

**GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORTS TO COUNCIL MEETING
TO BE HELD TUESDAY 30 OCTOBER 2018**

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ITEM NO. 1-DELEGATE'S REPORT - WESTERN RIVERINA LIBRARIES MEETING
FILE: 03.16.06 / 07.01.01
FROM: COUNCILLOR SMITH

On Thursday, 18 October 2018, I attended the Western Riverina Libraries Meeting in Griffith.

Background

These meetings are held 6 monthly, and represent a co-operative of libraries from Hay, Carrathool, Narrandera, Griffith and Murrumbidgee Councils.

The Chair is a biennial position, undertaken on rotation, with Murrumbidgee currently fulfilling that role and Griffith Library having the lead role.

Items from the previous meeting were dealt with via an action sheet.

The annual report was presented, a copy of which is available at the library or electronically.

Each librarian spoke to a significant event with:

- Hay and Narrandera highlighting success with grant funding for their respective library extensions, both to be identified as youth areas;
- Carrathool highlighting success in obtaining funding for two IT based community projects, which also allowed them to purchase two iPads for their library;
- Griffith spoke to the difficulties surrounding reviewing and storing their Local Studies Collection, as well as Book Week;
- Jerilderie discussed the implementation of the RFID.

A general discussion was held about the success of Book Week with author Lisa Shanahan. It felt that nearly all school age children were able to attend and it is anticipated that there is still funding which will allow another author to visit next year.

Additionally, a joint application to fund a Mobile Library has been made by Narrandera and Carrathool Libraries.

Funding, or reduction thereof, for libraries, became a significant item in the last State Budget. Previously Council has sent a letter of support to NSW Public Libraries Association for any action/s they were taking to have this funding shortfall reviewed and they are now asking for more formalised support. This is further addressed as a separate item within the Business Papers.

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Additionally, there will be a NSW Public Libraries Association, South West Zone meeting on the 15 November in Wagga. This zone, one of eight, covers an area of 131,000 sq. kms, representing 23 Councils and 41 libraries (see information below).

Cr Gaila Smith
Present Chair
Western Riverina Libraries Committee



SOUTH-WEST ZONE

INFORMATION FOR COUNCILLORS

The NSW Country Public Libraries Association was formed by a group of councillors and library staff in 1989 as a support and advocacy group for country libraries operated by councils across the state.

Almost 30 years later, the Association now known as the NSW Public Libraries Association (NSWPLA) represents libraries in country and metropolitan councils statewide, and has 100% membership of NSW councils.

NSWPLA has established strategic partnerships with Local Government NSW, the State Library of NSW and the Australian Library & Information Association, and now has a voice in each of those peak library forums.

During 2018, the Association demonstrated its political capacity by securing pre-election promises of increased library funding from both major political parties - \$50m in additional funding from the Labor Party and \$60m extra from the Liberal Party.

NSWPLA is divided into 8 geographic zones – 3 in the Sydney metropolitan area and 5 in country NSW.

The South-West Zone covers a large geographic area of 131,000 sq km from Boorowa in the east to Wentworth in the west, and Hillston in the north to Albury in the south. The South-West Zone supports its 23 councils and 41 libraries through four meetings per year.

Two full zone meetings include councillor and library manager representatives, to discuss political and strategic matters aimed at strengthening library services, whilst two library managers meetings consider operational and collaborative opportunities with the same goal in mind. The South-West Zone Digital Library is a great example of a successful zone-wide initiative, which provides access to a large collection of eResources to constituents of all councils across the zone.

All councillors are welcome to attend South-West Zone meetings and are encouraged to contact council general managers or library managers for further information about the NSWPLA South West Zone.

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ITEMS FOR DECISION

ITEM NO. 2- OFFICE CLOSURE – CHRISTMAS / NEW YEAR
FILE: 03.11
FROM: GENERAL MANAGER

Murrumbidgee Council Administrative Offices traditionally close between Christmas and New Year.

In 2017, all internal staff were granted 3.5 days special leave in lieu in recognition of the unpaid overtime worked throughout the year.

This year, Christmas Day falls on Tuesday 25 December, and additional public holidays have been declared for Wednesday 26 December 2018 and Tuesday 1 January 2019.

In keeping with this tradition, closure of the office is suggested from 12 noon, Monday 24 December 2018 with the office to re-open 8.30am on Wednesday 2 January 2018, a total of 3 1/2 working days special leave.

RECOMMENDATION

Murrumbidgee Council Administrative Offices be closed for the Christmas/New Year period from 12 noon, Monday 24 December 2018 to re-open 8.30am Wednesday 2 January 2018, and that the internal staff be granted 3.5 days special leave in lieu of unpaid overtime.

ITEM NO. 3 - REQUEST TO SUSPEND ALCOHOL FREE ZONE FOR 2019 AUSTRALIA DAY CELEBRATIONS

FILE: 02.02

FROM: GENERAL MANAGER

The Australia Day celebrations in Jerilderie are held in and around the Civic Hall and Luke Park. As part of the celebrations, Council's permission for alcohol to be consumed in the area surrounding the Council Chambers, Civic Hall, Luke Park and Powell Street, is sought.

The prohibition under Section 632 of the Local Government Act, 1993 prohibits the consumption of alcohol between sunset and sunrise, however this restriction may be lifted by Council for specific functions.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council resolve to:-

- i) Allow the prohibition on the consumption of alcohol in the vicinity of the Council Chambers, Civic Hall, Luke Park and Powell Street to be lifted from midday to midnight on 26 January, 2019;
- ii) Allow the prohibition signs to be covered during the period of the celebrations;
- iii) Notify the local Police; and
- iv) Advertise Council's action.

ITEM NO. 4 - JERILDERIE AQUATIC CLUB AND LAKE JERILDERIE
FILE: 04.05
FROM: GENERAL MANAGER

Back Ground

The Jerilderie Aquatic Club has a 100 ML licenced allocation. Of the 100 ML licence, they have the ability to draw 36 ML, with the balance of 64 ML in overflow conditions.

The current state of Lake Jerilderie would require close to 80 ML to make it usable for the Aquatic Club purposes.

Current understanding between the Jerilderie Aquatic Club and Council is that the Aquatic Club’s allocation is used to keep the aesthetics of the Lake to an attractive point.

Officer Comment

Members of the Jerilderie Aquatic Club approached me as to the options, as the 36 ML will not be enough to make the Lake useable for their purposes. In addition, there is a requirement to do bank rehabilitation in the next couple of years.

I have since learned that it was a desire for Council to look to secure additional licence allocation for the lake, and I must do further investigation about that possibility.

In conversation with the Aquatic Club members, they asked for Council’s blessing to sell the water on the open market and use those proceeds to do work on the bank. This would involve draining more water, reshaping the bank, placing a geo fabric material and covering with top soil and seeding. They asked for the endorsement because of the understanding the Aquatic Club has with Council.

My question to them was how much water do we need...100 ML should suffice on top of the 36 ML, and on today’s market that is approximately \$40,000.

In further investigating this topic, it is found that out of the Council’s water allocation, we may be letting run down the Billabong Creek between 35 and 70 ML per year, in future years it may be possible to send this water to the Lake, however in saying this I would like to see a firm management plan, as we must maintain, as a priority, the water to the treatment plant sufficient for the residents’ needs.

Options

1. Authorisation for the purchase up to \$40,000 of water from the market for Lake Jerilderie, as a once off for the 2018/2019 year, only purchasing as required in management with the Jerilderie Aquatic Club’s 36 ML and potential overflow allotment of 64 ML. Further, provide a detailed plan of Lake water management

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for future years, including use of the Jerilderie Aquatic Club allocation, Council allocation, and the affordability of purchasing additional licence for consideration in the 2019/2020 budget.

2. Provide blessing to the Aquatic Club to sell their 36 ML of water to invest into bank repairs
3. Maintain the status quo where the Aquatic Club uses their allocation for aesthetic purposes.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council authorise the General Manager to purchase up to \$40,000 of water from the market for Lake Jerilderie, as a once off for the 2018/2019 year, only purchasing as required in management with the Jerilderie Aquatic Club's 36 ML and potential overflow allotment of 64 ML. Further, provide a detailed plan of Lake water management for future years, including use of Jerilderie Aquatic Club allocation, Council allocation, and the affordability of purchasing additional licence for consideration in the 2019/2020 budget.

ITEM NO. 5 - DARLINGTON POINT OFFICE EXTENSION CARPARK OPTIONS

FILE: 04.07

FROM: ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENT

BACKGROUND

Following completion of the detailed office extension design, and as part of the development of the tender documentation, office car parking layout needs to be determined to facilitate the development. Three options for the carpark layout have been provided by the designer, and are shown below.

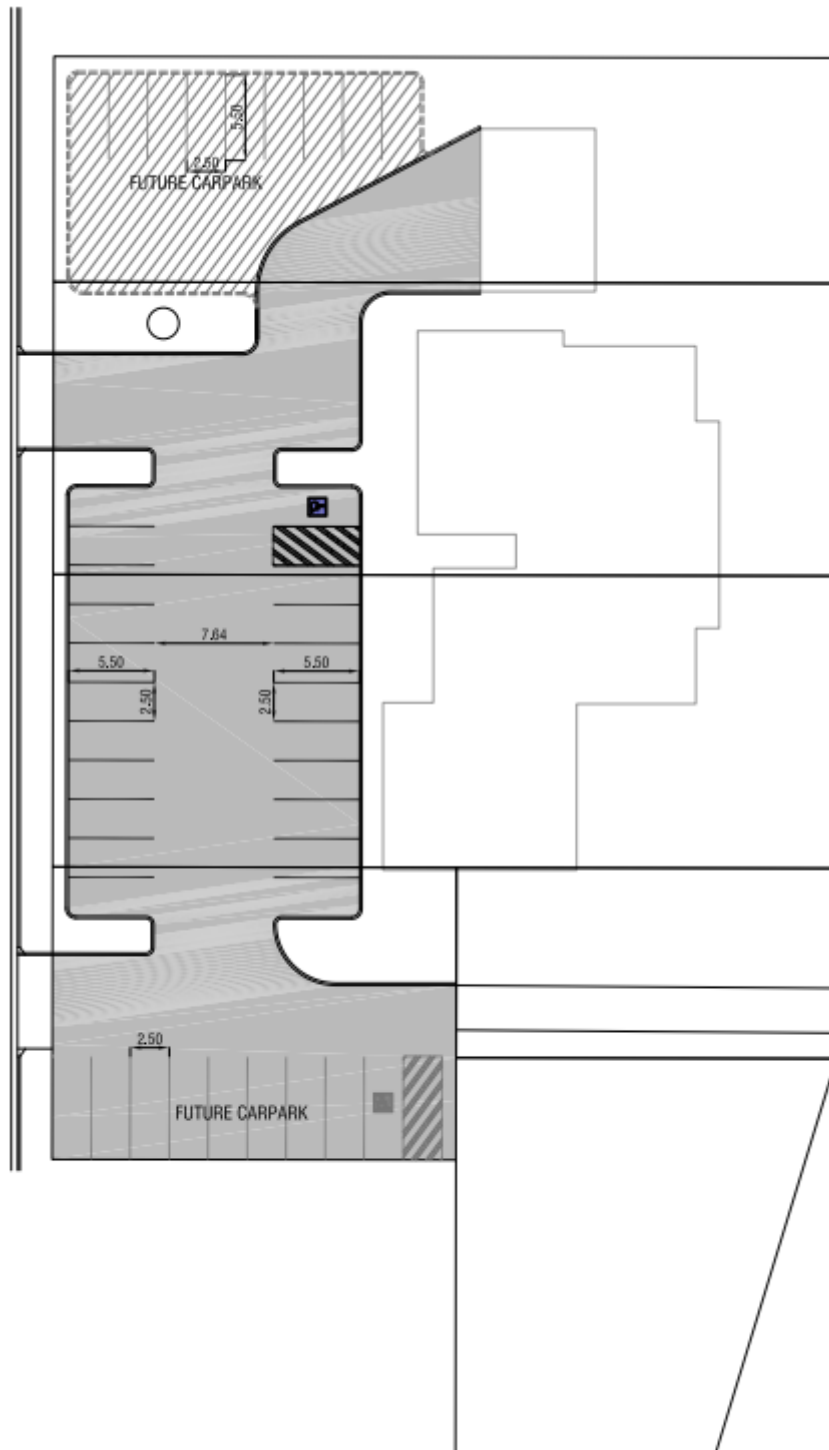
OPTION A



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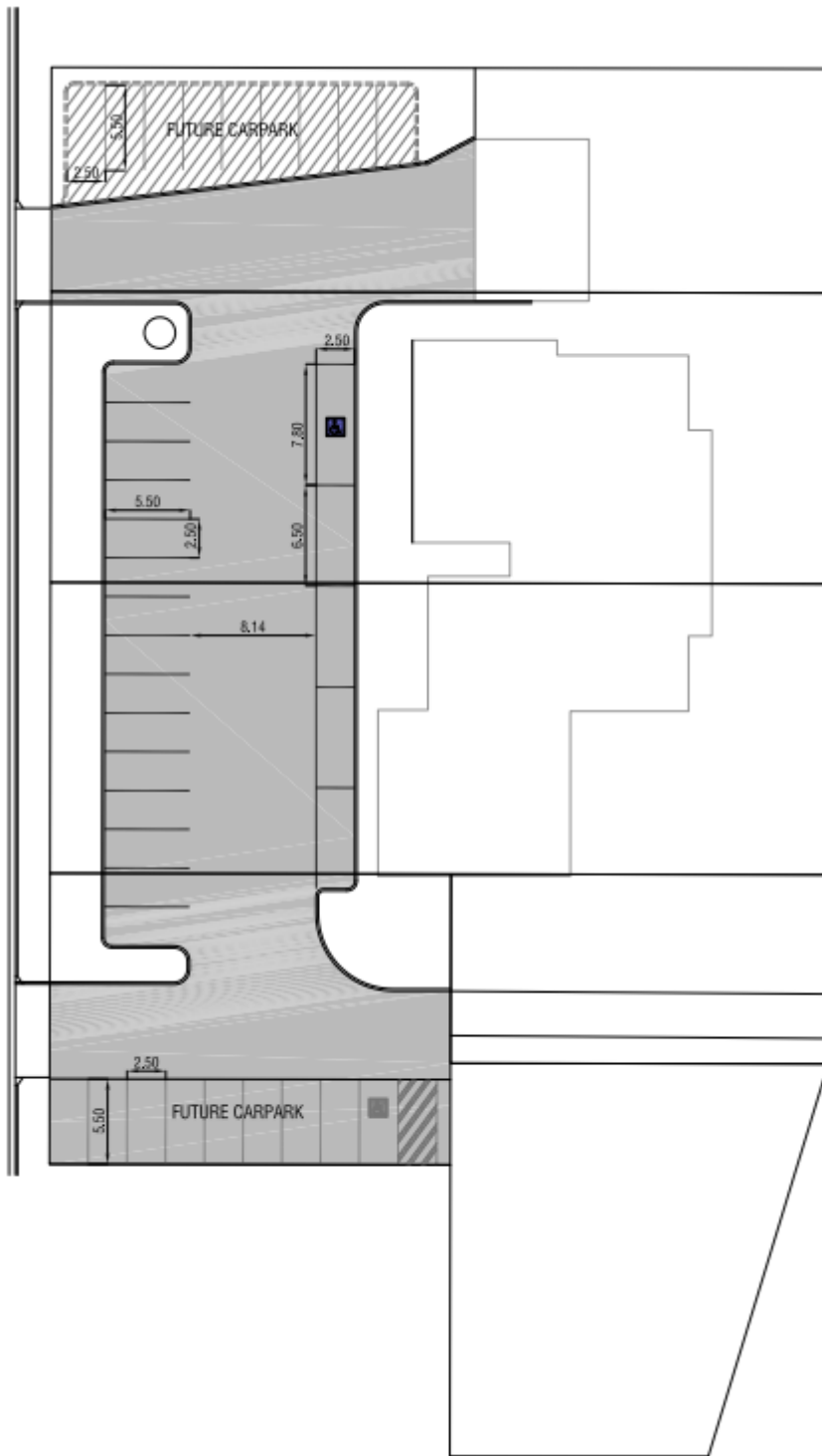
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OPTION C



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ISSUES

The future car park layout is to be selected from the three options provided by the designer. Each option provides overall capacity of approximately 20 vehicles and 1 disabled parking space. Option A has space for garden beds and landscaping, while option B and C have no space for landscaping throughout the carpark area.

CONCLUSION

Carpark layout option A allows for landscaping around the car park area, which improves the aesthetics of the building. This layout has car parking in the southern end towards the doctor's surgery, which is often utilised by the Doctor, his staff and patients.

RECOMMENDATION

That, as part of the development of the tender documentation for the Darlington Point office extension, car park layout option A be selected.

ITEM NO. 6 - DARLINGTON POINT CEMETERY
FILE: 02.15
FROM: ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER, INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENT

BACKGROUND

The current plots of the Darlington Point Cemetery are close to capacity and the cemetery requires expansion. There are currently 30 plots remaining. An ashes wall and footpath surround has been constructed at the Darlington Point Cemetery. The works completed to date are shown below.



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Site of future works:



ISSUES

The below drawing shows the existing cemetery layout and the proposed future works. The next stage of the cemetery includes new gravel access road, kerb and gutter, concrete plinths and any required landscaping works. The existing trees are to be kept.

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Darlington Point Cemetery CONCEPT PLAN
FINAL CONCEPT



An estimate for the next stage has been prepared and is shown below. The estimate is for the works required to establish the next stage of the cemetery with one new concrete plinth that will accommodate 34 plots.

Darlington Point Cemetery Estimate

Survey and design	\$ 4,800.00
Supply and install kerb and gutter 160m @ \$250/m	\$ 40,000.00
Supply, spread and compact gravel pavement 1200m2 @ \$25.00/m2	\$ 30,000.00
Supply and install 1 x new concrete plinth, including vases	\$ 10,000.00
Additional pram ramp and concrete paving around Cinerarium	\$ 5,000.00
Backfill behind kerb and gutter, landscaping/turf	\$ 5,000.00
Total	\$ 84,800.00

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ITEM NO. 7 - BERRIGAN SHIRE LAND USE STRATEGY 2018
FILE: 04.25
FROM: ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER, INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENT

The Berrigan Shire Land Use Strategy 2018 has been on exhibition for comment. A copy of the strategy is provided (attachment # 1).

The strategy is an important document for Murrumbidgee Council, as services for the southern residents of Murrumbidgee Council are provided for in the townships of Finley and Berrigan, in particular. The strategy outlines the key land use issues and opportunities for each of the towns and identifies investigation areas for future land uses.

Barooga

Figure 10 on page 24 of the Strategy outlines the key areas for future land use in Barooga. These areas for investigation will be of little impact on Murrumbidgee Council area.

Berrigan

Figure 13 on page 28 outlines the key areas for future land use in Berrigan. The strategy identifies a potential health precinct site including adjoining hospital and associated housing. This expansion and future services will provide Murrumbidgee Council residents with options close to home for their later years. From the plan, Berrigan will be proposed as the administration centre for this regional care model. The model will see smaller facilities provided in neighbouring towns, in this instance Finley and Jerilderie. The Jerilderie Independent Living Units are to be included in this model. This is an important inclusion for the region, including Murrumbidgee Council area. Council supports this inclusion in the strategy

Finley

Figure 16 on page 33 outlines the key areas for future land use in Finley. The strategy identifies a site for future selfcare development and the expansion of the industrial area to the north of Finley. The selfcare development site will be linked with Jerilderie and Berrigan. Council supports this inclusion in the strategy

The industrial area to the north will have an impact on freight movements along the Newell Highway and on Council's local road network. Council encourages diversification of development in the region and the provision of services to allow for expansion of agricultural businesses in the region. The industrial land has the potential to provide for storage facilities and businesses to service the agriculture sectors in the south of the Council area. Council supports this inclusion in the strategy

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**ITEM NO. 8 - MURRUMBIDGEE LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN 2013 –
PLANNING PROPOSAL: HERITAGE LISTING OF TOGANMAIN
WOOLSHED (AMENDMENT NO. 1) (CONSIDERATION OF
SUBMISSIONS)**

FILE: 4630

**FROM: ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER, INFRASTRUCTURE &
ENVIRONMENT**

Property Description

Applicant: Toganmain Woolshed Precinct Incorporated

Property: Part Lot 1, DP750901, Sturt Highway, Darlington Point “Toganmain Woolshed Precinct”

Introduction and Background

Murrumbidgee Council previously received a request from the Toganmain Woolshed Precinct Incorporated seeking to list the Toganmain Woolshed building within Schedule 5 of the *Murrumbidgee Local Environmental Plan 2013* (LEP) as a local heritage item.

A Planning Proposal was prepared and submitted to Council that sought to amend the LEP in accordance with Section 3.33 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (EP & A Act) for Council consideration and endorsement.

Following a review of this Planning Proposal, Council resolved at the Council meeting dated 26 June 2018 to endorse the Planning Proposal and forward it to the NSW Department of Planning & Environment seeking a Gateway Determination to place the amendment on public exhibition for 28 days.

A Gateway Determination was issued by the NSW Department of Planning & Environment and the Planning Proposal was subsequently publicly exhibited from 22 August 2018 to 19 September 2018.

The purpose of this report is to advise that 11 submissions were received by Council in response to the public exhibition process.

Discussion

Council sought to publicise the exhibition of the Planning Proposal and supporting documentation in the interests of informing the community, generating awareness and encouraging feedback.

The publicity campaign involved a public notice in the local newspaper, notification letters dispatched to key stakeholders and adjoining landowners and displays of public exhibition material in Council offices.

In response to the public exhibition process, 11 submissions were received by Council. A copy of these submissions is included as attachment # 2 to this report.

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Following a review of these submissions, it is noted that all submissions were either supportive of the proposed amendment or had no comments with regards to the proposed listing of the Toganmain Woolshed within Schedule 5 of the LEP.

The only submission that raised any matters for consideration was received from Essential Energy in relation to electricity supply and usage. As the proposal does not involve any physical works and only seeks to list the existing Woolshed as a local heritage item, matters regarding electricity supply and usage can be best addressed at the time of an individual Development Application for the use of this building as a tourist development.

Furthermore, it is also confirmed that the existing electricity supply to the property will be unaltered by the current proposal.

Accordingly, no further discussion regarding submissions is required as all submissions either supported or had no objection to the proposed amendment.

Conclusion

Having received and considered submissions and issues raised as a result of the public exhibition process, it is appropriate to endorse the Planning Proposal (as exhibited) and undertake an amendment to Murrumbidgee LEP 2013.

It is reiterated that the Planning Proposal provides an appropriate level of investigation that demonstrates that the building warrants listing as a local heritage item to ensure its ongoing protection.

Accordingly, Council endorsement of this Planning Proposal is now sought to finalise the proposed amendment to the Murrumbidgee LEP 2013.

Recommendation

That Council:

1. Note and receive the submissions;
2. Furnish a copy of this report and other relevant information to the NSW Parliamentary Counsel in accordance with the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* and advise NSW Parliamentary Counsel that Council has complied with Sections 3.34 and 3.35 of the EP & A Act in relation to public involvement in the assessment of the Planning Proposal;
3. Request that NSW Parliamentary Counsel issue a Legal Opinion to allow Murrumbidgee Council to undertake the appropriate actions to secure the making of the amendment to the *Murrumbidgee Local Environmental Plan 2013*, so as to include the Toganmain Woolshed within Schedule 5 as a local heritage item in accordance with Section 3.36 of the EP & A Act.

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**ITEM NO. 9 - UPDATE REPORT - STRONGER COMMUNITIES FUND
SEPTEMBER 2018**
FILE: 03.13.08A
FROM: FINANCE MANAGER

This report provides an update on the status of the Stronger Communities Fund (SCF) and also reports on the position of the Stronger Country Communities Fund to 30 September 2018 (attachment # 3).

Of the 55 projects allocated funding in Rounds 1 and 2 of the Stronger Communities Fund Grants, 2 projects are still to receive funding. As at 30 September \$67,356.24 remains unspent and \$77,729.46 can be returned to the fund as a result of savings primarily relating to GST.

A further project now needs reconsideration of the amount of grant funds to be allocated as a result of additional works being required.

The Coleambally Men's Shed project has been overspent by an amount of \$733.85. This project has been managed by Council staff and undertaken by various contractors. The Men's Shed have provided for other additional works in order to complete the project.

Presently, of the 25 projects allocated funding for the Community Infrastructure/Major Projects from within the Stronger Communities Fund Grant, 11 have been completed and a further 2 have commenced, with expenditure to date being \$862,572.90, with savings of \$15,236.47 able to be returned to the funding pool.

Interest earned on the unexpended funds to 30 September 2018 equates to \$489,330.

The Stronger Country Communities Fund Round 1 has allocated funding for 5 projects totalling \$699,005. To date, expenditure in the amount of \$17,809.76 has been made for two of the allocated projects.

The Coleambally cemetery toilet has been commenced, as has the town signage works in Coleambally.

Plans and designs have been sourced for the Jerilderie Racecourse Amenities together with the Coleambally Junior Sports Change Room. Further planning is still to be undertaken for the Darlington Point Sports Field Amenities.

The recently announced Stronger Country Communities Fund Round 2 grants in the amount of \$3.8M will allow for further plans and designs to be sourced for a number of projects concurrently.

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ITEM NO. 10 - RENEW OUR LIBRARIES CAMPAIGN
FILE: 07.01
FROM: FINANCE MANAGER

In August 2018, the NSW Public Libraries Association (NSWPLA), in partnership with Local Government NSW, launched the Renew Our Libraries (ROL) Campaign.

To date, the ROL campaign has been successful in securing the Liberal Party promise of an additional \$60m funding for NSW libraries for the period 2019-20 to 2022-23. This was preceded by a March 2018 Labor Party announcement of an additional \$50m.

As the ROL campaign progresses in the run-up to the NSW state election in March 2019, it is important to demonstrate the support of NSW Councils as major stakeholders in this initiative.

Whilst Council receives funds from State Government, this has gradually declined. In 2015/16, State funding for public libraries covered only 7.5% of the total costs of operating the 368 libraries across NSW. The level of State Government funding for NSW public libraries has reached crisis point. This is an historic issue that has been ignored by successive NSW Governments. The key issues are that:

- NSW public libraries receive the lowest per-capita funding from their State Government, compared to all other states in Australia;
- NSW Councils are currently paying 92.5% of the costs to operate public libraries, up from 77% in 1980;
- In 2015-16, NSW State Government funding for public libraries was only \$26.5M, compared to a contribution of \$341.1M from Local Government. NSW Councils are paying 12 times more than the State Government to provide library services to their communities;
- The total funding available through the NSW Public Library Funding Strategy is not indexed to population growth or consumer price index (CPI), thereby contributing to the ongoing attrition of State Government funding;
- The 2018-2019 State Budget delivered a 5% cut to current funding and cut access to all infrastructure funding for metropolitan areas;
- Physical and virtual visitation, library borrowing and participation in library programs continue to increase year on year;
- Libraries play a major part in supporting the achievement of Government literacy targets;
- Libraries provide collections, programs and spaces for marginalised groups including older people, refugee and multicultural communities, and people who are digitally disadvantaged.

In 2011, the NSW State Government made a pre-election commitment to comprehensively review the level and allocation of funding for NSW public libraries. The Library Council of NSW worked with the NSW Public Libraries Association and the State Library of NSW to develop an evidence-based submission.

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The resulting submission *Reforming Public Library Funding*, recommending a fairer, simpler and more transparent method for the distribution of funds, was presented to the State Government in October 2012. Despite the undertaking of the State Government to comprehensively review funding for its public libraries, the recommendations of *Reforming Public Library Funding* were ignored and the funding model was neither reviewed nor improved.

In 2016, the then Minister for the Arts, the Hon. Troy Grant, undertook to review the matter of State Government funding for NSW libraries at the conclusion of the Fit For the Future program. It can be reasonably assumed that Fit for the Future has concluded, yet there has been no review of library funding nor any mention of libraries in the Government's pre-election undertakings. At the 2016 LGNSW Conference, the Premier Mike Baird committed to reviewing library funding.

The NSW Public Libraries Association has joined forces with Local Government NSW to establish a library funding advocacy initiative in the lead up to the 2019 NSW State election. The *Renew Our Libraries* strategy will be rolled out over the next 8 months to persuade the Government that its network of 368 public libraries has reached a funding flashpoint that, without significantly increased and sustainable funding, is at risk of imminent service reduction. The success of this approach relies heavily on the support of NSW Councils, their libraries and their communities.

It should be noted that the following motion (submitted by the Blue Mountains City Council) was unanimously endorsed at the Local Government NSW 2017 Conference:

That Local Government NSW works with the NSW Public Libraries Association (NSWPLA) to develop a strategic partnership to:

- a) increase public awareness of the multiple roles that Local Government Public Libraries play in supporting the educational, social, cultural and economic outcomes in local communities*
- b) advocate, in the lead up to the March 2019 State election, for improved State Government funding for Local Government Public Libraries in NSW to enable public libraries to meet the growing needs of our local communities.*

(Note: This motion covers the following motion set out in small font)

Wagga Wagga City Council - Funding for public libraries - That Local Government NSW and member Councils lobby the NSW Government to increase annual percentage of funding for public libraries

As previously noted, this is not a party-political issue, as every Government since 1980 shares the blame for the current funding situation. Nevertheless, it is worth noting that the NSW Opposition released its Library Funding Policy on 26 March 2018 with an undertaking to increase overall funding to all suburban and regional NSW public libraries by \$50 million in the first term of Government. This is a very

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significant pledge insofar as it is the first policy from any political party in recent history that undertakes to provide a significant and specified increase in state funding for public libraries.

NSW public libraries are governed by the Library Act 1939, a legislative instrument that was initially introduced to ensure the provision and ongoing sustainability of libraries through State Government and Local Government collaboration, and providing up to 50% of the funding required to establish and operate libraries. Since then Local Government has increasingly carried the funding burden, with the situation deteriorating significantly since the 1980s. As a result, there are examples of attrition in library staffing, opening hours, collections, services and programs in a number of Councils across the state.

Disappointingly, the 2018-19 NSW state budget delivered a 5% cut to current library funding and cut access to all infrastructure funding for metropolitan areas. The State Government has completely ignored the recommendation of its own expert panel, the Library Council of NSW, which, in consultation with the State Library of NSW and the NSW Public Libraries Consultative Committee, recommended an increase in public library funding to \$30M in 2018-19. The public library grant funding component, which has been a budget inclusion for many years, has been scrapped entirely. This component financed a competitive grant project which has part-funded countless library infrastructure and service projects over many years.

On 24 August 2018 the NSW Government announced a \$60 million funding commitment for NSW public libraries. This is as an important first step in the right direction. Further clarification is needed, and further work is required, to fix the long-term funding model for NSW public libraries. It is critical that any commitment of extra funding be recurrent, to ensure our public libraries can continue to grow and provide those valued services with certainty well into the future.

The NSW public library network is at serious risk. Neither this Council nor the broader NSW Local Government sector can continue with the high degree of uncertainty about the level of ongoing State Government funding for public libraries.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council support urgent action from the NSW Local Government sector and NSW Public Libraries Association / Local Government NSW, to reverse the ongoing deterioration of state funding for public libraries, to ensure that local Councils will not be forced to continue meeting the funding shortfall, by:

1. Endorsing the NSW Public Libraries Association and Local Government NSW library funding advocacy initiative, *Renew Our Libraries*;
2. Noting the announcement by the NSW Government on 24 August 2018 of its intention to provide a \$60m funding package for NSW public libraries for the quadrennial period 2019-20 to 2022-23;

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3. Supporting the ongoing *Renew Our Libraries* initiative to secure the pledged funding, clarify the funding components and liaise with the Government regarding the funding model;
4. Supporting *Renew Our Libraries* to work with the Government to develop a sustainable future funding model with a view guaranteeing an appropriate level of ongoing and indexed state funding;
5. Making representation to the local State Members, in relation to the need for ongoing additional funding from the NSW State Government for the provision of public library services.
6. Writing to the Hon. Don Harwin, Minister for the Arts and the Hon. Walt Secord, Shadow Minister for the Arts, calling for bi-partisan support for the provision of ongoing and indexed increases in state funding for NSW public libraries, supported by a sustainable future funding model.
7. Taking a leading role in activating the campaign locally;
8. Endorsing the distribution of the NSW Public Libraries Association and Local Government NSW library funding advocacy initiative information in Council libraries, as well as involvement in any actions arising from the initiative;
9. Formally advising the NSW Public Libraries Association and Local Government NSW that Council has endorsed the library funding advocacy initiative.

ITEM NO. 11 - JERILDERIE RURAL FIRE SERVICE – REQUEST FOR PROVISION OF FUNDING

FILE: 05.03

FROM: FINANCE MANAGER

The Jerilderie Brigade of the Rural Fire Service (RFS) finds itself in need of extensions to the Brigade Station’s storage capability.

Currently, trailer pumps are parked in the open and a valuable Command Vehicle is garaged in an unlocked covered area. A spate of thefts from other Brigade facilities in the recent past suggests that valuable and necessary emergency equipment should be kept under lock and key.

The Brigade would like to apply for Government grants to cover the cost of a proposed storage facility, however most of the current grants available require a 50% contribution toward the project.

Whilst the Brigade has a small amount of funds available, it does not have sufficient capacity to enable the significant contribution that would probably be required.

The estimated cost of the facility is approximately \$25,000, requiring a contribution of \$12,500. The brigade anticipates it could contribute \$3,000 toward the construction costs.

Consequently, the Brigade is seeking assistance from Council to provide the additional funds required for the project.

To allow the RFS to apply for funding it would be recommended that Council include an allocation of \$12,500 towards the new structure.

A possible source of funding for this project is the Section 7.12 Developer Levies Fund. It is anticipated that adequate funds will be available by the end of the financial year.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council provide co-contribution funding toward the construction of a storage facility at the Jerilderie Rural Fire Service Station.

COMMITTEE MINUTES

**ITEM NO. 13 - MINUTES OF THE MURRUMBIDGEE ECONOMIC TOURISM
ADVISORY GROUP MEETING WEDNESDAY 3 OCTOBER 2018,
COMMENCING 6.00PM** **FILE: 01.15**

PRESENT: Mayor, Cr Ruth McRae, General Manager, Cr Pat Brown, Craig Moffitt, Bruce Dalgliesh, Clifford Ashby, Daniel Griffith, , Kate O'Callaghan, Lynne Stuckings,

APOLOGIES: Crystal and Gloria Altin, Suzie Falls, Haidee Laycock

Round Table Discussions

Lynne: Locals love where we live; Shop local; Love local businesses.
New main street proposal is the basis of a new program.
Darlington Point-still no action on main street upgrades.

Clifford: Promotion of the area; signs north and south.
Directory for each town in one document.
Cyclists-flat roads – cycling tours promotion.

Kate: Shire and business profile designed for outsiders to sell the features of the LGA:

- Football
- Squash
- Hotels, etc

Co-location with Melbourne, Wagga, Griffith.
Bring all the features into one document.
Natural environment included.
Community fundraising and inclusive strong communities.
Link to social media.
Kidman Way connection-promote all the Murrumbidgee Council towns on Kidman Way-get on with it now.
Include trades available and needed.
Website parallel, plus links to facilities, job sites.

Data Base Social groups
Play Groups
Education
Football Clubs
Links to outside

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Use the document to:

Attract people to positions.
Community (or committee??) to develop
Branding-not Murrumbidgee Council-3 towns
Business Profile brochure
Get the imagery right
Link to website

Look at the recent CIGL website revamp. Sauce Communications
(Clifford to supply details).

Newsletter resource-needs to be reintroduced:

- Send to database
- Drive back to the website
- Recommend that a communications person be employed to drive newsletter and website

Hanwood Billboard

Billboard at Kay Hull bridge-CIGL offered to let Council be involved.
Marketing strategy on billboard (1600 people through Whitton Cotton
Gin)

Create a catchy # used by all businesses

Priorities

- Database (Living) – 1
- Communication – 2
- Branding – 3

Brett Naseby suggested for imagery-get photos from industry. Get
young families involved in the pics.

Drought Relief

In the form of a brochure to reduce rates and spend the money in the
community's businesses.

Taste Coleambally 25 October 2018

Meet the producers
Golf Day
Dry land boat race
Drought relief fundraiser Sunday 4 November
Chamber voucher system exists to tap into

Coleambally Cotton Gin

RMS on board-turning lanes required;
Environmental Impact Statement commencing;

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ITEM NO. 14 - MINUTES OF THE JERILDERIE TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE MEETING THURSDAY, 6 SEPTEMBER 2018, COMMENCING 6.00PM

FILE: 02.09

Present: Faith Bryce (chair), Sadie Herrick, Richard Wright, Joan Ferris, Chris Girdwood, Judy Knight, Elaine Forbes, Garry Borger.

Apologies: Ian Sneddon, Robyne Sneddon, Ann Wright, Fred Scammell, June Scammell, Dot Mills, Graham Mills, Ruth McRae, Loretta Marriott, Pat Godfrey, Jan Crittenden, Bruce Crittenden, Isobel Milne, Joan Kuschert, Alan Knight, Polly Fisher, Gwen McLaughlin, Col Sweeney, Lisa Brackenrig.

Moved Garry Seconded Richard that the apologies be accepted.
Carried.

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

Business arising from the Minutes:

- Fantastic working bees. Thanks to everyone.
- KNSWB Assessor very impressed with submissions. He gave some great feedback and information for Council.

Treasurer's report as tabled:

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

Correspondence:

Inwards:

- KABNSW re informing us that we qualify for the Overall category and of the pending visit of the assessor.
- Media release from KABNSW re 'Tidy Towns Assessor is Arriving.'
- Apex Club requesting assistance with the clean up after B&S Sunday Sept 2, 2018.
- Council reply re clean up.
- Council reply re proposal to install solar lighting.
- United Hospital Auxiliaries (Jerilderie) invitation to attend Jerilderie Hospital Auxiliary, Motor Neurone Disease Research Novelty Golf/Bowls Day, Sunday Oct 7, 2018.
- Council re Community Grants Acquittal Form.
- Information from KABNSW re assessor timetable etc.
- Donation request from Portsea Camp C/tee

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Outwards:

- Letter to Council re endorsement for grant application for the painting and photography work shop and accompanying art exhibition.
- Emails to Tiff, Sam & Dean (footy & netball clubs) re inviting their members to participate in road side clean up.

Business Arising out of Correspondence:

- Moved Faith, Seconded Chris that Jerilderie Tidy Towns C/tee make a donation of \$200 to Jerilderie Portsea Camp C/tee.
Carried.
- Moved Faith, Seconded Garry that Jerilderie Tidy Towns C/tee make a donation of \$200 to Jerilderie Hospital Auxiliary to assist with the Novelty Golf and Bowls Day to be held Sunday October 7, 2018.
Carried.
- Faith has agreed to handle the Community Grant Acquittal form. Thanks Faith.
- Secretary to write letters of thanks to all who made submissions to KNSWB

Moved Judy Seconded Garry that correspondence be accepted.
Carried.

General Business:

- Discussion on what assistance the Committee could give to Drought Relief. Richard to look into any Lions Club projects.
- Race Day raffle selling has been offered to Mens Shed. Mens Shed & Tidy Towns C/tees to share the day to sell tickets for J.I.L.L (Jerilderie Independent Living Limited - Units.)
- Photos and story to Judy Ryan and to Russell McIntyre (Mawsons Quarries).
- Garbage bins 3/5ths of 5/8ths off being completed.
- We need Litter Grant ideas eg *doggy poo bags*.
- Grand Final Day Clean Up Saturday Sept 15 at 5.00pm.
- Reminder for the Monash Dinner Monday October 8, 2018.
- KNSWB Awards in Orange, November 9/11, 2018.

Meeting Closed: 6.30pm

Next Meeting: 4.10.19

At: Our Office

Time: 6.00pm

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President 4.10.2018

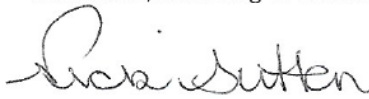
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JERILDERIE TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE
Balance Sheet
for the year ended 30th June 2018

Reconciliation as at 30/6/18	
Balance brought forward 1/7/17	16489.24
Add Receipts for year	<u>8250.80</u>
	24740.04
Less Expenditure for year	<u>14061.08</u>
Cash Book Balance as at 30/6/18	<u><u>10678.96</u></u>
Represented by	
Bendigo Bank Account numbered 151806379	12586.96
Less outstanding cheques	<u>-1908.00</u>
Cash Book Balance as at 30/6/18	<u><u>10678.96</u></u>

I have audited the income and expenditure statement of the Jerilderie Tidy Towns Committee and found it to be a true and correct account of the financial position of the committee, according to the books of account and financial records presented to me.

 10/8/18
Vicki Sutton - Honorary Auditor

JERILDERIE TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE

Account QuickReport
As of September 6, 2018

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Split	Amount	Balance
BENDIGO BANK A/C							10,402.36
Cheque	6/07/2018	70	MURRUMBIDGEE C...	REIMBURSE ...	-SPLIT-	-1,908.00	8,494.36
Deposit	6/07/2018			Deposit	FINES & TRAV...	25.05	8,519.41
Deposit	3/08/2018			Deposit	FINES & TRAV...	18.45	8,537.86
Total BENDIGO BANK A/C						<u>-1,864.50</u>	8,537.86
TOTAL						<u><u>-1,864.50</u></u>	<u><u>8,537.86</u></u>

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ITEM NO. 15 - MINUTES OF THE JERILDERIE TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE MEETING THURSDAY, 4 OCTOBER 2018, COMMENCING 6.00PM

FILE: 02.09

Present: Faith Bryce (chair), Ian Sneddon, Polly Fisher, Gwen McLaughlin, Elaine Forbes, Fred Scammell, June Scammell, Joan Kuschert, Garry Borger, Graham Mills, Sarah Gurciullo.

Apologies: Robyne Sneddon, Sadie Herrick, Isobel Milne, Richard Wright, Ann Wright, Chris Girdwood, Judy Knight, Alan Knight, Ruth McRae, Loretta Marriott, Pat Godfrey, Colin Sweeney, Lisa Brackenrig, Joan Ferris, Jan Crittenden, Bruce Crittenden, Dot Mills.

Moved His Eminence Mr Ian Sneddon Seconded Mr Garry Borger that the apologies be accepted. (that is enough of the formalities for now)
Carried.

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

Business arising from the Minutes:

- Ideas for Litter Grant (discuss in GB)

Treasurer's report as tabled:

Moved His Eminence Sneds Seconded Faith that the Treasurers Report as tabled be accepted.

Business arising from Treasurer's Report:

- Moved Faith/Seconded Graham that Executive provide signatures to Bendigo Bank.
Carried.

Correspondence:

Inwards:

- Thank you email from Hospital Golf/Bowls Day for donation.

Outwards:

- Thank you letters to Mitch, Janine & Kevin A'Vard, Jerilderie Sports Club & Jerilderie Fishing Club for being involved in this years KAB Tidy Towns Awards Program.
- Emails to members re Raffle Selling dates etc.
- Letter of thanks to Mr Craig Moffitt

Moved Garry Seconded June S that correspondence be accepted.
Carried.

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General Business:

- Our thoughts and prayers for Isabelle.
- Welcome to Sarah Gurciullo as a new member. Sarah has taken a raffle book. Great, thanks Sarah.
- Entered one bowls team. Millsy and Fred and ??
- Heidi will do a poster to advertise for entrants re the flower show judging.
- Garden Judging to be week of 14th to 20th. Tally sheets in by 21st Oct please.
- Memorial Garden clean up October 8, 2018 at 5.00pm.
- Christmas meeting booked at Colony Inn on Thursday December 6, 2018.
- Ian suggested we invite Mitch A'Vard and family.
- Thank you to members who assisted the Footy Club on Grand Final day with clean up.
- Gwen brought up seeking support for a the 'Creek Alliance' for a public meeting.

Moved Faith/Seconded Graham that Jerilderie Tidy Towns provide a recommendation to support a public meeting for 'Creek Alliance'.

Carried

- We haven't received any 'heads up' on Awards Weekend.
- No positive response from members intending to travel to Orange.
- And 'oh yey, oh yey, oh yey'. THE BINS will be up next week. You little ripper!!!!!!
- Justin Williams will give Committee a quote for more bins which we will use to (hopefully) obtain a new grant.

Meeting Closed: 6.50pm

Next Meeting: November 1, 2018

At: Our Office

Time: 6.00pm

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President 01.11.18

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Split	Amount	Balance
JERILDERIE TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE							
Account QuickReport							
As of September 28, 2018							
BENDIGO BANK A/C							8,537.86
Cheque	7/09/2018	71	JERILDERIE PORT...	DONATION	Gifts and Donat...	-200.00	8,337.86
Cheque	7/09/2018	72	HOSPITAL AUXILIARY		-SPLIT-	-200.00	8,137.86
Deposit	7/09/2018			Deposit	FINES & TRAV...	18.00	8,155.86
Cheque	12/09/2018	73	J. SIGNS & DESIGN	SIGN	-SPLIT-	-254.00	7,901.86
Total BENDIGO BANK A/C						-636.00	7,901.86
TOTAL						-636.00	7,901.86

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ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

ITEM NO. 16 – MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2018

FILE: 05.13

FROM: FINANCE MANAGER

BACKGROUND

The financial reports are presented to Council on a monthly basis. To develop this report, Council's Cash Book is reconciled with the bank balances shown in Council's bank statements as at 30 September 2018. The report shows that Council's investments have been invested in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993, Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 1999* and Council policies and procedures.

ISSUES

1. **Cash at Bank:** Council's consolidated cash position (cash and investments) as at 30 September 2018 was \$25,572,619.80 with the cash at bank amount for the same period being \$902,970.76.
2. **Investments:** As at 30 September 2018, Council's total invested funds were \$24,669,649.04. Average interest rates over the reporting period were 2.39%. The bulk of Council's investments (68.89%) are held in Bendigo Bank, the ANZ (7.16%) and IMB Ltd (15.57%), in accordance with the guidelines and requirements of the Financial Management Regulations.

RECOMMENDATION

I hereby certify that: 1) the cash book was reconciled with the bank balance as shown by the bank statements as at 30 September 2018;
2) the investments have been invested in accordance with the Local Government Act, Regulations and Council's policies.

That Council receive and note the monthly financial report containing the bank balances and investment schedule as at 30 September 2018.

Vicki Sutton
RESPONSIBLE ACCOUNTING OFFICER

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STATEMENT OF BANK BALANCES**CASH AT BANK 31 AUGUST 2018**

ADD - Receipts - 30 September 2018

ADD - Receipts - Bendigo Bank

ADD - Cancelled

ADD - Adjustments

LESS - Cheques

LESS - EFT - Autopay

LESS - Payroll

LESS - Bank Charges & Transfers

LESS - Loan Repayments

LESS - Investments

LESS - Visa Card Pymt

LESS - Fuel Card

LESS - Photocopy Rental

CASH AT BANK 30 SEPTEMBER 2018**CASH AT BANK 30 SEPTEMBER 2018**

Bank Statements - Bendigo Bank

PLUS Outstanding Deposits

LESS Unpresented Cheques

LESS Outstanding Autopay

LESS Reverse Autopay

CASH AT BANK 30 SEPTEMBER 2018

Add Investments

Total Cash and Investments**Represented by:-**

Trust Account - North

Trust Account - South

Water Fund - North

Water Fund - South

Sewer Fund - North

Sewer Fund - South

Domestic Waste Management - North

Domestic Waste Management - South

Unexpended Grant Funds

Plant Reserve - North

Plant Reserve - South

Employee Leave Entitlement Reserve-North

Employee Leave Entitlement Reserve-South

Infrastructure Reserve - North

Infrastructure Reserve - South

Residential Housing Reserve - North

New Council Implementation Fund

Stronger Communities Fund

General Fund

**2018-19
Consolidated
2,302,814.14**

719,390.33

797,977.16

0.00

0.00

-9,140.70**-1,984,077.12****-364,314.71****-3,734.06****-14,645.57****-531,871.73****-7,240.06****-937.32****-1,249.60****902,970.76**

874,961.85

219,431.66

0.00

-5,553.49**-185,869.26**

0.00

902,970.76

24,669,649.04

25,572,619.80**2017-18
Consolidated
1,870,754.34**

2,094,887.52

321,034.53

0.00

0.00

-86,968.94**-2,483,791.78****-354,272.77****-4,877.16****-14,645.57**

0.00

-11,426.73**-1,612.21****-1,249.60****1,327,831.63**

924,040.48

406,936.15

0.00

-2,880.00**-265.00****1,327,831.63**

26,652,132.14

27,979,963.77

180,081.25

26,586.76

1,268,653.42

915,077.44

1,990,182.67

1,835,276.32

11,701.06

73,804.00

1,231,739.20

528,124.64

522,686.00

450,000.00

1,170,000.00

3,921,784.69

791,758.00

0.00

530,885.38

8,275,498.95

1,848,780.02

25,572,619.80

179,526.07

17,858.76

1,308,519.64

633,139.53

1,741,870.39

1,886,358.72

11,117.00

103,804.00

766,518.27

899,688.00

522,686.00

450,000.00

1,010,000.00

3,986,745.20

913,627.00

0.00

2,397,610.23

9,106,036.67

2,044,858.29

25,572,619.80

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SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS
30 SEPTEMBER 2018

Institution	Amount	Rate	Matures	NO.
IMB Ltd	302,019.45	2.55%	09-Jan-19	10/19
NAB	307,129.14	2.53%	22-Dec-18	11/19
IMB Ltd	308,811.68	2.70%	03-Oct-18	1/19
ANZ-Les Wallis	44,513.11	2.00%	29-Dec-18	12/19
NAB	207,445.14	2.00%	01-Dec-18	7/19
SUNCORP	1,021,620.37	2.65%	08-Oct-18	2/19
IMB Ltd	201,296.44	2.60%	30-Nov-18	6/19
IMB Ltd	403,132.57	2.55%	12-Dec-18	9/19
St George	530,544.37	2.00%	22-Nov-18	4/19
Bendigo	739,478.22	2.00%	18-Nov-18	3/19
Bendigo	1,015,160.88	2.00%	22-Nov-18	5/19
IMB Ltd	408,808.51	2.70%	3/10/2018	20
IMB Ltd	503,143.84	2.65%	14/11/18	21
IMB Ltd	600,000.00	2.60%	10/01/19	24
IMB Ltd	303,753.00	2.70%	07/11/18	25
Bendigo	512,875.24	2.60%	08/10/18	26
Bendigo	600,000.00	2.55%	03/01/19	28
ANZ	700,000.00	2.30%	11/12/18	29
Bendigo	500,000.00	2.65%	5/11/18	34
Bendigo	502,493.15	2.00%	16/01/19	35
IMB Ltd	503,303.42	2.55%	23/01/19	36
Bendigo	3,836,144.14	2.00%	16/12/18	38
ANZ	402,293.69	2.30%	31/10/18	39
Bendigo	1,888,523.66	2.45%	16/12/18	40
ANZ	618,500.86	2.30%	12/11/18	41
Bendigo	2,061,642.15	2.35%	16/02/19	42
IMB Ltd	307,516.14	2.70%	29/11/18	44
Bendigo	5,339,499.87	2.00%	16/12/18	45

Total Investments **24,669,649.04**

Average Interest Rates	2016/17	2.29%
Average Interest Rates	2017/18	2.32%
Average Interest Rates	2018/19	2.39%

PERCENTAGE OF FUNDS HELD

SUNCORP	1,021,620.37	4.14%
ANZ	1,765,307.66	7.16%
Bendigo	16,995,817.31	68.89%
IMB Ltd	3,841,785.05	15.57%
NAB	514,574.28	2.09%
St George	530,544.37	2.15%

TOTAL **24,669,649.04** **100%**

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ITEM NO: 17 - LOAN BORROWINGS INFORMATION AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2018
FILE: 05.14
FROM: FINANCE MANAGER

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

Loan No	Original Amount	Purpose	Outstanding At 30/9/18	Interest Rate	Repayment Per Annum	Maturity Date
160	\$200,000	Streetscape	\$ 20,754.23	7.90%	\$29,141.88	12.6.2019
161	\$200,000	Streetscape	\$ 41,190.78	8.14%	\$29,440.40	15.3.2020
162	\$295,000	Streetscape/ Cenotaph	\$105,330.64	7.922%	\$43,015.96	27.5.2021
Internal Loan	\$285,000	Library	\$ 14,250.00	Variable	\$21,375.00 plus interest	31.3.2019
Internal Loan	\$250,000	Real Estate Development	\$137,499.00	Variable	\$25,000.00 plus interest	1.4.2024

The above shows outstanding loan balances at 30 September 2018 of \$319,024.65, including internal loans from the Sewer Fund totalling \$151,749.00.

Interest repayments on the internal loans are calculated on the average interest earnings of Council's external investments each month.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information contained in the Loan Borrowings Information Report be noted.

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ITEM NO. 18 - NEW COUNCIL IMPLEMENTATION FUND - SEPTEMBER 2018
FILE: 03.13.08A
FROM: FINANCE MANAGER

This report provides an update on expenditure to date of the New Council Implementation Fund.

	Budget	Expenditure (Sep 18)
PMO and Other Staffing Costs	\$1,400,000	\$1,450,492
Asset Management	\$330,000	\$327,125
Communications/Webpage	\$74,500	\$67,254
Information Technology	\$1,800,000	\$1,376,217
Policy Development	\$31,000	\$30,522
Human Resources (staff training and accommodation)	\$265,000	\$303,670
Marketing & Branding	\$92,500	\$92,363
Service Reviews	\$180,000	\$126,672
Signage/Uniforms/Rebranding	\$127,000	\$120,871
SCF Grant Administration	\$50,500	\$50,335
Miscellaneous	\$200,000	\$237,769
GIS Conversion Project	\$80,000	\$31,585
Master Key System	\$25,000	
Radio Network Conversion	\$40,000	
Local Representation Committee Allowances (2016/17)	\$124,500	\$124,117
Provision for adjustment to new Salary System during 2018/19	\$120,000	\$82,081
Provision of Integrated Telephone System	\$60,000	\$61,058
TOTAL	\$5,000,000	\$4,482,131

PMO and Other Staffing Costs

Includes costs for PMO staff, additional staff assistance and consultants, together with voluntary redundancies.

Asset Management

Asset Management Strategy and six (6) Asset Management Plans were adopted by Council on 27 February 2018.

Communications/Webpage

The web page has been updated and constantly monitored. Communication with the community continues through various media forms.

Information Technology

Significant progress has been made with the provision of hardware and infrastructure. The financial operating system is currently undergoing testing, and conversion data is being imported. A proposed "Go Live" for the implementation of the single financial operating system is 5 November 2018.

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Policy Development

Development of some policies by external consultant has been completed. Further policy development will continue in-house.

Human Resources (staff training and accommodation)

Consultants are currently providing this service.

Marketing & Branding

Branding and marketing has been completed.

Service Reviews

It is unlikely that further consultants will be engaged in this area.

Signage/Uniforms/Rebranding

Some additional signage works may still be required to be undertaken.

SCF Grant Administration

Grant administration by outside consultants has been completed.

Miscellaneous

A number of additional costs have been incurred as a result of various recruitment processes being undertaken.

GIS Conversion Project

Consultant engaged to commence this project. Work will continue into the future with harmonisation of mapping to include integration with Civica conversion and implementation.

Master Key System

Proposed costs of new system of master keys (and locks) to be installed across the Council area.

Radio Network Conversion

This is an estimate to allow the installation of a single new radio network (with appropriate radios and handpieces) across the Council area. This project has not commenced at this time.

Local Representation Committee Allowances

Actual expenditure for the previous LRC.

Provision for adjustment to new Salary System during 2018/19

Adjustments have been undertaken for the period 13 May 2016 until 31 July 2017. Further adjustments for the period from 1st August 2017 will be undertaken once staff have been allocated into the new salary structure.

Provision of an Integrated Telephone System

Council's telephone system has been upgraded to enable point to point transfers.

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Following representation to our local Members, a request for additional implementation funding has been submitted. Application has been made for funding in the amount of \$1,225,000 for the following projects:

Integration and update of Local Environments Plans	\$350,000
Provision of integrated Risk Management Systems	\$150,000
Provide 50% funding for Telephone Tower at Bundure	\$425,000
Provide for Project Readiness-Design Specifications etc	\$300,000

No determination in respect of this request has been made at the time of writing this report.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information contained in the New Council Implementation Fund Report be noted.

ITEM NO. 19 - DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS DETERMINED SEPTEMBER 2018

FILE: 04.25

FROM: ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER, INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENT

Development Applications approved under delegation for the month of September 2018 are detailed below.

DA No.	Property Location	Works Undertaken	Description	Value	Determination Date
DA60-17/18	20 Narrand Street Darlington Point Lot 4,5,6,7 DP 758340	Development Consent	Backpacker & Tourist Accommodation Village	\$700,000.00	18/09/2018
DA04-18/19	81-83 Jerilderie Street Jerilderie Lot 1 DP 226830	Food Premises Operation	Food Premises	\$15,000.00	12/09/2018
DA08-18/19	Greens Road Jerilderie Lot 40 - 43 DP 756456	Demolition	Demolition of Dwelling	\$30,250.00	4/09/2018
DA11-18/19	Sturt Highway Darlington Point Lot 2 DP 811094	Subdivision	Subdivision of 2ha from 8ha block	\$60,000.00	13/09/2018
DA12-18/19	5001 Carrathool Road, Carrathool Lot 94 DP 750895	Subdivision	Subdivision to provide operational land	\$8,800.00	24/09/2018

RECOMMENDATION

The information contained in the Development Applications Determined for September 2018 Report be noted.

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	3. Project completion July/August 2019
Jerilderie Civic Hall	Kitchen upgrade ongoing.
Building Maintenance	Exterior of Darlington Point Council Chambers and offices cleaned. Maintenance works completed at the public toilets on Carrington Street, Darlington Point. Darlington Point pound new fencing installed. Darlington Point pool surface cleaned ready for filling. Coleambally pool surface cleaned ready for filling.

RECOMMENDATION

The information contained in the Works in Progress Report be noted.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

ITEM NO. 21 -DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION NO 52-17/18
FILE: DA 52-17/18
FROM: ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER, INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENT

RECOMMENDATION

This item be referred to the **CONFIDENTIAL** section of the Ordinary Council Meeting which is closed to the public. This item is classified as Confidential in accordance with Section 10A (2) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following:-

(a) *personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than Councillors).*

ITEM NO. 22 - WASTE RECYCLING CONTRACT DARLINGTON POINT AND COLEAMBALLY
FILE: 04.39.01
FROM: ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER INFRASTRUCTURE AND ENVIRONMENT

RECOMMENDATION

This item be referred to the **CONFIDENTIAL** section of the Council Meeting which is closed to the public. This item is classified as confidential in accordance with Section 10A (2) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following:-

c) *information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.*

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