road No 1 should be sequential (1, 2, 3, etc) or alternate (1, 3, 5, etc) given that under current plans it has houses on only one side.

In relation to the first matter, Road No 1 could logically be regarded as commencing either at the intersection with Kook Street or alternatively at the northeast corner of the site where Road No 1 becomes east-west. The latter is considered to be less likely to cause confusion for visitors or deliveries as there would be no visual indication that this part of the new road is not a part of Young Street.

On 25 July 2023, Council adopted the MC Place Naming Policy (revision 1), and any naming changes should be in compliance with this Policy.

In relation to the second matter, consideration should be given to the potential in future for land to the south and west of the subdivision to be developed for housing (at least to the extent of the strip fronting Road No 1), in which case the adoption of alternate numbering will allow for such future development to be seamlessly integrated into the addressing system.

The attached plan has been prepared on the above assumptions.

## **SUSTAINABILITY**

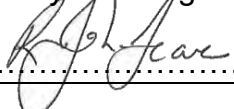
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## **STATUTORY COMPLIANCE/POLICY**

- Street names require the approval of the NSW Geographic Names Board. The allocation of house numbers is a matter within the discretion of Council.
- MC Place Naming Policy (revision 1)

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## FINANCIAL

N/A

## INTEGRATED PLANS

N/A

## RISK MANAGEMENT

N/A

## CONSULTATION / ENGAGEMENT

The Council resolution of May 2013 has been in the public domain for more than 10 years. It is assumed (but not confirmed) that the resolution was preceded by discussion in workshop.

## OPTIONS

### Option 1 (recommendation)

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3. The proposed house numbering shown on the attached plan be approved.

### Option 2

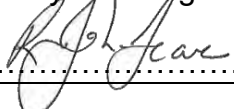
Alternative names and numbering be adopted.

## ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment # 1: Murrumbidgee Council Place Naming Policy  
Attachment # 2: Plan of recommended house number allocations

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**ITEM NO. 3 - STRONGER COMMUNITIES FUND – MARCH 2024**

Council Meeting:	23 April 2024
Report Date:	15 April 2024
Author:	Finance Manager
File #:	SC137
Approval:	General Manager

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Council's priority projects for the Stronger Communities Fund, rounds 1 and 2, have previously been set.

Under the terms of the funding deed, Council provided for grants in the amount of \$1,409,747.84 to local community organisations.

Council has also determined a further \$14,076,775.78 for the major projects component of the Stronger Communities Fund.

Interest on the unexpended component of the grant is to be included for Stronger Community Fund expenditure.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That the contents of the report be noted, and additional funding be voted for the Coleambally Community Hall upgrade in the amount of \$135.30.**

**BACKGROUND**

As at 31 March 2024, the 55 community grants projects provided for have been recognised as completed.

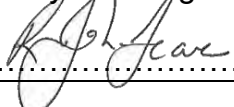

Of the further 36 major projects determined, 30 projects have been completed, with additional funds being expended for 1 of these projects. The Coleambally Community Hall upgrade has been over expended by an additional amount of \$135.30 from the updated allocation, with additional plans being undertaken for the future car parking site.

**OFFICER COMMENT**

The attached spreadsheet indicates the current position of all SCF funded programs as at 31 March 2024.

The projects as listed for the town water supplies for Coleambally, Jerilderie and Darlington Point are still awaiting the completion of the Integrated Water Cycle Management Plans before works can be commenced.

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## **SUSTAINABILITY**

NIL

## **STATUTORY COMPLIANCE/POLICY**

Quarterly updates are required to be provided to Council, with 6 monthly reports to the Office of Local Government.

## **FINANCIAL**

Council has reinvested an amount of \$1,103,760.00 in interest on the unexpended grant funds into the funding pool.

Net adjustments to the budget vote as per the recommendation would bring the total funding of announced projects to \$15,486,658.92, leaving an amount of \$17,898.92 unfunded as at 31 March 2024.

It is anticipated that future interest earnings and/or adjustments to the current incomplete projects will cover this amount.

## **INTEGRATED PLANS**

The operational plan has been amended to correctly include budgets for current incomplete programs within the Quarterly Budget Review for the previous September quarter.

## **CONSULTATION / ENGAGEMENT**

Management Group, Council and Community.

## **OPTIONS**

Option 1 (recommendation)

That the contents of the report be noted, and additional funding be voted for the Coleambally Community Hall Upgrade in the amount of \$135.30.

Option 2

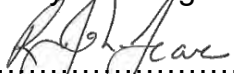
Another recommendation of Council.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment # 3: Stronger Communities Fund Grant Information at 31 March 2024.

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## ITEM NO. 4 - INTERNAL LOAN – YOUNG STREET SUBDIVISION

Council Meeting:	23 April 2024
Report Date:	15 April 2024
Author:	Chief Financial Officer
File #:	SC610
Approval:	General Manager

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report seeks formal recognition of Council's intention to request Ministerial Approval under sections 410(3) and 410(4) of the *Local Government Act 1993* for an internal loan of \$3 million from the Sewerage Funds Reserve to fund the construction of the 55-lot residential subdivision on Young Street, Darlington Point.

### RECOMMENDATION

That:

1. Council seeks Ministerial Approval under sections 410(3) and 410(4) of the *Local Government Act 1993* for an internal loan of \$3 million from the Sewerage Funds Reserve to fund the construction of a 55-lot residential subdivision at Young Street, Darlington Point.
2. The proposed internal loan will have a 10-year term, with semi-annual repayments based on the current indicative TCorp lending rate of 4.90%, subject to any changes to these conditions as required by the Minister.

### BACKGROUND

The need for a residential subdivision in Darlington Point has been a long-standing vision of the community, identified by the former Murrumbidgee Shire Council prior to the merger with Jerilderie Shire Council in 2016.

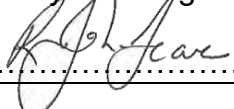
Most recently, the *2022-26 Delivery Program* and *2023-24 Operational Plan* specifically identify the completion of the Young Street residential development as a priority.

The *2023-24 Operational Plan* and draft *2024-33 Long-Term Financial Plan* both indicate the need to seek Ministerial Approval for an internal loan from the Sewerage Funds Reserve to fund this project.

All relevant Integrated Planning & Reporting documents were subject to public exhibition periods, providing opportunities for community input and submissions.

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## OFFICER COMMENT

Council has previously adopted the *2023-24 Operational Plan* and *2024-33 Long-Term Financial Plan*, which both indicate Council's intention to seek Ministerial Approval for this loan.

Council has written to the Office of Local Government seeking Ministerial approval based on these existing documents.

For the avoidance of doubt, a specific formal resolution of Council is now sought to facilitate the approval process.

## STATUTORY COMPLIANCE/POLICY

The request for Ministerial approval is in accordance with sections 410(3) and 410(4) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, which govern internal borrowing from Council's reserves.

## FINANCIAL

The proposed internal loan of \$3 million from the Sewerage Funds Reserve is accounted for in the *2023-24 Operational Plan* and draft *2024-33 Long-Term Financial Plan* (currently on public exhibition). Repayments will be made through the sale of the resultant parcels of land, with pricing inclusive of the interest payments required at the current indicative TCorp lending rate of 4.90%.

The funds are not expected to be required for major sewerage treatment facility upgrades or replacements within the next ten years, as any such works are anticipated to be funded through a combination of the *Stronger Communities Fund* (10%) and *Safe & Secure Water* (90%) programs.

As of 30 June 2023, the Sewerage Funds Reserve had a balance of \$4.665 million. After the proposed \$3 million internal loan, a remaining balance of approximately \$1.6 million will be available to cover any additional immediate capital works requirements that may arise.

The loan will be repaid through the sale of subdivision parcels.

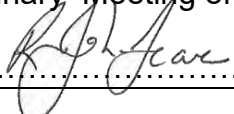
## INTEGRATED PLANS


### 1.1.2. Support a housing mix that gives choice and meets the needs of the community

1.1.2.2 Implement Council-managed housing subdivisions – Complete the Young Street residential development in Darlington Point.

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## RISK MANAGEMENT

The identified risks associated with the proposed internal loan are minimal: the Sewerage Funds Reserve will retain a sufficient balance to cover any immediate capital works requirements, and the loan will be repaid through the sale of the subdivision parcels, mitigating financial risks.

## CONSULTATION / ENGAGEMENT

- Council Workshop
- General Manager
- Finance Manager
- Office of Local Government

## OPTIONS

### Option 1 (recommendation)

That:

1. Council seeks Ministerial Approval under sections 410(3) and 410(4) of the *Local Government Act 1993* for an internal loan of \$3 million from the Sewerage Funds Reserve to fund the construction of a 55-lot residential subdivision at Young Street, Darlington Point.
2. The proposed internal loan will have a 10-year term, with semi-annual repayments based on the current indicative TCorp lending rate of 4.90%, subject to any changes to these conditions as required by the Minister.

### Option 2

Council endorses the request for Ministerial approval for an internal loan of \$3 million from the Sewerage Funds Reserve to fund the Young Street residential subdivision, but elects to seek different loan terms (for example, a different interest rate or repayment period).

### Option 3

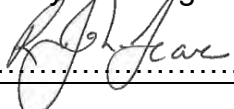
Council does not endorse the request for Ministerial approval. This option would delay or halt the progression of the Young Street residential subdivision, potentially impacting Council's ability to address housing affordability challenges and stimulate business and population growth in the community.

### Option 4

Council explores alternative funding options for the Young Street residential subdivision, such as external borrowing. This option may incur higher interest costs and is subject to uncertainty regarding the availability of funding.

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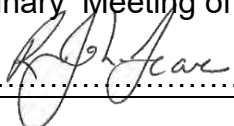
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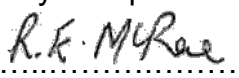
**ATTACHMENTS**

NIL

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**ITEM NO. 5 - DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION 1/2024 – PLACE OF PUBLIC WORSHIP, COLEAMBALLY**

Council Meeting:	23 April 2024
Report Date:	15 April 2024
Author:	Senior Town Planner
File #:	DA 1/2024
Approval:	General Manager

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report is presented to Council to consider Development Application 1/2024 for a *place of public worship* at 21-23 Curlew Crescent, Coleambally.

The matter is being reported to Council for determination, as two submissions have been received raising concerns with the development.

The development has been assessed regarding the matters for consideration set out in Section 4.15 of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act, 1979. The evaluation of the development is set out in Attachment # 4, and it concludes that the proposed development has merit.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That:**

**(a) Murrumbidgee Council, as the consent authority pursuant to Section 4.16(1) of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979, grant consent to Development Application No: DA 1/2024 for a *place of public worship* at Lot 1 DP 1290181, 21-23 Curlew Crescent, Coleambally subject to conditions, including those set out in Attachment # 5.**

**(b) The development application be delegated to the General Manager for issue of the notice of determination.**

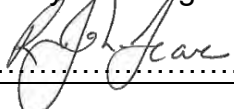
**BACKGROUND**


A development application has been made by Clearsky Environmental Services on behalf of Reform Movement Pty Ltd seeking development consent for a church, including associated car parking and landscaping. The plans and statement of environmental effects are contained in Attachment # 6.

The church will provide a regular weekly service, incorporating bible study and youth groups on Saturday, operating from 10.00am to 4.00pm, and also provide a midweek prayer group meetings on Wednesday from 7.00pm to 8.30pm.

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**Figure 1: Street Elevation**



The plans for Council consideration are set out in Attachment # 6.

## **STATUTORY COMPLIANCE/POLICY**

### Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979

The development application has been evaluated in accordance with the provisions of section 4.15 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979*. The full evaluation is provided in Attachment # 4 and can be summarised as follows:

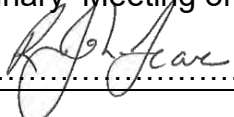
- a) The subject land is zoned RU5 Village and under Part 2 Land Use Table of Murrumbidgee Local Environmental Plan 2013 and a *place of public worship* is permitted with consent.
- b) The proposed development is unlikely to have any unreasonable impact on the environment, and, where an adverse impact has been identified, appropriate conditions have been imposed to mitigate the effects.
- c) The subject site is suitable for the proposed development.
- d) The proposed development does not raise any matter contrary to the public interest.

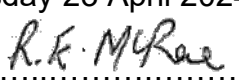
The assessment of the application indicates that the proposed development has merit and warrants approval.

## **FINANCIAL**

NIL

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## INTEGRATED PLANS

### Community Strategic Plan

The following themes of the Murrumbidgee Council *Community Strategic Plan 2022-2032* apply in this instance:

#### *People & Place*

The following strategy is contained under the theme of 'People & Place' and is considered relevant to the proposed development.

- Promote and support sporting, social, recreational and cultural opportunities and activities to increase participation and inclusion

The proposed development is considered to provide cultural opportunities and activities through participation and inclusion.

## RISK MANAGEMENT

The matters for consideration under section 4.15 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 ensure that all foreseeable risks are reviewed as part of the assessment process for any application.

## CONSULTATION / ENGAGEMENT

### Public Notification

The proposed development was notified in accordance with legislative requirements.

Two submissions were received and have been considered below (see Attachment # 7):

Two submissions were received raising the following concerns:

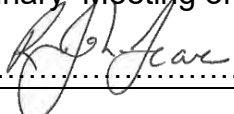
- Drainage works at the end of Curlew Crescent be completed as, even in moderate rain fall events, the drain becomes flooded.


Upgrade works cannot be applied to the developer in this instance, however there is an obligation that the extent of stormwater run-off from the church site not further compound drainage issues. In this regard a condition of consent has been imposed requiring the developer to provide onsite detention to control the release of stormwater from the site during rain events.

- Road works be completed at the end of Curlew Crescent, either by way of extension or a proper termination as a cul-de-sac.

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As the proposed development provides a separate entrance and exit to the site, Council cannot reasonably justify civil works to carry out road works beyond the site based on the proposed development.

- Reduction in property values

While Council must consider economic impact on the locality as a matter under Section 4.15(1)(b) case law states that this does not extend to the loss of property values.

- Increase noise on weekends due to crowds

The noise generated by the proposed church, which includes bible study and prayer groups, is not expected to have a detrimental impact on the amenity of the neighbourhood. Further it is not anticipated that any music associated with service or sermons which may use speakers would exceed normal daytime back ground levels. To allay the concerns of the objector, Council could impose a condition of consent to limit noise levels.

- Takes away the quiet community residential vibe of the street

Curlew Crescent is a quiet residential street, so therefore any non-residential use has the potential to go against the grain of the residential character or “vibe” as described by the objector. In this instance a place of public worship is a permissible use in the zone, and the very nature of the village zoning envisages a mix of appropriate non-residential uses throughout, providing that it does not disrupt the amenity of neighbours. Council is satisfied that the proposed church, with its use one evening per week (for an hour and a half) and the main activities associated with prayer and worship is not likely to have an unreasonable impact on the amenity of neighbours.

- High volume of traffic and traffic noise

The concerns raised in respect to an increase in the number of vehicles using Curlew Crescent is fair especially given that the street is effectively a cul-de-sac currently providing access to approximately 30 properties. While the increase in traffic will be significant, the design width of Curlew Crescent is adequate to meet the additional traffic volumes, one day per week on Saturday.

In terms of noise, the main activities associated with the church are during day time hours and would therefore not have an adverse impact on neighbours.

The applicant has provided a response to the submissions in Attachment # 8.



## OPTIONS

### Option 1 (recommendation)

That:

- (a) Murrumbidgee Council, as the consent authority pursuant to Section 4.16(1) of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979, grant consent to Development Application No: DA 1/2024 for a *place of public worship* at Lot 1 DP 1290181, 21-23 Curlew Crescent, Coleambally subject to conditions, including those set out in Attachment # 5.
- (b) The development application be delegated to the General Manager for issue of the notice of determination.

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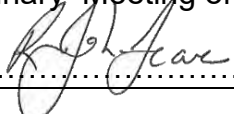
Any other resolution of Council.

## ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment # 4: Section 4.15 Assessment Report
- Attachment # 5: Recommended conditions of consent
- Attachment # 6: Architectural plans + SEE
- Attachment # 7: Submissions
- Attachment # 8: Response to submissions

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**ITEM NO. 6 - DRAFT VOLUNTARY PLANNING AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
MURRUMBIDGEE COUNCIL AND YANCO DELTA WIND FARM  
PTY LTD**

Council Meeting:	23 April 2024
Report Date:	5 April 2024
Author:	Director Planning Community & Development
Approval:	General Manager
Container No:	DA23/4174

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report seeks Council approval of the Voluntary Planning Agreement (VPA) with Yanco Delta Wind Farm Pty Ltd (Virya Energy Pty Ltd) relating to the development of the Yanco Delta Wind Farm.

The draft VPA and explanatory note were placed on public exhibition from 4 March 2024 until 1 April 2024. There were no submissions received during this period.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**Council enter into the Voluntary Planning Agreement with Yanco Delta Wind Farm Pty Ltd relating to State Significant Development 41743746 - Yanco Delta Wind Farm.**

**BACKGROUND**

Council resolved in February 2024 to commence public exhibition of the proposal to enter into a VPA with Virya Energy Pty Ltd relating to State Significant Development 41743746. Following this, Council was advised by Virya Energy that the developer name references in the VPA were to be changed from Virya Energy Pty Ltd to Yanco Delta Wind Farm Pty Ltd.

**OFFICER COMMENT**

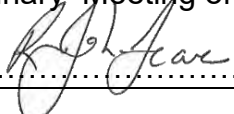
Entering into the VPA will result in the funding of the construction of a new Medical Centre in Jerilderie to the amount of \$5,000,000 as per Schedule 1 under Council's Section 7.12 Development Contributions Plan.


**SUSTAINABILITY**

The construction of a new Medical Centre in Jerilderie will significantly increase the sustainability of Jerilderie and surrounds well into the future.

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## **STATUTORY COMPLIANCE/POLICY**

The draft Voluntary Planning Agreement has been prepared and publicly notified in accordance with the EP&A Act and meets the principles and procedures of the Local Government Act and Council's Community Participation Plan.

## **FINANCIAL**

Costs associated with the preparation of the VPA have been the responsibility of the developer.

## **INTEGRATED PLANS**

### Community Strategic Plan

Action 1.1.4.4

Seek possible funding sources (grant funding, developer contributions) for the construction of a new Doctor's surgery in Jerilderie.

## **RISK MANAGEMENT**

N/A

## **CONSULTATION**

The draft VPA and explanatory note was placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days.

## **OPTIONS**

### Option 1 (recommendation)

Council enter into the Voluntary Planning Agreement with Yanco Delta Wind Farm Pty Ltd relating to State Significant Development 41743746 - Yanco Delta Wind Farm.

### Option 2

Another recommendation of Council.

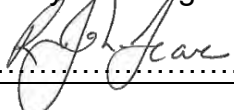
## **ATTACHMENTS**


Attachment # 9: Draft Voluntary Planning Agreement

Attachment # 10: Voluntary Planning Agreement Explanatory Note

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**ITEM NO. 7 – DRAFT PLAN OF MANAGEMENT FOR AREAS OF CULTURAL SIGNIFICANCE – JERILDERIE COURTHOUSE AND LIBRARY AND DRAFT GENERIC PLAN OF MANAGEMENT FOR NATURAL AREAS**

Council Meeting:	23 April 2024
Report Date:	15 April 2024
Author:	Senior Town Planner
File #:	SC119
Approval:	Director Planning, Community & Development

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to seek Council endorsement to exhibit the draft Plan of Management for Areas of Cultural Significance – Jerilderie Courthouse and Library and the draft generic Plan of Management for Natural Areas which are set out in Attachment # 11 and 12.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council endorse the Plan of Management for Areas of Cultural Significance – Jerilderie Courthouse and Library and the draft generic Plan of Management for Natural Areas to enable them to proceed to public exhibition.**

**OFFICER COMMENT**

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

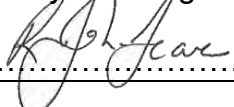

Council is required to place the draft plans on exhibition for a period of 28 days, and provide a further 14 days for submissions. It is suggested that the exhibition run from 26 April 2024 to 24 May 2024, with submissions being received up until 7 June 2024.

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

**STATUTORY COMPLIANCE/POLICY**

Murrumbidgee Council’s role, as a Crown land manager under the provisions of the CLM Act, is to ensure that land resources are to be shared equitably in accordance

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with the principles of environmental protection, conservation and ecological sustainability, public use and enjoyment as well as encouraging multiple use of land.

## **FINANCIAL**

The current project has no immediate financial implications for Council.

## **INTEGRATED PLANS**

### Community Strategic Plan

#### *Community*

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

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

#### *Environment*

- Maintaining a balance between growth, development and environmental protection

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

## **RISK MANAGEMENT**

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

## **OPTIONS**

### Option 1 (recommendation)

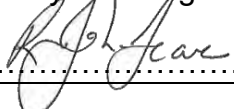
That Council endorse the Plan of Management for Areas of Cultural Significance – Jerilderie Courthouse and Library and the draft generic Plan of Management for Natural Areas to enable them to proceed to public exhibition.

### Option 2

Any other resolution of Council.

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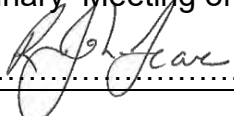
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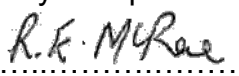
Attachment # 11: Draft Plan of Management Areas of Cultural Significance –  
Jerilderie Courthouse and Library

Attachment # 12: Draft generic Plan of Management for Natural Areas

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**ITEM NO. 8 - LOCAL HERITAGE FUND GRANT SCHEME 2023/24**

Council Meeting:	23 April 2024
Report Date:	28 March 2024
Author:	Economic & Tourism Development Manager
File #:	SC135
Approval:	Director of Planning, Community & Development

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Local Heritage Fund grant scheme was advertised during February and March 2024. As a result, seven (7) applications for funding assistance were received, for a total amount of \$26,285.40. The maximum grant amount advertised for each application for 2023/24 is \$5,000.

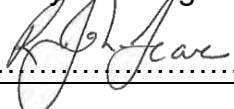
The applications were assessed by a panel, including Council's Heritage Advisor Noel Thomson, on 20 March 2024.

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council approve the 2023/2024 Local Heritage Fund grant recipients as follows:

Amount	Project
\$5,000	Works to St Joseph's Catholic Church, Jerilderie to repair damage cause by rising damp
\$4,000	Repairs to the balcony of the Punt Hotel, Darlington Point and repainting
\$5,000	Repairs to roof and restoration of original features of the barracks at The Homestead, Darlington Point
\$4,000	Replace fascia and paint the former Presbyterian Church, Darlington Point
\$4,750	Restumping of the cook's quarters at Toganmain Woolshed, Darlington Point
\$1,000	Repainting of the Darlington Point Post Office

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## BACKGROUND

At the Council meeting of November 2022, Council resolved to apply for funding through the 2023-2024 NSW Department of Planning and Environment Local Heritage Fund to undertake a local Heritage Improvement Program.

**183/11/22** *Resolved on the motion of Councillors Chirgwin and Gilbert that staff lodge a grant application for \$25,000 for a Local Heritage Fund for Murrumbidgee Council through the NSW Government Department of Planning and Environment Local Government Heritage Grant 2022.*

Council was subsequently successful with its application and, on 3 July 2023, signed a funding deed of \$25,000 made up of a grant of \$12,500 from the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage and co-funding of \$12,500 by Council, to fund upgrade works of local heritage items.

Funding is available for 'listed' heritage items in the Murrumbidgee Local Environmental Plan 2013, Jerilderie Local Environmental Plan 2012 or for buildings supported by Council's heritage advisor, Mr Noel Thomson, as being of heritage significance.

The Local Heritage Fund 2023/24 was advertised and opened for applications during February and March 2024. Mr Thomson reviewed the seven (7) applications received, whereupon the applications were presented to the panel on 21 March 2024 for their consideration and recommendation to Council. The Local Heritage Grant Assessment Summary is attached.

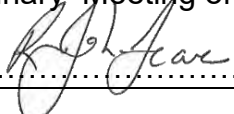
Seven (7) applications were received for heritage funding:

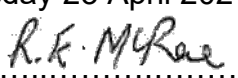
1. St Joseph's Church, Jerilderie - Works for rising damp
2. Toganmain Woolshed - Restump the cooks quarters
3. The Homestead, the Barracks, Darlington Point - Replace the roof and repair/restore original features
4. Punt Hotel, Darlington Point - Verandah repairs and painting
5. Presbyterian Church, Darlington Point - Fascia timber replaced and painted
6. Royal Mail Hotel, Jerilderie - Restoration works
7. Darlington Point Post Office - Paint the front of the post office

The outcome of those considerations were to distribute the grant funding as follows:

Amount	Project
\$5,000	Works to St Joseph's Catholic Church, Jerilderie to repair damage cause by rising damp
\$4,000	Repairs to the balcony of the Punt Hotel, Darlington Point and repainting

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\$5,000	Repairs to roof and restoration of original features of the barracks at The Homestead, Darlington Point
\$4,000	Replace fascia and paint the former Presbyterian Church, Darlington Point
\$4,750	Restumping of the cook's quarters at Toganmain Woolshed, Darlington Point
\$1,000	Repainting of the Darlington Point Post Office

One grant application, being for works to the Royal Mail Hotel, Jerilderie, was rejected, as it failed to address the grant application requirements.

Letters of offer will be provided to the successful applicants advising them of their obligations in accepting the grant.

Should an applicant decide not to take up the offer, the funds be set aside for a further round of offers in the 2024-2025 financial year.

#### **OFFICER COMMENT**

NIL

#### **SUSTAINABILITY**

The aim of the funding is to encourage and assist owners within the Murrumbidgee Council Local Government Area to conserve, restore and protect their historic buildings and places, by providing funding for heritage advice and minor works. It is hoped that this will lead to greater interest and concern for conservation for all heritage items within the Murrumbidgee Council area.

#### **STATUTORY COMPLIANCE/POLICY**

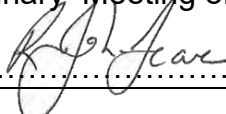
- Murrumbidgee Local Environmental Plan 2013
- Jerilderie Local Environmental Plan 2012
- Heritage Act 1977
- Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979
- Local Government Act, 1993
- Local Government (General) Regulation, 2005

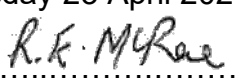
#### **FINANCIAL**

The 2023/24 Operational Plan documents an allocation of \$25,000 for the Local Heritage Fund. This funding is made up of a grant of \$12,500 from the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage and co-funding of \$12,500 by Council.

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## INTEGRATED PLANS

### Murrumbidgee Council Community Strategic Plan

1: Our Identity - people and place

1.2: We celebrate, embrace and preserve our cultural identities, our heritage and diversity

1.2.1: Provide opportunities for our community to showcase their heritage and diversity

## RISK MANAGEMENT

Applicants must complete projects by the due date (13 December 2024) or grant funds will not be paid. This would allow grant funds to be reallocated.

## CONSULTATION / ENGAGEMENT

### External

The Local Heritage Fund was advertised on Council's website, community newsletters, newspaper, direct and via social media.

### Internal

- Heritage Advisor
- Mayor
- Manager Economic and Tourism Development
- Senior Planner

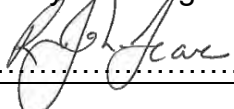
## OPTIONS

### Option 1 (recommendation)

That Council approve the 2023/2024 Local Heritage Fund grant recipients as follows:

Amount	Project
\$5,000	Works to St Joseph's Catholic Church, Jerilderie to repair damage cause by rising damp
\$4,000	Repairs to the balcony of the Punt Hotel, Darlington Point and repainting
\$5,000	Repairs to roof and restoration of original features of the barracks at The Homestead, Darlington Point

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\$4,000	Replace fascia and paint the former Presbyterian Church, Darlington Point
\$4,750	Restumping of the cook's quarters at Toganmain Woolshed, Darlington Point
\$1,000	Repainting of the Darlington Point Post Office

Option 2

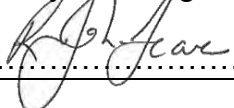

Another resolution as determined by Council.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment # 13: Local Heritage Fund Summary of Grants

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## ITEM NO. 9 - FOGO BIN LINER FEES

Council Meeting:	23 April 2024
Report Date:	10 April 2024
Author:	Director Planning, Community & Development
File #:	SC112
Approval:	General Manager

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report seeks Council approval for the adoption of FOGO bin liner fees to be incorporated into Council's Fees and Charges.

### RECOMMENDATION

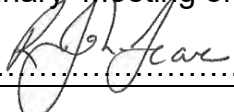
That the proposed fees for the supply of FOGO bin liners, as detailed below, be adopted.

<b>FOGO Liner Recommended Retail Price (inc. GST)</b>			
<b>Product Name</b>	<b>Per Bag</b>	<b>Per Roll</b>	<b>Per Box</b>
8L Kitchen Caddy Bags (150 bags per roll, 15 rolls per box)	\$ 0.15	\$21.90	\$298.64
12L Bin Liners (20 bags per roll, 12 rolls per box)	\$ 0.30	\$ 5.90	\$ 64.36
28L Bin Liners (20 bags per roll, 9 rolls per box)	\$ 0.38	\$ 7.50	\$ 61.36
40L Bin Liners (20 bags per roll, 9 rolls per box)	\$ 0.60	\$11.90	\$ 97.36
60L Bin Liners (20 bags per roll, 20 rolls per box)	\$ 0.90	\$17.90	\$325.45
80L Bin Liners (20 bags per roll, 12 rolls per box)	\$ 1.20	\$24.00	\$261.82
120-140L Bin Liners (12 bags per roll, 12 rolls per box)	\$ 1.83	\$21.90	\$238.91
240L Bin Liners (Council Sulo bin size) (10 bags per roll, 12 rolls per box)	\$ 3.19	\$31.90	\$382.80

### BACKGROUND

Council resolved in February 2024 to commence public exhibition of the proposed FOGO Bin Liner fees for a period of 28 days. The fees were exhibited on Council's website and Facebook from 12 March until 9 April 2024.

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## **OFFICER COMMENT**

There were no formal submissions received during the exhibition period. There were a number of Facebook comments on Council's post that, in summary, expressed that liners should be provided free of charge to encourage residents to use them.

As advertised and reported to the February Council meeting, each residential property is provided one roll of 8L bags per financial year free of charge. Any additional rolls can be purchased. The roll of 8L bags contain 150 bags, enough to use 2-3 bags per week.

Food businesses were all also provided several rolls of 60L bin liners at the initial roll out of FOGO.

## **SUSTAINABILITY**

N/A

## **STATUTORY COMPLIANCE/POLICY**

Local Government Act 1993

## **FINANCIAL**

Council sets its fees and charges each year as part of the budget process. As the FOGO liners are a new product, introduced since the fees and charges were adopted, they were not included. The FOGO liner fees need to be adopted before we can recoup costs and charge for the liners.

## **INTEGRATED PLANS**

### **Leading By Example**

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

## **RISK MANAGEMENT**

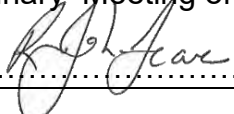
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## **CONSULTATION / ENGAGEMENT**

- Councillor Workshop
- Public exhibition for 28 days

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**OPTIONS**

Option 1

That the proposed fees for the supply of FOGO bin liners, as detailed in the above recommendation, be adopted.

Option 2

Another recommendation of Council.

**ATTACHMENT**

NIL

**ITEM NO. 10 - REQUEST TO SUSPEND ALCOHOL FREE ZONE FOR THE DARLINGTON POINT DEBUTANTE BALL**

Council Meeting:	23 April 2024
Report Date:	15 April 2024
Author:	Director Planning Community & Development
File #:	SC5
Approval:	General Manager

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The annual Darlington Point Debutante Ball is being held in the Murrumbidgee Shire Hall, Darlington Point on Saturday 4 May 2024, and the organisers have requested Council's permission for alcohol to be consumed on the outside area adjacent to the Hall.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council:**

- 1. Allow the prohibition on the consumption of alcohol at the Murrumbidgee Shire Hall, Darlington Point, Lot 201, DP 750908, 35 Carrington Street, Darlington Point, to be lifted from 6.30pm to midnight on Saturday 4 May, 2024;**
- 2. Allow the prohibition signs to be covered during the period of the celebrations;**
- 3. Notify the local Police; and**
- 4. Advertise Council's action.**

**BACKGROUND**

The area surrounding the Murrumbidgee Shire Hall is a designated alcohol-free zone.

**OFFICER COMMENT**

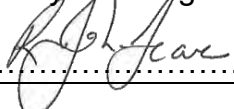
Under Section 644B of the Local Government Act, 1993 Council may establish an alcohol-free zone. However, Council may, at the request of any person or body or of its own motion, suspend the operation of an alcohol-free zone under Section 645 of the Local Government Act 1993.


**SUSTAINABILITY**

N/A

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## **STATUTORY COMPLIANCE/POLICY**

Sections 644B and 645 of the Local Government Act, 1993

## **FINANCIAL**

NIL

## **INTEGRATED PLANS**

### Community Strategic Plan

Strategy 1.4 - Enhancing Health and Wellbeing

Strategy 1.5 - Creating a Safe Community

## **RISK MANAGEMENT**

A risk assessment is to be completed by Council's Work Health & Safety and Risk Assessment Officer.

## **CONSULTATION/ENGAGEMENT**

The Darlington Point Debutante Ball Committee

## **OPTIONS**

### Option 1 (recommendation)

That Council:

1. Allow the prohibition on the consumption of alcohol at the Murrumbidgee Shire Hall, Darlington Point, Lot 201, DP 750908, 35 Carrington Street, Darlington Point, to be lifted from 6.30pm to midnight on Saturday 4 May, 2024;
2. Allow the prohibition signs to be covered during the period of the celebrations;
3. Notify the local Police; and
4. Advertise Council's action.

### Option 2

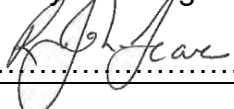
Another recommendation of Council.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

NIL

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## ITEM NO. 11 - STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS

Council Meeting:	23 April 2024
Report Date:	10 April 2024
Author:	Manager Corporate & Community Services
File #:	SC131
Approval:	General Manager

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council awards three (3) annual \$1,000 scholarships to local students. The purpose of this report is to seek a Council resolution to award the 2024 Scholarships.

### RECOMMENDATION

**The Murrumbidgee Council Student Scholarships for 2024 be awarded to Tiarna Burke, Zavier Cadorin and Olivia Whelan.**

### BACKGROUND

Seven applications for the student scholarships have been received. The Student Scholarship Committee includes all Councillors.

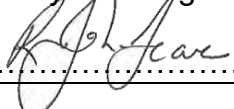
### OFFICER COMMENT


Originally Council awarded three (3) \$1,000 scholarships annually to students, one applicant from each of the towns within the Council area (Coleambally, Darlington Point and Jerilderie). Depending on the number of applications received and the residential address of applicants each year, Council has, in the past, awarded the scholarships by merit and not specifically one to each town, or have resolved to award more than the three advertised scholarships.

Applicants for the student scholarship are detailed below:

NAME OF APPLICANT	WHAT THEY ARE STUDYING AND WHERE	WHAT YEAR OF STUDY THEY ARE AT	IS IT A COMPLYING APPLICATION
Abbey A'Vard	Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care  Early Childhood Education Services & Training (Online)	2 <sup>nd</sup> Year	Yes

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Alex A'Vard	Electrician Wangaratta TAFE	3 <sup>rd</sup> Year	Yes
Tiarna Burke	Bachelor of Occupational Therapy Charles Sturt University, Albury/Wodonga	4 <sup>th</sup> Year	Yes
Zavier Cadourin	Bachelor of Physiotherapy Charles Sturt University, Orange	4 <sup>th</sup> Year	Yes
Dharian Causon	Bachelor of Social Work University of Wollongong	3 <sup>rd</sup> Year	Yes
Aisha Tomkinson	Bachelor of Occupational Therapy Charles Sturt University, Albury/Wodonga	3 <sup>rd</sup> Year	Yes
Olivia Whelan	Bachelor of Nutrition and Dietetics University of Wollongong	1 <sup>st</sup> Year	Yes

## **SUSTAINABILITY**

NIL

## **STATUTORY COMPLIANCE/POLICY**

NIL

## **FINANCIAL**

The current annual budget allocation allows \$3,000 for this purpose.

## **INTEGRATED PLANS**

### 2023-2024 Operational Plan

Strategic Activities: 1: Our Identity – people and place  
Action 1.1.5.3 Provide Education Scholarships.

## **RISK MANAGEMENT**

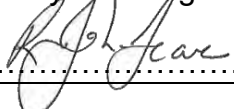
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## **CONSULTATION / ENGAGEMENT**

Scholarships were advertised and available to all students within the Murrumbidgee Council LGA.

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## OPTIONS

### Option 1 (recommendation)

The Murrumbidgee Council Student Scholarships for 2024 be awarded to Tiarna Burke, Zavier Cadorin and Olivia Whelan.

### Option 2

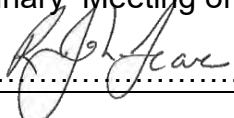
Award more than the three scholarships at \$1,000 each, with any additional funds to be sourced from General Funds.

## ATTACHMENTS

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**ITEM NO. 12 - MURRUMBIDGEE COUNCIL COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM, COLEAMBALLY SOLAR FARM COMMUNITY FUND AND LIONS CLUB OF DARLINGTON POINT COMMUNITY GRANT**

Council Meeting:	23 April 2024
Report Date:	9 April 2024
Author:	Manager, Corporate & Community Services
File #:	SC361
Approval:	General Manager

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

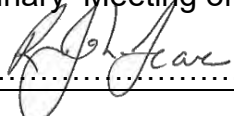

Each year Council allocates \$20,000 for Community Grants, manages and recommends the Coleambally Solar Farm Community Fund of \$10,000 and the Darlington Point Lions Club Grant of \$2,000.

**RECOMMENDATION**

1. That funding recipients for the 2024 Murrumbidgee Council Community Grants Program be as detailed below:

Organisation	Grant Amount	Purpose
Coleambally Squash Club	\$1,649.40	Junior safety glasses, ice packs and refrigerator.
Country Education Foundation of Coleambally/ Darlington Point	\$2,000.00	Contribution to education grants.
Cypress View Lodge	\$2,000.00	Sit to stand lifter chair.
Darlington Point Men's Shed Inc	\$2,000.00	Contribution towards new accessible toilet facilities.
Darlington Point Riverina Classic Catch & Release Fishing Competition	\$2,000.00	Lures for all junior entrants in competition.
Jerilderie Apex Club	\$2,000.00	Defibrillator for patrons and APEX staff for all APEX run events.
Jerilderie Bowls Club via Jerilderie Sports Club	\$2,000.00	5 sets of bowls to attract participants to barefoot bowls.
Jerilderie Football Netball Club	\$2,000.00	Branded gazebo with JFNC logo/graphics and printer/scanner/photocopier.

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<b>Toganmain Woolshed Precinct</b>	<b>\$2,000.00</b>	<b>First aid equipment, hard hats, gloves, hi-vis vests and portable diesel generator.</b>
<b>Waddi Cultural Information Centre</b>	<b>\$2,000.00</b>	<b>Portable PA system</b>

2. That funding recipients for the 2024 Coleambally Solar Farm Community Fund, as detailed below, be recommended to Coleambally Solar Pty Ltd:

<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Grant Amount</b>	<b>Purpose</b>
<b>Coleambally Central School P&amp;C Association</b>	<b>\$1,895.00</b>	<b>Contribution to Intensive swim survival program.</b>
<b>Coleambally Squash Club</b>	<b>\$2,105.00</b>	<b>Junior development balls, racket ball rackets and squash rackets.</b>
<b>Darlington Point Public School P&amp;C</b>	<b>\$3,000.00</b>	<b>Contribution towards Sydney excursion for Year 5 &amp; 6.</b>
<b>Yamma Management Committee</b>	<b>\$3,000.00</b>	<b>Signal boosters to improve mobile phone coverage.</b>

3. That the recipients of the 2024 Darlington Point Lions Club Grant be:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Grant Amount</b>	<b>Purpose</b>
<b>Kayne Ballintine</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>Assistance with university supplies and living expenses</b>
<b>Rebecca Norris (DP Swimming Pool)</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>Aqua fitness equipment and storage containers</b>

## **BACKGROUND**

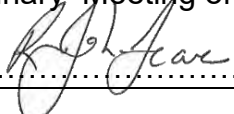
### Murrumbidgee Council Community Grants

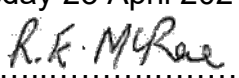
Each year Council allocates \$20,000 for community grants. These were advertised and applications closed on 15 March, 2024. Ten (10) applications were received. The maximum grant amount advertised for each application for 2024 is \$2,000. The community grant guidelines state that Council may offer a grant of less than the amount requested.

### Coleambally Solar Farm Community Grant

Coleambally Solar Farm (CSF) commits \$20,000 each calendar year to the Coleambally Solar Farm Community Fund to provide support to local projects that benefit and strengthen the Riverina region and align with certain community growth focus areas. \$10,000 each year is distributed to the Murrumbidgee Community Experimental/Demonstration Farm and \$10,000 is to be distributed to projects through an open and competitive program.

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Council has a Memorandum of Understanding with Coleambally Solar Pty Ltd in regard to the establishment, facilitation and operation of the Coleambally Solar Farm Community Fund. Council is responsible for managing, facilitating, advertising, marketing and any other management activities in respect of the CSF Community Fund. Council makes recommendations to Coleambally Solar Farm Pty Ltd as to which applications should receive funding, providing copies of those applications to CSF.

Council advertised for applications from community organisations seeking financial assistance under the Community Fund. At the close of applications on 15 March, 2024, eight (8) applications had been received for a total requested amount of \$20,380.00, with \$10,000 available for distribution.

Applications for grants of between \$500 and \$3,000 will be awarded to projects.

#### Lions Club of Darlington Point Community Grant

Following the closing of Lions Club Darlington Point, Council was approached to manage an amount of \$40,000 donated by the Club for the purpose of an annual grant. This money is to be allocated to residents or organisations within Darlington Point for the purpose of education, children's aid or community wellbeing. This is to be an annual fund allocation to the value of no more than \$2,000, distributed in part or in whole to recipients selected by Murrumbidgee Council.

Six (6) applications were received at the closing date, for a total requested amount of \$10,879.50.

### **SUSTAINABILITY**

N/A

### **STATUTORY COMPLIANCE/POLICY**

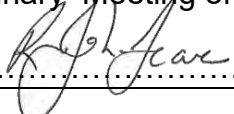
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### **FINANCIAL**

Murrumbidgee Council Community Grants has a budget of \$20,000. Under the Memorandum of Understanding, Coleambally Solar Farm Pty Ltd will provide \$20,000 per year to Murrumbidgee Council to distribute - with \$10,000 of this distributed to the Murrumbidgee Community Experimental/Demonstration Farm. Darlington Point Lions Club grant has a budget of \$2,000 per year.

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## **INTEGRATED PLANS**

### Murrumbidgee Council Delivery Program

Strategic Activities: 1 Our Identity – People And Place

1.1 We work together to support all members of the community.

Action 1.1.5.4 Provide grants as part of the Grant Program.

## **RISK MANAGEMENT**

N/A

## **CONSULTATION / ENGAGEMENT**

- Councillors
- Director Planning, Community & Development
- Community through local newspaper advertisements, Council website and Facebook

## **OPTIONS**

### Option 1

As per the recommendation.

### Option 2

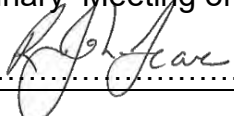
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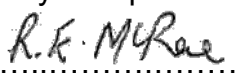
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# REPORTS/MINUTES OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

## ITEM NO. 13 - JERILDERIE AUSTRALIA DAY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Council Meeting: 23 April 2024  
Report Date: 5 February 2024  
Author: Jerilderie Tidy Towns Committee Secretary  
File #: SC21  
Approval: Section 355 Committee of Council

**Present:** Hilary Knight, Dean Knight, Ruth McRae, Louisa Bryce, Jeff Ham, Joan Blackmore, Laurie Blackmore, Faith Bryce, Joy Knight, Cath Rorato, Tony Scheffe, Kevin A'Vard

**Apologies:** None

### Minutes of the previous meeting

**Moved:** Joy Knight

**Seconded:** Ruth McRae

**Correspondence In:** None

**Correspondence Out:** Thank you letters to the IGA and Yanco Delta Wind Farm

**Moved:** Laurie Blackmore

**Seconded:** Kevin A'Vard

### Treasurer's Report

Donations were \$1250.00.

All expenses have been paid.

\$6,329.78 in the working account. ■

Cheques haven't presented yet.

Money from the football club is to come in.

Profit was \$632.57 and this was mainly due to the donations.

**Moved:** Joan Blackmore

**Seconded:** Jeff Ham

### General Business

The BBQ prices were revisited. Hamburgers profit, we double our money on them. Sausages we double on them, profit of \$1.00. Chips cost us \$1.40 and we sell them for \$4.00. Chicken burgers are expensive and we don't make much on them.

Need more serviettes. The sauce and the rolls both ran out.

Need more people selling raffle tickets. At least 4 are required. Need to be walking around between 7.00-8.00.

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.....*R. J. Fear*..... General Manager

.....*R. E. McRae*..... Mayor



There were volunteers on the night which was great.

The chip cooks did a great job. Next year the chips will be non compliant as there is no grease trap in the proposed new area. The hall will be the point for cooking chips.

The event will still be held in the same position. Truck will still be used. The steps up onto the truck are a concern. Can get a smaller stage if we are required to.

Storage for Australia Day BBQ is in the Council shed with the roller door.  
Thank you to the Council staff who brought over the bain marie, steps, lectern etc.

A new spinning wheel is going to be purchased by Apex and to be confirmed with the Lions Clubs.

We will look for grants through our local member if Lions aren't able to support this.

The Lions Club members coped well with the night.

We will sell glow products next year.

There was too much change for the raffle. We don't need \$50 in them. \$100 worth of change in each apron is enough. IT needs the two compartments and needs to be deeper.

The road is never closed off and there is nothing on the compliance saying there needs to be. A reminder will be made on the microphone to look after your children.

Two thank you letters to be sent to Dougal McGuinness and John Bryne for their donations.

A thank you to the local and surrounding communities for supporting the event and a thank you to the volunteers on the night will go in the Just Jerilderie section of the SRN.

**Meeting closed: 9.00**

**ITEM NO. 14 - JERILDERIE TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

Council Meeting:	23 April 2024
Report Date:	8 April 2024
Author:	Jerilderie Tidy Towns Committee Secretary
File #:	SC21
Approval:	Section 355 Committee of Council

Meeting opened at 4.00pm, Monash Room.

**Present:** Faith Bryce (chair), Sadie Herrick, Richard Wright, Ann Wright, Joan Ferris, Garry Borger, Margaret Borger, Pat Read, Jackie Molloy, Polly Fisher, Chris Girdwood, Isabell Milne, Wendy Hurd, Tania Roe, Chris Powley.

**Apologies:** Gwen McLaughlin, Loretta Marriott, Ruth McRae, Michelle Read, Lyn Gillard, Ian Girdwood, Pat Godfrey, Judy Knight.

Moved: Margie    Seconded: Joan    that the apologies be accepted.  
Carried.

The Minutes of the last meeting held Thursday March 7, 2024 were accepted as read on the motion of: Faith.    Seconded: Sadie  
Carried.

**Business arising from the Minutes:**

- Members concurred that Council be approached to enter '3 Bin Project' in the KAB Awards.

**Treasurer's report as tabled:**

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

**Correspondence:**

**Inwards:** NIL

**Outwards:** NIL

**Business arising out of Correspondence:**

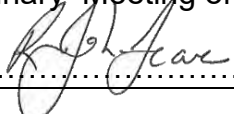
- NIL


Moved: Sadie    Seconded: Wendy    that correspondence report be accepted.

Carried.

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.....General Manager

.....Mayor

**General Business:**

- Chair welcomed all to our new meeting venue. Thanks to our Library Staff who enabled us to meet here.
- Judy Knight had offered some ideas (via message) for future consideration.
  - Playground on new estate.
  - Seating for Memorial Park as seen in Howlong
- Sadie to write up an annual project list of working bees etc and distribute to Members.
- Reminder that our next Working Bee will be Sunday April 21, 2024 at Memorial Park at 9.00am. No pressure on Members to attend.
- Meeting was informed that students from St Joey’s visited Memorial Park and did a spot of weeding as part of their community involvement for St Joseph’s Day. Thanks staff and kiddies. Great to see this happening.
- Polly mentioned the Town Entrance signage and the installation of lighting. The quotes for lighting that we have received far exceed our capacity to do this project. We will keep it on our ‘hope to do’ list.
- Richard asked Chair about the fate and storage of Tidy Towns items. The amount of stuff that we have can be stored beneath Council building.
- Tania mentioned that she has noticed a lot of rubbish at Weir Bolton St. We will check if there is a bin and maybe Members could clear some of the items if walking past the Weir.
- Wendy brought up the worry of dirty water. Meeting was informed that this has been occurring in the middle of the town.
- Sadie inquired after health of Member Lorretta Marriott. Jackie gave us update. We will send a get well card to Lorretta.

**Meeting Closed: 4.50pm**

**Next Meeting: Monday May 6, 2024**

**At: The Monash Room at the Library.**

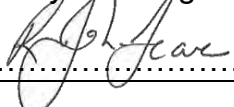

**Time: 4.00pm**

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**President** **Date**

**WHO TO DO WHAT**

- Working Bee Memorial Park Sunday April 21, 2024 9.00am.
- Sadie to do annual project/working bee list to distribute to Members.
- Get well card to Lorretta.
- If going for a walk maybe take gloves and carry bag and pick up any rubbish.

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 General Manager  Mayor

# TREASURER'S REPORT

## JERILDERIE TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE

06/04/24

### Account QuickReport As of April 8, 2024

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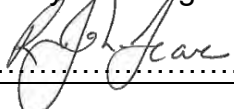

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Split	Amount	Balance
<b>BENDIGO BANK A/C</b>							11,850.20
Deposit	2/2/2024			Deposit	FINES & T...	22.00	11,872.20
Deposit	3/11/2024			Deposit	Miscellaneo...	293.15	12,165.35
Total BENDIGO BANK A/C						315.15	12,165.35
<b>TOTAL</b>						<b>315.15</b>	<b>12,165.35</b>

## Activities for the Year

January	Resting
February	First meeting
March	-
April	Working bee Memorial Park for ANZAC Day
May	Working bee Luke Park
June	Rose pruning at Cemetery
July	Clean Up after B & S Ball
August	-
September	Clean Up after Race Day
October	Garden Judging for Flower Show. Tidy Towns AGM?
November	-
December	Our Christmas Party. Light Up Jerilderie Christmas Lights Judging.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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# OFFICERS' REPORTS FOR NOTING

ITEM NO. 15 - MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORT – MARCH 2024

Council Meeting:	23 April 2024
Report Date:	12 April 2024
Author:	Accountant
File #:	SC133
Approval:	General Manager

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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

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

## RECOMMENDATION

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

## BACKGROUND

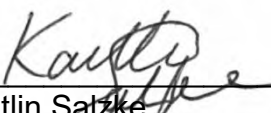
As at 31 March 2024, Council's total invested funds were \$30,296,919 as detailed in the attachment.

Funds invested with Bendigo Bank were approximately 55%.

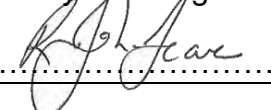
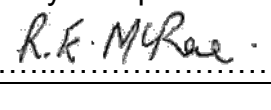
Murrumbidgee Council's money-weighted rate of return (MWRR) outperformed the Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bill Index benchmark rate for both the month and the financial year to date.

## OFFICER COMMENT

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

  
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Kaitlin Salzke  
Responsible Accounting Officer

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## **SUSTAINABILITY**

NIL

## **STATUTORY COMPLIANCE/POLICY**

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

## **FINANCIAL**

Nil, for information only.

## **INTEGRATED PLANS**

### **Leading By Example**

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

## **RISK MANAGEMENT**

N/A

## **CONSULTATION / ENGAGEMENT**

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

## **OPTIONS**

Option 1 (recommendation)

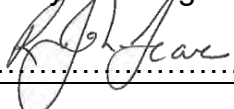
Council note the monthly Investment Reports identifying all money Council has invested under section 625 of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment # 14: Investments as at 31 March 2024

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**ITEM NO. 16 – NEW COUNCIL IMPLEMENTATION FUND – MARCH 2024**

Council Meeting:	23 April 2024
Report Date:	15 April 2024
Author:	Finance Manager
File #:	SC59
Approval:	General Manager

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Council originally received a grant of \$5m for the purposes of funding the work to be undertaken to merge the two Councils, with an additional amount of \$1,225,000 being received for specific purposes.

This report provides an update on expenditure to date of these tied and untied New Council Implementation Funds (NCIF).

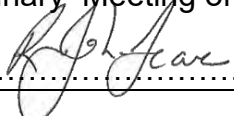
**RECOMMENDATION**


**That the contents of the New Council Implementation Fund-March 2024 report be noted.**

**BACKGROUND**

	<b>Amended Budget</b>	<b>Expenditure (Mar 2024)</b>
PMO Staffing	\$1,600,091	\$1,600,091
Asset Management	\$336,300	\$336,300
Communications/Webpage	\$67,254	\$67,254
Information Technology	\$1,815,549	\$1,815,549
Policy Development	\$30,522	\$30,522
Human Resources (staff training and accommodation)	\$304,476	\$304,476
Marketing & Branding	\$92,440	\$92,440
Service Reviews	\$126,672	\$126,672
Signage/Uniforms/Rebranding	\$120,871	\$120,871
SCF Grant Administration	\$50,335	\$50,335
Miscellaneous	\$247,948	\$247,948
GIS Conversion Project	\$31,585	\$31,585
Integrated Telephone System	\$61,058	\$61,058
Local Representation Committee Allowances (2016/17)	\$124,118	\$124,118
Provision for adjustment to new Salary System during 18/19	\$335,971	\$335,971
Provision of funding for telephone tower at Bundure	\$369,386	\$369,386

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Integrate & update LEP and DCP's	\$213,698	\$209,887
Provision of project readiness-design briefs & estimates	\$296,726	\$296,726
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,225,000</b>	<b>\$6,221,189</b>

**OFFICER COMMENT**

The remaining funds from this project amount to \$3,811, and are earmarked for the amalgamation of the LEP and associated works which are continuing.

Officers from the Office of Local Government have verbally advised acceptance of the variations to the NCIF program and these variations have been listed within the amended budget amounts.

**SUSTAINABILITY**

N/A

**STATUTORY COMPLIANCE/POLICY**

Quarterly updates are required to be provided to Council, with 6 monthly reports to the Office of Local Government.

**FINANCIAL**

As listed

**INTEGRATED PLANS**

Amendment to overall project costing has been authorised within the operational plan and delivery programmes for the 2023-24 financial year, as per quarterly budget review undertaken to September 2023.

**RISK MANAGEMENT**

N/A

**CONSULTATION / ENGAGEMENT**

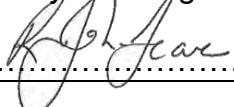

N/A

**OPTIONS**

Option 1 (recommendation)

That the contents of the New Council Implementation Fund-March 2024 report be noted.

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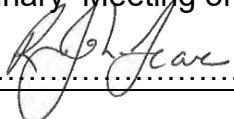


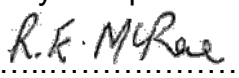
**ATTACHMENTS**

NIL

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**ITEM NO. 17 - DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS APPROVED UNDER DELEGATION – MARCH 2024**

Council Meeting:	23 April 2024
Report Date:	5 April 2024
Author:	Director Planning, Community & Development
File #:	SC210
Approval:	General Manager

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

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

**RECOMMENDATION**

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

**BACKGROUND**

<b>DA43-2023</b>	<b>19 &amp; 21 Brolga Place Coleambally</b>	<b>01/03/2024</b>	<b>Approved (Delegation)</b>
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**Description:**

Additions and alterations to an existing food and drink premises and change of use from retail to food and drink premises at 19-21 Brolga Place to create a café/restaurant having a maximum capacity for 90 persons and the consolidation of Lots 106 & 107 DP 236144, 19 & 21 Brolga Place Coleambally.

**Consideration in determining application:**

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

<b>DA5-2024</b>	<b>40 Bolton Street Jerilderie</b>	<b>07/03/2024</b>	<b>Approved (Delegation)</b>
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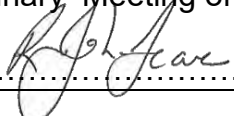
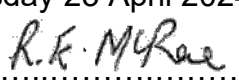
**Description:**

Single storey dwelling

**Consideration in determining application:**

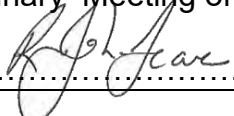
The development application was assessed under Section 4.15 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. Neighbour notification and agency referral was not required.

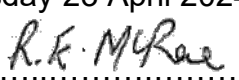
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<b>DA48-2023</b>	<b>1 Wood Street Jerilderie</b>	<b>14/03/2024</b>	<b>Approved (Delegation)</b>
<b><u>Description:</u></b>	<b><u>Consideration in determining application:</u></b>		
Erection of a carport	The development application was assessed under Section 4.15 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. Neighbour notification was carried out.		
<b>DA47-2023</b>	<b>Darlington Street Darlington Point</b>	<b>27/3/2024</b>	<b>Approved (Delegation)</b>
<b><u>Description:</u></b>	<b><u>Consideration in determining application:</u></b>		
Erection of a flat pack moveable dwelling, carport and separate shed	The development application was assessed under Section 4.15 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. Neighbour notification and agency referral was not required.		
<b>DA46-2023</b>	<b>Coleambally Preschool Falcon Road Coleambally</b>	<b>15/03/2024</b>	<b>Approved (Delegation)</b>
<b><u>Description:</u></b>	<b><u>Consideration in determining application:</u></b>		
Construction of a 9.0 m x 10.5 m shade structure	The development application was assessed under Section 4.15 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. Public exhibition was carried out.		
<b>DA42-2023</b>	<b>1307 Cadell Road Gala Vale</b>	<b>05/03/2024</b>	<b>Approved (Delegation)</b>
<b><u>Description:</u></b>	<b><u>Consideration in determining application:</u></b>		
Composting facility	The development application was assessed under Section 4.15 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. Neighbour notification and agency referral was carried out.		
<b>Modification DA22-2-1995</b>	<b>13-15 Ryan Street Darlington Point</b>	<b>08/03/2024</b>	<b>Approved (Delegation)</b>
<b><u>Description:</u></b>	<b><u>Consideration in determining application:</u></b>		
Multi-dwelling residential development	The development application was assessed under Section 4.15 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. Neighbour notification was carried out.		

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## CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

ITEM NO: 18 – DARLINGTON POINT FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT PROGRAM – ROSS STREET STORMWATER PUMPING STATION

Council Meeting:	23 April 2024
Report Date:	15 April 2024
Author:	General Manager
File #:	SC692
Approval:	General Manager

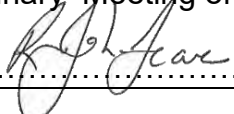
### RECOMMENDATION

This report is **CONFIDENTIAL** in accordance with Section 10A (2) (d) (i) of the Local Government Act 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following: -

- d) Commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed:
  - i) Prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

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