



**Edward
River**
COUNCIL

I hereby give notice that an Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held on:

Date: Thursday, 20 September 2018

Time: 9.00am

Location: Blighty Recreation Reserve

BUSINESS PAPER

Ordinary Council Meeting

20 September 2018

**Adam McSwain
General Manager**

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Ordinary Council Meeting - 16 August 2018

Extraordinary Council Meeting - 6 September 2018



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MINUTES

Ordinary Council Meeting

16 August 2018

**MINUTES OF EDWARD RIVER COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER 180 CRESSY STREET DENILIKUIN
ON THURSDAY, 16 AUGUST 2018 AT 9.00AM**

PRESENT: Cr Norm Brennan (Mayor), Cr Pat Fogarty (Deputy Mayor), Cr Peta Betts, Cr Margaret Bull, Cr Ashley Hall, Cr Norm McAllister, Cr Nick Metcalfe, Cr Mac Wallace

IN ATTENDANCE: Adam McSwain (General Manager), Caroline Wallis (Director Corporate Services), Oliver McNulty (Director Infrastructure), Michelle Cobb (Manager Tourism & Economic Development), Julie Rogers (Manager Environmental Services) from 9.15am.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

2018/174 APOLOGIES AND REQUESTS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Moved: Cr Betts
Seconded: Cr Metcalfe

That the apology tendered for non-attendance from Councillor Peter McCrabb be accepted.

CARRIED

2018/175 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Cr Bull declared an interest in report 11.3 Section 355 Funding and Cr Mac Wallace declared an interest in report 11.12 Stock Grid Policy.

2018/176 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Pat Fogarty
Seconded: Cr Peta Betts

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 19 July 2018 be confirmed.

CARRIED

2018/176 MAYORAL MINUTES

Cr Wallace took the floor. Former Windouran Shire Councillor Bill Johnston passed away two days ago at 98 years. As a long serving and hard working Councillor a moment of reflection was held.

Mayor Norm Brennan extended his and the other Councillors condolences to Cr Marg Bull and her family on the passing away of her father

REPORTS FROM OFFICERS**2018/177 MAYOR AND GENERAL MANAGER MEETINGS****RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Norm McAllister

Seconded: Cr Mac Wallace

That Council note the Mayor, Councillors and General Manager meetings for July 2018.

CARRIED

2018/178 RESOLUTIONS OF COUNCIL**RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Peta Betts

Seconded: Cr Nick Metcalfe

That Council note the information in the Resolutions of Council August 2018 update.

CARRIED

Cr Bull left the Chambers at 9.15am due to a conflict of interest in regards to Section 355 Funding Report.

2018/179 SECTION 355 FUNDING**RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Pat Fogarty

Seconded: Cr Norm McAllister

That Council:

1. Provide funding to the following Committees for the sole purpose of delivering the activities outlined in the submissions received: -
 - a. Conargo Memorial Hall Committee \$8,000
 - b. Wanganella Advancement Committee \$1,300
 - c. The Long Paddock Committee \$12,006.50
 - d. Deniliquin Airport Advisory Committee \$19,929
 - e. Edward River Concert Band \$6,725
2. Seek further clarification on the submissions received from: -
 - a. Booroorban Sporting & Social Club \$10,000
 - b. Deniliquin Multi Arts Centre \$6,600
 - c. Blighty Advancement Committee \$10,000
3. Delegate approval to the General Manager to sign off on these grants once additional information has been confirmed and the grants are suitable for approval
4. Not provide funding to the Deniliquin Yard Dog Association nor the Edward River Society of Model Engineers as they are not directly Section 355 Committees
5. Provide funding of \$10,000 for improved entrance and wayfinding signage for Memorial Park

CARRIED

Cr Bull returned to the Chambers at 9.25am

2018/180 INTERIM AUDIT REPORT 2018**RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Ashley Hall
Seconded: Cr Mac Wallace

That Council receives and notes the Interim Audit Management Letter for 2018 as attached to this report.

CARRIED

2018/181 NEW COUNCIL IMPLEMENTATION FUND AND STRONGER COMMUNITIES FUND SIX-MONTHLY REPORT - JULY 2018**RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Norm McAllister
Seconded: Cr Margaret Bull

That Council note the New Council Implementation Fund and Stronger Communities Fund Six-monthly Report to the Office of Local Government due 31 July 2018 has been submitted.

CARRIED

2018/182 EDWARD RIVER COUNCIL AUDIT RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING 19TH JULY 2018**RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Pat Fogarty
Seconded: Cr Margaret Bull

That the minutes of the Edward River Council Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee meeting held on 19th July 2018 be received and noted.

CARRIED

2018/183 INVESTMENT REPORT 31 JULY 2018**RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Peta Betts
Seconded: Cr Nick Metcalfe

That Council

1. Note and receive the Report on Investments totalling \$43,442,892 inclusive of cash at bank for day-to-day operations;
2. Note that actual interest received for the month of July 2018 was \$64,758.
3. Note that accrued interest earned to 31 July 2018 but not yet received was \$352,959.

CARRIED

2018/184 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT - JULY 2018**RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Norm McAllister

Seconded: Cr Ashley Hall

That Council notes the Environmental Services report for July 2018

CARRIED

Manager Julie Rogers left the Chambers at 10.00am and returned at 10.05am.

2018/185 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY 2018-2021**RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Margaret Bull

Seconded: Cr Peta Betts

That the Economic Development Strategy 2018-2021 be revised in relation to rural schooling; agriculture to include fibre; investigate the number of jobs shown in rural industry; the Edward River should feature more prominently. The Strategy should then be brought back to Council.

CARRIED

Manager Michelle Cobb left the Chambers at 10.13am

2018/186 2018 TRUCK EXPO & INDUSTRY SHOW**RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Norm McAllister

Seconded: Cr Nick Metcalfe

That Council approve the 2018 Deniliquin Truck Show & Industry Expo Special Event Application with the following conditions:

1. Approval is received by the Edward River Local Traffic Committee
2. All static displays, trade sites, entertainment and food vendors to be set up prior to 10am and not removed until after 6pm

CARRIED

2018/187 EMERGENCY SEWER WORKS**RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Norm McAllister

Seconded: Cr Pat Fogarty

That Council;

1. Note that emergency works were carried out to repair the sewer at Cressy Street and Harfleur Street
2. Note that the total cost for these emergency sewer works was \$188,075
3. Ratify that the budget for these works was provided for from the sewer reserve

CARRIED

Cr Mac Wallace left the Chambers at 10.15am due to a conflict of interest in the Stock Grid Policy Report.

2018/188 STOCK GRID POLICY**RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Norm McAllister

Seconded: Cr Nick Metcalfe

That Council adopts:

1. The Stock Grid Policy
2. Approve that the removal of stock grids be funded from the maintenance budget for the relevant road class

CARRIED

Cr Mac Wallace returned to the Chambers at 10.17am

2018/189 HARDINGE STREET KERB AND GUTTER REPLACEMENT**RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Mac Wallace

Seconded: Cr Pat Fogarty

That Council ratify the replacement of the kerb and gutter along Hardinge Street, between Cressy Street and George Street as part of the 2017/18 Kerb Replacement program.

CARRIED

2018/190 RIVER STREET DRAINAGE**RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Norm McAllister

Seconded: Cr Peta Betts

That Council:

1. Re-allocate \$10,000 from the Stormwater – Drainage Cleaning budget item to the River Street Drainage budget item
2. Note that the work shall be completed by Council's Operational staff.

CARRIED

2018/191 STRONGER COMMUNITIES FUND - MAJOR PROJECTS PROGRAM AND THE STRONGER COUNTRY COMMUNITIES PROGRAM - AUGUST PROGRESS REPORT**RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Peta Betts
Seconded: Cr Pat Fogarty

That Council note the Stronger Communities Fund- Major Projects Program and the Stronger Country Communities Program- Progress Report for August 2018

CARRIED

2018/192 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS**RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Norm McAllister
Seconded: Cr Mac Wallace

That Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act 1993:

16.1 Plant Replacement

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2) - c and d(i) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business and commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

CARRIED

2018/193 PLANT REPLACEMENT**RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Norm McAllister
Seconded: Cr Nick Metcalfe

That Council:

1. Accept the tender submitted by Wagga Trucks for the purchase of a Hino FS2848 Proshift truck fitted with a Chris Body Builders tipping tray for the contract price of \$206,002 including GST
2. That FM1 2002 Sterling be offered for sale by public auction

2018/194 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Peta Betts

Seconded: Cr Pat Fogarty

That Council moves out of Closed Council into Open Council at 10.44am.

1 CLOSE OF MEETING

The Meeting closed at 10.45am

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 20 September 2018.

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CHAIRPERSON



**Edward
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MINUTES

Extraordinary Council Meeting

6 September 2018

**MINUTES OF EDWARD RIVER COUNCIL
EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER 180 CRESSY STREET DENILIQUIN
ON THURSDAY, 6 SEPTEMBER 2018 AT 9AM**

PRESENT: Cr Pat Fogarty (Deputy Mayor), Cr Peta Betts, Cr Marg Bull, Cr Ashley Hall, Cr Nick Metcalfe, Cr Mac Wallace

IN ATTENDANCE: Adam McSwain (General Manager), Caroline Wallis (Director Corporate Services), Oliver McNulty (Director Infrastructure), Julie Rogers (Manager Environmental Services), Shavaun Tasker (Planning Officer), Belinda Perrett (Executive Assistant)

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

2018/195 APOLOGIES AND REQUESTS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Metcalfe
Seconded: Cr Betts

That the apologies for the non-attendance from Mayor Norm Brennan, Cr Peter McCrabb and Cr Norm McAllister be accepted.

CARRIED

2018/196 EDWARD RIVER HERITAGE COMMITTEE MINUTES

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Hall
Seconded: Cr Bull

That Council endorses the recommendations made by the Edward River Heritage Committee.

CARRIED

Planning Officer, Shavaun Tasker, left the Chambers at 9.05am.

2018/197 MINUTES EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING 5 JULY 2018**RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Betts
Seconded Cr Metcalfe

That Council adopt the minutes of the Extraordinary Council Meeting held 5 July 2018.

CARRIED

2018/198 DRAFT DENILIQUN MASTERPLAN**RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Betts
Seconded: Cr Wallace

That Council:

1. Place the draft Deniliquin Masterplan on exhibition for a minimum period of 28 days; and
2. Receive a report on the outcome of the exhibition of the Deniliquin Masterplan.

CARRIED

2018/199 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS**RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Hall
Seconded: Cr Metcalfe

That Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act 1993:

8.1 CONTRACT 2.19.262 - DENILIQUN SWIM CENTRE – REFURBISHMENTS OF OUTDOOR SWIMMING POOLS AND PLANT EQUIPMENT

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2) - d(i) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

Council moved into closed council at 9.35am

CARRIED

2018/200 CONTRACT 2.19.262 - DENILQUIN SWIM CENTRE – REFURBISHMENTS OF OUTDOOR SWIMMING POOLS AND PLANT EQUIPMENT**RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Betts
Seconded: Cr Bull

That Council:

1. Accepts the tender from FARLEY POOLS AUSTRALIA PTY LTD for Contract 2.19.262 – Deniliquin Swim Centre – Refurbishments of Outdoor Swimming pools and Plant equipment for the total lump sum of \$508,598.75 including GST;
2. Authorise the General Manager and Mayor to sign and affix the Common Seal of Edward River Council to the contract documentation for Contract 2.19.262 – Deniliquin Swim Centre – Refurbishments of Outdoor Swimming pools and Plant equipment;
3. Approve the allocation of \$142,000 from the \$500,000 of the Community Grants Program, Major Project Program currently unallocated to increase the project total budget amount to \$577,000;
4. Approve the change in scope of the project as outlined within this report.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Metcalfe
Seconded: Cr Wallace

That Council moves out of Closed Council into Open Council at 9.42am.

CARRIED

9 CLOSE OF MEETING

The Meeting closed at 9.43am.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Meeting of the Edward River Council held on 20 September 2018.

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CHAIRPERSON

6 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

7 DEPUTATIONS

Nil

8 CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

9 MAYORAL MINUTES

Nil

10 PUBLIC FORUM

11 REPORTS FROM OFFICERS**11.1 MAYOR AND GENERAL MANAGER MEETINGS**

File Number:

Author: Belinda Perrett, Executive Assistant

Authoriser: Adam McSwain, General Manager

RECOMMENDATION

That Council note the information.

BACKGROUND

The report details meetings undertaken by the Mayor and General Manager on behalf of Council during August 2018.

Mayor and General Manager meetings August 2018			
Date	Participants	Topic	Council Reps
August 3	Country Mayors	Quarterly meeting	Mayor, General Manager
August 8	Gary Barnes, Department Premier & Cabinet	LGA Priorities	Mayor, General Manager
August 8	Deputy Premier John Barilaro, Parliamentary Secretary Bronnie Taylor, Austin Evans MP, Robert Poole, KPMG, John Wagner, Wagners	Parliament House Sydney Airport development	Mayor, General Manager
August 9	Conargo Public School	Open Day	Deputy Mayor, Cr Marg Bull
August 9	Deanne Co-ordinator Strategic Plan - RAMJO	RAMJO Strategic Plan	Mayor, General Manager (via phone)
August 15	Volunteers – Peppin and Library	Volunteer Morning Tea	Mayor, Cr Betts, General Manager
August 17	Austin Evans MP, Minister for Tourism and Major Events Adam Marshall MP	Official Opening TAFE NSW – Connected Learning Deniliquin Campus	Mayor, General Manager
August 17	Regional Women with Influence – Katrina Myers, Robbie Sefton, Airlie Trescowthick	Discussion Panel Peppin Heritage Centre	Mayor, General Manager

August 18	Vietnam Veterans	Vietnam Veterans Day	Mayor
August 27	Shelley Scoullar – Speak Up Campaign	Water Crisis Rally	Mayor, General Manager
August 29	Murray Darling Association	74 th National Conference	Mayor, General Manager

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

Nil

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Nil

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

11.2 RESOLUTIONS OF COUNCIL**Author:** Belinda Perrett, Executive Assistant**Authoriser:** Adam McSwain, General Manager**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council note the information in the Resolutions of Council September 2018 update.

BACKGROUND

The attached report details the status of open Resolutions of Council.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

Monthly report to update Councillors and community members on the progress of Council Resolutions.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

As outlined in the status updates.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

This report aligns with Outcome 5 – A community working together to achieve its potential. Particularly it supports outcome 5.3, our local government is efficient, innovative and financially sustainable.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Council Resolutions as at August 2018**

16 August 2018	Resolution	Responsibility	Status	Expected Date of Completion
179/18	<p>Section 355 Funding</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Provide funding to the following Committees for the sole purpose of delivering the activities outlined in the submissions received: - <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Conargo Memorial Hall Committee \$8,000 b. Wanganella Advancement Committee \$1,300 c. The Long Paddock Committee \$12,006.50 d. Deniliquin Airport Advisory Committee \$19,929 e. Edward River Concert Band \$6,725 2. Seek further clarification on the submissions received from: - <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Boorooban Sporting & Social Club \$10,000 b. Deniliquin Multi Arts Centre \$6,600 c. Blighty Advancement Committee \$10,000 3. Delegate approval to the General Manager to sign off on these grants once additional information has been confirmed and the grants are suitable for approval 4. Not provide funding to the Deniliquin Yard Dog Association nor the Edward River Society of Model Engineers as they are not directly Section 355 Committees 5. Provide funding of \$10,000 for improved entrance and wayfinding signage for Memorial Park 	General Manager	Letters of advice forwarded.	December 2018
185/18	<p>Economic Development Strategy 2018-2021</p> <p>That the Economic Development Strategy 2018-2021 be revised in relation to rural schooling; agriculture to include fibre; investigate the number of jobs shown in rural industry; the Edward River should feature more prominently. The Strategy should then be brought back to Council.</p>	Manager Tourism & Economic Development	Additional Consultation held	20 September 2018
187/18	<p>Emergency Sewer Works</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Note that emergency works were carried out to repair the sewer at Cressy Street and Harfleur Street 2. Note that the total cost for these emergency sewer works was \$188,075 3. Ratify that the budget for these works was provided for from the 	Director Infrastructure		September 2018

	sewer reserve			
190/18	River Street Drainage 1. Re-allocate \$10,000 from the Stormwater – Drainage Cleaning budget item to the River Street Drainage budget item 2. Note that the work shall be completed by Council’s Operational staff.	Director Infrastructure		
193/18	Plant Replacement Accept the tender submitted by Wagga Trucks and the FM1 2002 Sterling be offered for sale by public auction	Director Infrastructure	Order has been placed	November 2018
19 July 2018	Resolution	Responsibility	Status	Expected Date of Completion
150/18	Fees and Charges 2018-2019 That Council resolves to put on public exhibition for a minimum of 28 days, the Fees and Charges for 2018-2019 with the following amendments: (a) The addition of a Property Card fee of \$25.95 (b) The addition of “units of measure” to the waste fees and charges to clarify the charges (note, no changes to the charges are required) (c) Set the Memorial Rose Garden perpetual lease fee at \$1,096. (d) Replace section 149 planning certificates with section 10.7 planning certificates	Director Corporate Services	On Exhibition. Report to September Council Meeting	September 2018
155/18	Conargo Hall Committee Incorporation That Council work with the Conargo Memorial Hall and Recreation Ground Committee and explore the opportunity to change its status from a Section 355 Committee of Council to an Incorporated Body.	Director Corporate Services	Draft Agreement distributed to committee.	November 2018
157/18	Draft management of Feral and/or infant companion animals policy That Council: 1. Place the draft Management of Feral and/or Infant Companion Animals Policy on exhibition for a minimum period of 28 days; and 2. Receive a report on the outcome of the exhibition of the draft	Manager Environmental Services	On Exhibition. Report to September Council Meeting	September 2018

	Management of Feral and/or Infant Companion Animals Policy.			
162/18	<p>Alcohol Free Zones That Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Prepare a proposal for the re-establishment of an alcohol free zone within the area outlined in blue in Attachment 1 of this report titled 'Proposed AFZ 2018-2022' in accordance with section 644 of the Local Government Act; 2. Undertake public consultation of the proposal to establish the alcohol free zone within the area outlined in blue in attachment 1 of this report titled 'Proposed AFZ 2018-2022' in accordance with section 644A of the Local Government Act and the "Ministerial Guidelines on Alcohol Free Zones" (February 2009); and 3. Upon completion of this public consultation, consider a further report on the proposal to establish the alcohol free zone. 	Manager Environmental Services	On Public Exhibition until 19 September 2018	October 18, 2018
163/18	<p>Sale and Development Former Council Depot 143-147 Hardinge Street Deniliquin That Council Determine that the former Council Depot (South Depot) at 143-147 Hardinge Street, Deniliquin, Lot 261 DP634603 is surplus to Council requirements and approve the sale of this land; Allocate a budget of approximately \$50,000 from the Infrastructure Reserve to undertake soil and contamination investigations at 143-147 Hardinge Street, Deniliquin on both Lot 261 DP634603 and Lot 27 DP756325; Once site rectification works are complete, approve an Expression of Interest process for the sale of Lot 261 DP634603 that places a focus on supporting business expansion, job creation and economic development as the preferred outcome; Approve that upon completion of sale of the property, all costs associated with the above investigations will be reallocated to the Infrastructure Reserve; Note that the sale won't be finalised until all Council required equipment and shedding is removed from the site; Note that Lot 27 DP756325 is Crown Land leased by Council and as such won't be included as part of the land sale; Note that the relocation of sheds at the back of the site used by local service groups will need to be</p>	Manager Tourism & Economic Development	<p>Contractor Engaged to undertake soil testing.</p> <p>Testing commenced</p> <p>EOI Drafted</p>	October 30, 2018

	relocated to a suitable site and that the costs to do this will be funded through the proceeds from the sale of the land			
171/18	<p>Contract 2.19.254 – Road Reconstruction/Rehabilitation Program Works</p> <p>That Council not accept the tender submissions for Contract 2.19.254 – Road Reconstruction/ Rehabilitation Program, in accordance with Clause 178(1) of the <i>Local Government (General) Regulations</i>, since submitted tender price was very much greater than the grant funding for the project; In accordance with Clause 178(3)(e) of the <i>Local Government (General) Regulations</i>, enter negotiations with contractors in relation to the subject matter of the tender. Approve that General Manager can enter a sign contract with a single contractor or multiple contractors to ensure that the works related to in this tender are delivered. In accordance with clause 178 (4)(b) of the <i>Local Government (General) Regulations</i>, Council note the reasons for following this process are;</p> <p>(a)Due to the lack of interest from contractors in the initial tender process</p> <p>(b)The timeframes imposed by the funding authority for the delivery of this work restrict the ability to progress through a full tender process and complete all the works</p>	Director Infrastructure	Meetings scheduled.	October 2018
17 May 2018	Resolution	Responsibility	Status	Expected Date of Completion
113/18	<p>Deniliquin Ethanol Plant</p> <p>That Council:</p> <p>Approve the sale of lots two and three of the land Council hold title over in Gheringhap for \$300,000Approve the Mayor and General Manager signing and applying the Council seal to sell lots two and three in Gheringhap</p> <p>Recover from Dongmun the \$18,000 currently held in trust</p> <p>Do not proceed with the sale of lot one of the land in</p>	General Manager	\$300k received for sale of lots 2 & 3. Continuing to work with Francis, Kelly & Grant. Sale of	November 2018

	Gheringhap until 30 June 2018 Following 30 June 2018 if the loan provided to Dongmun Greentech (inclusive of all associated costs) is not re-paid in full proceed with the sale of the remaining land in Gheringhap		remaining land now underway	
19 April 2018	Recommendation	Responsibility	Status	Expected Date of Completion
80/18	That Council: Prepare a planning proposal to amend the Deniliquin Local Environmental Plan 2013 in accordance with section 3.33 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 to insert an additional permitted use for Lot 114 DP756310, 227 Augustus Street, Deniliquin; Forward the planning proposal to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure in accordance with section 3.34(1) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. Request that the local plan making functions in relation to this planning proposal be delegated to Council.	Manager Environmental Development	Gateway determination issued 29 May 2018. Council liaising with the Department of Planning about specific definition for the type of general industry to occur on the subject site.	31 December 2018
15 March 2018	Recommendation	Responsibility	Status	Expected Date of Completion
45/18	That Council: Establish an access committee; Invite Intereach and Kurrajong to provide one representative each on the committee; call for expressions of interest from the community to join the committee; Council to receive a report to determine	Manager Environmental Development	Calls for expressions of interest advertised. No	Further report to Council July 2018

	the membership of the committee; and appoint the Mayor or a delegate to be a Councillor representative on this Committee.		responses received. Possible community members to be contacted to gauge interest.	
47/18	Central Murray Regional Library Draft Deed of Agreement. That council receive the report And agree to adopt and sign the draft Central Murray Regional Library Deed of Agreement	Manager Tourism & Economic Development	Currently Reviewing Deed. Meeting scheduled 28 September 2018.	October 2018
49/18	Deniliquin Airport Project Business Case Report That Council: Receive the Deniliquin Airport Project Final Report prepared by KPMG. 2.Lodge an E.O.I seeking \$10 million funding in the Regional Growth Fund and seek matching State funding. 3.Commence discussions with state and federal government in relation to the project. 4.Commence discussions with Brisbane West Wellcamp Airport regarding terms of agreement for the link between Deniliquin Airport and Brisbane West Wellcamp Airport should council proceed with the proposed upgrade. 5.Commence discussions with stakeholders identified in the KPMG report and any other stakeholders that may be identified through this process. 6.Seek formal letters of support from commercial partners and investors. 7.Further develop the phased approach regarding construction of a business par in the airport precinct. This should include site planning for a large indoor farming operation. 8.Develop a detailed risk management plan for the project to address or	Manager Tourism & Economic Development	State Government grant application for \$10 million in funding submitted. Federal Government seeking \$10 million in funding submitted Meeting held in Brisbane with John Wagner. Still really strong	Ongoing

	<p>mitigate all identified risks. 9.Further develop financial modelling for the project to understand project costs depending on the level of government or private funding able to be received.</p> <p>10.Request a further report be prepared for council updating on the outcome of each of the above items prior to further progressing the project.</p> <p><i>Project Steering Committee Appointed. Project Manager Currently being appointed.</i></p>		<p>support for the project and an updated MOU is being prepared for John to sign.</p> <p>Letters sent and discussions commenced with prospective suppliers and supporters of the project.</p>	
26 July 2017	Recommendation	Responsibility	Status	Expected Date of Completion
	<p>Consolidation of Operational Depots That Council submit a DA for the expansion of the existing depot site and receive a further report regarding detailed layout and costings following further consultation with staff.</p>	Infrastructure	Workshop discussion held with staff. Design is being completed. DA application to remove houses being lodged.	30 Oct 2018

11.3 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT SECTION 333 REVIEW OF ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE**Author:** Adam McSwain, General Manager**Authoriser:** Adam McSwain, General Manager**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council

1. Note that this review was undertaken to ensure compliance with section 333 of the Local Government Act 1993
2. Reaffirm the existing organisational structure

BACKGROUND

Section 332 and 333 of the Local Government Act 1993 (Act) both refer to Council's organisational structure.

Section 332 of the Act identifies the following;

- A Council must, after consulting the general manager, determine the following:
 - The senior staff positions within the organisation structure of the council
 - The roles and reporting line (for other senior staff) of holders of senior staff positions
 - The resources to be allocated towards employment of staff
- The general manager must, after consulting the council, determine the positions (other than the senior staff positions) within the organisation structure of the council
- The positions within the organisation structure of the council are to be determined so as to give effect to the priorities set out in the strategic plans (including the community strategic plan) and delivery program of the council

Section 333 of the Act then requires;

The organisation structure may be re-determined under this Part from time to time. The council must review, and may re-determine, the organisation structure within 12 months after any ordinary election of the council.

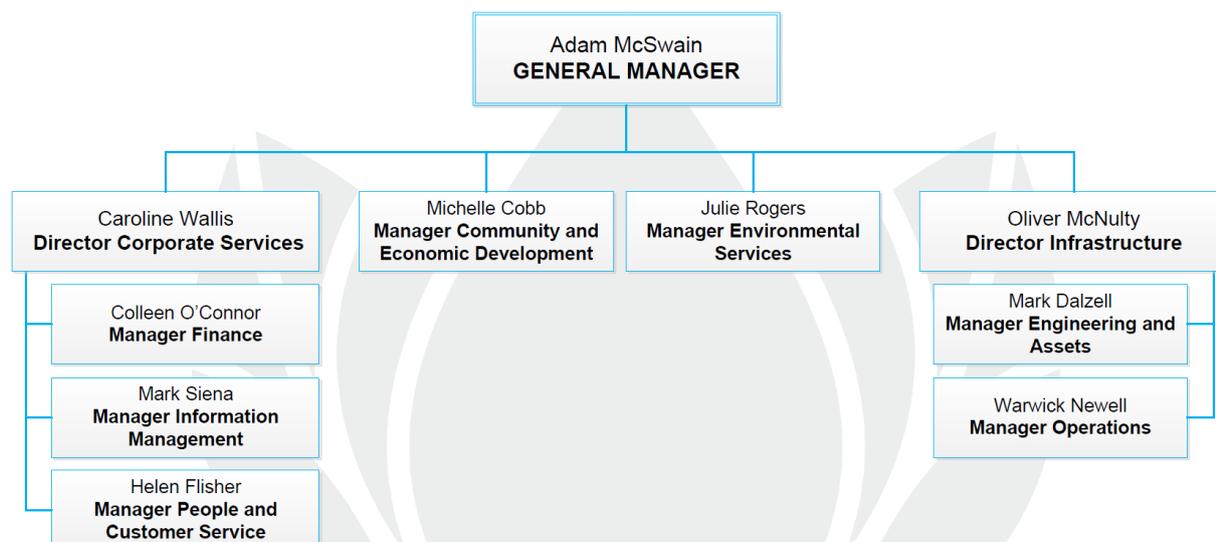
Edward River Council was appointed on Thursday 21 September 2017, as such determination by Council on the organisational structure is now required.

Throughout the first 18 months of the merger process a significant amount of consultation and work was done to develop the current Edward River Council organisational structure. As a result, the review completed for this re-determination has been undertaken internally by the General Manager. To inform the review, a benchmarking exercise was undertaken with other 'like' sized Councils.

Additionally, as a merged Council, Council are still limited in any changes to the organisational structure as per the rules around mergers outlined in the Local Government Act 1993. These rules provide certainty in all job roles for a three-year period, this period ends on 12 May 2019.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

The current Edward River Council organisational structure has been in place since 19 April 2018. At this time the structure was modified, and approved by Council, to move from three Directors to two Directors. The current organisational structure showing the first, second and third levels of the organisation is below:



The current structure includes three ‘senior officer’ roles. These are the roles of the General Manager, Director Infrastructure and Director Corporate Services. A senior officer role means that the role is employed via a contract of up to a maximum five years in length and meets a variety of criteria around responsibility. All of Council’s third level or manager roles are employed under the Local Government Award.

As per Section 332 of the Act, this review of the organisational structure focuses on the Senior Staff structure of the organisation and the resources allocated towards employment of staff.

Edward River Council sit within the Office of Local Government group 10. Group 10 is for large rural Councils that have less than 10,000 population and greater than 5,000 population. While attempts have been made to get data from all Group 10 Councils this hasn’t been possible, so the benchmarking has taken place against nine other Councils. These Councils include a majority of Group 10 Councils, but also include some Group 11 Councils. Group 11 Councils are Councils with greater than 10,000 population and less than 20,000.

The Councils benchmarked against were:

- Kyogle
- Upper Lachlan
- Greater Hume
- Leeton
- Berrigan
- Tenterfield
- Temora
- Bland
- Oberon

Benchmarking of Council’s organisational structure has been undertaken against this group of Councils. The outcomes are below:

	Council area	Population	Directors	Managers	Total staff	Employee Costs (16/17 audited)

Edward River	8,883.5 km ²	8,951	2	7	105.5	\$8,600,000*
Average	5,088.5 km²	8,070	2.4	6.4	106.15	\$7,722,222

*It should be noted that Edward River Council are the only merged Council in this group and within the 16/17 year we had higher than normal employee costs. E.g. for 18/19 our employee costs are only \$8,685,000 an increase of less than 1% across two financial years. Assuming the average costs figure was increased by 3% annually than the average across the group in 18/19 would be \$8.3 million.

Some work was done on 18/19 budgeted figures from other Councils but as these are un-audited and Councils have a high degree of variation with how they present this information it wasn't utilised.

The table above compares the number of Directors, Managers, total staff and employee expenses for Edward River Council with an average from across this group. The averages show that the Councils benchmarked against are on average slightly smaller in population and about 35% smaller in land area.

For Edward River Council this assessment shows:

- Directors – Across the Councils benchmarked against no Council had less than two Directors and none had more than three. Of the Councils that did have three this wasn't directly related to population size or land area as one of the smaller Councils had three Directors.

For Edward River Council the 'two Director model' has now been in place for almost six months. At the time of changing to two Directors the decision was also made to employ an additional officer position in the community and economic development area. This position has now been in place for just under two months. With this role filled the structure is now working effectively.

It is recommended that Council retain the two Director model for Edward River Council

- Managers – While not directly a concern under Section 332 of the Local Government Act an assessment of the number of managers has also been completed. The average across the Council group was 6.4 managers, Council currently have seven managers. Of the benchmarked Councils there were only two with less than six managers, these were Councils smaller in size to Edward River Council. Compared with Councils closer in size to Edward River Council shows that seven managers is a fairly consistent size.

Given the current level of workload with business as usual and merger associated work, it is considered that seven managers is an appropriate and well working number. Like all positions, in the future if a manager voluntarily left the organisation a review of the role would be undertaken and the structure would be further considered at that time.

- Total staff – In isolation a total staffing number can be misleading as across Councils there can often be significant variation in services delivered. As an example of the group of Councils benchmarked against, some deliver aged care services and others directly deliver weed services. Currently Edward River Council don't directly deliver either of these services. As such, it is recommended that these figures be used as a broad guide.

In comparison with other Council's Edward River Council are currently about average in terms of total staff numbers. Our total staff number includes a number of two-year contract positions that will continue to be reviewed.

- Employee costs – As per the comment directly following the table, the figure of \$8,600,000 for Edward River Council is slightly inflated due to merger associated employee expenses. Regardless, it is recommended that additional analysis be undertaken with specific like-sized Councils to better understand cost drivers within our structure.

The second table below shows an approximate split between number of staff working in the operational area and the number of staff in the indoor/office area. Naturally several roles in each area cross-over, the table below is intended to provide a guide:

	Sum ops	Sum Indoor	% Split Operations
Edward River	62	43.5	59%
Average	60.9	42.2	59%

This table shows that approximately 60% of Councils staff are in the operational area and 40% are indoor/office staff. Comparing with the other Council's benchmarked against shows that this split is fairly consistent across Councils and that Council sits right on the average for the group. Ensuring that we always maintain a focus on service delivery and delivery of capital works is critical. This analysis shows that this is currently taking place.

Following this review, it is recommended that Councils organisational structure in its current form is fit for purpose. A current KPI for the General Manager is to improve the financial sustainability of Council in the long term. This review will look at a whole variety of factors, one of these will be to continue reviewing the organisational structure.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

As identified in the report

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

The Community Strategic Plan identifies a key outcome as 'A community working together to achieve its potential'. Within this outcome, target 5.3 is 'our local government is efficient, innovative and financially sustainable'. This review ensures that Council continue to progress towards this target.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil with the current recommendation in this report.

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

This review is required under section 333 of the Local Government Act 1993. Completion of this review ensures compliance with this section of the Local Government Act.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

11.4 DENILQUIN BOAT CLUB REQUEST**Author:** Adam McSwain, General Manager**Authoriser:** Adam McSwain, General Manager**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council consider the request for additional funding from the Deniliquin Boat Club for the accessible toilet project.

BACKGROUND

Through Council's Stronger Communities funding program (merger funding) the Deniliquin Boat Club (Boat Club) applied for and were successful in receiving funding for a project to construct an accessible toilet for the club room/function room facility.

The grant amount provided was \$50,000 (ex GST), this was as per the request from the Boat Club.

Delivery of the Stronger Communities projects is happening in a couple of ways, the majority of projects are being managed and delivered by Council, a few other projects (basketball stadium boat club and children's centre) are being delivered by the organisation who applied for the funding.

For the organisations that are managing the project themselves, a funding agreement has been put in place between Council and the organisation. This agreement stipulates the funding provided and a variety of other clauses for how the funds are to be managed.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

The Boat Club have now completed the accessible toilet project. Following the completion of the project the Boat Club have written to Council advising that the project went over budget by \$7,000. The original budget was \$55,000 (including GST) and the final invoice has come in at \$62,000 (including GST). The Boat Club have advised that the reason the project went over budget was due to the age of the building which lead to unforeseen complications when constructing and installing the toilets.

The Boat Club have advised that they operate with a tight budget and the \$7,000 increase will impact on their ability to complete their regular summer programming.

Receiving this request after the completion of the project, with no notice prior, makes it difficult for Council Officers to assist. Other similar 'community run' merger projects that are facing similar issues with budget are being proactive in working with Council Officers to make the changes required to ensure that the projects remain within the budget. Unfortunately, in the case of the Boat Club this did not take place.

A response was received from the Boat Club advising they didn't know who to talk to in Council to get assistance.

It is requested that Council consider the request from the Boat Club. Council has two options with this request; Council can choose to provide the additional \$7,000 funding to the Boat Club or choose to not provide the additional funding.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Council are currently managing and overseeing a significant number of grant funded projects. If additional funding is provided to the Boat Club, it may encourage others to also seek additional funding.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

The Boat Club project aligns with Outcome 1 – A great place to live. Particularly, the project contributes towards target 1.2 our community is safe, happy and healthy, both physically and mentally.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Council currently have unallocated funds within the Stronger Communities program that could be utilised for this purpose.

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

11.5 CENTRAL MURRAY COUNTY COUNCIL**Author: Adam McSwain, General Manager****Authoriser: Adam McSwain, General Manager****RECOMMENDATION**

That Council in the event that the Central Murray County Council is wound up

1. Resolve to deliver its weed control authority responsibilities as an internal Council service
2. Requests that the following equipment be provided:
 - The Deniliquin Depot including sheds and demountables and all equipment, fixtures and fittings contained therein
 - Two Ranger utes based in Deniliquin
 - Two quick spray units
 - One Canter Truck – BE34DL
 - Two rearing cages
 - Two motion tablets
 - Software for tablets
 - Two kestrel wind meters
 - Two mobile phones
3. Requests that the two Deniliquin CMCC staff be transferred to Council
4. Resolve that any financial return to Council be established in an internally restricted 'weeds authority' reserve

BACKGROUND

Council has a responsibility under the Biosecurity Act 2015 as a weed control authority:

370 Local control authority—meaning

(1) The council of a local government area is the local control authority for land within that local government area unless the weed control functions for that area have been conferred on a county council or joint organisation (within the meaning of the Local Government Act 1993) under any other Act. If the weed control functions for an area have been conferred on a county council or joint organisation, the county council or joint organisation is the local control authority for that area.

371 Functions of local control authority

(1) A local control authority has the following functions, in relation to the land for which it is the local control authority:

- (a) the prevention, elimination, minimisation and management of the biosecurity risk posed or likely to be posed by weeds,
- (b) to develop, implement, co-ordinate and review weed control programs,
- (c) to inspect land in connection with its weed control functions,

(d) to keep records about the exercise of the local control authority's functions under this Act,

(e) to report to the Secretary about the exercise of the local control authority's functions under this Act.

(2) Nothing in this section limits the functions of the Secretary under this Act in relation to the control of weeds in any area.

(3) A function of a local control authority under this Act is to be exercised in accordance with any requirements specified in the regulations and any directions (not inconsistent with the regulations) given by the Secretary.

As previously discussed with Council, the current way in which Edward River Council (and the former Deniliquin and Conargo Councils) deliver this service is through the Central Murray County Council (CMCC).

Following the Council mergers in 2016, membership of the CMCC went from five Councils to three Councils. Murray River Council in particular were impacted as the Council was 'split' with the former Murray Shire Council being part of the CMCC and the former Wakool Shire Council not being part of the CMCC. As a result, Murray River Council needed to make a decision on future service provision in this area and ultimately decided at its meeting held on 16 January 2018 to withdraw from the CMCC. Following this decision, Council then passed a motion at the Council meeting on 15 February to:

- 1. Discontinue membership of the Central Murray County Council and advise the Minister for Local Government of this decision*
- 2. Investigate all available options for the continued provision of noxious weeds to ensure Council is meeting its legislative requirements*
- 3. That at a minimum the options investigated include a shared service model under the proposed Riverina and Murray Joint Organisation, shared service models with neighbouring Councils and Council delivering the service internally as a single organisation*

Berrigan Shire Council have also passed a motion to withdraw from the CMCC. However, have noted that they are only doing so due to Murray River Council and Edward River Council pulling out.

The CMCC itself has now also passed a motion that the CMCC be dissolved at 30 June 2019. A detailed proposal is required to be submitted to the

Discussions into a number of service delivery options have been held, these have included:

- Joint Organisation (JO): Has been informally discussed but agreed that at least in the short term (1-2 years) the focus of the JO will be on getting established and undertaking significant strategic work. As a result, it is not believed that this is a current option.
- Shared service with other Councils: Discussions with Berrigan and other neighbouring Councils have taken place. To date, these discussions have only been preliminary but have not received any level of support.
- Council delivering the service internally: This is the simplest delivery method in the short to medium term. Two staff from the CMCC, both already located in Deniliquin, would be transferred across to Council along with the assets required for the service to function.

Given discussions held to date, and the relatively short time frame for the service being required, the internal delivery of the weed control service is the proposed service delivery model to move forward with.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

Assets

Delivering the service internally will require the availability of resources to undertake the service. With the proposed dissolving of the CMCC it is proposed that through this process Council receive the following:

- The Deniliquin Depot including sheds and demountables and all equipment, fixtures and fittings contained therein
- Two Ranger utes based in Deniliquin
- Two quick spray units
- One Canter Truck – BE34DL
- Two rearing cages
- Two motion tablets
- Software for tablets
- Two kestrel wind meters
- Two mobile phones

Additionally, it is proposed that the two staff members currently based in Deniliquin would transfer to be employees of Edward River Council.

Council's infrastructure staff have reviewed this proposed list of assets and believe that the equipment is required to effectively undertake the service. There had been some discussion about the ability to fit the service within Council's North Depot and not require this additional land and assets, however after an assessment of both sites it is believed the current North depot site would be too small to fit everything. Further, the costs to establish the new site are expected to be more substantial than the costs to take-on the existing site.

All of the identified assets would not directly cost Council anything but would reduce any remaining funds held by the CMCC that may be returned to Councils after the entity is dissolved.

Cost of Service Delivery

In 2018/19 Council is contributing \$212,340 to the CMCC. This is made up of \$137,340 for the weeds contribution and \$75,000 for control over additional weeds.

The current total expenses for the CMCC are \$997,484. Dividing this by a third it could be expected to cost ERC approx. \$330,000 per year to deliver the service. This \$997,484 figure also includes expenditure related to private works and at least in the short term it is expected that Council would focus its service delivery on meeting core regulatory requirements and not on private works. With these costs excluded the expenditure figure is \$739,251. A third of this cost would be \$246,417 per year. Further analysis of the budget then shows that there will be some efficiencies gained e.g. there will no longer be a General Manager or Councillor fees and expenses related to the service. With these costings removed the annual service delivery cost

for the CMCC is \$667,939 and the split for Council would be \$222,646. A copy of the CMCC budget with the General Manager and Councillor fees removed is attached to this report.

Further, through direct delivery of the service Council expects to receive income of approx. \$50,000 per year for the service.

In summary, while it is not anticipated that there will be a reduction within the budgeted amount for delivering the service when it is brought 'in-house', the expectation is that the annual operating expense for the service for 2019-20 will be approx. \$250,000. Through the process to dissolve the CMCC, it is expected that all of the required assets to operate the service will be provided.

On-going costs to then upgrade and replace the assets will be a cost required to be covered by Council. Through dissolving the CMCC it is expected that each Council will receive some financial return. It is recommended that any money returned to Council be established as a 'weeds authority' internally restricted reserve. This funding would then be used to cover any on-going staff expenses or initial costs for replacement of assets as they fall due.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Directly undertaking the weed control authority service Council will have greater control to direct service delivery needs.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

The weed control authority section supports objective three of 'a valued and enhanced natural environment'. Specifically, it will progress towards the achievement of target 3.2, 'Our natural environment is protected and enhanced'.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

As outlined in the report it is expected that the cost to deliver the service internally will be approx. \$250,000. This is an increase on the 2018/19 budgeted figure, however factoring in annual cost increases and allowing for some flexibility with the budget for the first year of service, the increase is only slight. It is intended that in years two and three of delivering the service internally, additional cost efficiencies will be found.

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

As identified in the background section of the report, this is a service that Council is legislated to provide. The service delivery approach outlined in this report will ensure that Council meets this requirement.

ATTACHMENTS

1. CMCC Budget

CMCC Budget			
	Private Works	Roads	Totals
Expenses			
Wages & Salaries	\$91,507.80	\$288,835.55	\$380,343.35
GM Wages & Salary			\$0.00
Superannuation	\$8,693.28	\$27,348.61	\$36,041.89
Workers Comp - Wages & Insuran	\$1,452.43	\$7,667.70	\$9,120.13
Training/Seminars/Field days	\$13,585.25		\$13,585.25
Staff Amenities	\$19.09	\$2,004.30	\$2,023.39
Chemicals	\$44,594.01	\$15,732.47	\$60,326.48
Insurance	\$14,806.93		\$14,806.93
Motor Vehicle & Trucks	\$65,149.16		\$65,149.16
Fuel	\$7,654.80	\$33,557.28	\$41,212.08
Public Liability Insurance	\$4,250.00	\$4,250.00	\$8,500.00
Finley Shed/Depot Expenses	\$771.80	\$2,413.89	\$3,185.69
Telephones	\$3,064.92	\$9,218.11	\$12,283.03
Finley Office	\$363.19	\$2,354.33	\$2,717.52
Admin position			\$0.00
OHS Requirements		\$391.32	\$391.32
Medical Expenses		\$120.00	\$120.00
Insurance		\$5,090.37	\$5,090.37
Motor Vehicle & Truck Expenses		\$40,287.56	\$40,287.56
Depreciation		\$101,369.97	\$101,369.97
Loss on Disposal of Asset		\$79,306.77	\$79,306.77
Audit Fees		\$8,122.00	\$8,122.00
Advertising		\$2,118.22	\$2,118.22
Bank Fees		\$414.78	\$414.78
Dues & Subscr - Shires Assoc		\$1,796.50	\$1,796.50
Dues & Subs - Weed Map/LGSolutions/MYOB	2320.94	\$26,868.47	\$29,189.41
Uniforms / Protective Clothing		\$2,242.16	\$2,242.16
Deni - Printing & Stationery		\$621.49	\$621.49
Finley - Printing & Stationery		\$1,098.06	\$1,098.06
Finley - Postage		\$203.27	\$203.27
Councillor Fees & Expenses			\$0.00
Deni Shed/Office Depot Expense		\$4,506.46	\$4,506.46
		Total Operating	<u>\$926,173.24</u>
		No private works	\$667,939.64
		1/3 no private works	\$222,646.55

11.6 AIRPORT FUNDING APPLICATION - STATE APPLICATION**Author:** Adam McSwain, General Manager**Authoriser:** Adam McSwain, General Manager**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council

1. Note that additional information was submitted by the deadline of 7 September 2018 for the NSW State Government Growing Local Economies airport funding application
2. Note that the application submitted maintained the \$10 million funding request from the State Government
3. Note that the expected total project cost for the project, factoring in the indexing of funding for the future years in which it will be spent, is \$20,550,118
4. Note that the expected ongoing operational and capital expenditure required from Council for the project commencing in 2021/22 until 2026/27, if completed, is \$219,320 annually (based off the expected annual operating and capital costs minus the projected revenue from the project). In 2018/19 it costs Council \$82,850 to operate the airport

Approve that in the 2020/21 financial year Council allocate \$550,118 towards the project if the \$20 million in grant funding applied for is successful

BACKGROUND

At the March 2018 Council meeting, Council approved Council officers to seek \$20 million in grant funding for the Deniliquin Airport expansion project. This funding was sought through funding applications to the State Government seeking \$10 million and the Federal Government seeking \$10 million. Both applications progressed through 'two stage' processes whereby an initial expression of interest was submitted and if successful a second-round business case is then required.

For the State Government application Council was approved to progress to the second stage. An additional business case was required to be submitted by 7 September 2018.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

The additional business case and information has now been submitted in compliance with the 7 September deadline.

In developing the additional information, a project budget needed to be developed that factored in the future years in which the funding would be spent. This budget showing the proposed capital costs, ongoing costs and funding sources from the current financial year to 2026/27 is below:

Stage	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	Remaining Years to FY27	Total
Proposal capital costs (outturn used)	(\$10,552,383)	(\$9,997,734)		\$0	\$0	(\$20,550,118)
Proposed ongoing costs (indexed at 2.5% inflation)	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$1,135,857)	(\$6,278,090)	(\$7,413,947)

Funding sources						
Industry contributions	Nil					
Community contributions	Nil					
Federal government contributions	\$10,000,000 (TBC, EO/ stage only)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$10,000,000
Revenues (indexed at 2.5 % inflation)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$744,131	\$5,353,898	\$6,098,029
Sub-total	(TBC)	(\$9,997,734)	(\$391,726)	(\$1,315,918)	(\$1,315,918)	(\$1,315,918)
Request for funding (GLE)	\$0	\$9,997,734	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

The table above highlights that the expected capital cost for the project when factoring in the future years in which the project will be constructed is \$20,550,118. To date funding applications have been made seeking \$20 million in funding. As a result of this increase of \$550,118 it is proposed that Council cover this additional amount in the 2021/22 Council budget.

Council's other contribution towards the project will then be in the ongoing costs associated with the facility. The difference between the projected income and projected operational and capital ongoing expense between 2018/19 and 2026/27 is \$1,315,918. These expenses commence in the year 2021/22. As a result, between 2021/22 and 2026/27 it is expected to cost Council on average \$219,320 per annum to operate the upgraded airport (this includes the operational expenses for staff etc. and the capital expenses of maintaining the runway and associated infrastructure). In Council's current 2018/19 budget it costs Council \$82,580 to operate the existing airport. If the costs to operate the airport increase at a projected 3% annually, then in 2021/22 it is expected to cost Council \$90,237 per annum. Therefore, the expansion project is expected to cost an additional \$129,082 per annum in operational and capital expenditure.

The expected outcomes from the project and some of the key assumptions on which the proposed revenues are based are listed below:

Key benefits, at a high level, of developing the Deniliquin Airport include:

- *Enable the Deniliquin Airport to continue to operate, given the current runway is reaching the end of its effective life and requires upgrading:*
 - *current RPT flights per year is zero, this is expected to be possible once the airport reaches a steady-state operation, and be at least one per week from year six onwards, increasing over future years;*
 - *current freight flights per year is zero, this is expected to be at least one per month within the first five years of operations;*
 - *current private flights per year is minimal, however the new airport will be able to facility more private aircraft landings, storage and maintenance.*
- *Enable export opportunities for fresh, local produce from the Deniliquin region to Asian markets via an existing export-ready airport such as Wellcamp;*
 - *Current export methods are through road freight to Melbourne (or other larger cities), this is expensive and time consuming;*

- *Expected air freight transportation to Asia via Wellcamp will reduce freight time and cost, and offer producers an opportunity to access premium markets;*
- *A full freight plane, travelling to Asia, can generate approximately \$132,000 for producers.*
- *Increase commercial activity in the airport precinct will benefit the local economy, through establishing new businesses and creating an opportunity for existing businesses to capture new markets;*
- *Increase employment opportunities through both the construction of the airport precinct and its on-going operations;*
 - *The construction of the facility is expected to generate approximately 20 FTE positions; and*
 - *The ongoing operations of the airport itself will require 4 FTE.*
- *Ensure the ongoing provision of essential community services operating out of the airport such as, Air Ambulance, Police and NSW Rural fire services.*

The expected catchment for the project is within a 200km radius of Deniliquin. The expected product that will be exported will be chilled lamb, horticulture and dairy.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

This project has been identified in a series of Council and regional strategies as a priority project. It also aligns strongly with State policy and strategy.

The strategic intent of the project is to create a link into Asia (via Wellcamp) that opens up the region surrounding Deniliquin to new markets and provides for the opportunity to increase production of high value add produce.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

This project aligns with objective 2 – A progressive and vibrant economy. The project makes progress towards the targets to ‘develop our key assets to enhance agriculture, boost tourism and support existing business’ and ‘our economy is strong and diverse’.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

As outlined in the report

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

11.7 COUNCIL MEETING ANNUAL SCHEDULE**Author:** Caroline Wallis, Director Corporate Services**Authoriser:** Caroline Wallis, Director Corporate Services**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council:

1. Reviews the current schedule of Council meetings
2. Determines the meeting dates and locations for the period October 2018 to September 2019
3. Publishes the new schedule of Council meetings on the Edward River Council website.

BACKGROUND

The current schedule for Council meetings was developed shortly after the Council elections in September 2017.

The schedule includes a Council workshop on the first Thursday of the month and an ordinary meeting of the Council on the third Thursday of the month. In addition, special meetings and additional workshops are scheduled as required.

The Council meetings were intended to be run at different village locations across the Council area. This approach aimed to make the Council meetings more accessible to the community.

The Council meetings are currently held at 9am.

The Council meetings completed for the September 2017 – October 2018 period were:

Date	Location
19 October 2017	Council Chambers, 180 Cressy Street, Deniliquin
16 November 2017	Wanganella Hall, Cobb Highway, Wanganella
14 December 2017	Council Chambers, 180 Cressy Street, Deniliquin
15 February 2018	Council Chambers, 180 Cressy Street, Deniliquin
15 March 2018	Conargo Hall, Conargo Recreation Reserve, Conargo Road, Conargo
19 April 2018	Council Chambers, 180 Cressy Street, Deniliquin
17 May 2018	Council Chambers, 180 Cressy Street, Deniliquin
21 June 2018	Pretty Pine Hall, Pretty Pine Recreation Reserve, Cobb Highway, Pretty Pine
19 July 2018	Council Chambers, 180 Cressy Street, Deniliquin
16 August 2018	Council Chambers, 180 Cressy Street, Deniliquin
20 September 2018	Blighty Hall, Blighty Recreation Reserve, Riverina Highway, Blighty

The schedule is now due to be set for the period October 2018 to September 2019.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

Most Council meetings have not attracted community members to attend. The meetings held in the villages attracted zero community members.

Currently the meetings are held at 9am.

Following the current schedule of meetings being held on the third Thursday of each month the dates for 2018/19 will be:-

Date	Month
19	October 2018
15	November 2018
20	December 2018

21	February 2019
21	March 2019
18	April 2019
16	May 2019
20	June 2019
18	July 2019
15	August 2019
19	September 2019

A range of options exist in setting the new Council meeting schedule. This is not an exhaustive list.

Option 1

Business as usual. Council meetings scheduled on the third Thursday of the month. Meetings commence at 9am. Meetings held in Deniliquin and at various village locations across the shire.

Option 2

Hold all meetings in Deniliquin.

Option 3

Commence some/all meetings later in the day, for example 5pm or 6pm, to encourage community members who work during the day, an opportunity to attend.

Option 4

A completely new schedule as determined by Council.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

A predetermined schedule of meetings enables better forward planning and opportunity for the community to engage with the Council.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Outcome 5.1 – Our community is informed and engaged.

Outcome 5.3 – Our local government is efficient, innovative and financially sustainable.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

11.8 FEES AND CHARGES 2018-19**Author:** Caroline Wallis, Director Corporate Services**Authoriser:** Caroline Wallis, Director Corporate Services**RECOMMENDATION**

1. That Council, having received one submission from the debtor officer make and levy a Non Residential Filtered Water Usage Charge of \$1.38 cents per kilolitre for non residential properties in the former Deniliquin Council area sub-categorised as NON RESIDENTIAL, to rectify an omission.
2. That Council, having received nil submissions from members of the public following a public exhibition period of 28 days, adopts the amended Fees and Charges 2018-19.
3. That Council publishes the amended Fees and Charges 2018-19 on Council's website.

BACKGROUND

At the Council meeting on 19th July 2018, Council resolved to put on public exhibition for a minimum of 28 days the amended Fees and Charges 2018-19. Amendments were made following submissions received after the Fees and Charges were adopted by Council on 21st June 2018.

An advertisement was placed in the Pastoral Times on Friday 27th July 2018 to notify the public of the changes. Submissions were invited up until 4pm on 23rd August 2018.

Nil submissions from members of the public were received. One submission was received from the debtor officer notifying that an omission from the water usage charges had been made. The amended Fees and Charges 2018-2019 are outlined in the discussion section below.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

The amendments were required to address several issues arising from submissions received by Council after the Fees and Charges 2018-19 were adopted. The following amendments were made:

1. The addition of a Property Card Fee of \$25.95.
2. The addition of units of measures for waste charges.
3. The Memorial Rose Garden Perpetual Lease fee for 2018 -19 correctly set at \$1,096.
4. The planning certificates correctly described as section 10.7 certificates.

In addition, during the public exhibition period, the debtors officer notified that the usual water usage charge for non-residential properties had also been omitted. This charge has been added into the recommendation of this report.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Nil

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Council raises revenue from rates, fees and charges in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993* to fund a wide range of services to the community. Setting fees and charges each year is an integral step in the process of raising revenue. The Fees and Charges 2018-19 (as amended), directly supports the achievements of the Targets outlined in the Community Strategic Plan under the following Outcomes:

1. Outcome 1. A great place to live
2. Outcome 2. A prosperous and vibrant community

3. Outcome 3. A valued and enhanced natural environment
4. Outcome 4. A regional with quality and sustainable infrastructure
5. Outcome 5. A community working together to achieve its potential

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The financial implication of the amendments to the Fees and Charges 2018-19 is to correct a typographical error in the fee set for the Memorial Rose Garden Perpetual Lease fee. The additional of the Property Card Fee is required to cover the cost of data collection and provision of property cards.

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Advice was sought from the Office of Local Government which suggested Council should readvertise the amendments for another 28-day public exhibition period prior to adopting the amended Fees and Charges 2018-19.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

11.9 INVESTMENT REPORT 31 AUGUST 2018**Author: Rindayi Matienga, Financial Accountant****Authoriser: Caroline Wallis, Director Corporate Services****RECOMMENDATION**

That Council

1. Note and receive the Report on Investments totalling \$45,053,298 inclusive of cash at bank for day-to-day operations;
2. Note that actual interest received for the month of August 2018 was \$60,753.
3. Note that accrued interest earned to 31 August 2018 but not yet received was \$392,942

BACKGROUND

The purpose of this report is to update Council on the investment of surplus funds and interest earned as required in Regulation No 264 (Part 19) of the Local Government Act 1993.

All investments have been made in accordance with Council's Policy, Section 625 of the Local Government Act 1993, and Regulation No 264.

As at 31 August 2018, Council has a total of \$45,053,298 in invested funds and cash at bank. This balance does not include unrepresented receipts or cheques.

Interest received from investments during the month of August 2018 was \$60,753 consisting of \$11,922 for on-call/ bank accounts and \$48,831 for term deposits. Year to date interest received to 31 August 2018 for Edward River Council is \$125,511. Accrued interest of \$392,942 has been earned to 31 August 2018 but is not yet received as these investments mature in later months.

To optimise returns and to reduce exposure to risk, Council is investing surplus funds prudently in authorised financial institutions under current legislation in accordance with the Council's Investment Policy.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

At 31 August 2018 Council investments had a carrying value of \$45,053,298 as detailed on the following page

Schedule of Investments									
This Report is at date 31-August-2018									
Financial Institution	Account No.	Rating at End of Month (S&P)	Date Invested	Maturity Date	Days	Rate	Face Value Amount	% of Portfolio	Estimated Interest
On-Call/ CMT Accounts									
Westpac Business Cheque Plus Account	032-870 16-6545	A1+	N/A	N/A	365	0.01%	1,315,166.24	2.92%	Monthly
Westpac Business Cash Reserve	032-870 17-9231	A1+	N/A	N/A	365	0.70%	2,250,000.00	4.99%	Monthly
Westpac 31 Day Notice Account	032-870 23-2696	A1+	N/A	N/A	365	2.50%	2,112,478.83	4.69%	Monthly
Commonwealth Bank General Fund	062-533 000 000 10	A1+	N/A	N/A	365	0.00%	1,074,648.62	2.39%	Monthly
Commonwealth Bank Business On Line Acc	062-533 101 511 17	A1+	N/A	N/A	365	0.60%	2,189,303.53	4.86%	Monthly
NAB Business Cheque Account	89-575-7273	A1+	N/A	N/A	365	0.00%	13,853.54	0.03%	Monthly
Macquarie Bank - Rates	3005-79778	A1+	N/A	N/A	365	0.00%	18,650.27	0.04%	Monthly
Macquarie Bank - Water	2643-18940	A1+	N/A	N/A	365	0.00%	2,050.94	0.00%	Monthly
AMP Business Saver Account	939-200 164957532	A1+	N/A	N/A	365	1.80%	2,072,146.30	4.60%	Monthly
Total On-call/ CMT Accounts							11,048,298.27	24.52%	
Term Deposits									
St George	354032747	A1+	10-Sep-17	04-Sep-18	359	2.60%	1,250,000.00	2.77%	31,965.75
St George	354775348	A1+	07-Oct-17	02-Oct-18	360	2.56%	1,500,000.00	3.33%	37,726.03
St George	355276209	A1+	02-Sep-17	02-Sep-18	365	2.60%	1,000,000.00	2.22%	26,000.00
Westpac	355296525	A1+	12-Sep-17	11-Sep-18	364	2.59%	1,000,000.00	2.22%	25,829.04
Westpac	033-621 357 900	A1+	21-Nov-17	27-Nov-18	371	2.53%	3,000,000.00	6.66%	77,147.67
Westpac	032-870 22-6835	A1+	31-Jul-18	30-Oct-18	91	2.46%	500,000.00	1.11%	3,066.58
Westpac	032-870 22-2287	A1+	10-Oct-17	16-Oct-18	371	2.59%	1,500,000.00	3.33%	39,488.63
Westpac	032-870 22-8830	A1+	10-Jul-18	12-Mar-19	245	2.49%	1,000,000.00	2.22%	16,713.70
Westpac	032-870 23-4616	A1+	21-Nov-17	27-Nov-18	371	2.53%	1,000,000.00	2.22%	25,715.89
Commonwealth Bank	062-533 37543602	A1+	17-Apr-18	17-Dec-18	244	2.71%	500,000.00	1.11%	9,058.08
National Australia Bank	24-710-0644	A1+	27-Apr-18	25-Jan-19	273	2.60%	500,000.00	1.11%	9,723.29
National Australia Bank	31-162-5542	A1+	08-Aug-18	09-Apr-19	244	2.65%	1,000,000.00	2.22%	17,715.07
Total A1+ Deposits							13,750,000.00	30.52%	
AMP Bank	085241479-427214	A1	16-Jan-18	23-Oct-18	280	2.65%	1,005,000.00	2.23%	20,430.41
AMP Bank	286870456-429501	A1	28-Aug-18	30-Jul-19	336	2.80%	1,000,000.00	2.22%	25,775.34
AMP Bank	933904831-467929	A1	29-May-18	04-Dec-18	189	2.75%	1,000,000.00	2.22%	14,239.73
AMP Bank	2 Deposits	A1	27-Jun-18	23-Jan-19	210	2.85%	1,000,000.00	2.22%	16,397.26
AMP Bank	2 Deposits	A1	27-Jun-18	26-Feb-19	244	2.85%	2,000,000.00	4.44%	38,104.11
Total A1 Deposits							6,005,000.00	13.33%	
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	2112060	A2	28-Nov-17	04-Sep-18	280	2.50%	1,000,000.00	2.22%	19,178.08
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	105306781	A2	05-Dec-17	04-Dec-18	364	2.60%	1,000,000.00	2.22%	25,928.77
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	157745555/157745696	A2	21-Aug-18	22-Jan-19	154	2.60%	500,000.00	1.11%	5,484.93
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	157745555/157745696	A2	21-Aug-18	19-Mar-19	210	2.65%	500,000.00	1.11%	7,623.29
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	157745894	A2	17-Jun-18	19-Feb-19	247	2.80%	500,000.00	1.11%	9,473.97
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	157745951/157746033	A2	17-Jun-18	19-Mar-19	275	2.83%	1,000,000.00	2.22%	21,321.92
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	157746082/157746124	A2	17-Jun-18	23-Apr-19	310	2.83%	1,000,000.00	2.22%	24,035.62
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	157746140/157746199	A2	17-Jun-18	21-May-19	338	2.83%	1,000,000.00	2.22%	26,206.58
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	157746223	A2	17-Jun-18	18-Jun-19	366	3.15%	500,000.00	1.11%	15,793.15
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	313-140 138363486	A2	16-Jul-18	18-Jun-19	337	2.85%	1,000,000.00	2.22%	26,313.70
Bank Australia	313-140 138364459	A2	17-Apr-18	16-Oct-18	182	2.60%	750,000.00	1.66%	9,723.29
Bank Australia	11379100	A2	08-May-18	13-Nov-18	189	2.72%	1,000,000.00	2.22%	14,084.38
ME Bank (RIM)	11379100	A2	08-Aug-18	07-May-19	272	2.75%	1,000,000.00	2.22%	20,493.15
Defence Bank Limited	171548852	A2	27-Mar-18	25-Sep-18	182	2.65%	500,000.00	1.11%	6,606.85
Total A2 Deposits							11,250,000.00	24.97%	
BananaCoast Credit Union	112214	NR	10-Jul-18	11-Dec-18	154	2.90%	500,000.00	1.11%	6,117.81
Police Credit Union	72668	NR	28-Aug-18	25-May-19	270	2.80%	1,000,000.00	2.22%	20,712.33
Police Credit Union	68759	NR	12-Jun-18	15-Jan-19	217	2.90%	500,000.00	1.11%	8,620.55
Police Credit Union	71966	NR	15-May-18	20-Nov-18	189	2.90%	1,000,000.00	2.22%	15,016.44
Total Non Rated Deposits							45,053,298.27	100.00%	717,831.37
Average Interest Rate						2.29%			

1. The cash and investments balance is restricted as follows:

Internal Restrictions

Infrastructure replacement	\$ 3,112,631
Plant replacement reserve	\$ 1,798,670
Recreation reserves/villages	\$ 1,113,000
Employee entitlements	\$ 692,727
Land Development Fund	\$ 400,000
Airport Development	\$ 291,447
Deposits, retentions and bonds	\$ 229,831
Other internal reserves	\$ 762,235
Total Internal Restrictions	\$ 8,400,541

External Restrictions

Water supplies fund	\$ 7,741,485
Sewerage services fund	\$ 5,881,676
Tip remediation	\$ 1,300,000
Business promotion levy	\$ 23,950
Unexpended Merger Funds	\$ 9,797,109
Library fund	\$ 270,020
Other external reserves	\$ 136,506
Total External Restrictions	\$ 25,150,745

Unrestricted Funds \$ 11,502,012

Total Funds \$ 45,053,298

Reserve balances are preliminary and will be impacted by end of financial year movements.

The Total Funds above are held between General, Water and Sewer as follows:

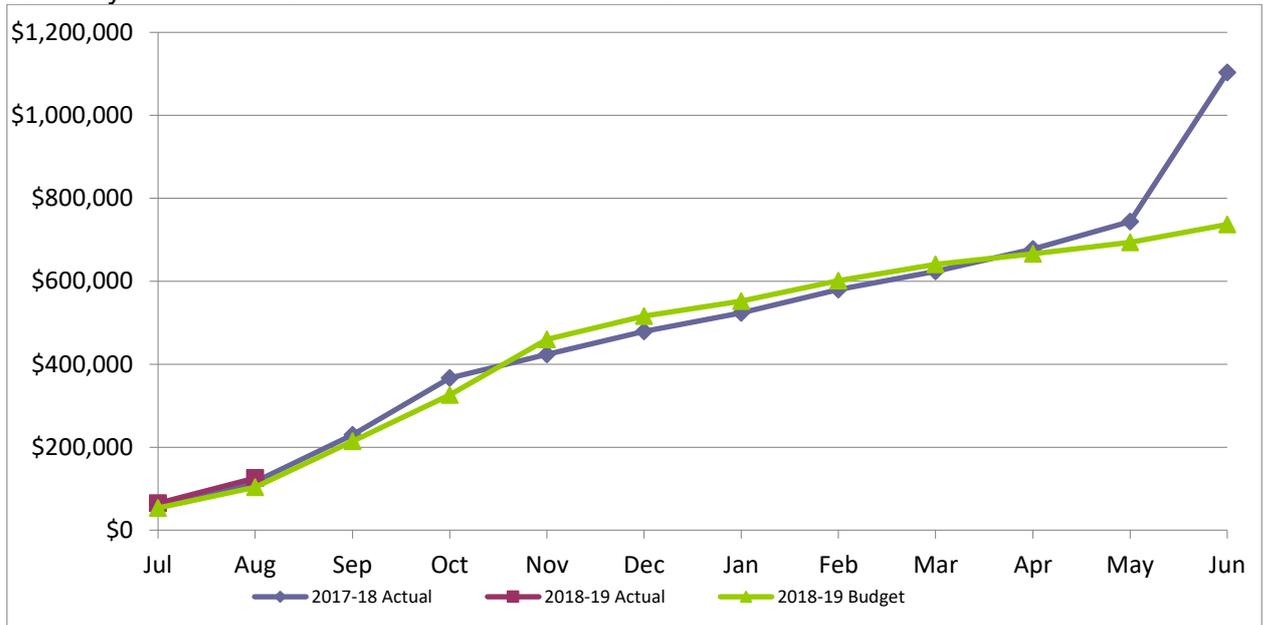
Fund Name	Bank and Investments	Percentage
General	\$ 31,430,138	69.76%
Water	\$ 7,741,485	17.18%
Sewer	\$ 5,881,676	13.05%
Total Funds	\$ 45,053,298	100.00%

Investments matured during August 2018

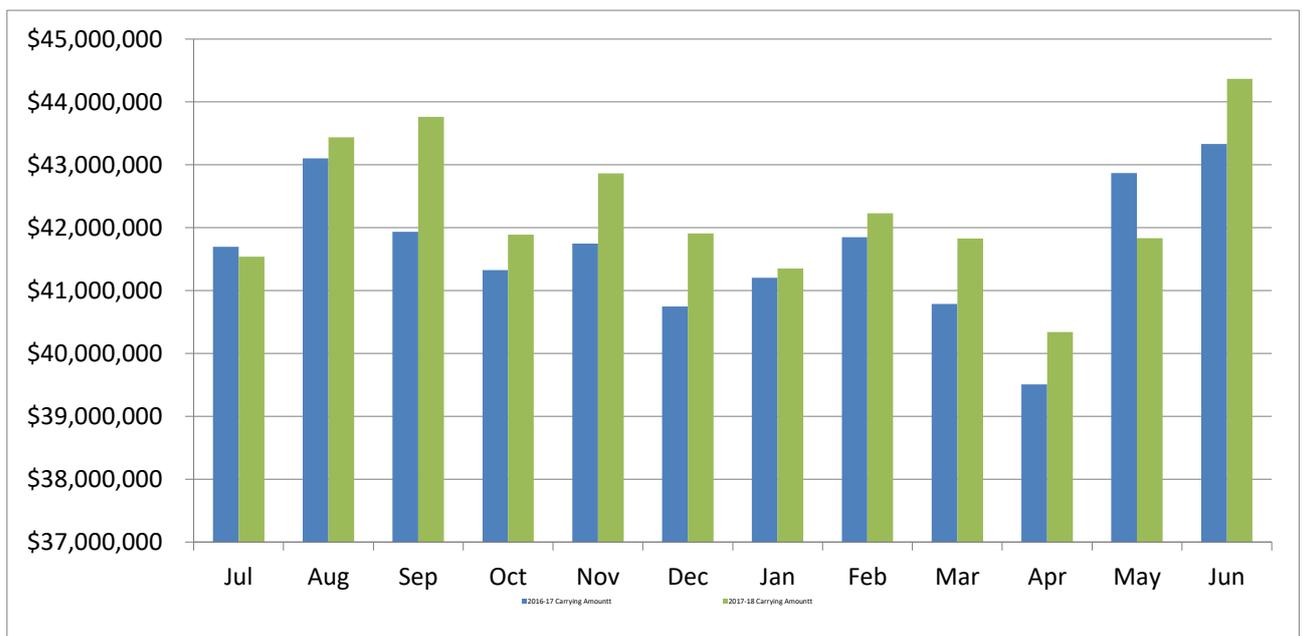
Matured/ Redeemed Investments

Financial Institution	Date Invested	Maturity Date	Days	Interest Rate	Amount	Actual Interest Received	Action Taken
Aug-18							
Term Deposits							
National Australia Bank	08-Aug-17	08-Aug-18	365	2.45%	750,000	18,375.00	Rolled over for 9 months @ 2.65% plus \$250k
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	17-Jun-18	21-Aug-18	65	2.40%	500,000	2,139.06	Rolled over for 5 months @ 2.60%
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	17-Jun-18	21-Aug-18	65	2.40%	500,000	2,139.06	Rolled over for 7 months @ 2.65%
AMP Bank	27-Feb-18	28-Aug-18	182	2.60%	1,000,000	12,964.38	Rolled over for 11 months @ 2.80%
Police Credit Union	27-Feb-18	28-Aug-18	182	2.65%	1,000,000	13,213.70	Rolled over for 9 months @ 2.80%
					3,750,000	48,831	

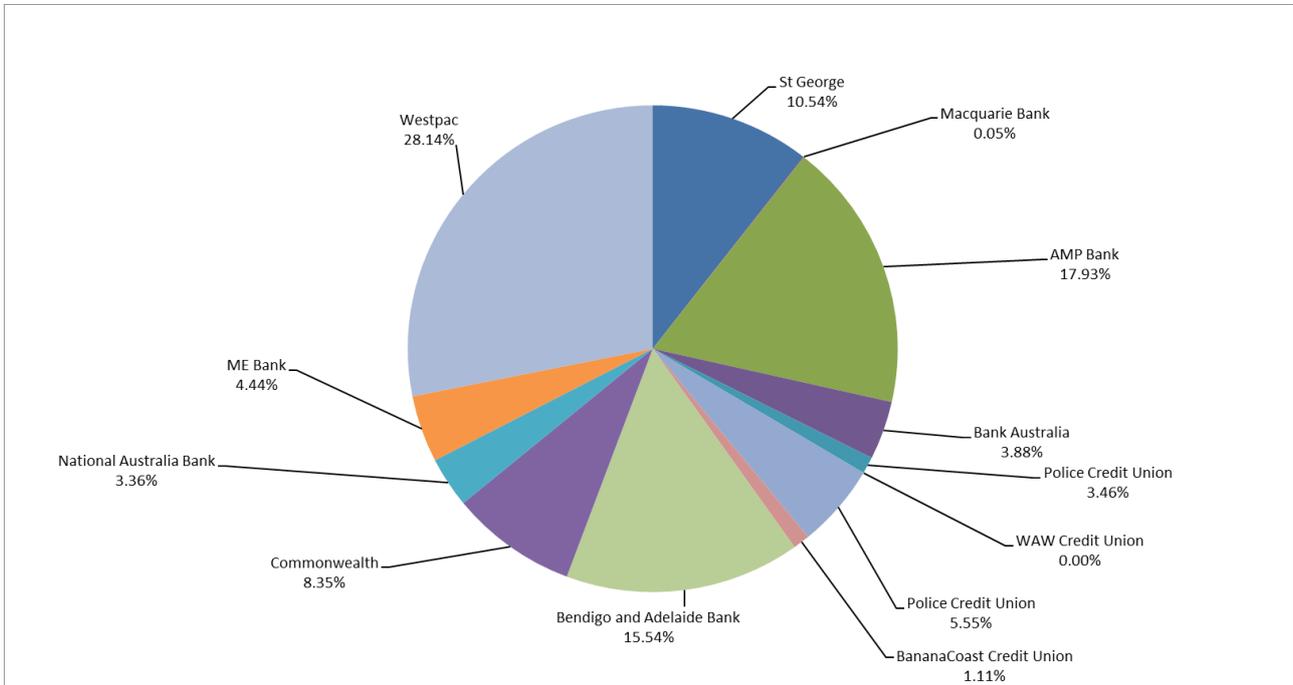
Actual year to date investment revenue earned



Total funds invested



Cash and investments total breakup by institution



STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Investments have been made in accordance with Council’s investment policy, which was adopted on 17 May 2017.

All investments have been made in accordance with Section 625 of the Local Government Act 1993 and Regulation No. 264.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

N/A

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Investments are managed to maximise returns while ensuring adequate cash flow to meet upcoming commitments.

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

N/A

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

11.10 PECUNIARY INTEREST RETURNS - DISCLOSURES BY COUNCILLORS AND DESIGNATED PERSONS 2018**Author:** Caroline Wallis, Director Corporate Services**Authoriser:** Caroline Wallis, Director Corporate Services**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council tables the pecuniary interest returns in accordance with Section 449 and 450A of the *Local Government Act 1993* (Act).

BACKGROUND

Section 449 of the Act states:

(1) A councillor or designated person must complete and lodge with the general manager, within 3 months after becoming a councillor or designated person, a return in the form prescribed by the regulations.

(1A) A person must not lodge a return that the person knows or ought reasonably to know is false or misleading in a material particular.

(2) A person need not lodge a return within the 3-month period after becoming a councillor or designated person if the person lodged a return in that year or the previous year or if the person ceases to be a councillor or designated person within the 3-month period.

(3) A councillor or designated person holding that position at 30 June in any year must complete and lodge with the general manager within 3 months after that date a return in the form prescribed by the regulations.

(4) A person need not lodge a return within the 3-month period after 30 June in a year if the person lodged a return under subsection (1) within 3 months of 30 June in that year.

(5) Nothing in this section prevents a councillor or designated person from lodging more than one return in any year.

(6) Nothing in this section or the regulations requires a person to disclose in a return lodged under this section an interest of the person's spouse or de facto partner or a relative of the person.

Section 450A of the Act states:

(1) The general manager must keep a register of returns required to be lodged with the general manager under section 449.

(2) Returns required to be lodged with the general manager under section 449 must be tabled at a meeting of the council, being:

(a) in the case of a return lodged in accordance with section 449 (1)-the first meeting held after the last day for lodgement under that subsection, or

(b) in the case of a return lodged in accordance with section 449 (3)-the first meeting held after the last day for lodgement under that subsection, or

(c) in the case of a return otherwise lodged with the general manager-the first meeting after lodgement.

The required returns have been completed for the period 1/7/17 to 30/6/18 by Councillors and Designated Persons and are presented to Council for tabling.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

The term *Designated Person* refers to all Councillors and staff within Council that are deemed by the General Manager as Designated Persons. On that basis, pecuniary interest returns were distributed to the following Designated Persons:

Mr Adam McSwain	General Manager
Mrs Caroline Wallis	Director Corporate Services
Mr Oliver McNulty	Director Infrastructure
Ms Colleen O'Connor	Manager Finance
Mrs Julie Rogers	Manager Environmental Services
Mrs Shavaun Tasker	Planning Officer
Ms Marie Sutton	Planning and Continuous Improvement Coordinator
Mr Justin Learmonth	Ranger
Mr Norman Brennan	Councillor
Mrs Patricia Fogarty	Councillor
Mr Peter McCrabb	Councillor
Mr Nicholas Metcalfe	Councillor
Mrs Margaret Bull	Councillor
Ms Peta Betts	Councillor
Mr Macdonald Wallace	Councillor
Mr Ashley Hall	Councillor
Mr Norman McAllister	Councillor

These Designated Persons have completed the pecuniary interest return forms which are maintained by the General Manager in a register.

Pursuant to Schedule 1 of the Government Information (Public Access) Regulation 2009, all disclosures are freely available. It is to be noted however, that Section 739 of the Act provides as follows:

“A person may request that any material that is available (or is to be made available) for public inspection by or under this Act be prepared or amended so as to omit or remove any matter that would disclose or discloses the person’s place of living if the person considers that the disclosure would place or places the personal safety of the person or of members of the person’s family at risk.”

Should any designated person consider the disclosure of personal information place themselves or family at risk, an appropriate request should be made to the General Manager to withhold that information.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

There are no strategic implications from this report.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

The actions outlined in this report align to the Community Strategic Plan *Outcome 5 - A community working together to achieve its potential – target 5.3 Our local government is efficient, innovative and financially sustainable.*

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications of this report

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

This report complies with the *Local Government Act 1993*.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

11.11 RECORDS MANAGEMENT POLICY**Author:** Caroline Wallis, Director Corporate Services**Authoriser:** Caroline Wallis, Director Corporate Services**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council adopts the Records Management Policy as attached to this report.

BACKGROUND

The Records Management Policy has been developed to support the application of best practice corporate records management and Council's compliance with its statutory obligations. The Policy applies to all staff, councillors, volunteers and contractors.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

The Records Management Policy is supported by the Records Management Practice to ensure efficient, effective and compliant corporate records management. Council has a legal obligation to ensure it complies with the State Records Act 1998 and the Local Government Act 1993. An effective Policy and management practice provide a framework for Council to manage its corporate data responsibly and contributes to good corporate governance.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

This Policy supports Council's governance framework.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

This Policy aligns to the Community Strategic Plan target 5.3 "Our local government is efficient, innovative and financially sustainable"

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications of this Policy.

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

This Policy complies with the State Records Act 1998 and the Local Government Act 1993.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Records Management Policy**

POLICY OBJECTIVE

The objective of this policy is to ensure that Edward River Council's information and records are managed effectively and efficiently throughout their life cycle. This management will be achieved by:

- Describing and understanding the lifecycle activities and fundamental characteristics of all types and forms of Council's held information;
- Establishing information management responsibilities, and developing information management requirements for good management;
- Providing a series of procedures to be followed by staff when managing information; and,
- Providing a series of guidelines and support to staff which assist with the practices of information management.

SCOPE

This Policy applies to:

- All Council employees, Councillors, contractors and volunteers
- All Council business activities performed in whatever manner they are conducted
- All records, both hardcopy and electronic including, but not limited to, emails, portable storage devices, audio and facsimile.

LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

The **State Records Act 1998** (Act) came into effect in 1999, replacing the **Archives Act 1960**.

Key records management provisions of the Act require Council to:

- Make and keep records that fully and accurately document their operations and administration
- Establish and maintain a records management program in conformity with standards and codes of best practice approved by NSW State Archives & Records
- Ensure that records are stored in conditions appropriate to their format and preservation requirements
- Ensure that records held in digital or other technology-dependent formats are accessible for as long as they are required.

Other key parts of the Act include provisions governing the disposal of records, a statutory basis for a right of public access to records more than thirty years old, and the transfer of records required as state archives to the custody and control of NSW State Archives & Records.

POLICY STATEMENT

Council's records are its corporate memory and as such are a critical asset for its ongoing operations, providing valuable evidence of business activities and transactions. Council recognises its regulatory requirements and is committed to the principles and practices set out in the Australian Standard on Records Management (AS ISO 15489.1 - 2017).

Council is committed to implementing best recordkeeping practices and systems to ensure the creation, maintenance, storage and protection of accurate and reliable records. All practices concerning recordkeeping within council are to be in accordance with this Policy, the Records Management Practice and associated documents.

ASSOCIATED POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

- Records Management Practice which includes:
 - ECM Business Rules
 - ECM Naming Convention

POLICY VERSION CONTROL

Title	Records Management Policy			
ECM Doc Set ID	47735			
Date Adopted				
Council Minute No.				
Responsible Officer	Records officer			
Version Number	Modified By	Modifications Made	Date modified and Approved by Council	Council Minute Number

11.12 2018/19 COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM**Author: Michelle Cobb, Manager Tourism & Economic Development****Authoriser: Adam McSwain, General Manager****RECOMMENDATION**

That Council approve and fund the recommended projects through the 2018/19 Edward River Community Grants Program.

BACKGROUND

Edward River Council's Community Grants Program provides a budget of \$50,000 for grants of up to \$5,000, to not-for-profit community organisations, groups and associations for projects, equipment, events, exhibitions, or performances which contribute positively to the Edward River community.

The Community Grants Program aims to:

- Be responsive to emerging themes, issues, and trends;
- Support not-for-profit community groups to provide a range of opportunities for residents;
- Provide equitable opportunity for the community to seek funding assistance from Council;
- Strengthen communities with local responses to identified community needs;
- Facilitate support for initiatives that strengthen the community through opportunities for participation, development, inclusion, and sustainability;
- Foster support across a range of pursuits and interest areas including health and welfare, education, arts and culture, sports and recreation, youth, ageing, environment and access and equity; and
- Assist Council to deliver identified objectives, priorities and strategies that align with the Community Strategic Plan.

In addition to the Community Grants Program, Council has allocated a budget of \$5000 for Quick Response Grants.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

The Edward River Council Community Grants Program opened Friday 13 July for a period of five weeks. The program was advertised

Council received thirty funding applications totalling \$104,972 - including twenty-five complete applications and five sponsorship applications.

The assessment panel included:

Michelle Cobb, Manager Community and Economic Development

Erica Laing, Community and Economic Development Project Officer

Michael Todd, Assets & Procurement Administrator

Jacinta Hawley, Finance/Admin Officer

All applications were assessed under the following criteria:

Criterion	Description	Weighting
Community Benefit	What social, economic or environmental benefit does the project provide to the community?	40%
Sustainability	Does the project require ongoing funding, and if so, how will it be funded?	10%
Innovation	Will the funding solve an issue in a new or unique way?	20%
Inclusivity	Has the applicant considered the needs of community members who suffer financial, social or physical disability?	10%
Partnership	Is the Applicant and/or another partner participating in or contributing to the project?	20%

Twenty-one of the thirty applications were recommended for full or partial funding with a value of \$46,684. Nine of the thirty applications were not funded, however three of these have been approved by the General Manager under the Quick Response Grant allocation.

Applications that did not meet the criteria and were not recommended for funding include:

Edward River Council Concert Band – Duplicate band paper records. We will work with the band to train someone and provide access to ERC computers

Tidy Towns Committee – Additional park seating. This will be addressed through the CBD Masterplan.

Deniliquin Rovers Football and Netball Club – Changeroom facility project. Ineligible due to unfinished funded project.

Deniliquin RSL Bowling Club – Bowls Triples sponsorship. Significant prize money that will not be spent locally and commercial sponsorship.

Wanganella Winter Ball – Bus Hire – already approved and funded through a different budget line.

Edward River Arts Society's (ERAS) – Partition upgrade. Incomplete application with no amount requested. It was further recommended that the new portable hanging partitions to hang art during the Rotary Easter Art Show, be purchased by Council with the remaining \$3,316. This will enable the partitions to be shared between the Peppin Heritage Centre, Central Murray Library, ERAS and other community organisations across the year.

A summary of applications and an allocation breakdown is attached to this report.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

The Edward River Community Grants comply with Council's Grants Framework where priority is given to applications that respond to identified community needs, and align with the vision, objectives, priorities and strategies as expressed in the Community Strategic Plan, *Edward River 2030*.

Community Strategic Plan

All recommended projects align with and assist Council to deliver the objectives of the Edward River 2030 Community Strategy Plan; and strengthen the community through opportunities for participation, development, inclusion, and sustainability. Twenty-one projects that support health and welfare, education, arts and culture, sports and recreation, youth, ageing, sustainable environment and access and equity have been recommended for funding.

Financial Implications

Council has allocated \$50,000 for the Community Grants Program and a further \$5000 for Quick Response Grants.

The panel has recommended the following allocations:

\$46,684 to fund twenty-one projects

\$3,316 to purchase portable hanging partitions for community use.

\$549 to fund three Quick Response Grants

Legislative Implications

Council will ensure that these projects are completed and acquitted within the timeframes set out within the funding agreements. Each project must ensure that they are delivered and compliant with any legislative requirements

ATTACHMENTS

1. 2018/19 Community Grants Program - Summary of applications and recommended allocation.



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COUNCIL REPORT 2018 Community Grants Program:

Applications Received	30 funding requests received: - 25 complete applications received. - Five additional sponsorship requests received were assessed under the same criteria.
Total Requested	\$104,972.00 requested.
Total Grant Budget	\$50,000 available for the 2018 Community Grants Program.
Success Rate	21 out of the 30 applicants (70%) were fully or partially funded.

Assessment process:

All applications were assessed against the following criteria:

Criteria	Description	Weighting
Community Benefit	What social, economic or environmental benefit does the project provide to the community?	40%
Sustainability	Does the project require ongoing funding, and if so, how will it be funded?	10%
Innovation	Will the funding solve an issue in a new or unique way?	20%
Inclusivity	Has the applicant considered the needs of community members who suffer financial, social or physical disability?	10%
Partnership	Is the Applicant and/or another partner participating in or contributing to the project?	20%

The assessment panel:

- Michelle Cobb, Manager Community and Economic Development
- Erica Laing, Community and Economic Development Project Officer
- Michael Todd, Assets & Procurement Administrator
- Jacinta Hawley, Finance/Admin Officer



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Application summary and allocation breakdown

ORGANISATION	PROJECT	AMOUNT SOUGHT	AMOUNT ALLOCATED	% OF REQUEST GRANTED	COMMENTS / REASONING
Southern Sports Academy	1 x Individual Athlete Contribution	\$200.00	\$0	0.00%	Primarily assisting one individual and not the community as a whole. This request has been approved for a \$200.00 Quick Response Grant, by the General Manager.
Deniliquin Aero Club	2019 Air Show	\$5,000.00	\$3,000.00	60.00%	High quality application with a strong community benefit. Social inclusion, tourism and overnight visitation are all benefits of this event - along with a number of local partnerships. Free event open for all community members to attend.
Deniliquin RSL Bowling Club	Bowls Triples Sponsorship	\$2,500.00	\$0	0.00%	The event already has a commercial sponsor and the prizemoney will not be spent locally. Will proceed without community grant funding as it's an annual event.
Deniliquin Motorcycle Association	Track Watering System	\$5,000.00	\$2,000.00	40.00%	Brings some social and economic benefits to the community through day and overnight visitation on ride days, also partnering with local suppliers.
Deniliquin Menshed Inc	Equipment purchase (belt sander)	\$2,850.00	\$2,850.00	100.00%	The group brings huge social benefits to the community and regularly partner with local organisations - purchase will lead to improved efficiency. Purchasing equipment through a local supplier.



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Edward-Wakool Angling Association	Community Landcare Trailer and Tools	\$4,995.00	\$4,000.00	80.08%	This project will bring environmental benefits to the community through the restoration and maintenance of lagoons. Social benefits through partnerships and economic benefits through enhanced tourism attractions.
Speak Up Campaign	Food For Thought (book project)	\$5,000.00	\$2,500.00	50.00%	Social benefits through partnerships with local schools. The book will highlight the economic and environmental challenges the region is facing.
Camp Quality EsCarpade - Ladybirds	Sponsorship Request	\$200.00	\$0	0.00%	This request has been approved for a \$200.00 Quick Response Grant, by the General Manager.
Edward River Council Concert Band	Duplicate Band Paper Records	\$1,500.00	\$0	0.00%	The Council Band is already funded by ERC and this application has minimal community benefit. We will work with the band to train someone on how to scan documents and provide access to ERC computers.
Tidy Towns Committee	Additional Park Seating	\$3,500.00	\$0	0.00%	Additional seating is being addressed through the CBD Masterplan.
South West Music	Live Music Events	\$5,000.00	\$2,000.00	40.00%	Social and economic benefits will be received within the ERC community through the live music events. Encourage community participation and social connectivity.
Deniliquin High School P&C	Audio-visual Equipment Update	\$5,000.00	\$3,000.00	60.00%	Some social and economic benefits will be received within the ERC community through upgraded technology.
St Vincent De Paul Society	Christmas Hampers	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	100.00%	High quality application with significant social and economic benefits received within the ERC footprint.



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Outback Theatre for Young People	Creative Leaders Program	\$5,000.00	\$3,000.00	60.00%	Great application with significant social benefits for youth within the ERC community. The program aims to retain creative leaders in the ERC area.
Deniliquin Racing Club	Installation of Solar Panels	\$5,000.00	\$2,000.00	40.00%	Environmental benefit and some social benefits through the race day events. Using local supplier.
Edward River Art Society	Partition Upgrade / Purchase	\$5,000.00	\$0	0.00%	A greater benefit will be received if Edward River Council purchase the partitions and allow the art society to borrow the partitions for their shows. Peppin Heritage, the Library and other local groups could all utilise the participants. Recommended that the remaining grant money towards to the purchase.
Deniliquin North Parents & Citizens' Assoc.	KidzLink Program	\$3,000.00	\$2,000.00	66.67%	Social benefits received by the North School community and economic benefits received through the use of local businesses.
The Pastoral & Agricultural Society	Purchase 2 x Refrigerators	\$5,000.00	\$2,000.00	40.00%	Some social benefits received by the community and economic benefits received through the use of local businesses. Provided funding for the purchase of ONE refrigerator.
Deniliquin Pony Club	Enhance Arena and Hire Coaches	\$4,880.00	\$1,280.00	26.23%	Some social benefits received by the riders. Provided funding to complete one part of the application, the hire of the coaches.
Deniliquin & District Historical Society Inc	Railway Awning Relocation	\$5,000.00	\$2,000.00	40.00%	Displaying a new historical asset at the museum. Some social benefits received by the community and economic benefits received through the use of local businesses.



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Deniliquin Junior Giants Basketball Assoc.	Player Development Sessions	\$4,750.00	\$3,000.00	63.16%	Social inclusivity for local youth. Provided funding to cover the annual court hire fees as this money goes directly to a community organisation.
Deniliquin Rovers Football & Netball Club	Changeroom Facility Project	\$5,000.00	\$0	0.00%	Existing unfinished project through the Public Reserve Management fund - extension has been granted but funds have not yet been acquitted.
Deniliquin Sports Park Incorporated	Equipment Purchase (2 x goal sets)	\$4,000.00	\$2,000.00	50.00%	ERC footprint will see some social benefits through the investment. The facility is used by many local community organisations. Provided funding to purchase ONE set of goals.
Deniliquin Heated Pool Incorporated	Equipment Purchase (pool cleaner)	\$2,500.00	\$1,250.00	50.00%	ERC footprint will see some social benefits through the investment. The facility is used by many local community organisations. Provided funding for 50% of the cleaner, the organisation has other funding they can use for the remaining cost.
Edward River Sustainability Group Inc	BYO Campaign Support	\$4,950.00	\$2,000.00	40.40%	Improving recycling and the concept of BYO in Deniliquin. Significant environmental benefits will be received within the ERC footprint. Will also results in social and economic benefits.
RSL Fishing Club	Deniliquin RSL Fishing Classic	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	100.00%	Significant social (event) and environmental benefits will be received within the ERC footprint over the event weekend (overnight visitation). The catch and release flyers will bring environmental benefits.



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Deni Drums & Dust Horse Sports Club Inc	Equipment Purchase (sound system)	\$2,218.00	\$804.00	36.25%	Potential for economic benefits through visitation from the out of town competitors. Some social benefits for the local community. Provided funding to complete one part of the application (purchase timing system).
Deniliquin Business Chamber	Spring Clean Deniliquin	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	100.00%	Strong application which will enhance the CBD environment, bringing social and economic benefits to the ERC footprint.
Deniliquin High School	Fee Waiver	\$149.00	\$0	0.00%	This request has been approved for a \$149.00 Quick Response Grant, by the General Manager.
Wanganella Winter Ball	Bus Hire	\$1,780.00	\$0	0.00%	Already approved - funding through different budget line.
		Total requested:	Total allocated:		
		\$104,972.00	\$46,684.00		

Summary:

- \$46,684.00 allocated out of the \$50,000 budget
- Remaining \$3,316 budget to go towards the purchase of partitions (see Edward River Art Society comments)
- 21 out of the 30 applicants (70%) were fully or partially funded
- 9 out of the 30 (30%) applicants were not funded, however three of these will be recommended for Quick Response Grants

11.13 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY 2018-2021

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RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopt the Edward River Economic Development Strategy 2018-2021

BACKGROUND

At its Ordinary Meeting held on Thursday 16 August 2018, Edward River Council resolved to revise the Draft Economic Strategy 2018-2021 in relation to rural schooling, agriculture to include fibre; investigate the number of jobs shown in the agricultural sector, and; The Edward River should feature more prominently.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

The Draft Economic Development Strategy 2018-2021 (EDS) has been amended to reflect:

Page 8 – Lifestyle on the Edward River and Billabong Creek

A stronger emphasis has been placed on the lifestyle benefits on the Edward River and Billabong Creek. Further emphasis on promoting these assets will be delivered through the new Tourism Strategy under development, the Riverfront Masterplan; and the Southern Riverina Investment Prospectus currently under development in partnership with Murray Irrigation Limited.

Page 9 – Education

This section has been amended to include the primary schools in Conargo, Mayrunga and Blighty, as well as an overview of the new Connected Learning Centre at Deniliquin TAFE.

Page 10 – Tourism

Further analysis of what is shaping the Tourism product in the Edward River Region. Strategies being developed in a new Tourism Strategy to continue to promote this sector.

Page 11 – Agriculture, Food and Fibre

This section has been amended to reflect the trend towards growing cotton in the region.

Page 27 – Strategic Theme Two, Support Existing Businesses to Grow – Diversification

Addition of a new strategy to *“Actively work with regional primary producers to explore diversification strategies, local value-add opportunities and international export opportunities”* with an action to *“Conduct or facilitate a workshop to explore diversification strategies, local value-add opportunities and international export opportunities”*

Page 28 – Strategic Theme Four, Innovation, Education and Skills – Innovation and new industries

“Develop a network of industry representatives to focus on innovation and new industries in agriculture and value-adding”

Page 36 – Market the Edward River Region – Water Security

“Continue to work with RAMJO to advocate for water security, including access, affordability and sustainability, through an improved Murray Darling Plan”

Employment in Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing

At the September Council workshop ABS data was presented to explain how the number of jobs in each sector are determined. The data shows that there are 515 jobs in the agricultural sector in Edward River which is 16.6 percent of industry employment.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

The draft Edward River Council Economic Development Strategy supports and aligns with the following strategies and plans:

- Edward River Community Strategic Plan 2030
- Riverina Murray Regional Plan 2036
- Riverina Murray Destination Management Plan 2018
- Deniliquin Public Space Strategy 2018
- Edward River Open Space Strategy 2018
- Deniliquin Airport Expansion Project 2018
- Murray Regional Economic Development Strategy (REDS) 2018 – in draft

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

The Community Strategic Plan and Council's Delivery Program both list the development of an Economic Development Strategy as a key action. This Economic Development Strategy ensures these actions are completed.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The activities outlined in the EDS have been prioritised and some require financial resources to enable delivery. The adopted 18/19 Council budget reflects prioritised projects

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

All actions and strategies will be implemented in compliance with appropriate legislative requirements.

ATTACHMENTS

1. **Draft Economic Development Strategy 2018-2021**



EDWARD RIVER COUNCIL
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY
2018-2021

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Edward River Council is committed to supporting businesses and industry to start up, grow and prosper in Deniliquin and the Edward River region.

Edward River Council is located a short drive from the Murray River, approximately 700km south west from Sydney and 300km north of Melbourne. The municipality comprises the major township of Deniliquin, and six rural villages of Blighty, Mayrung, Conargo, Wanganella, Pretty Pine and Booroorban. It covers a total of 8,881 square kilometres and boasts productive agricultural land and beautiful natural assets.

After experiencing population decline from 10,156 in 2001, rebased estimates from the 2016 census indicate the resident population within Edward River has increased from 8,888 in 2011 to 8,951 in 2016.

The Edward River Economic Development Strategy (the Strategy) provides an economic framework to enhance the prosperity of Edward River through a distinct focus on business growth from strengthening existing businesses, attracting new industry, developing export knowledge, capacity and markets; and growing visitor markets. Actions are focused on forming or strengthening partnerships, allocating or accessing key resources and infrastructure and unlocking opportunities to various markets. It was developed to provide a decisive pathway to guide the Economic Development and Tourism Unit's activities for the next four years.

The Strategy was developed through extensive consultation with business and industry, community and business organisations, state and federal government departments and departments from

across the Edward River Council. Statistical information and analysis has been produced by economic modelling software REMPLAN which utilises Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) census data.

The consultation examined the changing business environment and with the guidance and support of the community members and stakeholders, developed strategies to embrace change and harness opportunities for growth, innovation and to forge a stronger and resilient community.

Advances in agricultural productivity and food manufacturing combined with the growth of global markets and the emergence of Asia as a global economic force, present substantial opportunities for productive regions. In addition, broader economic context guides a focussed strategy that will support local economic development.

Five key economic drivers were identified through the research, analysis and consultation undertaken throughout the development of this strategy. The five 'priority areas' include:

- Agriculture
- Food production and value-adding
- Freight and logistics (road, rail and air)
- Arts, culture and creative economy
- Population and visitor growth

VISION

Edward River is the centre of the Southern Riverina. Home to a connected and engaged community, driven by a diverse economy. We work together to lead our community, achieve our potential and embrace our future.

Deniliquin and the villages of the Edward River region are great places to live and visit, with a sustainable future. The community is resilient, and the local economy is strong. People choose to live here because it offers a great range of services and opportunities for a country town.

It's a great place for kids to grow up. They experience the value of being part of a community, life on the land and the importance of caring for the natural environment. Older citizens are valued, and they choose to stay in a community where there are integrated facilities to support them. Indigenous connection to Country is acknowledged and enriches the cultural and economic life of Edward River. Newcomers are warmly welcomed, and their contribution is appreciated.

The town centre is easy to navigate, park, walk, ride a bike in. Local businesses are celebrated and supported to grow and prosper, and the opportunities for businesses to start up or move to Edward River are well communicated. The region is actively growing and there is a diverse economy of agriculture, industry, commercial, retail and tourism.

Deniliquin and the villages have stories of their own to tell and this is reflected in the and distinct identity they project. The past is

acknowledged and respected. The community is looking to the future and have made a collective decision to defy political and economic trends for regional towns in Australia.

LOCAL ECONOMIC AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

Local Economic Development aims to increase the economic capacity of a local area which, in turn, aims to improve the well-being of all residents.

Federal and State Governments play significant roles in progressing economic development initiatives at broader regional and national scales. Local government plays an equally important role, undertaking a range of activities and initiatives in collaboration with local partners to promote the interests of the region and underpin business growth, employment and training opportunities.

Working with other levels of government, businesses and non-governmental sector partners to create better conditions for economic growth and employment generation are key processes of economic development.

The Edward River Economic Development Strategy (the Strategy) will provide a framework on how to reach the desired future position. Actions are focused on forming or strengthening partnerships, allocating or accessing key resources and unlocking opportunities to new markets.

EDWARD RIVER IN THE WIDER REGION

The Edward River region is one of the most productive irrigation areas in New South Wales, and the local economy is driven by a strong and diverse agriculture industry spanning a variety of sectors. Over the coming 10 years, we want to diversify and grow agricultural production, pursue options for value adding and develop opportunities for domestic and international export markets.

Edward River Council is located a short drive from the Murray River, approximately 700km south west from Sydney and 300km north of Melbourne. Deniliquin is the key regional centre, providing services and facilities that are accessed by a broad population base both within Edward River and beyond.

With a unique natural environment and busy events calendar – headlined by the iconic Deniliquin Ute Muster - ensures that the region offers a range of exciting tourism and visitor experiences. Tourism is recognised an important pillar of the Edward River economy, and further developing key assets, including rivers and the town centre as well as public spaces, more events can be facilitated to support existing business, and attract more visitors.

Education is critical to helping existing business to grow and advance local industry. Increasing education and training opportunities within the region will improve employment opportunities for residents, especially youth, and support the development of a skilled workforce to meet the needs of local business and industry.

While Council will continue to support traditional industries, we also want to seize the opportunities presented by a growing arts and culture sector. Developing a creative economy will enhance the region's liveability for current and future residents.

WHAT IS DRIVING THE EDWARD RIVER ECONOMY?

Edward River's Gross Regional Product (GRP) at 2016 is estimated at \$566.7 million dollars, constituting 4.1 per cent of the GRP for the wider Riverina-Murray region.

Propulsive sectors in the Edward River economy are largely derived from the region's productive agricultural land and its position along major transport networks. These are the sectors that, if grown and developed, have the greatest ability to create further benefits in the local economy.

Propulsive sectors of the local economy are identified through measures of backward linkages, regional exports, employment and value-added. In Edward River, the four key propulsive sectors are:

- Sheep, Grains, Beef & Dairy Cattle
- Meat & Meat Product Manufacturing
- Grain Mill & Cereal Product Manufacturing
- Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction
- Road Transport.

EDWARD RIVER ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT

\$1.223B



Total Regional Output

3,778



Number of Local Jobs

\$248.9M



Paid in Wages & Salaries

\$339.8M



Value of local supply chains

\$474 M



Value of annual exports

\$615.8M



Gross Regional Product

Figure 1 Edward River Council Economic Snapshot

CONTEXT FOR THE EDWARD RIVER ECONOMY

<p style="text-align: center;">NATIONAL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Roles and relationships with other nations is in a state of flux. ▪ The coming of the 'Asian Century'. ▪ Increased trade opportunities through new FTAs. ▪ Renewed on innovation and advanced manufacturing. ▪ New approaches to water management. 	<p style="text-align: center;">STATE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ NSW as the nation's largest economy with 33% of the nation's GDP in 2015-16. ▪ Recognition of the role and potential for agribusiness sector. ▪ Largest employing sector is Health Care & Social Assistance. ▪ Difficulties in providing infrastructure over a large area.
<p style="text-align: center;">REGIONAL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Focus on major centres of Wagga-Wagga, Griffith and Albury. ▪ Major tourism attractor in the Riverina Murray region ▪ Driving potential through agribusiness and transport connections ▪ Need for greater collaboration (including cross-border) 	<p style="text-align: center;">LOCAL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Recent merger of the Deniliquin and Conargo Shires creating the new, larger, Edward River Council ▪ Stable but hollowing population base ▪ Location as a regional business and community centre ▪ Significant built and natural asset base

Five key economic drivers were identified through the research, analysis and consultations undertaken throughout the development of this strategy.

The five 'priority areas' are:

- Agriculture
- Food production and value-adding
- Transport and logistics
- Arts, culture and creative economy
- Population and visitor growth

POPULATION AND KEY EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS

- The population of Edward River Council region is 8951; of which 4401 are males and 4487 are female.
- Rebased estimates from the 2016 census indicate the resident population within Edward River has been increasing from 8,888 in 2011 to 8,951 in 2016. The resident population age profile indicates a higher proportion of people aged between 20-34 years old which constituted 15.2% of the population in 2016, up from 12.9% of the population 2011
- The median age in Edward River is 43.8 compared to 37.2 in Australia
- The median household income in Edward River is \$40,870 compared to \$46,854 in Australia
- From 2014-2016 there was a decline in the number of businesses with a turnover less than \$50 thousand but a marked increase of businesses with a turnover of between \$100-\$200 thousand.
- The Food Product Manufacturing and Gas, Water & Waste Services sectors are the largest contributors to regional exports with combined regional exports valued at \$214.457 million
- The Food Product Manufacturing and Sheep, Grains Beef & Dairy Cattle sectors have the highest levels of local expenditure with a combined value of \$117.987 million.
- There are 3,778 jobs in the region. Health Care & Social Assistance is the largest employing sector with 577 of those jobs. In 2011, Agriculture was the largest employing sector with 515 of jobs.
- Edward River is a net importer of labour, with an estimated 391 people living in the region but working elsewhere compared to 687 people who work in Edward River but live outside the region.
- Edward River has been experiencing a declining unemployment rate since 2015 but has seen a slight increase over the last two periods. Unemployment is currently at around 7.7 per cent.
- A recent trend that has seen the hollowing out of people in the 20-34-year age brackets has reversed to a small degree in 2016.
- High output industries (manufacturing, agriculture and construction) are experiencing employment growth from 2011-2016.
- Edward River has a relatively low level of post-school qualifications compared to the Riverina-Murray region, however the proportion of the population with a post-school qualification continues to increase 2006 and 2016.

KEY STRENGTHS

Lifestyle on the Edward River and Billabong Creek

Situated on the beautiful Edward River and the Billabong Creek, Deniliquin and the surrounding villages are blessed with lifestyle, employment and investment opportunities. Deniliquin is an oasis of green on the edge of the Riverine plain, which stretches northwards in what is claimed to be the flattest land on earth – the beginning of the outback. The Edward River – or Kyalite River – is an anabranch of the Murray River and flows through Deniliquin's town centre. The Edward River is home to two beautiful sandy beaches - McLean Beach and Willoughby's Beach -both within walking distance of the town.

The Billabong Creek – the longest creek in the world – is a partly perennial stream of the Murray River catchment which flows through the villages of Conargo and Wanganella. Other villages and districts include Pretty Pine, Boorooban, Blighty and Mayrung. These districts are home to tightly knit farming communities and some of the largest farming properties in NSW.

The people who live in the Edward River Region have easy access to affordable rural and urban housing, excellent educational facilities, numerous sporting and recreational opportunities, a hospital and allied health services, clean air and an active and friendly community.

Market Access

Industry, manufacturing and business all have access to major rail and road networks. There is a system of local and regional railway freight networks that operate from Deniliquin, Tocumwal, Wakool, Moulamein and Swan Hill. The railway gauge is 1600mm and is part of the Victorian network. Grain haulage, bulk and interstate haulage and general freight are available to the major ports of Melbourne and Geelong.

The region is well serviced by a network of sealed roads. The Riverina Highway links Deniliquin to Berrigan and the Cobb Highway links Deniliquin to Moama going south and to Hay, Ivanhoe and Wilcannia going north. The Newell Highway is the major national Highway in the region.

Road trains are allowed on the Cobb Highway and the Riverina Highway from Mathoura to Berrigan, but not permitted to go across any NSW/Victorian borders.

Healthcare and social assistance

Healthcare and social assistance is a growing industry and it is currently the largest employment sector in the municipality. Significant employment growth should emerge as a result of the need to support an increasingly ageing population. There will be demand for additional retirement villages through to high level aged care services.

Deniliquin Hospital is a 61-bed level three hospital and provides acute and community health care services to the surrounding community. The hospital provides emergency, medical, surgical, obstetric, paediatrics and high dependency care.

Navorina Aged Care - a not for profit 50 bed community-owned aged care facility in Deniliquin with over 75 FTE staff - is currently expanding to create an additional 18 beds.

Since 1973, Intereach has provided Deniliquin and the Edward River Council with social services to support the needs of local people. The organisation has grown significantly and now delivers support for families, carers, older people, and mental health and disability services across Sothern NSW and Northern Victoria. Intereach is the Local Area Coordinator (LAC) for the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS).

Edward River Council has acquired land for retirement living to support increased demand for these services.

Education

There are three childcare centres, two pre-schools, five primary schools (The Christian School encompasses a high school), one high school and a TAFE campus situated in Deniliquin.

Conargo, Blighty and Mayrung all have small rural primary schools. All the schools in Edward River have excellent reputations as being friendly and welcoming and provide dynamic learning environments, supportive staff and engaging curriculums.

Located in the heart of Deniliquin, a recent \$6.2 million-dollar expansion has transformed the NSW TAFE campus into a Connected Learning Centre, utilising digital-enabled technologies to provide better access and a more flexible learning environment to support students and employers across the region.

Education is critical to helping existing business to grow and advance local industry. We want to increase education and training opportunities within our region to improve employment opportunities for residents, especially our youth, and support the development of a skilled workforce to meet the needs of local business and industry.

Retail

Deniliquin is the region's retail centre, drawing people from the surrounding villages, the Berrigan Shire, Murray River Council town's such as Barham, Wakool and Mathoura. As a service centre to the surrounding agricultural centre, Deniliquin is economically and socially important to a community well beyond the town boundaries. The sector is still a significant employer, accounting for 417 or 9.5 percent of the jobs in Edward River.

Like many regional centres, retail in Deniliquin is struggling against a nationwide downturn in retail sales and the surge of online shopping. Many of the towns heritage buildings being underutilized and in a state of disrepair, a moderately high number of shop vacancies and a limited product offer; and regional centres such as Echuca and Shepparton draw significant business from Deniliquin. The Deniliquin CBD Masterplan will seek to address the retail leakage and make it a more viable and attractive place to invest in and do business.

Manufacturing, light industrial and warehousing

Deniliquin is home to a thriving manufacturing and light industrial sector centred around engineering products for the rural and agricultural sector. Warehousing for rural products is also an emerging opportunity to take advantage of the crowding out affect that is apparent in Melbourne and Geelong, where residential growth is impinging on industrial and warehousing precincts. A significant number of these businesses are experiencing sustained growth and prospective investors have identified these opportunities. These enterprises will require appropriately zoned, investment-ready industrial land to facilitate investment and expansion.

Tourism (the Visitor Economy)

Tourism has become an increasingly significant component of the Edward River region's current and future economic profile. Although not a discrete 'operations specific' industry, tourism - or the visitor economy - makes a significant contribution to several sectors including accommodation, food and beverage and retail. The Shire's tourism assets have been shaped by its location on the Edward River, water and nature-based activities and more recently, by the artistic and cultural endeavours of its residents.

Deniliquin is experiencing significant growth in visitation. Ongoing and strategic investment in transforming traditional caravan parks into holiday parks is attracting families to stay and increasing the economic yield. Major events such as the Deni Ute Muster, now in its 20th year has helped put Deniliquin 'on the map' by attracting visitation from interstate and even internationally. Smaller events such as the Deniliquin Fishing Classic and The Cruising Nationals tap into niche visitor markets and bring significant tourism into the area.

The tourism offering in this region can be strengthened by the introduction of agritourism experiences, the development of arts and cultural assets and improvement not only in the way the region showcases its history and heritage, but how it tells its story of 'now' and what makes this region such a great place to be.

Agriculture - Food and fibre

Edward River is the centre of a major pastoral area breeding stud sheep, cattle and other farming activities including cereals such as rice, wheat and canola. The agricultural sector underpins the region's economy and is part of Australia's 'food bowl'. This sector accounts for 515 jobs within the Edward River boundaries.

Deniliquin can produce significant tonnages of high quality rice, due to the flat clay soils of the Riverine Plain. It is home to Sun Rice - the largest rice mill in the southern hemisphere. Rice was one of the founding industries for many irrigation towns in southern New South Wales and Northern Victoria. It's estimated that every \$1 of rice production equates to \$4 in flow on economic activity (Rice Growers Australia, 2017) In 2017, approximately 84,000ha of rice was planted in the in the NSW Riverina.

Cotton is increasingly being grown in the Edward River region. Many farmers have switched from growing rice in favour of cotton, due to higher (and often guaranteed) prices, the reduction in the need to use chemicals, employing more efficient watering techniques and the availability of cotton gins in nearby regions. Over one million bales of cotton were processed at the Southern Cotton Gin in Whitton in the Murrumbidgee region in 2017, while Auscott's Cotton Gin in Hay, built in 2015, is one of the largest in the world. Australia produces three percent of the world's cotton but is the third largest exporter, behind the US and India. More than 99 percent of Australia's cotton is exported.

KEY PROJECTS

Masterplans

A range of master plans and strategies are to be developed to provide guidance to guide future development of the Edward River region.

- Deniliquin Sports Precinct
- River Front Precinct Master Plan
- Deniliquin CBD Streetscape Master Plan
- Arts and Culture Precinct Master Plan

Funding has been provided to undertake high priority activities or works after the various plans and strategies are adopted by Council which will be guided by the Public and Open Space Strategies currently being prepared.

River Front Precinct Master Plan

The Edward River foreshore is situated in the heart of Deniliquin, however there is limited knowledge of these natural assets outside of the Edward River Region. Through the development of a foreshore Masterplan, the relationship between the river and the will be celebrated by clearly branding Deniliquin as a River Town.

The Foreshore Masterplan will address the following issues and opportunities:

- Wayfinding and interpretive signage
- Rest opportunities and public access paths for all abilities
- Shady seating options

- An amphitheatre for small to medium events
- Moorings for easy access to the CBD
- Compliant public toilets

CBD Precinct Master Plan

To beautify the CBD, stem the flow of economic leakage to other towns and build economic resilience, Edward River Council will commission the development of a CBD Masterplan. The Masterplan will address the following issues and opportunities:

- Streetscape upgrades using materials that age well and are easily maintained
- Significant tree planting to bring the gardens into Cressy St.
- Water sensitive urban design elements
- Urban art elements
- New seating
- Shaded rest areas at regular intervals through the CBD
- Safe and well-lit laneways
- Wayfinding signage to make it easy to get around
- Convenient parking
- Improved pedestrian and cycling connections in the CBD

Deniliquin Airport Upgrade Business Case

The Deniliquin Airport redevelopment is a critical infrastructure item essential to addressing the need for improved air services to and from the region, as well as supporting several agribusinesses and emergency services.

Deniliquin airport is in the heart of the Riverina, Murray and Goulburn Valley regions and has the potential to become a major export airport of fresh food from Australia's largest agricultural footprint. The Toowoomba airport provides a model for this, with a mix of freight combined with passenger services.

The export of fresh agricultural product into Asia may also allow the opportunity for commercial passenger flights into the mid Murray Region, including international arrivals and connection between existing airports in Albury and Mildura. Other possibilities for the Airport include a flight training centre to address an identified need to train more pilots.

This project could be a potential gamechanger, allowing international transportation only 40 minutes from the Murray Region's largest holiday leisure tourist hub (Echuca-Moama). A business case is currently being completed on the freight opportunities, and passenger flights are likely to remain a long-term opportunity.

Visit Deni Destination Campaign

The Visit Deni Destination campaign promotes Deniliquin's natural assets with an emphasis on river-based activities. It has been in market since February 2017 and aims to increase overnight visitation by 6285 overnight stays.

The experience pillars identified for families are camping, heritage and nature and bicycle trails, while couples 35+ (single or dual income, no kids) are attracted to the region's river activities, golf, food and beverage and events.

WHAT OUR COMMUNITY TOLD US

While the Economic Development Strategy (the Strategy) is a Council document, the underlying objectives of economic development is to service and support the community and businesses of Edward River. During the preparation of the Strategy, consultation with stakeholder groups was undertaken to understand the issues surrounding the local economy from the perspective of those people directly involved; local business owners, volunteer organisations, education providers and service providers.

STRENGTHS	BARRIERS TO GROWTH	COUNCILS ROLE
<p>Accessibility Located near the New South Wales-Victorian State border, access via the Cobb Highway and renewed focus on upgrade of the Deniliquin Airport.</p> <p>Irrigation Water Access to irrigated land is a key strength of the region, enabling more diversified and resilient agricultural production than would otherwise be possible.</p> <p>Natural and built environment Edward River contains several notable natural and built assets that can be considered as important local endowments. These assets can play a key role in tourism and liveability resulting in direct and flow-on impacts for the local economy.</p> <p>Regional liveability Access to health, education, rivers and relative levels of housing affordability</p>	<p>Attracting employees Jobs are available in the region, but businesses find it difficult to attract workers. Affected sectors include health and aged care, engineering and food production. Perceived liveability and availability of housing are considerable issues.</p> <p>Technology and communication While the NBN is in a small portion of Edward River the service is far from ubiquitous and inhibits business investment and growth. Where available, NBN speeds are not meeting expectations. There are significant blackspots in the villages and rural communities which inhibit innovation in agriculture and agribusiness, as well as presenting major safety issues.</p> <p>Energy Access to Gas is not viable without a key anchor industry, presenting a 'chicken-egg'</p>	<p>Business and industry Fostering a supportive culture in Council where businesses feel supported and can grow and thrive.</p> <p>Promotion Assist with developing a cohesive approach to promoting Edward River to raise awareness and create an identity around which local businesses can coalesce and influence the perceptions of the area.</p> <p>Collaboration Foster effective partnerships and connections between businesses, organisations and other regions. Effective collaboration ensures all parties benefit.</p> <p>Skills and education Support a skilled workforce by investigating and supporting skill development, education and training opportunities to ensure the region is more resilient to change, takes</p>

STRENGTHS	BARRIERS TO GROWTH	COUNCILS ROLE
	<p>situation, there is a need to review access to affordable and secure energy sources.</p> <p>Climate change and water security Regional water security is also identified as a concern. Climate variability and new farming methods and developments make forecasting demand difficult, however there is an identified level of threat to continued supply that needs to be addressed.</p> <p>Perception of a declining population The State government forecasts population decline with a strong ageing profile. While an aging of the population appears to be occurring, the overall population has been relatively stable since 2011. Concerns were raised in consultation sessions that the population decline which occurred during drought years have influenced government forecasts and continue to create negative perceptions of the region. The actual and perceived situation has direct impact on local workforce and the number of 'working age' residents who are investing in business and growing the local population with families.</p> <p>Limited business collaboration Consultation findings indicated limited collaboration between businesses. Rather than finding complementary offers to support</p>	<p>advantage of new opportunities and can capture value within the local area.</p>

STRENGTHS	BARRIERS TO GROWTH	COUNCILS ROLE
	<p>each other there was often a response of direct competition.</p> <p>Incomplete tourism offering The region is known for the iconic Ute Muster. While there are several other smaller events, there is a need to expand the tourism base to provide a range of events and new tourism product for increased diversity in tourism market segments.</p>	

ASPIRATIONS FOR GROWTH

The current makeup of Edward River is a result of historic local activity and actions, broader structural changes in the economy and trends in population movement.

Edward River's population structure is like other regional centres - in many of these areas, the national trend of an ageing population is combined with a hollowing out of much of the 'working age' cohort. Lifestyle choices are a key driver for many residents who move to larger centres with increased levels of social and community infrastructure, while younger people seek out tertiary education and expanded employment opportunities.

The economic profile of Edward River is changing. Rising demand for services, efficiencies in production, the application of new technologies and uncertain climatic conditions are factors requiring adjustments within economies. While these changes may sometimes be perceived as negative, there are also significant opportunities for regional economies such as Edward River.

These factors are some of the matters that inform Edward River's economic development strategies. Given the trends in the local population structure, opportunity for diversification in key sectors and the council's geographic location, future economic development strategies should primarily be directed at bringing external money in to the region and subsequently bringing people in to the region.

Focusing on developing a resilient and progressive economy will include building on the existing amenity of the region, creating an attractive place for visitors and residents alike.

STRATEGIES TO DRIVE POPULATION GROWTH

Business and industry that focus on new product development, new market development and those which increase levels of technology and innovation will enable regional population growth.

Export focused strategies aim to support key industry sectors that have high levels of regional exports to bring in external money, spend money locally to grow other sectors, and in turn create value and employment.

Improving social infrastructure will enhance the liveability and attractiveness of the region. Proactive marketing and promotion of the region's attractions and amenity will aim at attracting new residents and families to live work and invest in the Edward River region.

These approaches aim to improve the prosperity and living standards of the region and, in turn, making the region even more attractive for a future population. Supporting a robust local economy aims to stimulate population growth naturally, attracting people to the region through new opportunities.

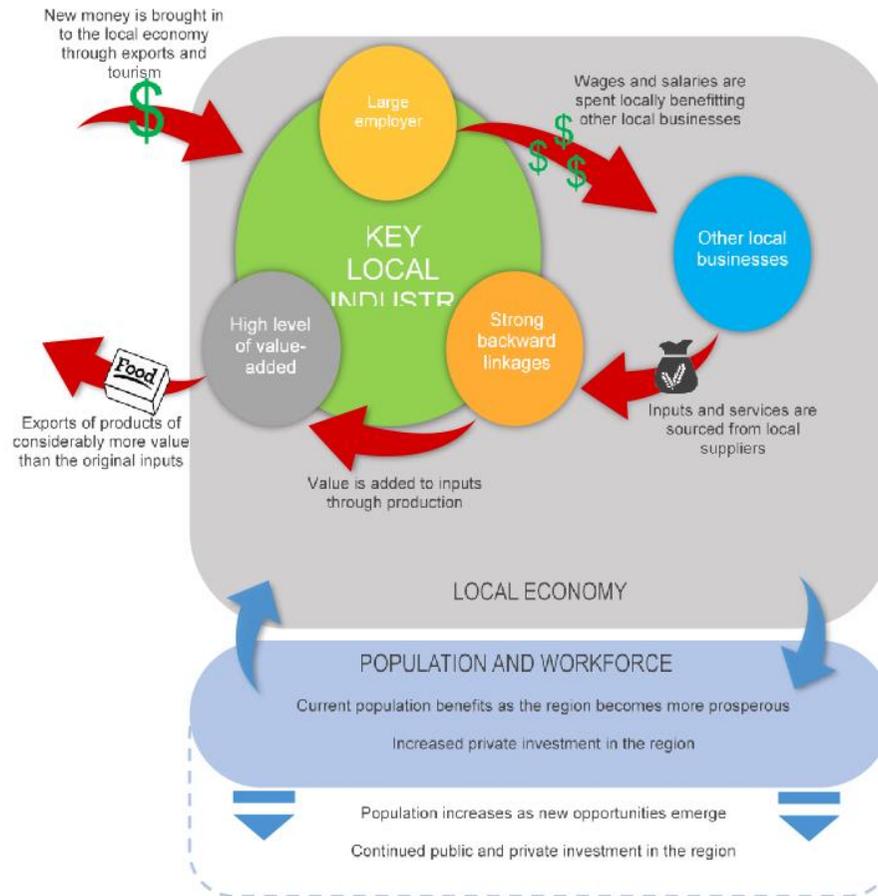


Figure 2 Model of productivity to drive population growth

KEY ECONOMIC DRIVERS

Five key economic drivers were identified through the research, analysis and consultations undertaken throughout the development of this strategy. These were selected due to their correlation with local propulsive sectors, alignment with policy directives from various levels of government, their ability to bring outside money into the local economy and to create an attractive economic and social environment for a growing population.

Five economic drivers will be the focus of the Strategy and of local economic development for the next 5 years, forming the five 'priority areas' for the Strategy's planned actions.

Focusing on a limited number of drivers will enable more progress to be made over the coming years. It is anticipated that advancement of these areas of the economy will have the greatest positive effect on regional growth and prosperity.



AGRICULTURE

Why focus on agriculture?

The Edward River Region supports a wide range of agricultural industries through a combination of dry land and irrigated farming practices. The diversity of agricultural production is supported by a favourable climate, good soil types, plentiful supply of large tracts of land and a secure supply of irrigation water.

- Agriculture is the major industry in the region with significant contribution to almost all economic indicators.
- There is a national, state and regional focus on agribusiness to leverage from
- Agriculture is a key asset in irrigation district and ability to grow higher value produce.
- There are opportunities to capture value from productivity and innovation.
- Council can facilitate ways to develop agriculture complementarily with education, research and tourism.

FOOD PRODUCTION AND VALUE-ADDING

Why focus on food production and value-adding?

New possibilities are emerging to develop new methods of farming such as indoor and outdoor horticulture farming operations and intensive farming operations. There are opportunities to attract value-adding industries to the region. Edward River Council is committed to assisting such industries to establish in the municipality.

- There is a strong existing food manufacturing base in the local area and wider region.
- There is significant potential to value add to local agricultural produce.
- New market and export opportunities to Australia, Asia and the Middle East provide the possibility of new money coming into the region
- Leverage Australia's reputation for quality and safe production methods

TRANSPORT LINKAGES

Why focus on transport linkages?

Edward River is well positioned to support improved freight movements in the region for export markets into Geelong and Melbourne. There is also an opportunity to capture value resulting from interstate and intrastate freight movements and take advantage of the crowding out of existing warehousing facilities in Melbourne and Geelong. The proposed Deniliquin Airport expansion will provide supply chain links to Asia

- Focussing on transport and freight aligns with state and regional policy.
- Improved linkages can exponentially increase productivity of agriculture and food manufacturing.
- Good transport linkages enable access to export dollars.
- The region is located strategically at the border of NSW and Victoria and national road transport routes.
- Benefit from the regions location in a broader tourism network.

POPULATION GROWTH AND VISITOR GROWTH

Why focus on population growth and visitor growth?

People form the workforce of the region and are the backbone of a thriving economy. Some sectors of Edward River's economy such as the health and aged care sector, engineering and manufacturing sector and the hospitality sector are experiencing severe and ongoing skill shortages.

- Growing the population will increase demand for local goods and services while also adding vitality to the region.
- People include both day and overnight visitors, who are a source of export dollars.
- Word-of-mouth can be a powerful way of marketing, so positive experiences for visitors will grow the positive reputation of Edward River region, and can lead to people moving to the region
- A skilled and educated workforce drives creativity and innovation.

ARTS, CULTURE AND THE CREATIVE ECONOMY

Why focus on the creative economy?

Creative industries can help transition an economy using knowledge transfer, technology, innovation and creativity.

- A thriving arts and cultural community contributes to the social capital, well-being and economic prosperity of a region
- Creative industries encompass a wide range of skills including design, marketing and software development
- This rapidly growing sector enhances liveability for current and future residents and makes the region more marketable

WHAT IS COUNCIL'S ROLE IN ECONOMIC AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT?

Local government provides an important role in supporting local economic development and business development. As a central organisation with connection between local business, community and other levels of government, local government are often best positioned to drive partnerships and attract resource to support investment and local employment outcomes.

The role of local government is to assist in creating an environment where local businesses can grow and prosper. It is not the sole responsibility of local government to deliver sustained economic development to a region. Many diverse stakeholders are involved which includes government, business and industry, local community members and training providers.

In promoting economic development, local governments can leverage their key functions of:

Advocacy – promotion of regional interests to other levels of government and decision makers.

Facilitation – providing information, marketing or incentives; fostering partnerships and establishing local regulation.

Investigation – completing due diligence, feasibilities and de-risking for future investment.

Planning – aligning vision to local and regional plans; land use planning.

Service Provision – traditional or new services to support economic development.

STRATEGIC THEMES

Six key themes were identified to support the implementation of the Edward River Council's Economic Development Strategy. Edward River Council recognises that the private sector is the major contributor to economic development in the region and that it can facilitate and promote economic development by influencing appropriate investment, helping establish business and industry networks, creating a positive business environment and providing regulatory, planning and other support to business and investors.



STRATEGY IMPLEMENTATION

The following action plan has been developed which outlines the relationship between the strategic objectives, the five key economic drivers and Council's function. The action plan also includes timeframes and quantitative measures to assess the level of success in achieving strategic objectives.

STRATEGIC THEME ONE: ATTRACT NEW BUSINESS INVESTMENT

Edward River Council is committed to encouraging job creation, attracting new business and capital into the region. This strategy focuses on attracting external investment, the creation of new industries, developing and maintaining a positive and dynamic business investment culture; and servicing investor needs and streamlining local government processes.

ACTION	STAKEHOLDERS	TIMEFRAME	FUNCTION	MEASUREMENT
Seek funding of \$20 million to undertake the Deniliquin Airport expansion project. Project will in excess of 70 jobs during construction and 100 through implementation. Project includes construction of new runway, creation of business/industrial park and new services to support overall development	Economic Development NSW Government Federal Government Wagners Wellcamp	2020	Service Advocacy Planning Investigation Facilitation	Funding for project secured and project completion and operation
Ensure well-located industrial, business and residential land are available for businesses and individuals to become established within the region. Undertake land audits to identify possible residential and commercial developments.	Economic Development, Environmental Services	Ongoing	Service	Industrial, business and residential land and available services audited and mapped and available to investors by 2019
Attract new investment in identified industries including agriculture and value-adding, transport and logistics, tourism and the creative sector through the development of targeted investment prospectuses.	Economic Development, Regional Development NSW Murray Regional Tourism Destination Riverina Murray, South West Arts	2018 -2020	Service	Prospectuses developed and distributed

ACTION	STAKEHOLDERS	TIMEFRAME	FUNCTION	MEASUREMENT
Actively attract private and public investment in identified industries including agriculture and value-adding, transport and logistics, tourism and the creative sector through leveraging funding opportunities.	Economic Development Department Premier and Cabinet, RDA Murray Murray Regional Tourism, Private investors	Ongoing	Service Advocacy Planning Investigation Facilitation	Increased investment into region by 2021
Create an open for business' culture by creating an Investment Attraction Framework/Policy for to streamline processes for large and medium scale business investment.	Economic Development Planning Infrastructure	2018	Service	Framework and policy developed and adopted by Council
Develop and improve relationships with private developers and investors by facilitating timely and coordinated pre-application meetings	Economic Development Planning Infrastructure Local Laws Environmental Services	Ongoing	Service	Number of pre-application meetings
Finalise and implement the business case for Seniors Housing Infrastructure to support population needs.	Economic Development Infrastructure Planning Environmental Services	2018	Service	Business case complete and investors identified.
Capitalise on the opportunities presented by the rollout of the National Broadband Network in the home business, health, education, and creative sectors to attract and retain new residents	Economic Development. Murrumbidgee Health TAFE, Schools, Interreach South West Arts, South West Music	Ongoing	Facilitation Service	Increase in number of home businesses
Take a lead role in regional and state planning initiatives to ensure ERC is well represented, acknowledged, understood and supported in regional strategies, plans and projects	Edward River Council Economic Development	Ongoing	Advocacy	Edward River projects included in regional, state and national plans and strategies
Work with Murray Irrigation Limited to finalise the Southern Riverina prospectus to promote recent irrigation infrastructure	Murray Irrigation Limited	2018-2019	Facilitation	Prospectus completed and easily available for investors to access

ACTION	STAKEHOLDERS	TIMEFRAME	FUNCTION	MEASUREMENT
upgrades to attract renewed investment in agricultural activities in the region.	SunRice, Edward River Council, RDA Murray, Economic Development Deniliquin Business Chamber			
Develop an agriculture, food and freight industry plan to attract a range of businesses that are aligned with local investment goals	Economic Development, Murray Irrigation	2018-2019	Planning	Plan developed

STRATEGIC THEME TWO: SUPPORT EXISTING BUSINESSES TO GROW

Edward River Council is committed to supporting existing businesses to grow and prosper in the region. Studies show that up to 80 percent of investment in a region is contributed by existing businesses.

ACTION	STAKEHOLDERS	TIMEFRAME	FUNCTION	MEASUREMENT
Provide greater business assistance to improve the capacity of local businesses to grow	Economic Development Planning Infrastructure	Ongoing	Service	Increase in employment by 2021
Develop an updated (and updatable) sector-based data-base and Client Relationship Management System (CRMS) for targeted information sharing and recording business interactions	Economic Development	2018	Service	CRMS and database purchased and populated Increased number of businesses reached via email communication Number of recorded business interactions
Improve links with business communities through weekly face-to-face visits to local businesses	Economic Development	Ongoing	Service	At least two recorded visits per week Understanding of local business conditions and confidence
Actively work with regional primary producers to explore diversification strategies, local value-add opportunities and international export opportunities	Economic Development AusIndustry AusTrade Sunrice, Murray Irrigation RDA Murray Department of Premier and Cabinet Central Victorian exporters Network Committee for Shepparton	Ongoing	Facilitation Advocacy	Conduct or facilitate a workshop to explore diversification strategies, local value-add opportunities and international export opportunities Determine key areas to address from the workshop feedback
Facilitate industry clusters within the region allowing for greater networking and	Economic Development	Ongoing	Facilitation Service	Development of an agri-tourism/agri-culinary cluster

ACTION	STAKEHOLDERS	TIMEFRAME	FUNCTION	MEASUREMENT
information sharing among like businesses	Deniliquin Business Chamber, Murray Regional Tourism			
Work to secure trade opportunities for fresh produce from Edward River and broader Murray-Irrigation Region	Economic Development AusIndustry Sunrice, Murray Irrigation RDA Murray Department of Premier and Cabinet Central Victorian exporters Network Committee for Shepparton	2019	Facilitation Advocacy	Export network/cluster developed and formally recognised. Trade opportunities and trade successes recorded year on year. Total annual increase in value of Regional Exports realised from 2019
Support opportunities for local transport sector servicing heavy road transport to expand in Deniliquin and Edward River Region	Economic Development Planning Infrastructure Department Premier and Cabinet	2018	Facilitation Advocacy	Creation of new jobs in transport sector
Undertake a biennial Business Expansion and Retention survey (BEaRS) to identify possible expansions, land requirements, and identify ways to improve Council services to business	Economic Development Deniliquin Business Chamber	2018 and 2020	Service	25% survey return
Host a series of themed 'Business Round Tables' to understand local business concerns, issues and opportunities.	Economic Development	Ongoing	Service Facilitation	Three round tables per year
Actively participate in in existing business networks	Economic Development Councillors	Ongoing	Service Facilitation	Attendance at at least six events per year events
Encourage and support new business events and educational opportunities	Economic Development Deniliquin Business Chamber	Ongoing	Service Facilitation	Increase in number of new businesses supported

ACTION	STAKEHOLDERS	TIMEFRAME	FUNCTION	MEASUREMENT
	Business Enterprise Centre (BEC) Private providers			
Support arts, culture and the creative industries as a transformative sector of the community by providing opportunities for the production and presentation of works and performances in the region	Economic Development and Tourism South West Arts, South west Music Outback Theatre Edward River Art Society (ERAS) Yarkuwa Indigenous Learning Centre	Ongoing	Service Facilitation	Number of exhibitions held in Council buildings
Encourage local procurement and industry participation in Council's capital works programs and funded projects by hosting an annual Major Projects Summit	Economic Development Infrastructure	Ongoing	Service Facilitation	Business participation in summit Local contracts awarded
Support local businesses to develop workforce attraction strategies and tools to strengthen key industries	Economic Development	2019	Facilitation	Employment portal, lifestyle prospectus developed by 2019 Decrease in vacancy or unemployment rate
Develop a three-year Tourism Strategy to support the marketing and promotion of Deniliquin and Edward River Villages to build the visitor economy and increase visitor nights	Economic Development Murray Regional Tourism Destination Riverina Murray Edward River Accommodation and tourism operators	2018	Service Planning Investigation	Consultation undertaken Strategy developed and adopted

STRATEGIC THEME THREE: INFRASTRUCTURE PROVISION

The development and maintenance of public infrastructure is critical to the success of regional economies. The provision of both hard and soft infrastructure is required to support local businesses to grow, attract new business investment and ensure the Edward River Region is a great place to live, work and play.

ACTION	STAKEHOLDERS	TIMEFRAME	FUNCTION	MEASUREMENT
Seek new public and private investment to continually improve Edward River for residents, business owners, investors and visitors	Economic Development	Ongoing	Service Facilitation Advocacy	Value of new investment in public infrastructure
Seek Regional Growth Fund funding and private investment to facilitate the Deniliquin Airport Expansion Project as recommended in the 2018 report by KPMG	Economic Development Infrastructure	2018-2019	Facilitation Investigation Advocacy	Successful Regional Growth fund funding application
Develop a masterplan to support the rejuvenation and activation of the Deniliquin CBD	Environmental services Infrastructure Economic Development	2018	Planning	Masterplan complete and adopted by Council
Better connect the town with the Edward River by developing a Riverfront Masterplan	Environmental services Infrastructure Economic Development	2018	Planning	Masterplan complete and adopted by Council
Undertake road audit to prioritise projects that minimise pinch points and ensure efficient heavy vehicle movements from arterial road to point of delivery/origin	Infrastructure Economic Development	2018-2020	Investigation Planning Service	Road audit complete and priorities determined
Seek funding to restore the Deniliquin Town Hall to its former splendour and functionality to support arts, culture and creative industries and community events	Economic Development	2018	Service Advocacy Facilitation	Successful funding application
Undertake or participate in an energy supply study to explore potential alternative energy sources to drive economic activity	Economic Development Infrastructure Planning	2019	Investigation	Participate in study and investigate feasibility of options

ACTION	STAKEHOLDERS	TIMEFRAME	FUNCTION	MEASUREMENT
Investigate and develop strategies to create housing opportunities that free up existing stock and create additional supply in appropriate locations	Economic Development Planning	2018-2021	Investigation	Housing strategy complete 2019 Two housing development projects are in planning phase (led by either Council or private industry) by 2021.

STRATEGIC THEME FOUR: INNOVATION, EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT

Education and training creates access to employment for all residents, addresses regional skill shortages and allows the economy to evolve and diversify. Collaboration to drive innovation and competitiveness in broader markets, education as an investment in human capital, supporting the development of a skilled workforce; and fostering a culture of continuous improvement within the business community will lead to new markets, new jobs and a strengthened local economy.

ACTION	STAKEHOLDERS	TIMEFRAME	FUNCTION	MEASUREMENT
Identify opportunities for links between research organisations, industry and training providers to grow local economic activity	Edward River Council Economic Development Deniliquin TAFE Department of Premier and Cabinet (Export) Ausway College RDA Murray	2018	Investigation	Localised version of a pathways program is being delivered by 2021
Develop a network of industry representatives to focus on innovation and new industries in agriculture and value-adding	Edward River Council Murray Irrigation Limited SunRice Agri-businesses RDA Murray	2019 and ongoing	Facilitation	Network developed, and opportunities identified by 2019
Work with industry and use BEaR survey results to investigate/determine gaps in education and training provision to deliver new/improved curricular to address gaps	Economic Development Business Round Table participants Farmers Deniliquin Business Chamber Murray Irrigation Limited	2018 and ongoing	Facilitation Planning	Gaps and training solutions identified
Support local businesses to become export ready through export seminars, training and networks	Economic Development Department of Premier and Cabinet (Export) AusTrade AusIndustry	Ongoing	Facilitation	Two export training sessions per year

ACTION	STAKEHOLDERS	TIMEFRAME	FUNCTION	MEASUREMENT
Attend and encourage attendance at forums. Conferences and workshops that assist Council to support businesses to operate in a global market place	Economic Development Business and Industry	Ongoing	Facilitation	Appropriate attendance at forums
Advocate for new tertiary and vocational providers to set up in region	Edward River Council	Ongoing	Advocacy	New
Support the Deniliquin Business Chamber to hold the annual Business Excellence Awards to foster a culture of continuous improvement in business	Edward River Council	Ongoing	Facilitation	Support provided
Support and promote industry and business improvement programs offered by Edward River Council and a variety of providers	Economic Development Deniliquin Business Chamber Business Enterprise Centre Murray Regional Tourism Destination Riverina Murray	Ongoing	Facilitation	

STRATEGIC THEME FIVE: REVITALISE AND ACTIVATE THE CBD

Revitalisation and activation of the Deniliquin CBD will achieve enhanced social, cultural and environmental outcomes. This will have a positive economic and social impact for the community, increased employment opportunities, business revitalisation and for tourism development.

ACTION	STAKEHOLDERS	TIMEFRAME	FUNCTION	MEASUREMENT
Build on Deniliquin's identity as the economic and cultural centre of the Edward River Region by revitalising the CBD, connecting the Riverfront and providing spaces for cultural pursuits	Edward River Council Economic Development Environmental services Infrastructure	2021	Service Facilitation Planning Advocacy	Begin implementation of the CBD Masterplan, the Riverfront Masterplan and
Capitalise on and invest in the town's centre gardens and the Edward River riverfront for a range of tourism and civic events	Edward River Council Economic Development Deniliquin Business Chamber Community groups Event planners	Ongoing	Service Facilitation	Increased number of events in gardens and on the Edward River riverfront.
Restore the Deniliquin Town Hall to provide flexible spaces for people to pursue arts, cultural and community events	Economic Development	2018 and ongoing	Service Facilitation Planning Advocacy	Apply for funding through stronger Country communities funding in 2018 to undertake work. Deniliquin Town Hall restored and in use by 2021
Revitalise the Crossing Café and Peppin Heritage Centre to provide new and evolving gallery space, interpretive displays and modern visitor information services	Economic Development Infrastructure		Service Facilitation Planning Advocacy	Develop masterplan to improve the Crossing Café and Peppin Heritage Centre and apply for funding to undertake works
Implement the recommendations of the Deniliquin Public Space Strategy to improve town entrances, revitalise the CBD and provide wayfinding signage	Environmental Services Infrastructure Economic Development	2018 and ongoing	Service	Implementation of the DPSS started by 2018
Develop and/or support opportunities to showcase the Edward River Villages for events and community activities	Economic Development and Tourism	Ongoing	Facilitation Service	Four events per year held in the villages

ACTION	STAKEHOLDERS	TIMEFRAME	FUNCTION	MEASUREMENT
Implement placemaking strategies to enliven vacant shop fronts, create pop up activations and encourage organisations to assist in activation of the CBD	Economic Development Deniliquin Business Chamber Edward River Promotions Advisory Committee	Ongoing	Facilitation	Number of activations in shop windows, pop up shops and activations.
Encourage traders to activate shopfronts and footpaths in the CBD by reducing red-tape for outdoor dining and merchandising	Environmental Services Planning Economic Development	Ongoing		Increased trading, merchandising and outdoor dining by 2021

STRATEGIC THEME SIX: MARKET THE EDWARD RIVER REGION

Promotion and celebration of all that is great about living, working and investing in the Edward River Region is aimed at attracting new investment, new visitation and new families to the region. The region is blessed with stunning natural attractions such as the Edward River, the world's flattest plains and national parks, as well as excellent health, education and recreational facilities. It is well positioned for industry expansion and investment with access to air, rail and road networks and an abundance of land.

ACTION	STAKEHOLDERS	TIMEFRAME	FUNCTION	MEASUREMENT
Promote and develop the Edward River as the unique and essential element of the region's tourism offer, including passive, active and social uses of the river and its banks	Edward River Council Murray Regional Tourism Local businesses Accommodation providers	2018 and ongoing	Facilitation Investigation Advocacy	Increased visitation and increased value of overnight stays
Continue to partner with Murray Regional Tourism, Destination Riverina Murray and Destination NSW to drive visitation to the region through the Visit Deni Destination campaign and other initiatives	Edward River Council Murray Regional Tourism	2018 and ongoing	Facilitation	Increased visitation and increased value of overnight stays
Continue to partner with Murray Irrigation Limited, Deniliquin Business Chamber and agricultural industry representatives to develop a brand and prospectus for the Southern Riverina Region to attract agricultural and value-added industries	Murray Irrigation Limited Deniliquin Business Chamber	2018 and ongoing	Facilitation Investigation	Prospectus and associated marketing assets developed and regional branding used by local and regional businesses by 2021
Continue to work with RAMJO to advocate for water security, including access, affordability and sustainability, through an improved Murray Darling Plan	Edward River Council RAMJO	Ongoing	Advocacy	Increased water security in the RAMJO region
Attend promotional events to showcase Edward River Region	Economic Development and Tourism Local businesses Accommodation providers	Ongoing	Facilitation Service	Two events or expos per year

ACTION	STAKEHOLDERS	TIMEFRAME	FUNCTION	MEASUREMENT
Develop, update, refine and make available investor packs, visitor guides, promotional footage and information on the Edward River website, Visit Deni website and social media platforms	Economic Development and Tourism	2018 and ongoing	Service	Investor packs and visitor guides developed and updated
Develop a biannual Open for Business newsletter including key employment statistics, case studies, project updates and disseminate using CRMS	Economic Development	Ongoing	Service	Two newsletters per year
Access and maintain detailed and up-to-date availability of land for residential and commercial developers	Planning Economic Development Infrastructure	2018	Service	Land audit completed and report available to developers/investors by 2019
Access and maintain detailed and up-to-date economic and demographic data to support business expansion, industry attraction and support grant funding applications.	Economic Development Planning Infrastructure	2018 and ongoing	Service	Purchase REMPLAN or ID Profile/Economy ID and use and disseminate information to support grant funding and business cases.
Continue to run an accredited Visitor Information Centre to greet visitors and encourage exploration of the region's attractions.	Economic Development	Ongoing	Service	Quality accreditation standards maintained
Investigate and implement strategies to attract regional returners from metropolitan areas; particularly young families	Economic Development	2019-2021	Investigation	Strategy for engaging with regional returners implemented by 2021
Develop a coordinated approach to deliver and promote events and activities in the Edward River, by developing an integrated calendar of events and ensuring greater use of key regional assets	Economic Development Deni Ute Muster Deniliquin Business Chamber South West Arts South West Music Outback Theatre	2018	Facilitation Investigation Advocacy	Calendar developed by 2018 Two new events attracted to regional assets

ACTION	STAKEHOLDERS	TIMEFRAME	FUNCTION	MEASUREMENT
Continue to support events such as the Deni Ute Muster, The Deniliquin Fishing Classic, and the Cruising Nationals that increase visitation to the region	Economic Development Planning Environmental Services Infrastructure	Ongoing	Service	Increased visitation to key events
Publicise good news stories about key economic development and tourism projects, new investment, expansion and retention utilising all forms of media	Economic Development Communications	Ongoing	Service	Increased log of media exposure
Build foster and maintain excellent connections with businesses, industries and government departments to ensure Edward River is recognised and understood in its efforts to create and facilitate economic development. Use the CRMS to record interactions.	Edward River Council Department Premier and Cabinet Department Industry Office of Regional Development Department Primary Industries NSW TAFE Murray Basin Authority NSW Water Murray Regional Tourism Destination Riverina Murray Destination NSW RDA Murray Vic Track Deniliquin Business Chamber Local businesses and industry	Ongoing	Advocacy	Increased recorded interactions with, businesses, industry, community groups, government departments and positive outcomes

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11.14 DRAFT MANAGEMENT OF FERAL AND/OR INFANT COMPANION ANIMALS POLICY

Author: Julie Rogers, Manager Environmental Services

Authoriser: Adam McSwain, General Manager

RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopt the draft Management of Feral and/or Infant Companion Animals Policy.

BACKGROUND

At its meeting on 19 July 2018 Council resolved to:

- a Place the draft Management of Feral and/or Infant Companion Animals Policy on exhibition for a minimum period of 28 days; and*
- b Receive a report on the outcome of the exhibition of the draft Management of Feral and/or Infant Companion Animals Policy.*

The exhibition of the draft policy (attachment 1) has now been completed.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

The draft policy was on exhibition from 27 July to 23 August 2018. No submissions were received. It is recommended to Council that the draft policy be adopted.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

The preparation of this policy is consistent with target 1 of the Community Strategy Plan being a 'a great place to live'.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

The Companion Animals Act provides for the preparation of this policy to deal with feral and/or infant companion animals.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Draft Management of Feral and/or Infant Companion Animals Policy**

**Management of Feral and/or Infant Companion Animals Policy**Companion Animals Policy
Environmental Services
Office of General Manager**POLICY OBJECTIVE**

The objective of this policy is to provide a mechanism to deal with animals which are feral and a danger for Council staff to handle and/or infant animals which need constant intensive care prior to the expiration of the standard holding period under the Companion Animals Act.

SCOPE

This policy applies to companion animals that are suspected of being feral and/or being an infant.

LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

Companion animals are managed under the Companion Animals Act 1998 (the Act) and Companion Animals Regulation 2008 (the Regulation) and makes provision for the management of companion animals that are suspected of being feral and/or being an infant.

A person who seizes a companion animal under the provisions of the Act, must cause the seized animal to be returned to its owner, delivered to the Council pound, or surrender the animal to an authorised officer of Council within a reasonable time. The Act then provides for procedures in dealing with the animals including statutory holding periods under section 64(1).

In some cases, the animal which has been seized are feral and/or an infant animal is of such a young age that it cannot support its own life and the Act provides that Council may have a policy which provides a clear direction on how these animals are to be dealt with, including euthanasia, alternatives to euthanasia or where it is considered cruel to keep the animal caged for any nominated statutory period as defined in the Act.

POLICY STATEMENT**Feral Companion Animals**

Companion animals accepted into Council's Animal Shelter suspected of being feral must be assessed by Council's Ranger or a veterinarian. The results of the assessment must be documented and signed off by Council's Ranger or a veterinarian to validate that the animal is assessed as a 'feral'.

Should the animal be deemed as a 'feral' and reasonable investigations into its identification have been made, and it is considered cruel to keep the animal caged for the statutory holding period under the Act, Council authorises that the animal may be euthanised prior to the standard statutory holding period.

Infant Companion Animals

Companion animals accepted into Council's Animal Shelter identified as being infant animals must be assessed by either Council's Ranger or a veterinarian. The results of the assessment must be documented and signed off by Council's Ranger or a veterinarian to validate that the animal is assessed as an 'infant'. Should the infant animal be of such a size and age that survival in the long term would be remote, then Council authorises its euthanasia under this Policy.

Should the infant animal be of such a size and age that survival is possible through intensive care external of Council's Animal Shelter or, it is in the best interests of the infant animal to warrant early release, then Council authorises the release of the infant (as an alternative to euthanasia), subject to the early release conditions outlined in this Policy.



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If suitable alternatives to euthanasia are not available at the time, then Council authorises the euthanasia of the infant companion animal.

Early release as an alternative to euthanasia

Companion animals identified as being an infant may be released on a permanent basis prior to the expiration of the statutory holding period as an alternative to euthanasia, or on the basis that such action is in the best interests for the welfare of the animal.

Early release is subject to the animal only being released to the following organisations:

- Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals NSW (RSPCA);
- Animal Welfare League; and/or
- Animal Rescue Organisation accredited with regulation 16(d) authorisation (as defined in the Companion Animals Regulation 2008).

ASSOCIATED POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Nil.

DEFINITIONS

Council pound facility: Includes any pound facility operated by Council or Council's contracted service provider.

Feral animal: Means a dog or cat whose owner is unidentified and has been living as a wild animal in undomesticated circumstances and, demonstrates such wild behaviour that handling the animal would pose a risk to staff and be considered cruel to keep the animal caged for a longer length of time than deemed necessary.

Infant animal: Means a dog or cat in the first stage of existence and refers to an animal that is not able to feed and fend for itself or is of such age that keeping it within a pound facility would place the animal's welfare at risk.

Unidentified animal: Means a dog or cat that has no form of identification contained on or in its body being a microchip or collar and tag containing owner's details.

POLICY VERSION CONTROL

Policy Title	Management of Feral and/or Infant Animals Policy
Document ID	
Department	Environmental Services
Function	Ranger Services
Policy Group	Companion Animals
Responsible Officer	Manager Environmental Services
Adopted	
Next revision	

11.15 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES PROJECT QUARTERLY REPORT (SEPTEMBER 2018)**Author:** Julie Rogers, Manager Environmental Services**Authoriser:** Adam McSwain, General Manager**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council note the Environmental Services Project Quarterly Report (September 2018).

BACKGROUND

This report is a quarterly update on projects/activities within the Environmental Services division.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION**Town Planning****▪ Deniliquin Public Space Strategy**

The strategy was adopted by Council at its June Council meeting.

▪ Edward River Open Space Strategy

The strategy was adopted by Council at its June Council meeting

▪ Public Space Masterplans

GroupGSA presented their initial concepts to Council staff and the Open and Public Space Strategic Working Group on 21 June 2018. Council will consider placing the draft masterplan on exhibition at its meeting on 6 September 2018.

▪ Recreation Strategy

Asset inspections have been completed and a draft asset report has been submitted to Council for consideration. Draft discussion paper currently being prepared.

▪ Memorial Park Masterplan

Asset inspections have been completed and a draft asset report has been submitted to Council for consideration. Draft discussion paper currently being prepared.

▪ Planning Proposal 9 – Flood Planning Controls/Draft Deniliquin DCP 2016

At its meeting on 15 March 2018 Council resolved to prepare a planning proposal to amend the Deniliquin Local Environmental Plan 2013 and Deniliquin Local Environmental Plan 1997 to insert flood planning controls. The Department of Planning and Environment (Department) was notified of Council's decision on 22 March 2018.

A gateway determination was received on 26 April 2018 and one of the conditions of the gateway determination required Council to amend the planning proposal to include a revised flood planning map that clearly identified the flood planning area which was to be endorsed by the Department prior to consultation being undertaken.

A map was prepared and provided to the Department on 24 May 2018 and Council received endorsement of the map on 1 June 2018.

The planning proposal and amendments to the Deniliquin DCP 2016 was exhibited from 25 June to 23 July 2018 and no submissions were received. Council was also required to consult with the Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) and the State Emergency Service

(SES). Council received a response from OEH on 7 August 2018 following a phone conference with OEH. Council currently reviewing the response with a view to providing a written response to OEH.

- **Rural Residential Strategy**

GHD visited Council on 3/4 July 2018 to undertake site inspections and a phone conference with the Department. Council has provided additional data to GHD for the strategy.

- **Planning Proposal 10 – Augustus Street**

At its meeting on 19 April 2018 Council resolved to proceed with this planning proposal. The Department were advised on 30 April 2018 and a gateway determination was requested. A gateway determination was issued on 29 May 2018. Condition 1 of the gateway determination is that the planning proposal be amended to specifically state the intended use ie the use will be a general industry for the manufacture of precast concrete components. This was discussed informally with the Department and on 21 August 2018 Council formally responded to condition 1 of the gateway determination and the Department advised that the planning proposal could proceed to exhibition on 27 August 2018. Exhibition of the planning proposal commenced on 5 September 2018 and will close on 5 October 2018.

- **Bushfire Mapping Certification**

Council has requested certification of the bushfire mapping from the NSW Rural Fire Service.

- **Local Environmental Plan Administrative Review**

Council currently has 3 local environmental plans (LEP) applying in the local government area being Deniliquin LEP 1997, Deniliquin LEP 2013 and Conargo LEP 2013. Council has funded in this financial year the preparation of one LEP for the local government area. The planning proposal is currently being prepared.

2. **Building**

- **Local Approvals Policy**

A draft local approvals policy has been prepared and is being reviewed by Council staff.

3. **Environmental Health**

- **Food Inspection Program**

Council has completed its food inspection program for 2017/18 and submitted the Activity Report to the NSW Food Authority. The following is a breakdown of the types of food premises within the Council area:

Premises Type	No. of Premises
High risk premises	44
Medium risk premises	12
Low risk premises	10
Temporary food premises	30
Mobile food premises	3

A total of 90 inspections were completed. Two premises required re-inspection, one premises required additional re-inspection and one warning was issued. Council received one food related complaint during the reporting period regarding food quality.

Council participates in the Scores on Doors program which is a hygiene and food safety rating program that enables consumers to make an informed choice about where to eat or shop for food.

Businesses display the certificate and sticker showing the score they are awarded. During the food premises inspection businesses are assessed against a food safety checklist and assigned a star rating reflecting their performance. The following star ratings were awarded as a result of the inspections:

Star rating	No. of premises
5 star rating	32
4 star rating	16
3 star rating	6
No star rating	2

Compliance

- **Draft Management of Feral and/or Infant Companion Animals Policy**

Council resolved at its meeting on 19 July 2018 to place this draft policy on exhibition. It was exhibited from 27 July to 23 August 2018 and no submissions were received. Council is considering a report at its September 2018 meeting to adopt the policy.

- **Alcohol Free Zone**

Council resolved at its meeting on 19 July 2018 to review the existing alcohol free zone (AFZ). Consultation with the NSW Police, licensees, Deniliquin Local Aboriginal Land Council, Yarkuwa and the Liquor Accord has been completed. Public exhibition of the AFZ will finish on 17 September 2018.

- **Registration of Companion Animals**

Council has identified approximately 400 companion animals that were microchipped in 2017 but were not registered. Council has been contacting owners of these companion animals requesting that they register their animals under the Companion Animals Act. The following information is provided about the registration of companion animals compared to the same period in 2017.

Month	2017	2018
January	9	9
February	3	13
March	13	51
April	8	32
May	22	21
June	6	16
July	4	30
August	9	14
TOTAL	74	186

- **2018 Dog Attacks**

Month	Attacks	Attacking Dogs	Victims	Public/private land
January	2	4	3	1 private land

				1 public land
February	1	1	1	Public land
March	-	-	-	-
April	2	2	2	Public land
May	2	2	2	Public land
June	5	8	16	4 private land 1 public land
July	4	6	7	2 private land 2 public land
August	1	1	1	Private land
TOTAL	17	24	32	8 private land 9 public land

- **Free Microchipping Week**

During the week commencing 16 July 2018 Council provided free microchipping for companion animals. A total of 31 companion animals were microchipped. The owners of these animals were reminded of the requirement to register the animal under the Companion Animals Act.

- **Subsidised Desexing Program**

The subsidised desexing program was launched on 30 July 2018 as part of Local Government Week. Council allocated \$5000 to the program in this financial year. The program was aimed at desexing unregistered companion animals owned by residents who have a pensioner concession card. A maximum of two animals per owner/address were eligible to participate in the program. Participants were required to pay a small fee to participate in the program and had to register their animal once it was desexed.

To date, 17 residents have received offers to participate in the program with the following sex and type of animals.

Animals	Male	Female	TOTAL
Cats	4	7	11
Dog	6	4	10

Once this round of desexing is completed, additional offers will be made to expend the remaining budget.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

This report is for information only.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

11.16 MINUTES - OPEN AND PUBLIC SPACE STRATEGIC WORKING GROUP**Author:** Julie Rogers, Manager Environmental Services**Authoriser:** Adam McSwain, General Manager**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council adopt the minutes from the Open and Public Space Strategic Working Group meeting held on 27 August 2018.

BACKGROUND

The Open and Public Space Strategic Working Group met on 27 August 2018. Attachment 1 is the minutes of the meeting.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

Nil.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Nil.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

ATTACHMENTS

1. **Open and Public Space Strategic Working Group Minutes**

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE OPEN AND PUBLIC SPACE STRATEGIC WORKING GROUP HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBER, 180 CRESSY STREET, DENILQUIN ON MONDAY 27 AUGUST 2018, COMMENCING AT 5.35PM

PRESENT:

Mayor, Cr Norm Brennan, Cr Marg Bull, Mr Frank White, Mrs Mari Drennan, Mrs Justine Keech, Ms Janet Burne, Mrs Felicity Michael, Mr John Conallin, Ms Kate Smith

COUNCIL STAFF PRESENT:

Mr Adam McSwain (General Manager), Mrs Julie Rogers (Manager Environmental Services), Ms Michelle Cobb (Manager Community and Economic Development)

ATTENDEES:

Cr Pat Fogarty, Cr Peta Betts

APOLOGIES

Mr Oliver McNulty (Director Infrastructure), Mrs Kellie Crossley, Mrs Pam Wettenhall, Mrs Janet Renehan,

CHAIR OF MEETING:

The meeting was opened by the Chair, Mrs Felicity Michael.

DECLARATION OF MEETING OPEN AND WELCOME TO MEMBERS

The Chair, Mrs Felicity Michael formally declared the meeting open at 5.35pm and welcomed members to the meeting.

1 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Mr Oliver McNulty (Director Infrastructure), Mrs Kellie Crossley, Mrs Pam Wettenhall, Mrs Janet Renehan.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved Marie Drennan

That the apologies be accepted.

Seconded Justine Keech

CARRIED

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved Justine Keech

That the Minutes of the Open and Public Space Strategic Working Group meeting held on 21 June 2018 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

Seconded Marie Drennan

CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

There is no business arising from minutes of the previous meeting.

5. REPORTS**Masterplan**

The working group reviewed the draft Deniliquin Masterplan with a view to providing feedback to GroupGSA.

The working group was updated on dates that the document will be considered by Council and placed on exhibition.

CLOSURE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 7.35pm

11.17 DRAFT ROADSIDE GRAZING POLICY**Author:** Julie Rogers, Manager Environmental Services**Authoriser:** Adam McSwain, General Manager**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council:

- a) Adopt the draft Roadside Grazing Policy; and
- b) Delegate to the General Manager in accordance with section 377 of the Local Government Act 1993 the power to grant concurrence to the issuing of a roadside grazing permit on a road vested in Council in accordance with section 78 of the Local Land Services Act.

BACKGROUND

Council has recently received verbal and written requests to permit roadside grazing of livestock on roads within our local government area which have been discussed in the Councillor workshops. There are existing policy/conditions from the previous Deniliquin Council and Conargo Shire Council for roadside grazing (attachments 1 and 2). It is proposed to review the existing policy situation to create a new policy (attachment 3).

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

Roadside grazing stock permits are issued by the Local Land Services (LLS) under section 78 of the Local Land Services Act 2013. In order to issue a permit for roadside grazing the LLS must obtain the concurrence of Council where the road is vested in Council or the Crown where the grazing is to occur on a Crown road. As discussed at the Councillor workshop on 2 August 2018, it was proposed that Council prepare a new policy for roadside grazing.

The draft policy has been drafted with consideration for the two previous Council positions and conditions for roadside grazing. The draft policy states that conditions will be imposed in relation to erection of signs, supervision of grazing stock, times for grazing, length of period of grazing, removal of injured or dead stock from the roadside, insurance, risk and location. The policy also states that Council can revoke the concurrence at any time. It is proposed that the policy be adopted immediately to enable Council to action.

In addition to this, it is proposed to delegate to the General Manager the power to grant concurrence to the issuing of a roadside grazing permit on a road vested in Council in accordance with section 78 of the Local Land Services Act.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

This policy provides a framework for Council to make a decision about issuing concurrence for a permit for roadside grazing.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

The draft policy meets target 1 'a great place to live' and target 3 'a valued and enhanced natural environment' of the Community Strategic Plan.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

As stated above roadside grazing is permitted under the Local Land Services Act 2013.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Deniliquin Council Temporary Stock Permit (Grazing) Policy
2. Conargo Shire Council conditions for issuing a temporary stock permit
3. Draft Roadside Grazing Policy

**DENILIQVIN COUNCIL****TEMPORARY STOCK PERMIT - GRAZING**

POLICY NO: Local Laws - 2.5

RESPONSIBLE OFFICER: Local Laws Officer

OBJECTIVE:

To provide guidance to Council Staff for the issuing of Temporary Stock Grazing Permits on Council Roads that are non Travelling Stock Routes.

POLICY:

Temporary Stock Permits for grazing will be issued to landowners based on the following conditions:

1. A permit must be obtained from the Riverina Rural Lands Protection Board in Deniliquin.
2. Stock must be supervised at all times and may only be grazed during the hours of daylight.
3. Stock warning signs must be clearly visible and displayed at each end of the grazing stock.
4. Deniliquin Council reserves the right to terminate approval of the permit at any time within the permit period.
5. The maximum length of road approved for grazing shall be that which fronts the applicants own property or neighbouring properties for which the owner of such neighbouring property has consented to be grazed by the applicant.
6. There is to be no grazing and permits will not be issued on roadside vegetation areas identified as high conservation value in the Deniliquin Council Roadside Vegetation Management Plan.
7. Any stock that die or are injured must be removed from the public road reserve within 24 hours.
8. Deniliquin Council will not be liable for any damage to persons or property due to any incident occurring while the stock are located



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within the road reserve. The applicant must provide documentary evidence that they hold Public Liability Insurance with a limit of indemnity of not less than \$10 million. Such insurance must name Deniliquin Council as an interested party.

9. The permit holder will accept all risks associated with the grazing of stock on a public road and make good any damage to roadside furniture and/or adjoining fences.
10. This approval is a "Special Permit" due to the seasonal conditions.

RELATED POLICIES/DOCUMENTS:

Date Adopted	Revision No	Minute No
28 March 2007		95/07
23 July 2008	1	287/08

PERMISSION TO ISSUE TEMPORARY STOCK PERMIT

(Roadside Grazing)

Conargo Shire Council as authority for Public Roads within the Conargo Shire Local Government Area hereby approves the issue of a Temporary Stock Permit (Roadside Grazing) issued by the Riverina Rural Lands Protection Board to for the periodsubject to the following conditions:

1. A permit must be obtained from the Riverina Rural Lands Protection Board in Deniliquin.
2. Stock must be supervised at all times and may only be grazed during the hours of daylight.
3. Stock warning signs must be clearly visible and displayed at each end of the grazing stock.
4. Conargo Shire Council reserves the right to terminate approval of the permit at any time within the permit period.
5. The maximum length of road approved for grazing shall be that which fronts the applicants own property or neighbouring properties for which the owner of such neighbouring property has consented to be grazed by the applicant.
6. There is to be no grazing and permits will not be issued on roadside vegetation areas identified as high conservation value in the Conargo Shire Roadside Vegetation Management Plan.
7. Any stock that die or are injured must be removed from the public road reserve within 24 hours.
8. Conargo Shire Council will not be liable for any damage to persons or property due to any incident occurring while the stock are located within the road reserve. The applicant must provide documentary evidence that they hold Public Liability Insurance with a limit of indemnity of not less than \$10 million. Such insurance must name Conargo Shire Council as an interested party.
9. The permit holder will accept all risks associated with the grazing of stock on a public road and make good any damage to roadside furniture and/or adjoining fences.
10. This approval is a “Special Permit” due to the seasonal conditions and does not alter Council’s “no grazing” policy on road reserves.

Peter J Jorgensen
General Manager

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Landholder Signature
Date.....



POLICY OBJECTIVE

The objective of this policy is to state Council's requirements in relation to the grazing of livestock on roads vested in Council.

SCOPE

This policy applies to the Edward River local government area.

LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

Roadside grazing permits are issued under Part 6 of the Local Land Services Act by the Local Land Services. Section 78 of the Act states that a permit to graze stock on a public road cannot be issued by the Local Land Services without the concurrences of the local authority in which the road is vested.

POLICY STATEMENT

Council is required to issue concurrence to the issuing of a roadside grazing permits where the road is vested in Council. Council will consider issuing concurrence to the permits where it is over a short period of time over a specific section of road in times of drought or for hazard reduction. Council reserves the right to revoke its concurrence and examples of when this may occur (but not limited to) include roadworks, safety issues, weather conditions (eg rain), stock not being grazed in accordance with the conditions of the concurrence etc

Council will consider the issuing concurrence to the Local Land Services for the issuing of a roadside grazing permit subject to the following conditions:

- Prescribed standard stock warning signs must be erected by the permit holder on the roadside advising road users of the presence of stock on the roads and must be covered or removed when stock is not being grazed on the roadside. Signs must comply with RMS/Council standards with respect to size, location, method of erection, condition and appearance.
- All stock must be supervised at all times whilst being grazed on the roadside;
- Stock can on be grazed on the roadside from sunrise and sunset. They must be removed from the roadside before sunset.
- There will be no roadside grazing on roadside vegetation areas identified as high conservation value in the Deniliquin Roadside Vegetation Management Plan/Conargo Roadside Vegetation Management Plan.
- Permits will be issued for a maximum period of 7 days.
- Any stock that die or are injured must be removed from the public road reserve within 24 hours.
- Council will not be liable for any damage to persons or property due to any incident occurring while the stock are located within the road reserve. The applicant must provide documentary evidence that they hold Public Liability Insurance with a limit of indemnity of not less than \$10 million and must name Council as an interested party.
- The permit holder will accept all risks associated with the grazing of livestock on a public road and make good any damage to roadside infrastructure.
- The maximum length of road approved for grazing shall be that which fronts the applicant's own property or neighbouring properties for which the owner of such neighbouring property has consented to be grazed by the applicant.

ASSOCIATED POLICIES AND PROCEDURES



Roadside Grazing Policy
Council Policy
Environmental Services

Nil.

DEFINITIONS

Nil.

POLICY VERSION CONTROL

Title	Roadside Grazing Policy			
ECM Doc Set ID				
Date Adopted				
Council Minute No.				
Responsible Officer	Manager Environmental Services			
Version Number	Modified By	Modifications Made	Date modified and Approved by Council	Council Minute Number

11.18 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT (AUGUST 2018)

Author: Julie Rogers, Manager Environmental Services

Authoriser: Adam McSwain, General Manager

RECOMMENDATION

That Council notes the Environmental Services report for August 2018.

BACKGROUND

Attachment 1 details the activities for Environmental Services for August 2018.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

Nil.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Nil.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Environmental Services Report (August 2018)



Current Applications at 31 August 2018					
Application	Property Description	Applicant	Proposal	Date Rec'd	Status
Development Applications/Construction Certificates					
CC 55/14	Lot 272 DP756325, 234 Barham Road, Deniliquin 10/11/14	Jamie Park/JNP Architecture & Associates Pty Ltd	Erection of a shed for use as 'rural industry' (maintenance & construction shed for the proposed ethanol plant)	10/11/14	Awaiting advice from the applicant
DA 2/17	Lots 11 & 12 DP1018080, 475-477 George Street, Deniliquin 11/01/17	Murray Constructions	Replacement of existing concrete retaining walls including an extension of jetty	11/01/17	Awaiting advice from applicant
DA 28/18	Lot 174 & 210, DP756305, 218 Campbells Road, "Wyoming" Mayrung	CAF Consulting Services Pty Ltd	3,500 head dairy cattle feedlot	07/06/2018	Under assessment
DA 37/18	Lot 1, DP114624, Conargo Road, Deniliquin	Robert Hallum (Deniliquin Ute Muster)	Installation of an information education facility (museum) including part use for office accommodation and retail sales	1/06/2018	Awaiting advice from the applicant
DA 16/15/ A	Lot 5, DP720227 & Lots 8, 22, 30, 31, 33, 34, 35, 36, 61, 72, DP756268, Conargo Road, Deniliquin	FS Falkiner & Sons Pty Ltd	Modification to the existing feedlot approval of 5,000 head of cattle & 15,000 head of sheep (7055 scu) to 5,000 head of cattle & 15,000 head of sheep of up to 8,000 head of cattle with no sheep or varying numbers of cattle & sheep	13/07/2018	Under assessment



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			to a maximum of 7,458 scu.		
DA 39/18	Lot 1, DP285397, Boxwood Court, Deniliquin	Anthony Tonkin – on behalf of Riverview Community Association	2 lot subdivision (Dedication of Boxwood Court to the public)	24/07/2018	Under assessment
DA 41/18	Lot 26, DP877116, 81 Boundary Street, Deniliquin	Caitrin Watson	Installation of rural workers dwelling – which allows for 4 bedrooms / ensuites	1/08/2018	Under assessment
DA 43/18 CC 26/18	Lot 13, DP719544, Lot 13 Phylands Lane, Deniliquin	Stephen Grimshaw & Michelle Reynolds	New single dwelling	20/08/2018	Under assessment
DA 44/18 CC 27/18	Lot 21, DP873364, 557 Poitiers Street, Deniliquin	Craig Druitt	Shed extension	21/08/2018	Under assessment
DA 45/18	Lot 101, DP756331, 299 Warragoon Road, Deniliquin	Doug Adamson, NSW Rural Fire Service	Install demountable toilet block	23/08/2018	Under assessment
DA 46/18	Lot 20, DP873364, 555 Poitiers Street, Deniliquin	Paul Park	2 lot subdivision	28/08/2018	Under assessment
DA 47/18	Lot 210, DP756305, 80 Cooks Road, Mayrung	Christian Steenholdt	Install 2 demountable buildings	29/08/2018	Under assessment
DA 48/18	Lot 525, DP1116931, 47-53 Burton Street, Deniliquin	Lance & Dianne Gardiner	3 lot subdivision in 2 stages	31/08/2018	Under assessment
Complying Development Certificates					



CDC 23/18	Lot 19, DP29825, 434 Albert Street, Deniliquin	Troy Denbrock	Carport	31/08/2018	Under assessment
S68 Applications					
S68 12/18	Lot 101, DP756331, 299 Warragoon Road, Deniliquin	Doug Adamson, NSW Rural Fire Service	Install septic tank	23/08/2018	Under assessment
S68 13/18	Lot 1, DP1142624, Conargo Road, Deniliquin	Robert Hallum, Deniliquin Play on the Plains	Sewerage works	29/08/2018	Under assessment

Applications Determined August 2018				
Application	Property Description	Applicant	Development	Amount
DA 33/18	Lot 34, DP756315 & Lot 43, DP756338, Cobb Highway, Booroorban	Thomas Hooke & Marcus Hooke	Boundary realignment	0.00
DA 34/18 CC 21/18	Lot 381, DP239381, 345-357 Ricemill Road, Deniliquin	Ricegrowers Limited	Installation of 2 x 250 tonne silo's including conveyors connecting to the ricemill & support structures	270,000.00
DA 36/18 CC 23/18	Lot 1, DP337501, 325 Sloane Street, Deniliquin	Ryan Chadderton	New single dwelling	300,000.00
DA 38/18	Lot 523, DP820183, 449 Charlotte Street, Deniliquin	Resource Architecture	Demolish existing glass house structure	25,000.00
DA 40/18 CC 24/18	Lot 22, DP858765, 623 Henry Street, Deniliquin	Philip Whykes	Shed extension	9,500.00



DA 42/18 CC 25/18	Lot 5, DP286093, 18 Riverview Estate, Deniliquin	Andrew Brunker	Garage / Shed	18,000.00
CDC 20/18	Lot 6, DP285499, Pee Parade, Deniliquin	Stan Mikoulajski	New single dwelling	160,000.00
CDC 21/18	Lot 20, DP285499, 20 Mulumbah Estate, Deniliquin	Justin Hatfield	Swimming pool and child resistant barrier	50,810.00
CDC 22/18	Lot 551, DP1042402, 904 Moonee Swamp Road, Deniliquin	Paradise Pools	Swimming pool and child resistant barrier	39,500.00
S68	Lot 1, DP1132408, 1 Butler Street, Deniliquin	Bill Cavanagh	Connect 4 sites to sewer	4,000.00

Processing Times for August 2018		
Application Type	Mean Gross Days	Mean Net Days
DA	28	23
Mod (S96) of DA & DA/CC	-	
CDC	14	14
CC	28	23
S68 Applications	1	1



Value and Number of Applications Determined 2017 and 2018								
Month	DAs 2017	DAs 2018	CDCs 2017	CDCs 2018	S68 2017	S68 2018	Value 2017	Value 2018
January	6	3	2	0	0	0	\$953,130	\$96,900
February	4	8	1	2	9	3	\$1,121,555	\$753,100
March	7	3	3	5	3	1	\$436,881	\$1,560,188
April	5	6	2	4	3	1	\$998,414	\$522,400
May	11	6	3	2	7	2	\$1,853,315	\$119,300
June	9	8	5	3	5	1	\$717,371	\$1,062,899
July	11	6	4	3	2	3	\$2,721,000	\$624 300
August	6	6	4	3	4	1	\$1,099,213	\$872 810
September	12		5		2		\$1,625,621	
October	13		4		4		\$3,171,654	
November	9		5		1		\$4,456,450	
December	3		2		1		\$2,220,230	
TOTALS	96	46	40	22	41	12	\$21,374,834.00	\$5 611 897

Note: numbers of application determined does not include construction certificates, modifications and applications determined by private certifiers. Value of application determined does not include the value of work for s68 applications.

Section 149 Certificates/Sewerage Drainage Diagrams	
Planning certificates	25
Sewerage drainage diagrams	10

Swimming Pool Inspection Program			
Month	1 st Inspection	2 nd Inspection	3 rd Inspection
August 2018	2	-	-



Ranger's Report – August 2018			
Companion Animals			
	Cats	Dogs	Other
Animals seized/surrendered	1	17	
Animals released to owner	0	12	
Animals euthanised	0	2	
Animals rehomed	0	1	
Dogs declared dangerous / menacing	0	0	
Animals still impounded	1	2	
Animals microchipped by Council	10	9	
Animals microchipped by Council (quarterly free chipping week)	0	0	
Animals registered	3	11	
Animal registration notices sent	2	26	
Animal fines	0	4	0 wandering stock
Clean Up Notices			
Property clean up notices	0		
Illegal dumping	0		
Parking Fines			
Parking fines	Nil fines sent – issued 6 warning notices (Whitelock Street area)		
Impoundment (Impounding Act 1993)			
Vehicles	0		
Livestock	0		
Euthanised Wildlife			
	0		

Dog Attacks

Council responded to 1 dog attack in August.



Date	Details	Victims	Outcome
16 August 2018	1 dog attacked sheep	4 sheep injured	4 sheep destroyed and dog was surrendered to Council

11.19 STRONGER COMMUNITIES FUND - MAJOR PROJECTS PROGRAM AND THE STRONGER COUNTRY COMMUNITIES PROGRAM - SEPTEMBER PROGRESS REPORT**Author: Nicole Rogers, Executive Assistant****Authoriser: Oliver McNulty, Director Infrastructure****RECOMMENDATION**

That That Council note the Stronger Communities Fund- Major Projects Program and the Stronger Country Communities Program- Progress Report for September 2018

BACKGROUND

The Stronger Communities Fund was established by the NSW Government to provide newly merged Councils with funding to spend on priority community initiatives.

Edward River Council received \$10 million in funding. An amount of \$1.4 million was allocated to various community groups for projects under the Community Grants Program. The remaining \$8.6 million has been allocated for the Major Project Program.

After this Edward River Council received funding from the Stronger Country Communities Program to a total value of \$1,269,841

The projects adopted by the Stronger Communities Fund Assessment Panel are as follows:

Project – Stronger Communities Fund	Grant Amount
Deniliquin Swim Centre Revitalisation	\$880,000
Community Masterplans & Initial Works	\$2,105,000
Deniliquin Regional Sports & Entertainment Stadium Extension	\$540,000
Blighty Community Netball & Tennis Facility	\$550,000
Deniliquin Children’s Centre Extension	\$500,000
Deniliquin Netball Facility Improvement Works	\$320,000
Rural Villages Beautification Project	\$300,000
Beach to Beach Walk Connectivity Improvements	\$300,000
Deniliquin Community Facility Refurbishments	\$165,000
Urban Road Infrastructure Program	\$2,390,000
Deniliquin Airport Heritage Centre Development	\$50,000
Unallocated Funding for New Council	\$500,000

The projects that have been funded through the Stronger Country Communities Program are as follows:

Project – Stronger Country Communities	Grant Amount
Scott’s Park – A destination Playground	\$676,620
Deniliquin Swim Centre – All Abilities Facilities	\$295,796
Lagoons to River Walk	\$297,425

A project summary update report for both programs to September 2018 is attached to this report.

Given the importance of these projects to the community and the value of the funding being spent, officers will bring a monthly project update report to each Council meeting. This report will ensure a high level of accountability for progressing these projects and ensure transparency to the community on project progress.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

This report aligns with outcome 1 – *A great place to live* and outcome 4 – *A region with quality and sustainable infrastructure* of the Community Strategic plan

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Projects funded through these programs include costs for the design, documentation, and supervision costs for each project. Each of these projects are fully funded for the scopes as set out by Council

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Council must ensure that these projects are completed within the timeframes set out within the funding agreements. Each project must ensure that they are delivered and compliant with any legislative requirement

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Stronger Communities September Update**

Attachment One - Projects Progress Report – September 2018**Stronger Communities Fund – Major Project Program****Stronger Country Communities Program**

Project Description	Project Phase				Comments
	Initiation	Design & Documentation	Quotes and Tendering	Delivery and Handover	
Deniliquin Swim Centre Revitalisation					
Water Play facility	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	To be confirmed on award of construction. Currently estimated at 10/11/2018	Splash Park construction has commenced and will be complete early October. Landscaping will be complete by November.
Lining of Main Pool and Wet Deck Construction	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	November 2018-Phase 2 June 2019 - Complete	Tenders complete and awarded. Fencing work to be complete by Nov18. All other works to be completed June19
Solar Heating of medium pool	COMPLETE	Melbourne Pools and Spas have undertaken an assessment and providing recommendation on way forward.	To be tendered in December 2018	June 2019	Works dependent on the Lining of main pool and wet deck project and the Amenities facility project due to solar required to be on the roof of the amenities and also interconnected with assets renewal as part of the learner's pool.
Amenities Facility Refurbishment	COMPLETE	Design Complete	Tender request issued end of September 2018	June 2019	The designs for the amenity building are complete.
Community Master Plans and Initial					

Project Description	Project Phase				Comments
	Initiation	Design & Documentation	Quotes and Tendering	Delivery and Handover	
Works					
Recreation Strategy	Project brief completed, and quotation received	Tender brief and specification complete	Consultants have been appointed	Consultants are working on the development of the strategy	This will go on public display in October 2018
Memorial Park – Masterplan	Project brief completed, and quotation received	Tender brief and specification complete	Consultants have been appointed	Consultants are working on the development of the strategy	
River Front Master Plan	Tender to be considered at March Council meeting	Tender brief and specification complete	Consultants have been appointed	Consultants are working on the development of the strategy	Out on public display
CBD Streetscape	Tender to be considered at March Council meeting	Tender brief and specification complete	Consultants have been appointed	Consultants are working on the development of the strategy	This will go on public display in August 2018
Arts & Culture Precinct	Funding has been allocated as outlined in the comments				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$438,500 has been allocated to provide as leverage for the Town Hall Project. This will be confirmed in September 2018 • \$20k has been allocated for the water tower art project. Work on a brief is progressing for this project. • \$11.5 K has been allocated for a master plan for the Pepin/Crossing café
Deniliquin Sports and Entertainment Building Extension	COMPLETE	Preliminary plans and costings done. To be finalised early 2018. Construction documentation	Request for Tender will be issued in October 2018	Construction will commence in January 2019 will a June completion date	A meeting was held with the management committee to investigate options to proceed.

Project Description	Project Phase				Comments
	Initiation	Design & Documentation	Quotes and Tendering	Delivery and Handover	
		is 80% complete			Tender documentation is to be completed to enable options for flooring and requests for tenders will commence in October 2018
Blighty Community Netball & Tennis Facility	Working Group formed Initial designs being evaluated	Design & Construct process to be used to identify companies to do work and type of building appropriate for site	Tenders to be called in second quarter of 2018 Contractor to be appointed September 2018	Works to be completed January 2019 with handover in February 2019.	Tenders close 11 September 2018
Deniliquin Children's Centre Expansion	Working Group formed Deed of Funding Agreement signed by both parties	COMPLETED	Project progressing and scheduled to meet timelines		Project progressing
Deniliquin Netball Facility Improvements					
Deniliquin Oval	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	Construction scheduled for February 2019	Works will commence February 2019
Memorial Park	COMPLETE	Discussion taking place with Netball Victoria to discuss courts and some compliance issues. This will guide further discussions and final project scope	Preliminary quotes obtained by club. Tender to be called in third quarter 2018	Works are to be delivery from October 2018	Identification of scope of works undertaken with committee representatives and in consultation with Netball Victoria.
Rural Villages Projects					
Blighty					Discussions have commenced with representative of Blighty Community Groups to determine options for funding

Project Description	Project Phase				Comments
	Initiation	Design & Documentation	Quotes and Tendering	Delivery and Handover	
Booroorban	COMPLETE	Develop layout plan commenced and discussed with community	To proceed October 2018	Concept plans are being updated based on community group feedback	
Conargo	COMPLETE	Develop path alignments and interpretative signage layout – this has commenced	To proceed October 2018		A meeting has been held with the Conargo Hall Committee and more detailed sketches are being prepared for their feedback.
Mayrung	COMPLETE	Obtain quotes for fencing Develop road alignments – this has commenced	To proceed October 2018		Works around Community Hall are focus of local community
Pretty Pine	Meeting scheduled for September 2018				Works for horse stalls and around Community Hall are focus of local community – this will be confirmed in September 2018
Wanganella	COMPLETE	Design work has commenced			BBQ facility, lights for tennis courts. More details and costings are being developed subject to a recent community meeting.
Beach to Beach Connectivity Walks					
McLean's Beach access pathway	Scope of works and location identified	Tender construction documentation commenced		Construction work planned for Nov 2018	Site to be surveyed and best location for path identified. This will be added to the scope of works for the Lagoons Walk Project
Island Sanctuary	Scope of Works identified	Bridge assessment to be		Construction to proceed	Bridge to be refurbished

Project Description	Project Phase				Comments
	Initiation	Design & Documentation	Quotes and Tendering	Delivery and Handover	
Bridge Refurbishment		completed to enable tender and construction documentation		early 2019	Bridge condition to be evaluated. This has not commenced.
Deniliquin Community Facility Refurbishment					
Scout Hall Refurbishment for Army Cadets	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	Construction has commenced	Works on going
Deniliquin Boat Club Accessible Toilet	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	Final documents to be completed	Works complete
Urban Road Infrastructure Program	COMPLETE	Geotech Complete Surveys Complete	These roads and their detailed design are currently out to tender. This has been tendered as a design and construct. The tender process will close late June 2018	Works will commence January 2019	Officers are meeting local contractors to get estimates to progress this project.
Deniliquin Airport Heritage Centre Development	COMPLETE	Master Plan completed	Additional works to progress in line with masterplan		A list of projects has been drawn up. These works will progress in consultation with Council
Unallocated Funding for New Council	Discussion to be held with Council in early 2018 following the outcome of the Stronger Country Communities funding applications				\$142,000 has been allocated to the pool refurbishment project
Lagoons to River Walk		COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMMENCED	Work ongoing
Scotts Park – A destination Playground	COMPLETE	Detailed design to be completed by November 2018		Construction to be completed by August 2019	Tender documentation has commenced and tenders will be invited for

Project Description	Project Phase				Comments
	Initiation	Design & Documentation	Quotes and Tendering	Delivery and Handover	
					design and construct by the end of September 2018.

11.20 DENI PLAY ON THE PLAINS - UTE MUSTER 2018

Author: Nicole Rogers, Executive Assistant

Authoriser: Oliver McNulty, Director Infrastructure

RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve the 2018 Play on the Plains Festival (Ute Muster) Special Event Application with the following conditions:

1. "No Camping" Signs be erected on both sides of the road. No camping will be allowed on any road side or public reserves near the event. All Campers must be contained within the fenced Ute Muster allocated camping area on the corner of Moonee Swamp Road and Conargo Road (MR 552). Police will monitor and move on any campers not in the designated fenced area of the Ute Muster site.
2. The Ute Muster as the event owner must provide a duty of care to the patrons of their event and ensure that there is adequate fencing to prevent anyone camping outside the designated Ute Muster area. This is to ensure the safety of the campers.
3. If traffic starts to impact non-event traffic the reserve between Smart Street and Augustus Street will be used as a holding area. Traffic will then be intermittently (with the use of a traffic controller) directed across Conargo Road into the Ute Muster entrance. The area is noted on TCP 1A.

BACKGROUND

Application has been received from the Deni – Play on the Plains Festival Incorporated seeking approval for the Special Event application for the annual Ute Muster to be held between Thursday 27 September 2018 and Sunday 30 September 2018.

DISCUSSION

The event is a Class 1 event as described in the Special Events Guideline.

A traffic management plan has been developed for the site by the event organiser. The Ute Muster has engaged Mr Paul Hussey from Edward River Council Works Department, who is suitably qualified to oversee the installation of the traffic management for the event. They have provided systems for checking and monitoring the traffic control.

Traffic Control Plans have been developed in conjunction with Police and RMS requirements and are provided. These traffic control plans take into consideration the duty of care that needs to be provided by the Edward River Council, NSW Police, Roads and Maritime Services. They are similar to last year's event and the main points of note are:

- Speed has been reduced to 50 kph through the site location along Conargo Road (MR 552).
- "No Stopping" Signs for both sides of the road from approximately the Moonee Swamp Road to 500 metres towards Conargo from the main entrance on the Conargo Road.
- "No Camping" Signs will be erected in both sides of the road. No camping will be allowed on any road side or public reserves in the vicinity of the event. All Campers must be contained within the fenced Ute Muster allocated camping area on the corner of Moonee Swamp Road and Conargo Road (MR 552). Police will monitor and move on any campers not in the designated fenced area of the Ute Muster site.

- In the event that traffic starts to impact non-event traffic the reserve between Smart Street and Augustus Street will be used as a holding area. Traffic will then be intermittently (with the use of a traffic controller) directed across Conargo Road into the Ute Muster entrance.
- From 6am on Thursday 27th September 2018 all traffic travelling South on Conargo Road, with the exception of school buses, will be diverted along Wandook Road to the Cobb Highway. Ute Muster traffic will turn on to Wanderer Street at the Davidson Street roundabout.
- Variable Message Signs (VMS) will be located at each end.

The Committee have requested that Council advertise the traffic plans prior to the event. The event organiser will apply for the Direction to Restrict for the speed limit changes to the RMS for approval. The approval documentation will be submitted to Council.

It is noted that Russell Tait has declared a conflict of interest in the Ute Muster as a member of the Edward River Local Traffic Committee and has abstained from voting on approval sought by Council.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

This fits with Goal 3, Liveability:

“To encourage and facilitate the development of a quality lifestyle and environment in Deniliquin.”

and strategy 3.3:

“Facilitate the provision of improved community services”

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Council have adopted the “Guide to Traffic and Transport Management for Special Events” as produced by the NSW Police, Local Government Association of NSW and the RTA as policy

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The estimated cost to council to advertise the traffic changes for the event is \$300 and this can be taken from the allowance Council has made in the budget as a contribution to the Ute Muster

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Traffic Committee has delegated approval under:

1. Division 2 of Part 8 (Regulation of traffic by roads authorities) of the *Roads Act 1993*.
- and
2. Division 1 of Part 4 (Traffic control devices) of the *Road Transport (Safety and Traffic Management) Act 1999*.

to recommend to Council to erect certain regulatory signs.

The erection of speed restriction signs or special event clearway signs is **not** delegated to Council and will require RMS approval

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Letters Advising of Event**
- 2. Special Event Application**
- 3. Certificate of Currency**
- 4. Traffic Control Plans**
- 5. Russell Tait no comment**
- 6. 2018 Traffic Management**

Sent 17.5.18

15th May 2018

Mr Bruce Purves
NSW Ambulance Service
Corner Lawson Syphon Road & Dick Street
DENILIQVIN NSW 2710

Dear Bruce

RE: DENI UTE MUSTER – NOTICE OF INTENTION TO HOLD A PUBLIC ASSEMBLY

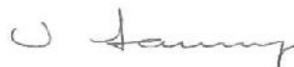
In accordance with our statutory requirement, I would like to inform you that it is the intention of the Deni Play on the Plains Festival Limited to hold the annual Deni Ute Muster on Friday 28th and Saturday 29th September 2018 at the Deniliquin Festival Site located on Conargo Road, Deniliquin.

The festival will consist of music concerts, bull riding, motorsports events and many other activities. There will be campers on site from 12noon Thursday 27th September until midday Sunday 30th September, 2018. Prior to the event there will be many patrons staying close by.

We have arranged to have Event Medical Services Australia on site during the event as we expect to have up to 18,000 patrons attend the festival.

If you need further details or have any queries, please contact me at any time.

Yours faithfully



Vicky Lowry
General Manager

Sent 17.5.18

16th May 2018

David Jackson
Cluster Manager
Deniliquin Hospital
411 Charlotte Street
DENILIQUN NSW 2710

Dear David,

RE: DENI UTE MUSTER – NOTICE OF INTENTION TO HOLD A PUBLIC ASSEMBLY

In accordance with our statutory requirement, I would like to inform you that it is the intention of the Deni Play on the Plains Festival Limited to hold the annual Deni Ute Muster on Friday 28th and Saturday 29th September, 2018 at the Deniliquin Festival Site located on Conargo Road, Deniliquin.

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Yours faithfully



Vicky Lowry
General Manager

Sent 17.5.18
Addressed to
Joey Brown.

15th May 2018

Inspector John Aichinger
Murray River Police District
Deniliquin Police Station
405 Charlotte Street
DENILIQUIN NSW 2710

Dear John

RE: DENILIQUIN UTE MUSTER – NOTICE OF INTENTION TO HOLD A PUBLIC ASSEMBLY

Please find attached a completed Schedule 1 Form seeking approval to conduct a public assembly.

It is our understanding that a letter of approval is required from the NSW Police.

If you could please process this application and provide required approvals, we would be grateful.

Can you please provide a reply by email gm@deniutemuster.com.au in receipt of this application?

Yours faithfully



Vicky Lowry
General Manager

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO HOLD A PUBLIC ASSEMBLY

Summary Offences Act 1988

To the Commissioner of Police

- 1 I, Vicky Lowry of 545 Troys Road, Wakool NSW 2710 on behalf of Deni Play on the Plains Festival Ltd notify the Commissioner of Police that on the Friday 28th and Saturday 30th September, 2018 it is intended to hold:
 - (a) a public assembly, not being a procession, of approximately 18,000 persons which will assemble at Deniliquin Festival Site, Conargo Road, Deniliquin at approximately 12 noon Thursday 27th September, 2018 and disperse at approximately 9am Sunday 30th September, 2018
- 2 The purpose of the proposed assembly is the Deni Ute Muster
- 3 The following special characteristics associated with the assembly would be useful for the Commissioner of Police to be aware of in regulating the flow of traffic or in regulating the assembly:
 - * (i) There will be 14,000 (number) of vehicles and/or* floats involved and their type and dimensions are as follows:

Utes, Sedans, caravans and trailers
 - * (ii) There will be 12 major and 9 minor bands, musicians, entertainers etc entertaining or addressing the assembly
- 4 I take responsibility for organising and conducting the proposed public assembly.
- 5 Notices for the purposes of the *Summary Offences Act 1988* may be served on me at the following:

Address: 62 – 64 Hardinge Street, Deniliquin, NSW, 2710

Telephone: (03) 5881 3388

Signed: 

Capacity/Title: General Manager

Date 15th May 2018

Sent 17-5-18

15th May 2018

Mr. Tony Whitehorn
NSW Rural Fire Service
305 Duncan Street
DENILIQUN NSW 2710

Dear Tony,

RE: DENILIQUN UTE MUSTER – NOTICE OF INTENTION TO HOLD A PUBLIC ASSEMBLY

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We will again inform our patrons that bonfires are prohibited and that only small camp fires may be lit in a drum unless a total fire ban has been declared. Butane gas burners and cylinders are banned.

If you need further details or have any queries, please contact me at any time.

Yours faithfully



Vicky Lowry
General Manager

Sent 17.5.18

15th May 2018

Captain Martin Smith
Station Commander
Fire & Rescue NSW
264 George Street
DENILIQUIN NSW 2710

Dear Captain Smith

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Yours faithfully



Vicky Lowry
General Manager

Special Event Resources

Special Event Transport Management Plan Template

Refer to Chapter 7 of the Guide for a complete description of the Transport Management Plan

1 EVENT DETAILS

1.1 Event summary

Event Name: **Deni Ute Muster**

Event Location: **Deniliquin Festival Site, Conargo Road, Deniliquin NSW**

Event Date: **27/09/2018** Event Start Time: **12noon** Event Finish Time: **12noon – 30/09/2018**

Event Setup Start Time: **12noon** Event Packdown Finish Time: **12noon**

Event is off-street on-street moving on-street non-moving
 held regularly throughout the year (calendar attached)

1.2 Contact names

Event Organiser: * **Deni Play on the Plains Festival Ltd**

Phone: **03 5881 3388** Fax: **03 5881 4366** Mobile: **0448 832 104** E-mail: **gm@deniutemuster.com.au**

Event Management Company (if applicable):

Phone: Fax: Mobile: E-mail:

Police **Inspector John Aichinger**

Phone: **03 5881 4399** Fax: Mobile: E-mail:

Council: **Edward River Council**

Phone: **03 5898 3000** Fax: Mobile: E-mail:

Roads & Traffic Authority (if Class 1):

Phone: Fax: Mobile: E-mail:

**Note: The Event Organiser is the person or organisation in whose name the Public Liability Insurance is taken out.*

1.3 Brief description of the event (one paragraph)

The Deni Play on the Plains Festival is an annual 2-day event and has been running for 19 years. Last year's event attracted 15,000 people and provides significant economic, strategic and social benefits to the southern region of NSW. This event has won numerous Local, Regional, State and National Tourism awards and it generates significant community pride in regional NSW.

The Deni Play on the Plains Festivals purpose is to enhance the social and economic capital of the community in both the Region and State.

2 RISK MANAGEMENT - TRAFFIC

- | | |
|-------------------------------|--|
| CLASS 1
CLASS 2
CLASS 3 | 2.1 Occupational Health & Safety - Traffic Control |
| | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Risk assessment plan (or plans) attached |
| | 2.2 Public Liability Insurance |
| | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public liability insurance arranged. Certificate of currency attached. |
| | 2.3 Police |
| | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Police written approval obtained |
| | 2.4 Fire Brigades and Ambulance |
| | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fire brigades notified |
| | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ambulance notified |

3 TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT MANAGEMENT

- | | |
|---|---|
| CLASS 1
CLASS 2
CLASS 3 | 3.1 The route or location |
| | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Map attached |
| | 3.2 Parking |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Parking organised - details attached |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Parking not required |
| | 3.3 Construction, traffic calming and traffic generating developments |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Plans to minimise impact of construction activities, traffic calming devices or traffic-generating developments attached |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> There are no construction activities, traffic calming devices or traffic-generating developments at the location/route or on the detour routes |
| | 3.4 Trusts, authorities or Government enterprises |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> This event uses a facility managed by a trust, authority or enterprise; written approval attached |
| <input type="checkbox"/> This event does not use a facility managed by a trust, authority or enterprise | |
| 3.5 Impact on/of Public transport | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public transport plans created - details attached | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public transport not impacted or will not impact event | |
| 3.6 Reopening roads after moving events | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> This is a moving event - details attached. | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> This is a non-moving event. | |
| 3.7 Traffic management requirements unique to this event | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Description of unique traffic management requirements attached | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> There are no unique traffic requirements for this event | |
| 3.8 Contingency plans | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contingency plans attached | |

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| Class 1 | Class 2 | 3.9 Heavy vehicle impacts |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> Impacts heavy vehicles - RTA to manage
<input type="checkbox"/> Does not impact heavy vehicles |
| | | 3.10 Special event clearways |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> Special event clearways required - RTA to arrange
<input type="checkbox"/> Special event clearways not required |

4 MINIMISING IMPACT ON NON-EVENT COMMUNITY & EMERGENCY SERVICES

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|---------|---------|---|
| Class 1 | Class 2 | 4.1 Access for local residents, businesses, hospitals and emergency vehicles |
| | Class 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> Plans to minimise impact on non-event community attached
<input type="checkbox"/> This event does not impact the non-event community either on the main route (or location) or detour routes |
| | | 4.2 Advertise traffic management arrangements |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> Road closures or restrictions - advertising medium and copy of proposed advertisements attached
<input type="checkbox"/> No road closures or restrictions but special event clearways in place - advertising medium and copy of proposed advertisements attached
<input type="checkbox"/> No road closures, restrictions or special event clearways - advertising not required |
| | | 4.3 Special event warning signs |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> Special event information signs are described in the Traffic Control Plan/s
<input type="checkbox"/> This event does not require special event warning signs |
| | | 4.4 Permanent Variable Message Signs |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> Messages, locations and times attached
<input type="checkbox"/> This event does not use permanent Variable Message Signs |
| | | 4.5 Portable Variable Message Signs |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> The proposed messages and locations for portable VMS are attached
<input type="checkbox"/> This event does not use portable VMS |

5 PRIVACY NOTICE

The "Personal Information" contained in the completed Transport Management Plan may be collected and held by the NSW Police, the NSW Roads and Traffic Authority (RTA), or Local Government.

I declare that the details in this application are true and complete. I understand that:

- The "personal information" is being collected for submission of the Transport Management Plan for the event described in Section 1 of this document.
- I must supply the information under the Road Transport Legislation (as defined in the *Road Transport (General) Act 1999*) and the *Roads Act 1993*.
- Failure to supply full details and to sign or confirm this declaration can result in the event not proceeding.
- The "personal information" being supplied is either my own or I have the approval of the person concerned to provide his/her "personal information".
- The "personal information" held by the Police, RTA or Local Government may be disclosed inside and outside of NSW to event managers or any other person or organisation required to manage or provide resources required to conduct the event or to any business, road user or resident who may be impacted by the event.
- The person to whom the "personal information" relates has a right to access or correct it in accordance with the provisions of the relevant privacy legislation.

6 APPROVAL

TMP Approved by:  Event Organiser **24/07/2018** Date

7 AUTHORISATION TO *REGULATE TRAFFIC

Council's traffic management requirements have been met. Regulation of traffic is therefore authorised for all non-classified roads described in the risk management plans attached to this TMP.

Regulation of traffic authorised by: Council Date

The RTA's traffic management requirements have been met. Regulation of traffic is therefore authorised for all classified roads described in the risk management plans attached to this TMP.

Regulation of traffic authorised by: RTA Date

* "Regulate traffic" means restrict or prohibit the passage along a road of persons, vehicles or animals (Roads Act, 1993). Council and RTA require traffic to be regulated as described in the risk management plans with the layouts installed under the direction of a qualified person.



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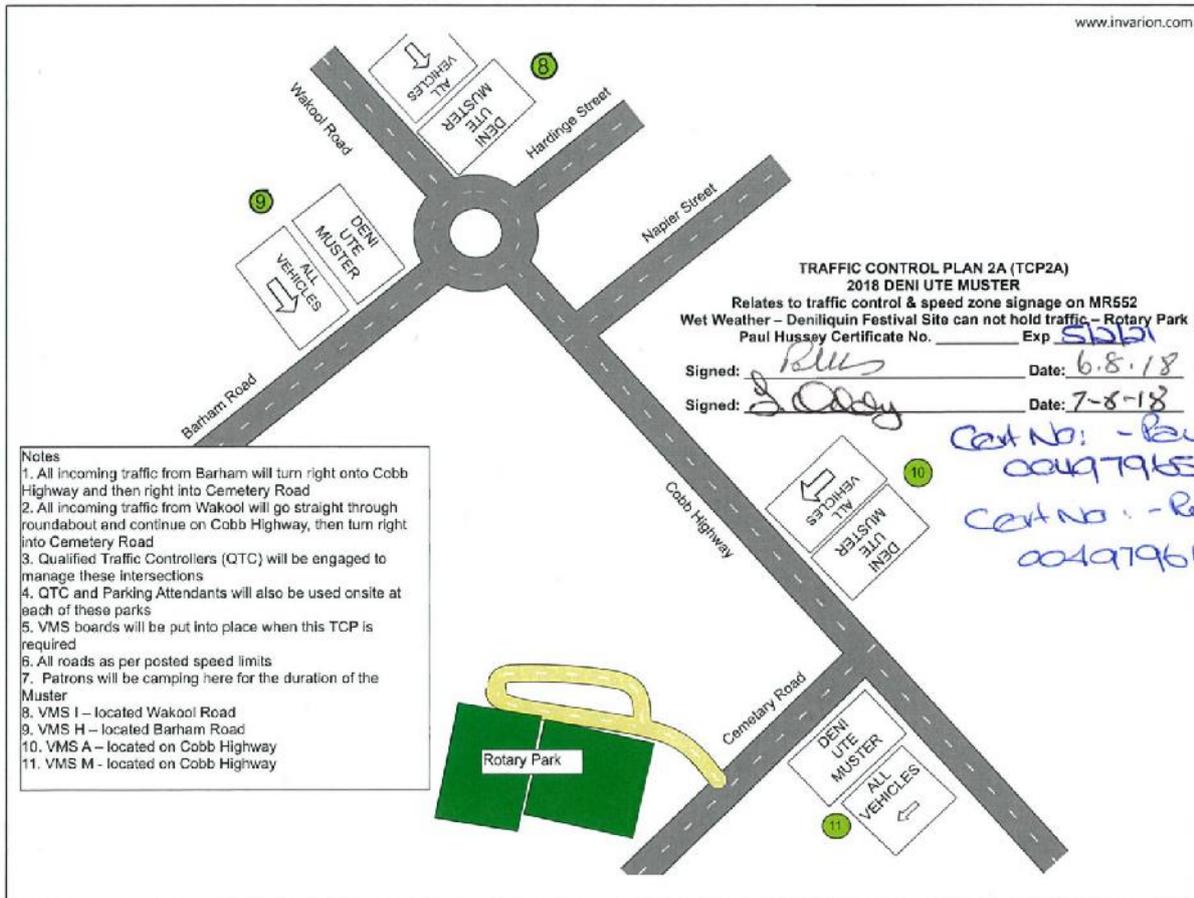
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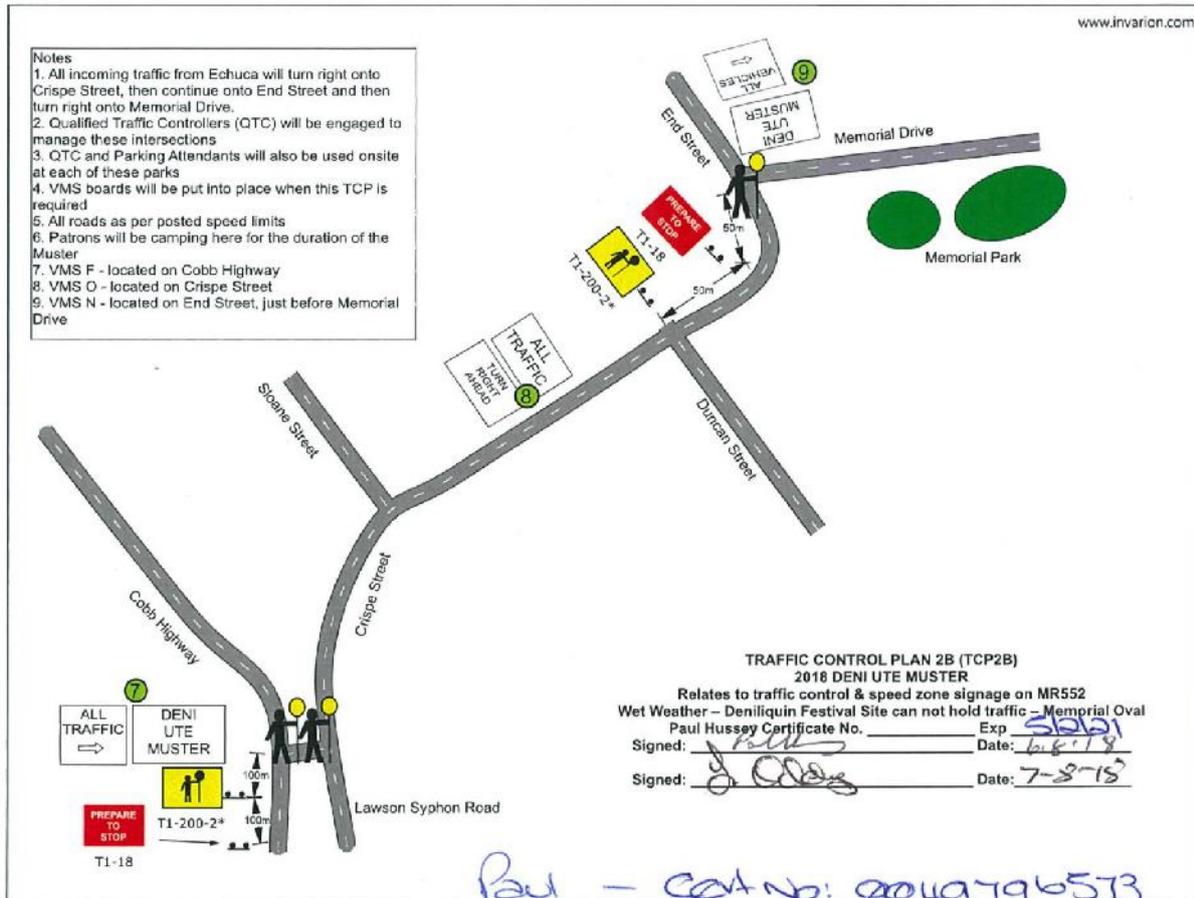


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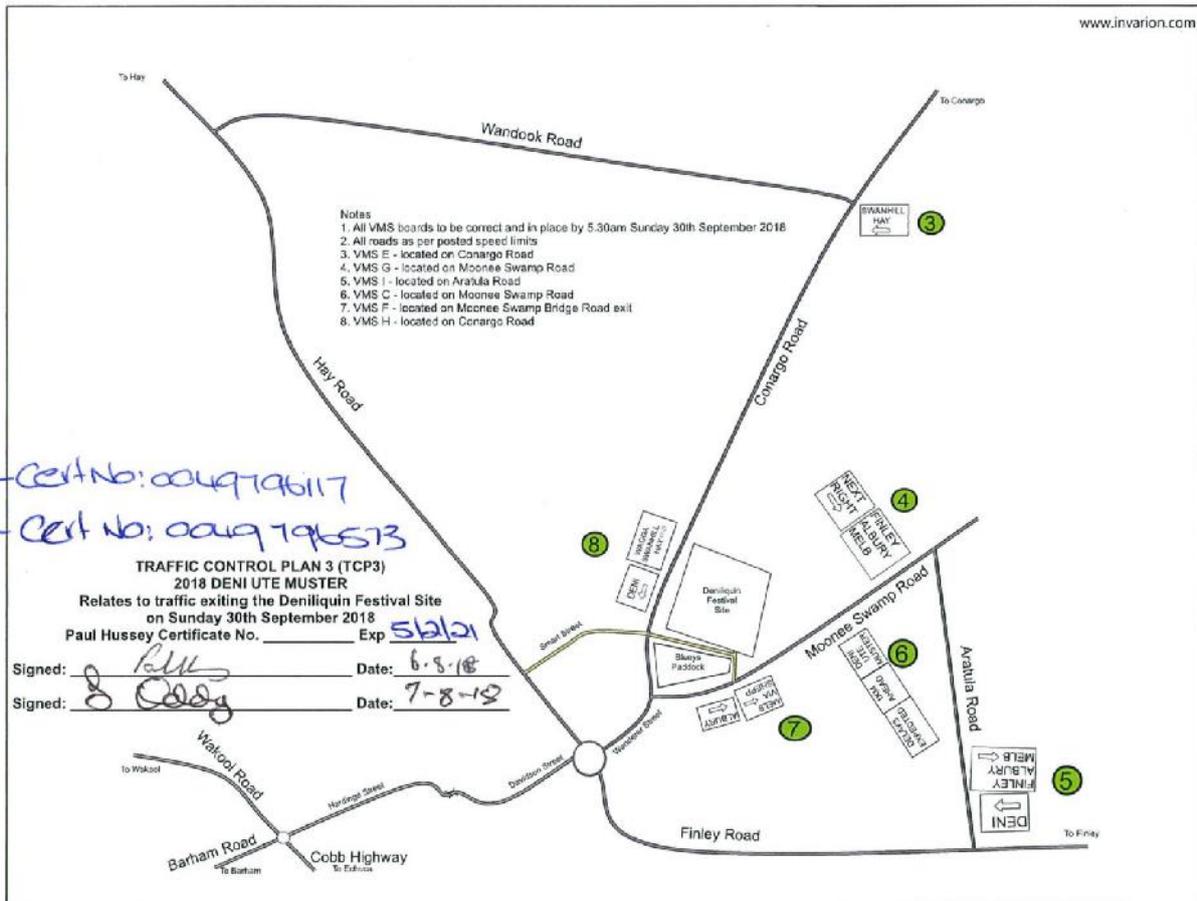
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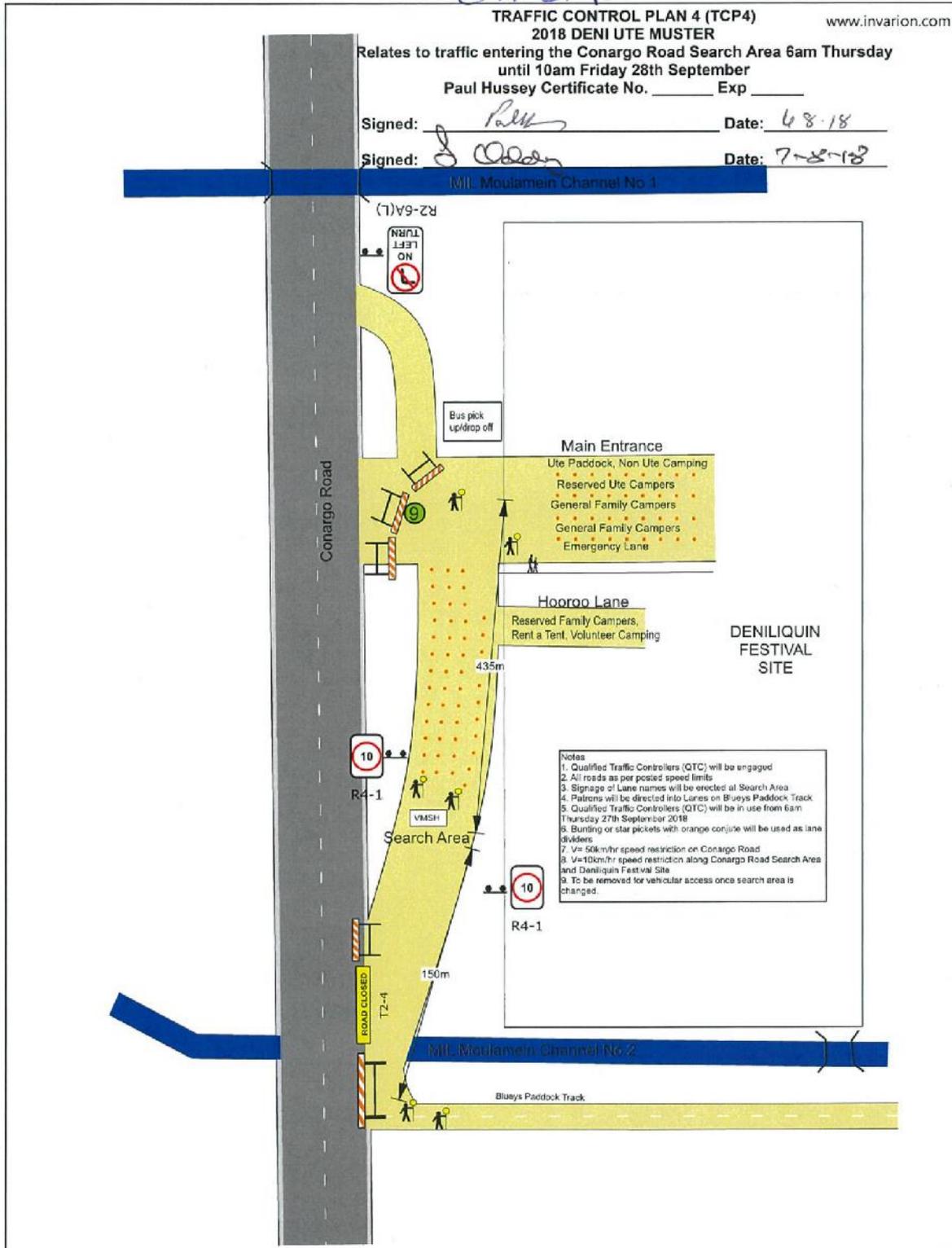




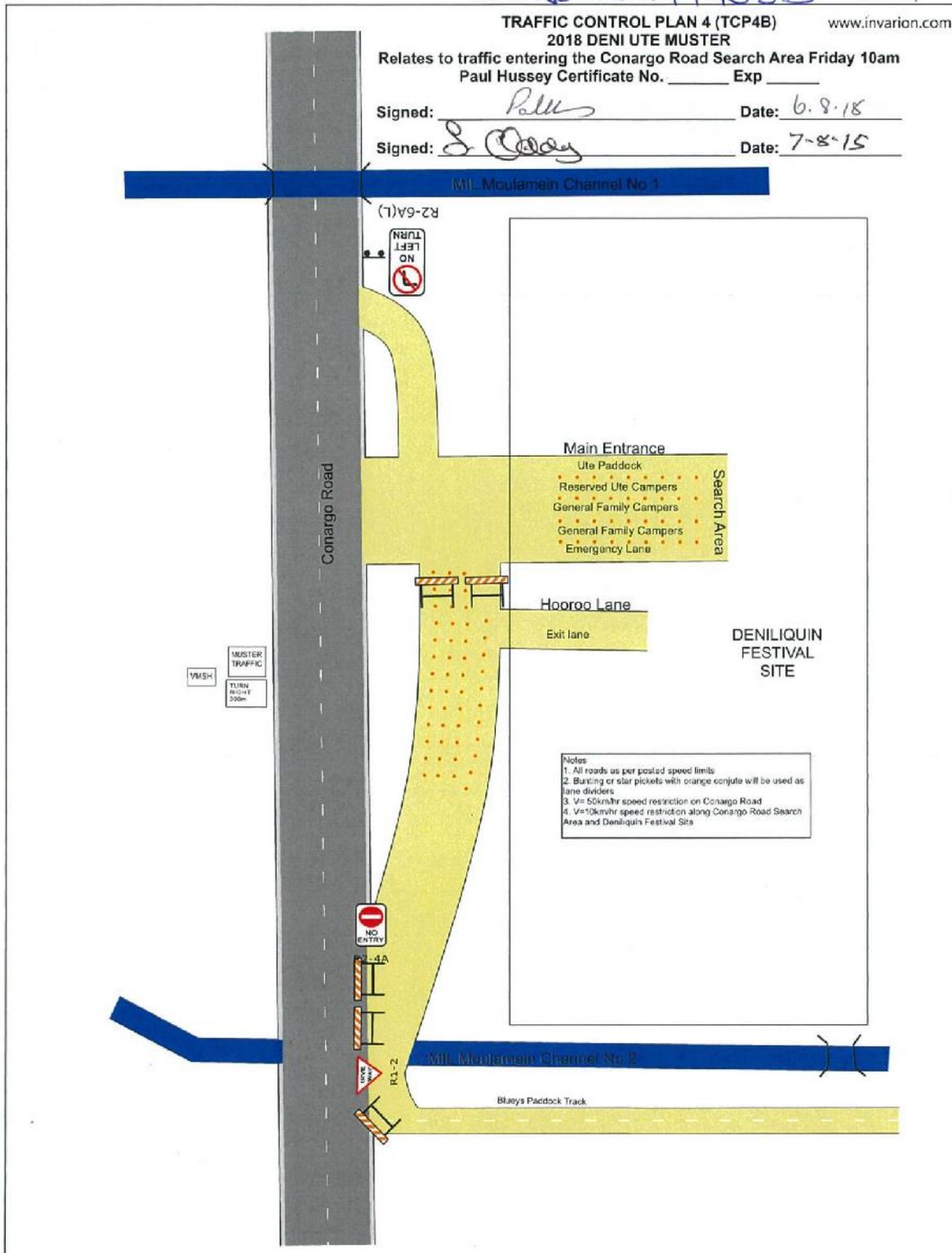
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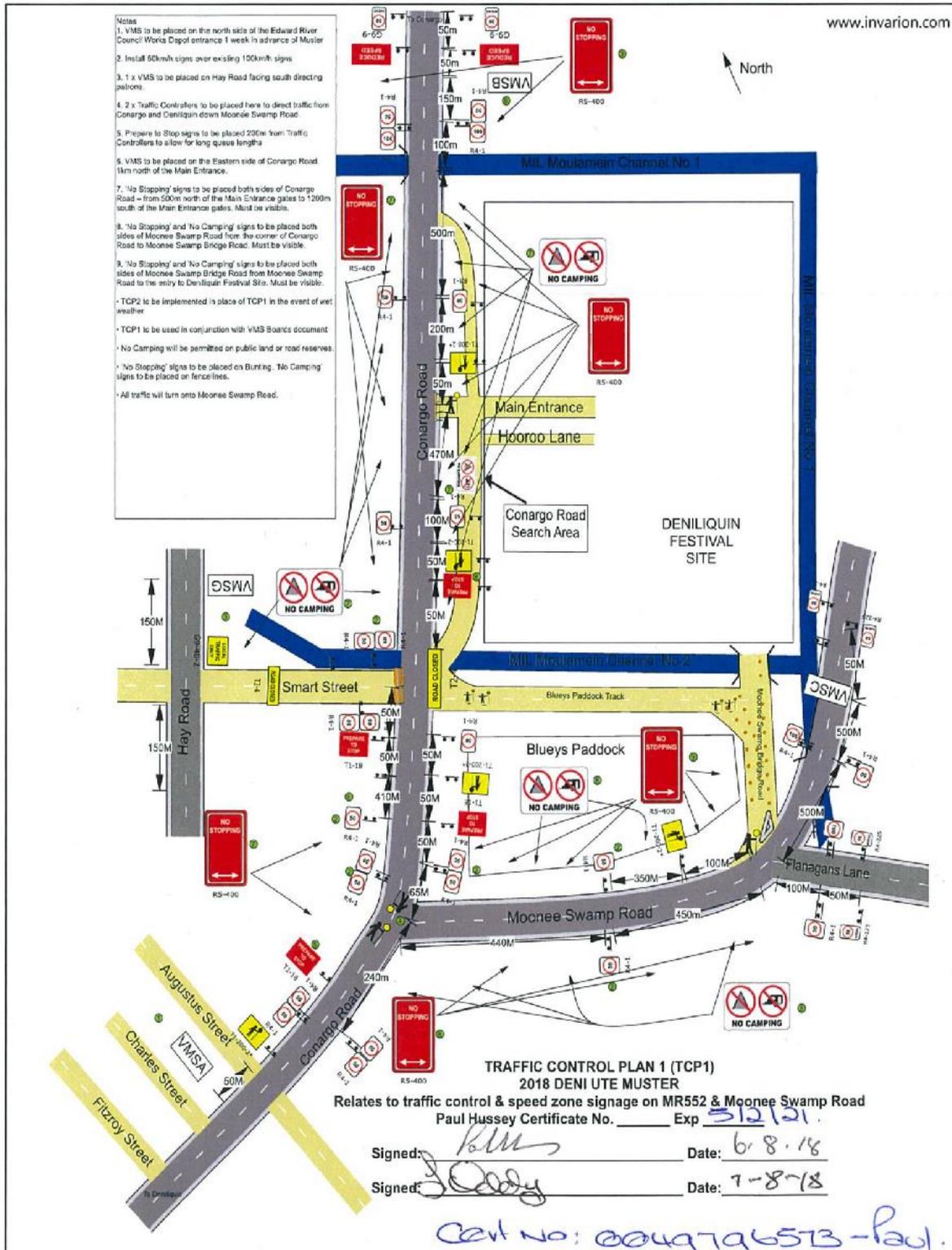


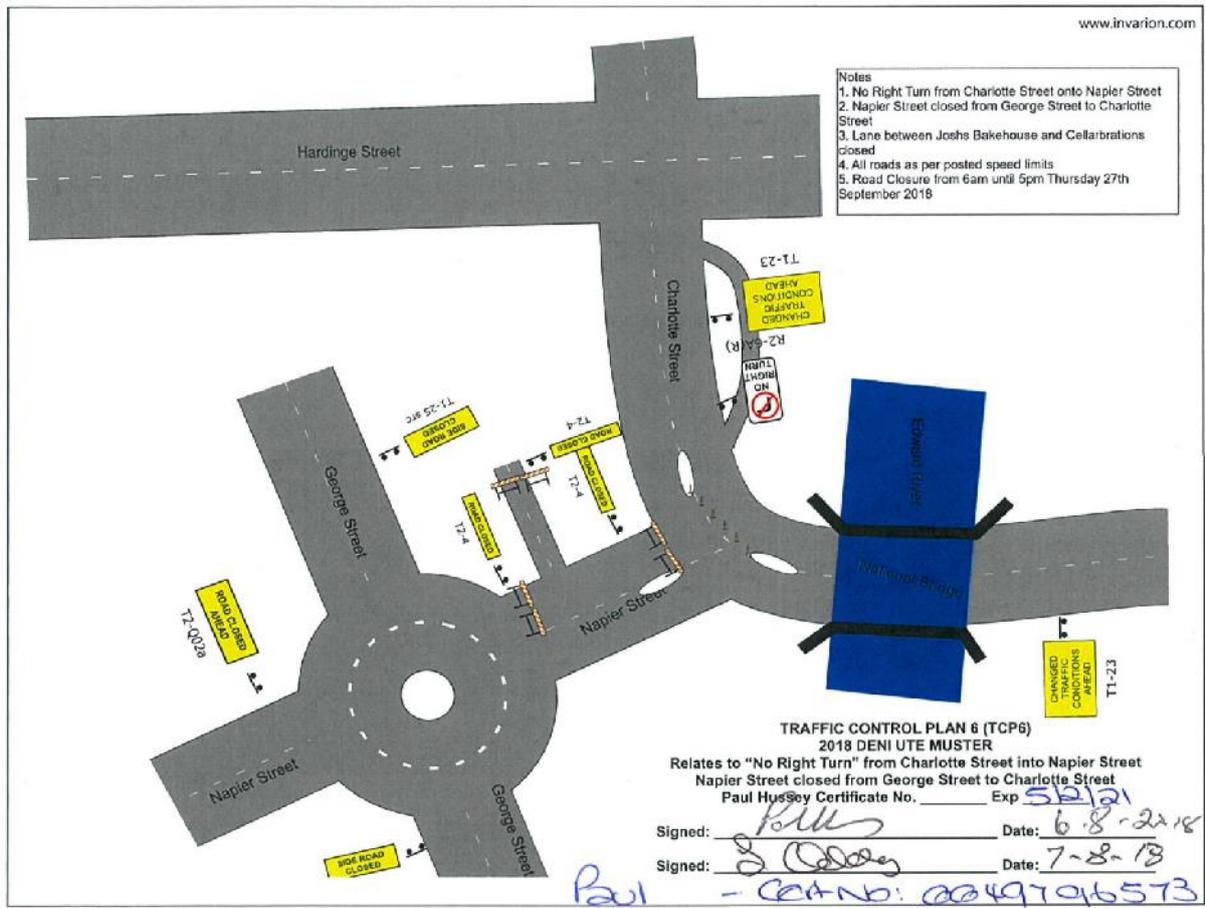
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Hi Russell,

Thanks for the information. We shall note your conflict of interest regarding this matter and that you shall be removing yourself from voting on this issue.

Thanks

Mark

Mark Dalzell
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Hi Everyone. I know that the collective team have done a lot of work to this point regarding this years traffic plan for the upcoming ute muster.

However, as Chairman of the organisation I would feel conflicted should I comment to the traffic committee regarding the application.

Regards

Russell Tait.

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Subject: 2018 Deni Ute Muster

Good Morning

Please find attached

- * Report to Edward River Local Traffic Committee
- * Special Event Application
- * Advise letters
- * Signed TCPs
- * COC – Public Liability Insurance

* Traffic management Plan

for the 2018 Deni Ute Muster to be held 27-30 September 2018.

Forwarded for your comments/approval

Kind Regards

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2018 Deni Ute Muster TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PLAN

Deniliquin Festival Site
5 km North of Deniliquin
MR 552
Edward River Council LGA

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1. Introduction

This plan specifies traffic control safeguards to manage traffic movement to, around, past and through the Deniliquin Festival Site for the Deni Ute Muster. It is based on general traffic and vehicle safety requirements stated in "The Guide to Traffic and Transport Management for Special Events", the "RTA Traffic Control at Work Sites Manual, 2010 Version 4" and "AS1742.3 2003".

The objectives of the TMP are to:

- Provide for a safe environment for all road users and patrons and
 - Provide protection to event participants, organisers and the general public from traffic hazards that may arise as a result from the event activity;
 - Minimise the disruption, congestion and delays to all road users; and
 - Ensure access to adjacent commercial and residential premises is maintained at all times.
- To achieve the above objectives, the Traffic Management Plan will:
 - Ensure whenever possible, that a sufficient number of traffic lanes to accommodate vehicle traffic volumes are provided;
 - Ensure that delays and traffic congestion are kept to a minimum and within acceptable levels;
 - Ensure that appropriate/sufficient warning and information signs are installed and that adequate guidance is provided to delineate the travel paths through the event site;
 - Ensure that the roads are free of hazards and that all road users are adequately protected from obstructions resulting from the event;
 - Ensure that all needs of road users, motorists, pedestrians, public transport passengers and people with disabilities are accommodated at and through the event site."

2. Traffic Control Plan/s (TCP or TCPs)

Traffic Control Plans have been developed for; traffic flows to and from, off road queues and for the Deniliquin Festival Site for the region's major event; the Deni Ute Muster. These TCPs are submitted to the Deniliquin Traffic Management Committee for approval. Please See [Appendix A](#).

3. Traffic Control Issues

The traffic control issues related to the project are summarised below:

- Speed limits
- Traffic controllers
- Traffic signs
- Warning signs
- Traffic control devices
- Safety barriers
- Maintaining access for services and residents
- Movements relating to the Deniliquin Festival Site and Council road traffic

4. Traffic Management Supervision

Edward River Council will provide their qualified Traffic Manager; Paul Hussey to oversee and manage the TCPs for the Deni Ute Muster, in accordance with "The Guide to Traffic and Transport Management for Special Events" and to oversee traffic management at the Festival.

All traffic management supervision is carried out as specified in the "RTA Traffic Control at Work Sites" manual. This is part of the requirements for the 'Traffic Management Inspection Plan' in [Appendix B](#).

The General Manager has appointed Mr Paul Hussey as the Traffic Manager for the event and to be responsible for:

- Ensure all traffic control measures for this TMP are placed and maintained in accordance with this plan and the relevant Acts, Codes, Standards and Guidelines.
- Ensure suitable communication and consultation with the affected stakeholders is maintained at all times.
- Ensure inspections of the traffic control devices are undertaken in accordance with the TMP, and results recorded. Any variations shall be detailed together with reasons.
- Arrange and/or undertake any necessary audits and incident investigations.
- Instruct event personnel on the relevant safety standards, including the correct wearing of high visibility safety vests, and other equipment as required.

The Traffic Manager records the TCP (identified by its number) in use for **each** activity undertaken each day on the *Daily Checklist T1 - Appendix C* in accordance with the "RTA Traffic Control at Work Sites" manual. Entering the TCP Number signifies compliance with the TCP requirements. It also signifies that the Traffic Manager has carried out a site risk assessment prior to starting work. Any variances are to be noted and reported to the General Manager.

5. Requirements

The Traffic Management Plan is engaged to ensure compliance with the following summary and the specification provisions detailed in [Appendix D](#).

- Compliance with the requirements of the 'RTA Traffic Control at Work Sites' manual.
- That any traffic delays are kept to a minimum.

5.1 Speed Zoning Authorisation (SZA)

Where temporary traffic signals or speed limits are required, Deni Ute Muster will request a "SZA" from Service NSW, which will be provided to Edward River Council. During the Festival the Traffic Manager will log opening and closure times and submit them to the General Manager.

5.2 Festival Hours, Media Notification and Works Approval

Where any of the criteria is met in [Appendix D](#), any required approval shall be obtained.

Deni Ute Muster will request Edward River Council to assist with the following:

- Seek permission to erect "No Stopping" and "No Camping" signs from Monday 24th September 2018 to 12noon Sunday 30th September 2018 between Murray Irrigation Limited (MIL) Moulamein Channel No.1 & No.2 on Conargo Road addressing both sides of the road
- Seek permission to erect "No Stopping" and "No Camping" signs, from Monday 24th September 2018 to 12noon Sunday 30th September 2018, on Moonee Swamp Road from Conargo Road to Moonee Swamp Bridge Road.
- In the event we have to implement our wet weather plans – we will contact the Council to start cleaning the roads using their street sweeper. We will also have a plan in place to utilise their tractors to pull out patrons.
- Media notification of changed traffic conditions.
- The Service NSW road works speed limit notification form.

6. Vehicle Movement Plan

Where required, a Vehicle Movement Plan (VMP), [Appendix E](#), will be designed and implemented in accordance with Section 7.5 - Vehicle Movement Plans; "RTA Traffic Control at Work Sites" manual.

7. Variable Message Boards

See [Appendix F](#), [Appendix G](#) and [Appendix H](#).

8. Risk Management

See [Appendix I](#).

9. Traffic Control Measures

9.1 Lead Up and Festival Days

Monday 24th September 2018

Variable Message Sign (VMS) boards will be placed at the following locations to notify the changed traffic conditions commencing Thursday 27th September 2018 through to Sunday 30th September 2018

- Board A - 50m south of Augustus Street
- Board B - 1km north of the Main Entrance at the MIL Moulamein Channel No.1
- Board C - 1km east of the Moonee Swamp Bridge Road (MSBR) Entry on Moonee Swamp Road
- Board D - Conargo/ Jerilderie Road at Jerilderie
- Board E - Conargo Road - 50m north of Wandook Road/Conargo Road intersection
- Board J - Cobb Highway 100m past 100km/hr sign out of Moama
- Board K - Cobb Highway - 500m south of the Barmah Road turn off
- 8 x 'No Camping' and 4 x 'No Stopping' signs will be erected between MIL Moulamein Channel No.1 & No.2 on Conargo Road on either side of the Main Entrance
- 6 x 'No Stopping' and 5 x 'No Camping' signs will be erected on MSR from Conargo Road to Moonee Swamp Bridge Road (MSBR)
- Implement speed zoning as per SZA

Wednesday 26th September 2018

All required signage must be erected by 4pm - prior to any vehicle entering either Bluey's Paddock or the Deniliquin Festival Site

Variable Message Sign (VMS) boards will be changed, and new ones placed at the following locations:

Boards to change:

- Board A - 50m south of Augustus Street
- Board B - 1km north of the Main Entrance at the MIL Moulamein Channel No.1
- Board C - 1km east of the Moonee Swamp Bridge Road (MSBR) Entry on Moonee Swamp Road

New Boards:

- Board I - Finley Road, 150m from the Finley Road, Hay Road, Davidson Street roundabout
- Board F - Davidson Street near Brick Kiln Bridge
- Board G - Hay Road - 50m Hay side of Smart Street

Boards not to change:

- Board D - Conargo/ Jerilderie Road at Jerilderie
- Board E - Conargo Road - 50m north of Wandook Road/Conargo Road intersection

- Board J – Cobb Highway 100m past 100km/hr sign out of Moama
- Board K – Cobb Highway – 500m south of the Barmah Road turn off

Implement speed zoning as per SZA

Implement TCP1 – this decision will be made by the Traffic Manager

Implement TCP2 or TCP2A, TCP2B and TCP2C if wet – this decision will be made by the Traffic Manager

Thursday 27th September 2018

All signage and parking attendants to be in place by 5.30am, prior to Bluey's Paddock Track opening at 6.00am.

Traffic Controllers to be in place prior to the Festival Camping areas opening at 12noon.

Variable Message Sign (VMS) boards will be as follows:

Boards to change:

- Board A - 50m south of Augustus Street
- Board B - 1km north of the Main Entrance at the MIL Moulamein Channel No.1
- Board E - Conargo Road – 50m north of Wandook Road/Conargo Road intersection
- Board I - Finley Road, 150m from the Finley Road, Hay Road, Davidson Street roundabout
- Board G - Hay Road - 50m Hay side of Smart Street

Boards to remain:

- Board C - 1km east of the Moonee Swamp Bridge Road (MSBR) Entry on Moonee Swamp Road
- Board D - Conargo/ Jerilderie Road at Jerilderie
- Board F - Davidson Street near Brick Kiln Bridge
- Board J - Cobb Highway 100m past 100km/hr sign out of Moama
- Board K – Cobb Highway – 500m south of the Barmah Road turn off

New Boards:

- Board H – Conargo Road Search Area
- The north bound lane of Napier Street between George Street and Charlotte Street will be closed.
- There will be "No Right Turn" at Charlotte Street onto Napier Street. Thursday 27th September 2018 until 5pm Thursday 27th September 2018 duration being 11 hours. – Permission is still to be sought for this closure.
- Implement speed zoning as per SZA
- Implement TCP1A – this decision will be made by the Traffic Manager
- Implement TCP2 or TCP2A, TCP2B and TCP2C if wet – this decision will be made by the Traffic Manager Implement TCP2 if traffic is congested – this decision will be made by the Traffic Manager

Friday 28th September 2018 at 10.00am

Variable Message Sign (VMS) boards will be changed, remain and removed at the following locations:

Messages to remain:

- Board B - 1km north of the Main Entrance at the MIL Moulamein Channel No.1
- Board C - 1km east of the Moonee Swamp Bridge Road (MSBR) Entry on Moonee Swamp Road
- Board D - Conargo/ Jerilderie Road at Jerilderie
- Board E – Conargo Road – 50m north of Wandook Road/Conargo Road intersection
- Board F - Davidson Street near Brick Kiln Bridge
- Board G - Hay Road - 50m Hay side of Smart Street
- Board I - Finley Road, 150m from the Finley Road, Hay Road, Davidson Street roundabout
- Board J - Cobb Highway 100m past 100km/hr sign out of Moama
- Board K – Cobb Highway – 500m south of the Barmah Road turn off

Messages to change:

- Board A - 50m south of Augustus Street
- Board H - Conargo Road Search Area (to be relocated onto Conargo Road)

The same TCPs will apply

Saturday 29th September 2018

Variable Message Boards will remain the same as Friday 28th September

The same TCPs will apply

Sunday 30th September 2018

Variable Message Sign (VMS) boards will be placed at the following locations to notify all Patrons of the best ways to exit the DFS to their destinations, commencing 6am Sunday 30th September 2018:

Boards to relocate and change:

- Board A - 50m south of Augustus Street, on the eastern side of Conargo Road
- Board H - Conargo Road - opposite Main Entrance Gate
- Board E - Conargo Road - 400m south of Wandook Road / Conargo Road intersection
- Board I - Aratula Road - 400m west of Aratula Road/ Riverina Highway intersection
- Board F - Moonee Swamp Bridge Road exit
- Board K – Cobb Highway – 500m north of the Barmah Road turn off
- Board G - Moonee Swamp Road - 400m south west of Aratula Road/ Moonee Swamp Road Intersection

Boards to remain and change:

- Board C - 1km east of the Moonee Swamp Bridge Road (MSBR) Entry on Moonee Swamp Road

Boards to remain:

- Board B - 1km north of the Main Entrance at the MIL Moulamein Channel No.1
- Board D - Conargo/ Jerilderie Road at Jerilderie
- Board J - Cobb Highway 100m past 100km/hr sign out of Moama
- Implement TCP3

9.2 Festival Entry

The Main Entrance to the Festival is on Conargo Road, which is a main road linking Deniliquin and Conargo. This Regional Road is under the care, control and management of Edward River Council, it is a two lane, two-way sealed road with a design speed of 100km/hr.

The secondary entrance to the Festival is the Moonee Swamp Road which is a local Council road. This road is also under the care, control and management of Edward River Council, it is a two lane, two-way sealed road with a design speed of 100km/hr.

THURSDAY 27th SEPTEMBER 2018**Incoming traffic from Deniliquin**

All traffic must turn right onto MSR to enter the Deniliquin Festival Site (DFS). They will then turn left on the dirt road known as Moonee Swamp Bridge Road (MSBR). This road will be split into five clearly marked lanes (Lane 1, Lane 2, Lane 3, Lane 4 and Lane 5) with Lane 1 being on the left-hand side through to Lane 5 on the right-hand side.

- **Lane 1 + 2** for all Festival Patrons to veer left onto Blueys Paddock Track
- **Lane 3 + 4** for Vendors, Volunteers, Staff and Contractors only to go over the Moonee Swamp Bridge
- **Lane 5** is for all exiting traffic from the Festival site only

Vendors, Staff, Volunteers and Contractors

- Will line up in Lane 3 and 4 to enter in the DFS after their credentials have been checked by Security
- They will have their wristbands scanned as they enter the DFS
- They may need to collect passes from the MSR Demountable

All patrons (General Family Campers, Rent-A-Tent, Volunteer Campers, Non Ute Campers, Disabled Family Campers, Family Reserved Campers, Ute Paddock, Ute Reserved Campers, Disabled Ute Campers and Ute/ Club Convoy Campers)

- Will line up in Lane 1 and Lane 2 to veer left onto Blueys Paddock Track
- Parking attendants will be at the start of Bluey's Paddock Track to direct patrons
- Patrons will form two lanes in the order they have arrived
- Two parking attendants will be positioned at the MIL Moulamein Channel No.2 on Conargo Rd. It is at this point that vehicles turn right where there will be VMS Boards and volunteer traffic controllers drafting vehicles into the correct lines for searching

All Patrons – Post turning the corner being parallel with Conargo Road

- Approximately 50m from this point, at the Conargo Road Search Area (CRSA) vehicles will enter five clearly marked lanes. The CRSA is approx. 300m from the Main Entrance.
- Four parking attendants will be placed at the CRSA to direct traffic into 5 lanes. With Lane 1 being on the left hand side through to Lane 5 on the right hand side. These 5 lanes will be clearly sign posted and defined with orange bunting. The orange bunting will continue up to the Main Entrance.
 - **Lane 1** - Ute Paddock and Non Ute Camping
 - **Lane 2** - Ute Reserved Campers and Ute/ Club Convoy Campers - displaying Vehicle Stickers
 - **Lane 3** - General Family Campers
 - **Lane 4** - General Family Campers
 - **Lane 5** - Family Reserved Campers, Rent-A-Tent and Volunteer camping patrons - displaying Vehicle Stickers
- Wristbands will be scanned at the CRSA.
- At this point Family Reserved Campers, Rent-A-Tent and Volunteer camping patrons will turn right into Hooroo Lane. A parking attendant will direct these campers down Hooroo Lane and turn right and continue past the Coates Hire Show N Shine Arena to the Reserved Campsites.
- At the Main Entrance the traffic will divert back into 4 lanes and will be sign-posted to adjust to the traffic entering:
 - **Lane 1** - Ute Paddock - **NO TRAILERS** - to turn left into the Ute Paddock approx. 220m along the Main Entrance
 - **Lane 2** - Ute Reserved Campers and Ute/ Club Convoy Campers - to turn left into the Ute Paddock approx. 340m along the Main Entrance
 - **Lane 3** - General Family Campers - to head straight through to Gate 5 to enter the Family Camping areas
 - **Lane 4** - General Family Campers - to head straight through to Gate 5 to enter the Family Camping areas.
 - **Lane 5** - Buses and Emergency Vehicles - TO BE KEPT CLEAR AT ALL TIMES

Incoming Traffic from Conargo

All traffic must turn right onto Wandook Road, then left onto Hay Road heading to the Hay Road/ Finley Road/ Davidson Street roundabout going straight through the roundabout then turning left onto Wanderer Street/Conargo Road. They will then turn right onto the Moonee Swamp Road, then turn left on the dirt road known as Moonee Swamp Bridge Road (MSBR). This road will be split into five clearly marked lanes (Lane 1, Lane 2, Lane 3, Lane 4 and Lane 5) with Lane 1 being on the left-hand side through to Lane 5 on the right-hand side.

- **Lane 1 + 2** for all Festival Patrons to veer left onto Blueys Paddock Track
- **Lane 3 + 4** for Vendors, Volunteers, Staff and Contractors only to go over the Moonee Swamp Bridge
- **Lane 5** is for all exiting traffic from the Festival site only

Vendors, Staff, Volunteers and Contractors

- Will line up in Lane 3 to enter in the DFS after their credentials have been checked by Security
- They will have their wristbands scanned as they enter the DFS
- They may need to collect passes from the MSR Demountable

All patrons (General Family Campers, Rent-A-Tent, Volunteer Campers, Non Ute Campers, Disabled Family Campers, Family Reserved Campers, Ute Paddock, Ute Reserved Campers, Disabled Ute Campers and Ute/ Club Convoy Campers)

- Will line up in Lane 1 and Lane 2 to veer left onto Blueys Paddock Track
- Parking attendants will be at the start of Bluey's Paddock Track to direct patrons
- Patrons will form two lanes with Family Reserved Campsite holders, Rent-A-Tent patrons and Volunteer Campers on the right and General Family Campers to the left.

- Two parking attendants will be positioned at the MIL Moulamein Channel No.2 on Conargo Rd. It is at this point that vehicles turn right merging with Ute Paddock and Ute Reserved Campsite holders.

All Patrons – Post turning the corner being parallel with Conargo Road

- Approximately 50m from this point, at the Conargo Road Search Area (CSRA) vehicles will enter five clearly marked lanes. The CSRA is approx. 300m from the Main Entrance.
- Four parking attendants will be placed at the CSRA to direct traffic into 5 lanes. With Lane 1 being on the left hand side through to Lane 5 on the right hand side. These 5 lanes will be clearly sign posted and defined with orange bunting. The orange bunting will continue up to the Main Entrance.
 - **Lane 1** - Ute Paddock -NO TRAILERS– Non Ute Campers
 - **Lane 2** - Ute Reserved Campers, Disabled Ute Campers and Ute/ Club Convoy Campers - displaying Vehicle Stickers
 - **Lane 3** - General Family Campers
 - **Lane 4** - General Family Campers
 - **Lane 5** - Family Reserved Campers, Disabled Family Campers and Rent-A-Tent patrons - displaying Vehicle Stickers
- Wristbands will be scanned at 20m past the CSRA. This stop will be 60m before the Main Entrance.
- At this point Family Reserved Campers, Disabled Family Campers and Rent-A-Tent patrons will turn right into Hooroo Lane. A parking attendant will direct these campers down Hooroo Lane and turn right and continue past the Coates Hire Show N Shine arena to the Reserved Campsites.
- At the Main Entrance the traffic will divert back into 4 lanes and will be sign-posted to adjust to the traffic entering:
 - **Lane 1** - Ute Paddock - NO TRAILERS - to turn left into the Ute Paddock approx. 220m along the Main Entrance
 - **Lane 2** - Ute Reserved Campers and Ute/ Club Convoy Campers - to turn left into the Ute Paddock approx. 340m along the Main Entrance
 - **Lane 3** - General Family Campers - to head straight through to Gate 5 to enter the Family Camping areas
 - **Lane 4** - General Family Campers - to head straight through to Gate 5 to enter the Family Camping areas.
 - **Lane 5** - Buses and Emergency Vehicles - TO BE KEPT CLEAR AT ALL TIMES

FRIDAY 28th 10.00am & SATURDAY 29th SEPTEMBER 2018

Incoming traffic from Deniliquin

Vendors, Staff, Volunteers and Contractors

Must turn right into MSR to enter the Deniliquin Festival Site (DFS). They will then turn left on the dirt road known as Moonee Swamp Bridge Road (MSBR). This road will be split into three clearly marked lanes (Lane 1, Lane 2 and Lane 3) with Lane 1 being on the left hand side through to Lane 3 on the right hand side.

- **Lane 1** and **Lane 2** is for all DFS entries
- **Lane 3** is for all exiting traffic
- All vendors, staff, volunteers and contractors will have their credentials checked by Security
- They will have their wristbands scanned as they enter the DFS

All patrons (General Family Campers, Rent-A-Tent, Volunteer Campers, Non Ute Campers, Disabled Family Campers, Family Reserved Campers, Ute Paddock, Ute Reserved Campers, Disabled Ute Campers and Ute/ Club Convoy Campers)

- Will all continue along Conargo Road to the main DFS gate.
- Security checks and wristband scanning will take place 50m inside the main gate.
- Parking attendants will be placed at the search area to direct traffic into necessary lanes.
 - **Lane 1** - Ute Paddock, Non Ute Camping , Ute Reserved Campers, Disabled Ute Campers and Ute/ Club Convoy Campers - NO TRAILERS

- **Lane 2** - Ute Paddock, Non Ute Camping, Ute Reserved Campers, Disabled Ute Campers and Ute/ Club Convoy Campers - NO TRAILERS
- **Lane 3** - General Family Campers, Family Reserved Campers, Rent-A-Tent patrons, Disabled Family Campers and Volunteer Campers.
- **Lane 4** – Disabled Parking and Day Parking

Incoming Traffic from Conargo

All traffic

All must turn right onto Wandook Road, then left onto Hay Road heading to the Hay Road/ Finley Road/ Davidson Street roundabout going straight through the roundabout then turning left onto Wanderer Street/Conargo Road.

Vendors, Staff, Volunteers and Contractors

Must turn right into MSR to enter the Deniliquin Festival Site (DFS). They will then turn left on the dirt road known as Moonee Swamp Bridge Road (MSBR). This road will be split into three clearly marked lanes (Lane 1, Lane 2 and Lane 3) with Lane 1 being on the left hand side through to Lane 3 on the right hand side.

- **Lane 1 and Lane 2** is for all DFS entries
- **Lane 3** is for all exiting traffic
- All vendors, staff, volunteers and contractors will have their credentials checked by Security
- They will have their wristbands scanned as they enter the DFS

All patrons (General Family Campers, Rent-A-Tent, Volunteer Campers, Non Ute Campers, Disabled Family Campers, Family Reserved Campers, Ute Paddock, Ute Reserved Campers, Disabled Ute Campers and Ute/ Club Convoy Campers)

- Will all continue along Conargo Road to the main DFS gate.
- Security checks and wristband scanning will take place 50m inside the main gate.
- Parking attendants will be placed at the search area to direct traffic into necessary lanes.
 - **Lane 1** - Ute Paddock, Non Ute Camping , Ute Reserved Campers, Disabled Ute Campers and Ute/ Club Convoy Campers - NO TRAILERS
 - **Lane 2** - Ute Paddock, Non Ute Camping, Ute Reserved Campers, Disabled Ute Campers and Ute/ Club Convoy Campers - NO TRAILERS
 - **Lane 3** - General Family Campers, Family Reserved Campers, Rent-A-Tent patrons, Disabled Family Campers and Volunteer Campers.
 - **Lane 4** – Disabled Parking and Day Parking

ANYONE ATTENDING THE FESTIVAL THAT DOES NOT HAVE A WRISTBAND WILL HAVE TO GO TO MUSTER HQ, 62 – 64 HARDINGE STREET TO COLLECT OR PURCHASE HIS OR HER WRISTBAND.

Day Parking – Friday and Saturday ONLY

Vehicles will be directed by a traffic controller to turn right into the Main Entrance in the 4th lane. They will then turn right at the top of the Main Entrance around the Disabled Parking Area, then right again into the fenced area – Day Parking.

Disabled Parking – Friday and Saturday ONLY

Vehicles will be directed by a traffic controller to turn right into the Main Entrance in the 4th lane. They will then turn right at the top of the Main Entrance, then right again into the fenced area – Disabled Parking.

Public Transport

Thursday 27th

- Buses and taxis will pick up/drop off patrons on the north side of the main DFS gate
- Buses and taxis will then access Conargo Road by continuing 50m north

Friday 28th and Saturday 29th

- Buses and taxis will gain access to the DFS using the 5th Lane on the Main Entrance
- The pick up location will be at the Bus Stop
- They will then exit the site on Hooroo Lane.

Public Pick Ups

These will be located at the Main Gates. Transport will enter off the Conargo Road into the Service Road, then drive to the North of the Main Entrance Gates. They will then re-enter the Conargo Road from this point.

Changed traffic conditions on Conargo Road

The police traffic unit will be noticeably present on Conargo Road on Wednesday and Thursday to alert drivers of the consequent changing of speed limits and traffic conditions for the following three days.

Ticket Pick Up and Sales

Patron Ticket Pick Ups and Sales will be at Muster HQ, 62 – 64 Hardinge Street, Deniliquin. Operating hours will be:

- **Thursday 27th September 9am – 9pm**
- **Friday 28th September 6am – 9pm**
- **Saturday 29th September 6am – 5pm**

All other Pick Ups, including Volunteer, Vendor, Media, Bullride etc. will be located in a demountable on MSBR.

9.3 Camping/ Parking

Campers prior to the Festival

Camping on the common either side of Conargo Road between MIL Moulamein Channel No.1 & No.2 will be prohibited, signage will be in place and NSW Police will be enforcing the 'No Camping' rule. Camping will be allowed in Bluey's Paddock from 8.30pm Thursday 27th. There will be toilets available in this area.

Ute Paddock

There is a perimeter road inside the Ute Paddock as well as a dividing crossroad. The Ute Paddock is divided into 40 lanes on each side of the dividing crossroad.

The lanes are identified from A to T commencing from the internal fence closest to Gate 1 (entrance into Festival Arena) and moving westward to the Conargo Road fence.

Lane identification signs are erected at the start of each lane.

Parking attendants will initially direct patrons into the Ute Paddock in an anti-clockwise direction away from the entry gates and to the southeast corner of the paddock.

Once parked a no movement policy will apply, with any vehicles leaving the site unable to regain entry.

Reserved Camping Areas

There are 8 Reserved Camping areas located throughout our site. There are 2 Ute Reserved Camping areas with a total 399 sites. These sites are all 6m x 6m and are for Utes Only. No trailers, cars or caravans are allowed in this area. There are 6 Family Reserved Camping areas with a total of 994 sites. These comprise of 6m x 8m sites and 8m x 8m sites. Parking attendants will assist patrons into the Reserved Camping areas. These parking attendants will be located at the entrance to each of the reserved camping areas.

General Family Camping Areas

All General Family Camping areas are located on the east side of the site. These sites are not size specific.

Non Ute Paddock

The Non Ute Paddock is located at the back of the Ute Paddock along the fence line running parallel to Conargo Road. Trailers are NOT allowed in this space.

Volunteer Camping

This area is for all volunteers, backstage, crew, media and around the ground entertainers. Located west of Stockyards and south of the Rent-A-Tent in the family camping area.

Rent-A-Tent

This area is located west of Peppin Paddock. Patrons pre-purchase a tent. These campers will be identified by a coloured camping sticker.

Day Parking – Friday and Saturday ONLY

Day parking is located between the Main Entrance and Hooroo Lane, to the west of the Disabled Parking area.

Disabled Parking – Friday and Saturday ONLY

Disabled Parking is located between the Main Entrance and Hooroo Lane, at the east end.

Disabled Camping Areas

There are 2 Disabled Camping Areas. One is located near Gate 2 in the Family Camping area and the other is in the

Ute Paddock, between Wheat Fields and Redgum Reserve.

9.4 Exiting the Deniliquin Festival Site

Thursday 27th September 2018

For the duration of the Festival, patrons camping on the DFS will be bound by the no movement policy. Any vehicles leaving the site will be unable to regain entry.

Friday 28th and Saturday 29th September 2018

- For the duration of the Festival, patrons camping on the DFS will be bound by the no movement policy. Any vehicles leaving the site will be unable to regain entry.
- Utes in the Ute Paddock and Ute Reserved Camping areas will exit the DFS via Hooroo Lane.
- Vehicles in the Day Parking and Disabled Parking area will exit the DFS via Hooroo Lane, turning left onto the Service Road then onto Conargo Road toward Deniliquin.
- Public transport vehicles will exit the DFS via Hooroo Lane, turning left onto the Service Road and onto Conargo Road toward Deniliquin.
- Vehicles in the General Family Camping and Reserved Family Camping areas will exit the DFS via MSBR.

Sunday 30th September 2018

Where possible, patrons will be encouraged to use alternate routes to leave the DFS without coming into Deniliquin, as there is much congestion at the Finley Road/Hay Road roundabout. Signage will be erected indicating alternate routes, which join the Hay, Conargo, Moonee Swamp and Finley Roads as per TCP3.

Signage, including VMS boards, will be erected indicating the following alternative routes:

- Moonee Swamp Road will be promoted as the preferred option for traffic going to Finley, Albury and Melbourne via Shepparton. They will then turn right onto Aratula Road and left onto the Riverina Highway.

- Conargo Road will be promoted to be the preferred option for traffic heading to Wagga, Hay and Swan Hill.
- Wandook Road will be promoted as the preferred option to take right turning traffic from the site onto Conargo Road across to the Hay Road for traffic heading north to Hay.
- Flanagans Lane will not be promoted as an alternative route due to the potential for accidents at the intersection of Moonee Swamp Road and Flanagans Lane.

9.5 Personnel

Personnel on site for the management of patrons for the weekend will include:

Wednesday 26th September 2018

Event Volunteers

- Early morning - setting up of lanes, and erecting signs as required.

Edward River Council Staff

- Early morning - setting up of the SZA signage as per TCP1

Thursday 27th September 2018

Event Volunteers

- Volunteers x 2: Traffic control Corner Moonee Swamp Road festival entrance.
- Volunteers x 2: Traffic control Turning corner of Blueys Paddock Track forming patrons into lanes
- Volunteers x 2: Traffic control Ensuring that all patrons are in the correct lane when leaving Blueys Paddock Track around into CRSA
- Volunteers x 2: Traffic control Search Area ensuring patrons are in correct lanes.
- Volunteers x 1: Traffic control At Hooroo Lane ensuring that all patrons entering have a reserved family camping, rent a tent or volunteer camping sticker to enter.
- Volunteers x 2: Traffic control At Main Gate ensuring patrons are in correct lanes.
- Volunteers x 1: Traffic control Corner of Hooroo Lane, bus stop end.
- Volunteers x 1: Traffic control Ute Paddock entrance.
- Volunteers x 1: Traffic control Bus Stop.
- Lions x 20: Completing wristband scanning at the CSRA (4 at Hooroo Lane, 16 near Main Entrance).
- Lions/ Collectors Club x 3: Completing wristband scanning at the DFS entry on MSBR
- Lions/ Collectors Club x 1: Completing wristband scanning at the DFS exit on MSBR
- Rural Fire Service x 6: Camping attendants in Family Camping area
- Rural Fire Service x 4: Camping attendants in Ute Paddock
- VRA x 10: Camping attendants in the Reserved Camping areas
- Paid Organisation x 10: Camping attendants in the Reserved Camping areas

Edward River Council Staff

- QTC x 2: MIL Moulamein Channel No.2 on Conargo Road directing traffic over to CRSA
- QTC x 2: CRSA
- QTC x 2: Conargo Road and MSR intersection
- QTC x 2: Implement speed zoning as per SZA and TCP1 (TCP2 or TCP2A, TCP2B and TCP2C depending on conditions)

Friday 28th September 2018**Event Volunteers**

- Volunteers x 2: Traffic control Corner Moonee Swamp Road festival entrance. 6.00a.m. – 10.00a.m.
- Volunteers x 2: Traffic control Turning corner of Blueys Paddock Track forming patrons into lanes. 6.00a.m. – 10.00a.m.
- Volunteers x 2: Traffic control Ensuring that all patrons are in the correct lane when leaving Blueys Paddock Track around into CRSA. 6.00a.m. – 10.00a.m.
- Volunteers x 2: Traffic control Search Area ensuring patrons are in correct lanes. 6.00a.m. – 10.00a.m.
- Volunteers x 1: Traffic control At Hooroo Lane ensuring that all patrons entering have a reserved family camping, rent a tent or volunteer camping sticker to enter. 6.00a.m. – 10.00a.m.
- Volunteers x 2: Traffic control At Main Gate ensuring patrons are in correct lanes.
- Volunteers x 1: Traffic control Corner of Hooroo Lane, bus stop end. 6.00a.m. – 10.00a.m.
- Volunteers x 1: Traffic control Ute Paddock entrance.
- Volunteers x 1: Traffic control Bus Stop.
- Lions x 12: Completing wristband scanning
- Lions/ Collectors Club x 3: Completing wristband scanning at the DFS entry on MSBR
- Collectors Club x 1: Completing wristband scanning at the Hooroo Lane gate – Gate 58
- Collectors Club x 2: Completing wristband scanning at the DFS exit on MSBR
- Rural Fire Service x 6: Camping attendants in Family Camping area
- Rural Fire Service x 4: Camping attendants in Ute Paddock
- VRA x 10: Camping attendants in the Reserved Camping areas
- Paid Organisation x 10: Camping attendants in the Reserved Camping areas

Edward River Council Staff

- QTC x 2: CRSA
- QTC x 1: Hooroo Lane onto Conargo Road
- QTC x 2: Conargo Road and MSR intersection – morning only
- QTC x 2: Implement speed zoning as per SZA and TCP1 (TCP2 or TCP2A, TCP2B and TCP2C depending on conditions)

Saturday 29th September 2018**Event Volunteers**

- Volunteers x 2: Ensuring all patrons are in the correct lane when leaving the CRSA
- Lions x 3: Completing wristband scanning
- Lions/ Collectors Club x 2: Completing wristband scanning at the DFS entry on MSBR
- Collectors Club x 1: Completing wristband scanning at the Hooroo Lane gate – Gate 58
- Collectors Club x 1: Completing wristband scanning at the DFS exit on MSBR
- Rural Fire Service x 6: Camping area attendants

9.6 Traffic Directions To The Deniliquin Festival Site

From Echuca (74kms)

- Follow the Cobb Highway from Echuca into Deniliquin following signs to Hay and Finley.
- Turn right at roundabout into Hardinge Street.
- Turn right at Charlotte Street (McDonalds on right).
- Go past the Ute on the Pole and veer left to go across the National Bridge taking you onto Davidson Street
- Follow signage for all patrons.

From Finley (55kms)

- Travel along Riverina Highway from Finley.
- Follow signage for all patrons.

From Hay (118kms)

- Travel towards Deniliquin from Hay along the Cobb Highway.
- Follow signage for all patrons.

From Conargo (35kms)

- Conargo is located to the north of the Deniliquin Festival Site.
- The Festival is on the left hand side of the road before Deniliquin.
- Follow signage for all patrons.

9.7 Road Occupancy Licences

The Deni Ute Muster will apply through Roads and Maritime Service to implement Road Occupancy Licences for the following roads:

- Conargo Road – Jerilderie to Conargo
- Conargo Road – Conargo to Deniliquin
- Hay Road – Hay to Deniliquin
- Finley Road/ Riverina Highway – Finley to Deniliquin
- Cobb Highway – Moama to Deniliquin (including Echuca/ Moama Bridge)
- Barham Road – Barham to Deniliquin
- Wakool Road – Wakool to Deniliquin

In addition to these licences, the Deni Ute Muster will liaise with the following Local Government Areas for their assistance:

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| • Murray River Shire | • Hay Shire | Berrigan Shire |
| • Edward River Shire | • Murrumbidgee Shire | |

10. Extreme Traffic Build Up Plan

If there is to be any concerns that traffic build up will become an issue, it will occur between Thursday 27th September 2018 8.00am to 11.00pm, Friday 28th September 2018 6.00am to 10.00am and Sunday 30th September 2018 8.00am to 12.00pm.

10.1 PLAN A – Normal Conditions

Normal conditions will allow the implemented Traffic Control Plan – TCP1 to stay in place.

10.2 PLAN B – Accident Occurs

The following plans will be controlled by Qualified Traffic Controllers:

- (i) If an accident occurs between Augustus Street and Deniliquin Festival Site, then direct traffic from Finley Road through Roundabout onto Hay Road, then turn right down Smart Street, then right onto Conargo Road. All traffic from Davidson Street will turn left at the Roundabout, right into Smart Street and then right onto Conargo Road. All traffic from Hay Road will turn left into Smart Street then right onto Conargo Road.
- (ii) If an accident occurs between the North side Roundabout (Intersection of Hay Road, Finley Road and Davidson Street) and Augustus Street along Wanderer Street, then direct all traffic from Finley Road to turn right onto Hyde Street, then left onto Augustus Street, then right onto Conargo Road. All traffic from Davidson Street to turn left at the North side Roundabout then right into Browning Street, right into Augustus Street and left onto Conargo Road.
- (iii) If an accident occurs between Pony Club Road/ Smart Street and the North Side Roundabout, then direct all National Bridge traffic to turn left onto Pony Club Road/ Smart Street, then right onto Hay Road, left at the North side Roundabout into Conargo Road.

11. Wet Weather Contingency Plan

The Deni Ute Muster, Traffic Manager and Deniliquin LAC will meet on Saturday 22nd September and make the decision as to whether this plan needs to be implemented. If required, the following plan will be put into action.

An extensive drainage system is in place to drain the Deniliquin Festival Site. This system has significant capacity and will allow the site to drain quickly under normal wet weather conditions.

Saturday 22nd September 2018

Deni Ute Muster, Deniliquin LAC, Traffic Manager and the Safety Officer will assess the Camping Areas. They will ascertain the viability of a large contingent of Utes and patrons gaining access safely from the CRSA into the DFS and their continuing safety throughout the Festival.

If areas are deemed too wet to take vehicles, the following locations will be utilised to hold traffic.

The following directions will apply:

- Traffic from Hay and Finley will be redirected at the Hay Road /Finley Road roundabout to the Edward River Oval and to Rams Oval with the use of signage.
- Traffic from Echuca will be redirected at the Cobb Hwy/Crispe Street to Memorial Park.
- Traffic from Barham/ Wakool will be redirected at the Barham Road/ Wakool Road roundabout to Wirraway Dr (Cemetery Road), to Rotary Park.

The following actions will be put into place:

- Qualified Traffic Controllers (QTC) will be engaged to manage these intersections and TCP2A, TCP2B and TCP2C will be introduced
- QTC and Parking Attendants will also be used onsite at each of these parks
Security will be relocated to the new locations
- CWS Skip bins will be relocated to the new locations
- Buses will be organised to transport patrons to the Festival Site and return throughout the event.
Light towers, toilets and showers will be taken from the Deniliquin Festival Site to these locations.
VMS boards will be taken from the Deniliquin Festival Site to the following locations:
- North of Cobb Highway/ Wirraway Drive
intersection South of Cobb Highway/ Crispe Street
intersection
- Barham Road prior to Hardinge Street/ Cobb Highway
Roundabout Wakool Road prior to Hardinge Street/ Cobb Highway
Roundabout Finley Road prior to roundabout
- VMS Boards that will need messages changed, but stay in current location
Hay Road/ Smart Street

If the Festival Site will hold campers, but the holding areas are too wet then all traffic will be directed to use Wandook Road as the main route to the Deniliquin Festival Site – following TCP2 as follows:

- Direct traffic from Finley Road through North side Roundabout onto Hay Road, turn right onto Wandook Road, then right onto Conargo Road.
- Direct traffic from Davidson Street to turn left at the Roundabout onto Hay Road, turn right onto Wandook Road, then right onto Conargo Road.
- All traffic from Hay will turn left onto Wandook Road, merging with Deniliquin traffic then right onto Conargo Road.

The following actions will be put into place:

- Qualified Traffic Controllers (QTC) will be engaged to manage these intersections and TCP2 will be introduced
- MS boards will be changed to the following locations as stated in TCP2:
 - Wandook Road – prior to Wandook Road/ Conargo Road intersection
 - Finley Road prior to north side roundabout
 - Hay Road – north of Wandook Road / Hay Road intersection
 - Hay Road – south of Wandook Road / Hay Road intersection
 - Davidson Street near Brick Kiln Bridge
- Local tractor owners and Edward River Council tractors will be consulted prior to the implementation of TCP2 for towing purposes

This route is approximately 21km, that will act as a holding area for a very large quantity of vehicles.

We will implement TCP1, with all roads leading to the site. All internal roads are wet weather roads.

Appendix A: Traffic Control Plans

Traffic Control Plans - Deni Ute Muster 2018

TCP 1

Relates to traffic control & speed zone signage on MR552 & Moonee Swamp Road.

TCP 2

Relates to traffic control & speed zone signage on MR552 – Wet Weather and Traffic Congestion – Deniliquin Festival Site can hold traffic.

TCP 2A

Relates to traffic control & speed zone signage on MR552 –Wet Weather – Deniliquin Festival Site can not hold traffic – Rotary Park.

TCP 2B

Relates to traffic control & speed zone signage on MR552 –Wet Weather – Deniliquin Festival Site can not hold traffic – Memorial Oval.

TCP 2C

Relates to traffic control & speed zone signage on MR552 –Wet Weather – Deniliquin Festival Site can not hold traffic – Rams Oval and Edward River Oval.

TCP 3

Relates to traffic exiting the Deniliquin Festival Site on Sunday 30th September 2018.

TCP 4

Relates to traffic entering the Conargo Road Search Area.

TCP 5

Relates to Detour via Wandook Road for all traffic commencing 6am Thursday 27th September 2018

TCP 6

Relates to "No Right Turn" from Charlotte Street into Napier Street. Napier Street closed from George Street to Charlotte Street including lane between Josh's Bakehouse and Cellarbrations. Effective from 6am until 5pm Thursday 27th September 2018.

Appendix B: Traffic Management Inspection Plan

INSPECTION	HOW TO INSPECT	WHEN TO INSPECT	RECORD	RESPONSIBILITY
Festival Activities				
Traffic Control and Signage	Visually and complete record	Once per day for each site, pre and post checks.	Form - T1	Traffic Manager
VMS & SZA	Visually and complete record	Record of use	Form - T4	Traffic Manager

2018 Deni Ute Muster Traffic Management Plan

Appendix C: Traffic Management Forms

Form T1 Daily Inspection Check List

**DAILY CHECKLIST – TRAFFIC CONTROL AT
SHORT TERM WORK SITES**

SITE SUPERVISOR: _____ DATE: _____

REPORTING OFFICE/COMPANY: _____

SITE:	1		2		3		4	
TCP No:								
INSPECTION:	Pre-Start	Pre-Close	Pre-Start	Pre-Close	Pre-Close	Pre-Start	Pre-Close	Pre-Start
TIME: (24 hrs)								
<i>All signs used during the work are to be recorded below, using the following codes: Y – signs and devices are in place during pre-start check and between shifts. N – signs and devices are no longer required at pre-close down check. X – signs and devices are damaged, vandalised or missing.</i>								
Signs and devices:								
Traffic Signals – time operational	To		To		To		To	
Appr No								
Temp Speed – time operational	To		To		To		To	
Appr No								
Speed (km/h)								
Supervisor's Initials:								

SITE 1
SITE 2
SITE 3

Form T2 Summary of Traffic Control Safety Audits

TRAFFIC CONTROL AT WORK SITES
Location Risk Assessment

Road No: _____ Location: _____

Type of Work: _____

Date: _____ Completed by: _____ Signature: _____

Answers to the questions below may require minor modifications to be made to the Traffic Control Plan or Traffic Control Guidance Scheme. This may include the installation of additional signs and/or changes to the sign locations.

Record any action taken in the space provided below.

1	Will existing signs have to be covered?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
2	Will existing road markings have to be removed?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
3	Are there approvals for traffic control devices?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
4	Will there be safe clearances between the workers and through traffic?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
5	Will there be any restrictions on length tapers, bollard spacing and delineation?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
6	Will the location of intersections, ramps etc within the worksite increase the risk to workers?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
7	Will vehicles be entering or leaving the worksite from private or commercial driveways?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
8	Will nearby features (schools, shops, railways, railway stations etc) affect the worksite?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
9	Will any local parking restrictions affect the worksite?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
10	Will there be adequate space for worker parking?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
11	Will there be nightworks?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
12	Will any excavations affect the safety of workers or traffic?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
13	Will there be adequate sight distance for road users to see signs and traffic controllers?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
14	Will any signs or traffic controllers be in the shade?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
15	Will control measures be safe for the approach speeds of traffic?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
16	Will work be undertaken outside peak times?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
17	If not, will the control measures cater for the traffic peak?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> n/a
18	Will any bus stops (including school bus stops) be affected by the worksite?	Yes	No	n/a
19	Will pedestrians be affected by the worksite?	Yes	No	n/a
20	Will cyclists be affected by the worksite?	Yes	No	n/a
21	Are there any underground or overhead utilities that might be a risk to workers or plant?	Yes	No	n/a
22	Will the time of day be significant (ie sunrise/sunset) for signs/traffic controllers?	Yes	No	n/a
23	Will the TCP be required for after hours?	Yes	No	n/a
24	Will allowances for queuing be required?	Yes	No	n/a
25	Will allowance be required for oversize loads and/or load limits?	Yes	No	n/a
26	Will any upcoming local events (shows, livestock sales, parades etc) affect the worksite?	Yes	No	n/a
27	Will advertising be required?	Yes	No	n/a

Item No.	Action

Appendix D: Reference to specifications

Work Hours, Speed Restriction, Zones, Signals & Devices and Notifications.

Issue	Requirements
Working times	Comply with work hours as required by the Festival.
Work hours	Work hours are 8.00am Thursday 27 th September, 2018 to approx 12noon Sunday 30 th September 2018.
Speed Restriction	Comply with Cls. G1.10 Speed Limit Compliance & G10 Cls. 1.7 Temporary Speed Zoning
Portable Traffic Signals	Provision for use of Portable Traffic Signals for short term applications.
Traffic Control Devices	As per traffic control plan.
Approvals, Licenses and Permits	Any Approvals, Licences or Permits are to be obtained by Deni Play on the Plains Festival Ltd

Appendix E: Vehicle Movement Plan

1. The Traffic Manager is to monitor all vehicle movements undertaken on the Deniliquin Festival Site controlled by traffic management plans to ensure appropriate caution is exercised.
2. Multiple truck movements onto the Deniliquin Festival Site, with a merging sight distance of less than 250 metres, shall be controlled by a single traffic controller for the merging direction.
3. All vehicle movements undertaken in areas not covered by the traffic management plan are to be in accordance with motor traffic regulations.
4. U-turns are not to be made across lanes carrying traffic, without traffic control by Traffic Controllers, unless clear sight distance in both directions exceeds 300m. U-turns are illegal across unbroken centre lines (barrier line or painted median).
5. There is to be no reversing, including 3-point U-turns, in lanes carrying traffic unless Traffic Controllers are controlling the traffic.
6. Vehicles must not remain stationary in lanes carrying through traffic unless broken down, in a traffic jam, or protected by Traffic Controllers.
7. When entering or leaving work areas trucks must be able to decelerate and accelerate outside the through traffic lanes, i.e. under traffic control or on shoulder areas.

Appendix F: Variable Message Boards – Normal Weather

Monday 24th September

Board A - 50m south of Augustus Street

MAJOR EVENT AHEAD	27TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	DELAYS EXPECTED
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Board B - 1km north of the Main Entrance at the MIL Moulamein Channel No.1

MAJOR EVENT AHEAD	27TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	DELAYS EXPECTED
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Board C - 1km east of the Moonee Swamp Bridge Road (MSBR) Entry on Moonee Swamp Road

MAJOR EVENT AHEAD	27TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	DELAYS EXPECTED
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Board D - Conargo/ Jerilderie Road at Jerilderie

MAJOR EVENT AHEAD	27TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	DELAYS EXPECTED	DETOUR VIA FINLEY
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Board E - Conargo Road – 50m north of Wandook Road/Conargo Road Intersection

MAJOR EVENT AHEAD	DETOUR STARTING THUR 27TH
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Board J - Cobb Highway 100m past 100km/hr sign out of Moama

MAJOR EVENT AHEAD	27TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	DELAYS EXPECTED
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Board K - Cobb Highway – 500m south of the Barmah Road turn off

MAJOR EVENT AHEAD	27TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	SEEK ALT ROUTE 
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Wednesday 26th September at 6am

Boards to remain:

Board D - Conargo/ Jerilderie Road at Jerilderie

MAJOR EVENT AHEAD	27TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	DELAYS EXPECTED	DETOUR VIA FINLEY
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Board E - Conargo Road – 50m north of Wandook Road/Conargo Road Intersection

MAJOR EVENT AHEAD	DETOUR STARTING THUR 27TH
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Board J - Cobb Highway 100m past 100km/hr sign out of Moama

MAJOR EVENT AHEAD	27TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	DELAYS EXPECTED
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Board K - Cobb Highway – 500m south of the Barmah Road turn off

MAJOR EVENT AHEAD	27TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	SEEK ALT ROUTE 
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Boards to change:

Board A - 50m south of Augustus Street

DENI UTE MUSTER	400M AHEAD	CHANGED TRAFFIC CONDITIONS	TRAFFIC CONTROL AHEAD
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Board B - 1km north of the Main Entrance at the MIL Moulamein Channel No.1

DENI UTE MUSTER	500M AHEAD	TRAFFIC CONTROL AHEAD
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Board C - 1km east of the Moonee Swamp Bridge Road (MSBR) Entry on Moonee Swamp Road

DENI UTE MUSTER	1 KM AHEAD	CHANGED TRAFFIC CONDITIONS
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New boards:

Board I – Finley Road, 150m from the Finley Road, Hay Road and Davidson Street roundabout

DENI UTE MUSTER	27TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	CHANGED TRAFFIC CONDITIONS
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Board F – Davidson Street near Brick Kiln Bridge

DENI UTE MUSTER	27TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	CHANGED TRAFFIC CONDITIONS
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Board G – Hay Road, 50m Hay side of Smart Street

DENI UTE MUSTER	27TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	CHANGED TRAFFIC CONDITIONS
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Thursday 27th September

Boards to remain:

Board C - 1km east of the Moonee Swamp Bridge Road (MSBR) Entry on Moonee Swamp Road

DENI UTE MUSTER	1 KM AHEAD	CHANGED TRAFFIC CONDITIONS
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Board D - Conargo/ Jerilderie Road at Jerilderie

MAJOR EVENT AHEAD	27TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	DELAYS EXPECTED	DETOUR VIA FINLEY
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Board J - Cobb Highway 100m past 100km/hr sign out of Moama

MAJOR EVENT AHEAD	27TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	DELAYS EXPECTED
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Board K - Cobb Highway – 500m south of the Barmah Road turn off

MAJOR EVENT AHEAD	27TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	SEEK ALT ROUTE ➔
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Board F – Davidson Street near Brick Kiln Bridge

DENI UTE MUSTER	27TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	CHANGED TRAFFIC CONDITIONS
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Boards to change:

Board A - 50m south of Augustus Street

DENI UTE MUSTER	CHANGED TRAFFIC CONDITIONS	ALL TRAFFIC ➔	350M AHEAD
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Board B - 1km north of the Main Entrance at the MIL Moulamein Channel No.1

DENI UTE MUSTER	CHANGED TRAFFIC CONDITIONS	DELAYS EXPECTED
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Board E – Conargo Road – 50m north of Wandook Road/Conargo Road Intersection

DENI UTE MUSTER	DETOUR THURS 27TH - SAT 29TH	ALL TRAFFIC ➔
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Board G – Hay Road, 50m Hay side of Smart Street

DENI UTE MUSTER	ALL TRAFFIC ↑
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Board I – Finley Road, 150m from the Finley Road, Hay Road and Davidson Street roundabout



New boards:

Board H – Conargo Road Search Area



Friday 28th September at 10.00am

Messages to remain:

Board B - 1km north of the Main Entrance at the MIL Moulamein Channel No.1

DENI UTE MUSTER	CHANGED TRAFFIC CONDITIONS	DELAYS EXPECTED
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Board C - 1km east of the Moonee Swamp Bridge Road (MSBR) Entry on Moonee Swamp Road

DENI UTE MUSTER	1 KM AHEAD	CHANGED TRAFFIC CONDITIONS
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Board D - Conargo/ Jerilderie Road at Jerilderie

MAJOR EVENT AHEAD	28TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	DELAYS EXPECTED	DETOUR VIA FINLEY
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Board E – Conargo Road – 50m north of Wandook Road/Conargo Road Intersection

DENI UTE MUSTER	DETOUR THURS 27TH - SAT 29TH	ALL TRAFFIC 
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Board F – Davidson Street near Brick Kiln Bridge

DENI UTE MUSTER	27TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	CHANGED TRAFFIC CONDITIONS
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Board G - Hay Road, 50m Hay side of Smart Street

DENI UTE MUSTER	ALL TRAFFIC 
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Board J - Cobb Highway 100m past 100km/hr sign out of Moama

MAJOR EVENT AHEAD	28TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	DELAYS EXPECTED
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Board K - Cobb Highway – 500m south of the Barmah Road turn off

MAJOR EVENT AHEAD	28TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	SEEK ALT ROUTE 
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Board I - Finley Road, 150m from the Finley Road, Hay Road, Davidson Street roundabout

DENI UTE MUSTER	ALL TRAFFIC 
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Messages to change:

Board A - 50m south of Augustus Street



Board H – Conargo Road Search Area (to be relocated onto Conargo Road)



Sunday 30th September – 5.30am

Boards to remain:

Board B – 1km north of the Main Entrance at the MIL Moulamein Channel No.1

DENI UTE MUSTER	CHANGED TRAFFIC CONDITIONS	DELAYS EXPECTED
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Board D - Conargo/ Jerilderie Road at Jerilderie

MAJOR EVENT AHEAD	28TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	DELAYS EXPECTED	DETOUR VIA FINLEY
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Board J - Cobb Highway 100m past 100km/hr sign out of Moama

MAJOR EVENT AHEAD	28TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	DELAYS EXPECTED
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Boards to remain and change:

Board C – 1km east of the Moonee Swamp Bridge Road (MSBR) entry on Moonee Swamp Road

DENI UTE MUSTER	1 KM AHEAD	DELAYS EXPECTED
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Boards to relocate and change:

Board A – 50m south of Augustus Street on the eastern side of Conargo Road

THANKS FOR COMING	SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!
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Board H – Conargo Road – opposite Main Entrance gate

WAGGA SWANHILL HAY →	DENI ←
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Board E – Conargo Road – 400m south of Wandook Road/Conargo Road intersection

SWANHILL HAY ←

Board F – Moonee Swamp Bridge Road exit

MELB VIA SHEPP ←	DENI →
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Board I – Aratula Road – 400m west of Aratula Road/Riverina Highway intersection

DENI →	FINLEY ALBURY MELB ←
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Board G – Moonee Swamp Road – 400m south west of Aratula Road/Moonee Swamp Road intersection

FINLEY	NEXT
ALBURY	RIGHT
MELB	→

Board K – Cobb Highway – 500m north of the Barmah Road turn off

BRIDGE	27TH SEPT	SEEK ALT
DELAYS	TO	ROUTE
EPXPECTED	30TH SEPT	←

Appendix G: Variable Message Boards – Wet Weather

Monday 24th September

Board A - 50m south of Augustus Street

MAJOR EVENT AHEAD	27TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	DELAYS EXPECTED
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Board B - 1km north of the Main Entrance at the MIL Moulamein Channel No.1

MAJOR EVENT AHEAD	27TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	DELAYS EXPECTED
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Board C - 1km east of the Moonee Swamp Bridge Road (MSBR) Entry on Moonee Swamp Road

MAJOR EVENT AHEAD	27TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	DELAYS EXPECTED
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Board D - Conargo/ Jerilderie Road at Jerilderie

MAJOR EVENT AHEAD	27TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	DELAYS EXPECTED	DETOUR VIA FINLEY
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Board J - Cobb Highway 100m past 100km/hr sign out of Moama

MAJOR EVENT AHEAD	27TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	DELAYS EXPECTED
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Board K - Cobb Highway – 500m south of the Barmah Road

MAJOR EVENT AHEAD	27TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	SEEK ALT ROUTE
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Wednesday 26th September at 6am

If camping areas are deemed too wet to take vehicles, the following locations will be utilised to hold traffic:

Boards to relocate and change:

Board A - North of Cobb Highway/ Wirraway Drive intersection

DENI UTE MUSTER	ALL VEHICLES ➔
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Boards to remain and change:

Board B - 1km north of the Main Entrance at the MIL Moulamein Channel No.1

DENI UTE MUSTER	500M AHEAD	TRAFFIC CONTROL AHEAD
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Board C - 1km east of the Moonee Swamp Bridge Road (MSBR) Entry on Moonee Swamp Road

DENI UTE MUSTER	1 KM AHEAD	CHANGED TRAFFIC CONDITIONS
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Boards to remain the same:

Board D - Conargo/ Jerilderie Road at Jerilderie

MAJOR EVENT AHEAD	27TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	DELAYS EXPECTED	DETOUR VIA FINLEY
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Board J - Cobb Highway 100m past 100km/hr sign out of Moama

MAJOR EVENT AHEAD	27TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	DELAYS EXPECTED
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Board K - Cobb Highway – 500m south of the Barmah Road turn off

MAJOR EVENT AHEAD	27TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	SEEK ALT ROUTE ➔
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New boards:

Board E - Finley Road prior to roundabout

DENI UTE MUSTER	ALL VEHICLES ←
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Board F - South of Cobb Highway/ Crispe Street intersection

DENI UTE MUSTER	ALL VEHICLES ➔
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Board G - Smart Street – north on Hay Road

DENI UTE MUSTER	ALL VEHICLES ➔	AT ROUNDA -BOUT
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Board H - Barham Road prior to Hardinge Street/ Cobb Highway Roundabout



Board I - Wakool Road prior to Hardinge Street/ Cobb Highway Roundabout



Board L - Davidson Street RTA Bay



Board M - Cobb Highway North of Cemetary Road



Board N - End Street, just off Memorial Drive



Board O - Crispe Street South of Duncan Street



If the Deniliquin Festival Site will hold campers, but the holding areas are too wet then all traffic will follow TCP1B. VMS boards will be as follows:

Boards to relocate and change:

Board A - Wandook Road – prior to Wandook Road / Conargo Road intersection

DENI UTE MUSTER	ALL VEHICLES ➔	DELAYS EXPECTED
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Boards to remain and change:

Board B - 1km north of the Main Entrance at the MIL Moulamein Channel No.1

DENI UTE MUSTER	27TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	DELAYS EXPECTED
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Board C - 1km east of the Moonee Swamp Bridge Road (MSBR) Entry on Moonee Swamp Road

DENI UTE MUSTER	27TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	DELAYS EXPECTED
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Board D - Conargo/ Jerilderie Road at Jerilderie

DENI UTE MUSTER	27TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	DELAYS EXPECTED	DETOUR VIA FINLEY
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New boards:

Board E - Hay Road – north of Wandook Road/ Hay Road intersection

DENI UTE MUSTER	ALL VEHICLES
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Board F - Hay Road – south of Wandook Road/ Hay Road

DENI UTE MUSTER	ALL VEHICLES
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Board G - Davidson Street near Brick Kiln Bridge

DENI UTE MUSTER	ALL VEHICLES ←
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Board H - Finley Road prior to north side roundabout

DENI UTE MUSTER	ALL VEHICLES ↓
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Boards to remain:

Board J - Cobb Highway 100m past 100km/hr sign out of Moama

MAJOR EVENT AHEAD	27TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	DELAYS EXPECTED
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Board K - Cobb Highway – 500m south of the Barmah Road turn off

MAJOR EVENT AHEAD	27TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	SEEK ALT ROUTE ➔
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Appendix H: Variable Message Boards - Extreme Traffic Build Up

PLAN C - Threshold Point
Thursday 27th September

Boards to remain:

Board A - 50m south of Augustus Street

DENI UTE MUSTER	400M AHEAD	CHANGED TRAFFIC CONDITIONS	TRAFFIC CONTROL AHEAD
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Board B - 1km north of the Main Entrance at the MIL Moulamein Channel No.1

DENI UTE MUSTER	500M AHEAD	TRAFFIC CONTROL AHEAD
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Board C - 1km east of the Moonee Swamp Bridge Road (MSBR) Entry on Moonee Swamp Road

DENI UTE MUSTER	1 KM AHEAD	CHANGED TRAFFIC CONDITIONS
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Board D - Conargo/ Jerilderie Road at Jerilderie

MAJOR EVENT AHEAD	28THSEPT TO 1ST OCT	DELAYS EXPECTED	DETOUR VIA FINLEY
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Board K - Cobb Highway – 500m south of the Barmah Road turn off

MAJOR EVENT AHEAD	27TH SEPT TO 30TH SEPT	SEEK ALT ROUTE ➔
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Boards to remain and change:

Board E - Finley Road, 150m from the Finley Road, Hay Road, Davidson Street roundabout

DENI UTE MUSTER	ALL VEHICLES ↑
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Board F - Davidson Street near Brick Kiln Bridge

DENI UTE MUSTER	ALL VEHICLES ←	AT ROUNDA -BOUT
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Board H - Smart Street – south on Hay Road

DENI UTE MUSTER	ALL VEHICLES ↑
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Board I - Wandook Road - Wandook Road/ Conargo Road intersection



Boards to relocate and change:

Board G - Hay Road – corner of Hay Road and Wandook Road – Pretty Pine side



Board J - Hay Road – corner of Hay Road and Wandook Road – Deniliquin side



Appendix I: Risk Management Plans

BEFORE CONTROLS		AFTER CONTROLS			ACTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES							
HAZARD	CONSEQUENCE	LIKELIHOOD	RISK LEVEL	RISK RATING	CONTROLS	LIKELIHOOD	RISK LEVEL	RISK RESULT	RESPONSIBILITY	REQUIRED ACTION	PERSON RESPONSIBLE TO IMPLEMENT ACTION	TARGET DATE
Emergency vehicles access to the event hindered by build-up of traffic.	Delay in emergency response and treatment leads to further injury.	3	E	1 H I G H	Medical staff located in central location and well signposted. Medical staff on site by 12noon Thursday. Location marked on maps. Security trained in ambulance response & crowd management. No structures will block main entrance and emergency access lane will be clear at all times. Provide all emergency services with map of site and traffic control plan. Ensure emergency access complies with Traffic Control Plan. Traffic controllers to stop all traffic and allow emergency vehicles through access.	2	B	4 L O W	Police Muster Staff Medical Security Traffic Manager	Document as part of Emergency Management Plan Traffic Control Plan Site induction Erect signage	Executive Events Solutions Paul Hussey Executive Events Solutions Site Manager	July 2018 July 2018 Sept 2018 Sept 2018
Patrons camping on Conargo and Moonee Swamp Rd shoulders and opposite Festival Site	Persons being hit by traffic.	3	E	1 H I G H	Provide "No Camping" signs for Conargo and Moonee Swamp Rd shoulders and opposite Festival Site. Patrons must camp on the Deniliquin Festival Site including Bluey's Paddock.	2	B	4 L O W	Traffic Manager Edward River Council	"No Camping" signs will be erected on Conargo and Moonee Swamp Rd shoulders and opposite Festival Site.	Paul Hussey	Early Sep 2018
Traffic backing up into town limits and north roundabout	Traffic unable to travel through to Conargo, Hay or Finley in a timely manner.	3	D	2 S E R	Festival traffic will be diverted into Bluey's Paddock Holding Area. Police to manage traffic control at roundabouts.	2	B	4 L O W	NSW Police Traffic Manager	Monitoring of traffic	Peter Kirk Paul Hussey	27 th Sept to 30 th Sept 2018

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BEFORE CONTROLS		AFTER CONTROLS			ACTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES							
HAZARD	CONSEQUENCE	LIKELIHOOD	RISK LEVEL	RISK RATING	CONTROLS	LIKELIHOOD	RISK LEVEL	RISK RESULT	RESPONSIBILITY	REQUIRED ACTION	PERSON RESPONSIBLE TO IMPLEMENT ACTION	TARGET DATE
Passing traffic (including heavy vehicle traffic) in conflict with Festival traffic	Accidents	3	E	1 H I G H	Qualified Traffic Controllers & TCPs	2	B	4 L O W	Traffic Manager	Include messages in marketing & website	Julia Druitt	Aug 2018
	Frustration				Put up VMS's 1 week prior – use as an advanced warning sign. Intense marketing. Encourage alternate route via Finley				Media Coordinator Coates Hire	Display VMS boards from 25th Sept	Paul Hussey/ Troy Sinclair	Sept 2018
Wet weather	Accidents	3	E	1 H I G H	In minor wet weather adhere to TCP1A.	2	B	4 L O W	Traffic Manager	Traffic Control Plan	Paul Hussey	July 2018
	Frustration				In extreme wet weather develop Wet Weather Contingency Plan				Traffic Mgt Committee	Convert to Wet Weather Contingency		Aug 2018
No overall Traffic Control Manager to carry out Traffic Management Plan.	Inexperienced and unqualified people being responsible for traffic control. Speed limits, traffic signs, warning signs, traffic control devices, safety barriers and access as per Traffic Management Plan not enforced. Not complying with legislation.	3	E	1 H I G H	Engage suitably qualified and experienced Traffic Control Manager and Qualified Traffic Controller.	2	B	4 L O W	General Manager	Engage Edward River Council and their qualified and experienced Traffic Management team	Vicky Lowry	July 2018
Event personnel being hit by vehicles During set up and dismantling of traffic management due to poor visibility.	Injury to event personnel.	3	C	1 H I G H	Shadow vehicles with flashing lights used to protect personnel: all personnel to wear high visibility vests and retro reflective strips to AS/NZ Standard 4602.	2	B	4 L O W	Traffic Manager Edward River Council Coates Hire Muster Staff	Induction	Paul Hussey	27 th Sept – 30 th Sept

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RISK CLASSIFICATION TABLE			
Consequence	Likelihood		Risk Rating
E= Extreme (Death)	5 = Almost Certain	C5, D3, D4, D5, E4, E5, E2, E3	1 - HIGH
D= Major (Extensive Injury more than 7 days)	4 = Likely	A5, B4, B5, C3, C4, D1, D2, E1	2 - SERIOUS
C= Moderate (Medical treatment)	3 = Possible	A4, B3, C1, C2	3 - MODERATE
B= Minor (Minor Injury)	2 = Unlikely	A1, A2, A3, B1, B2	4 - LOW
A= Insignificant (No Injury)	1 = Rare		

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Appendix J: Deni Ute Muster - Terms and Conditions

Tickets & Wristbands

The festival ticket is sold by Deni Play on the Plains Limited (‘the organisers’). This ticket (wristband) is to be sold subject to the terms and conditions.

Wristbands are non-refundable and non-transferrable and must be purchased from the organisers authorised ticketing agency Oztix.

Tickets may not be re sold, unless via the official ticket resale facility should one be made available by the organiser.

The purchaser of the ticket must ensure that the name on each ticket is correct and that ID may be asked for at the festival entry.

You are responsible for checking all festival information and ensuring you have purchased the correct tickets for the festival. No refunds will be processed if you make an error in relation to your ticket purchase.

Wristbands must be worn for the duration of the Festival, failure to do so may result in your eviction. Any wristbands that are removed or tampered with will be rendered invalid and will not be replaced. Damaged or defaced wristbands will not be accepted.

Tickets purchased for children aged under 18 years of age (minors) can only be purchased with an adult ticket.

Children Under 13 are admitted free and will be issued with a U/13 wristband which must be worn. Parent or adult guardian must provide proof of age of the U/13 if requested.

General

The Deni Ute Muster (“the festival”) will not be cancelled due to adverse weather except on the advise of emergency services in extreme conditions in which case no refund or exchange will be given on wristbands.

The Organisers are providers of recreational services and activities as defined under the Civil Liability Act. You are aware and acknowledge that the festival site contains all manner of obstacles, risks and dangers both known and unknown which may result in loss or damage to your property, personal injury or death. You choose to come onto the festival site at your own risk and to the full extent permitted by law, you release and indemnify the Organisers, its agents, employees and volunteers from and against any claim or liability of any nature in relation to injury or death, from you or any third party which might arise from entry to or the use of the festival site by you and any accompanying persons and or minors regardless of how the damage, injury or death is sustained or caused.

The organisers reserve the right to vary advertised performing artists, entertainment and the festival program as is required and at its absolute discretion.

CCTV Cameras are operational over the festival.

You consent to be included in film and sound recordings of the festival and for these recordings to be used by the organisers in any medium or context without further authorisation by or compensation to you.

In the event of injury or illness the organiser may, at the cost of the patron, arrange medical treatment and/or emergency evacuation as deemed necessary for the safety of the patron.

You are responsible for your own property. There is no storage available at the festival site.

Vehicles

NSW Road Laws apply on the Deniliquin Festival Site.

Vehicles once parked in the festival camp site cannot be moved until the end of the festival. Vehicles are not permitted to be driven around the festival camp site for any reason.

Buses will be operating in and out of town, please check your festival guide, website or APP for the bus timetable.

Alternatively, there will be a carpark located outside of the festival site where vehicles may be left and patrons enter via foot with their camping gear. Please note search conditions will apply.

Behaviour

No swimming in channels or waterways within the Deniliquin Festival Site.

Possession, sale or use of illicit substances is strictly prohibited at the festival and on site. Any person found with illegal drugs or illicit substances in their possession will be removed from the site and subject to Police action.

For safety and other reasons, some parts of the site are not open as part of the venue, patrons must not enter fenced off areas or areas to which access is denied.

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Please help to keep our site and your campsite clean, place all rubbish in bins and take all items with you when you leave. Whips are to be used at your own risk and sensibly.

The organisers may refuse you entry into or remove you from the festival if you (a) do not obey these terms and conditions (b) refuse to allow the organisers to inspect bags, containers and vehicles at the festival (c) if you disrupt the festival (d) if you interfere with the enjoyment, comfort or safety of other persons at the festival. (e) if you have acquired a stolen or counterfeit wristband. If you are evicted from the Festival Site/Event or denied entry to the Festival Site/Event, you will not be entitled to any ticket refund and or compensation.

Patrons must not cause damage to, improperly use, or tamper with any site facility or event infrastructure, or enter any onsite bodies of water at the festival site. Patrons must not remove or attempt to remove any item or object from the festival site or surrounding area. Patrons accept full liability and responsibility for any loss or damage caused in contravention of this clause or any other term of these Terms and Conditions.

Entry / Exit to and from Festival Site and Arena and your time at the Festival

All vehicles entering the Reserved Camping areas must have the appropriate valid Reserved Camping vehicle pass displayed on their windscreen.

It is a condition of entry to the festival site and festival arena that a search of you and your possessions and or vehicle be conducted. If you do not consent to such searches, you may be denied entry to the festival site and festival arena without refund.

It is a condition of entry into the festival arena that all patrons submit to being searched. This may include pat down of persons and physical inspection of bags and containers.

Non alcoholic drinks taken into the Festival Arena must be unopened/sealed.

Unsealed empty plastic water bottles (no metal, glass or aluminium bottles) are allowed into the festival arena, these can be filled up at the free water stations.

Activities such as moshing, crowd surfing, climbing and stage diving are strictly prohibited. Patrons engaging in these or other dangerous activities will be removed from the Festival Arena.

Children U/16 must be accompanied by a parent or adult guardian at the entry gates and at all times whilst at the festival or campgrounds.

Children 16 years or older do not need to be accompanied by a parent or guardian to enter or whilst they are in the Festival Arena.

Children 18 years or under are not permitted to camp at the Festival Site unless they are camping with a parent or guardian. ID and proof of age must be provided if requested.

Patrons wishing to purchase and or consume alcohol must be over 18 years of age and have valid photographic ID. Anyone found supplying or buying alcohol for a minor will be evicted from the event & may face criminal charges. Any minor found consuming or in possession of alcohol face similar action.

Patrons must vacate the site/camping areas by 2.00pm on Sunday 30th September.

Items Allowed

- ✓ BBQ (gas bottle must comply with 2018 regulations)
- ✓ Wood – it must be under 60cm x 30cm for your own small campfire which must be contained in a drum (excessive fire wood will be confiscated)
- ✓ Camping gear
- ✓ Food, water and soft drink (strictly no glass)
- ✓ Fire drum (1/2 x 44 gallon or less)
- ✓ Generators – Please be mindful of your neighbours when in use.
- ✓ Alcohol – Every adult patron camping on site can bring one only slab/box/carton to a maximum of 30 cans of beer or pre-mix spirits or 4L cask of wine into the camping area. This is one of the above for the entire festival not one per day. No Glass.

2018 Deni Ute Muster Traffic Management Plan

Items Prohibited

Prohibited Items will be confiscated with no exceptions and include but are not limited to:-

- Glass
- Butane gas canisters and burners
- Illicit substances
- Fireworks, flares or explosives
- Animals (guide dogs excepted)
- Unregistered vehicles
- Household furniture or vehicle parts
- Structures built on site in camping area
- Weapons including but not limited to: shovels, knives, axes, chainsaws
- Anti-social behaviour
- Drones or any other remote control devices
- Flammable liquids (container/jerry cans with flammable liquids will be confiscated)
- Paint cans or spray paint cans
- Nitrous oxide bulbs and cannisters
- Wood over the allowed size of 60cm x 30cm
- Fireworks and flares are prohibited and will be confiscated on entry, anyone caught lighting fireworks and flares will be evicted.
- Animals are prohibited at the site, with the exception of service or assistance animals, such as Guide Dogs.
- Whips are not to be used in the festival arena unless part of the whip cracking demonstration/championships.

Appendix L: Contact Details

Organisation	Contact	Phone	Location	Available
Deni Ute Muster; GM	Vicky Lowry	0448 832 104	Operations Centre	ON SITE 24/7
Deni Ute Muster; Chairman	Russell Tait	0407 344 056	Operations Centre	ON SITE 24/7
Deni Ute Muster; Site Manager	Rob Hallum	0428 814 087	Radio CH: 2	ON SITE 24/7
Fire & Rescue NSW	Stewart Alexander	0417 651 826	ESC	ON SITE 24/7
NSW Rural Fire Service	Duty Officer	03 5881 6297	ESC	ON SITE 24/7
Police Command Centre	Insp. John Aichinger	0401 140 603	Operations Centre	ON SITE 24/7
Medical	James Carew	0419 598 522	Medical Centre	ON SITE 24/7
VRA	Chris Holloway	1300 872 777	Operations Centre	ON SITE 24/7
Traffic Manager	Paul Hussey	0417 629 325	Radio CH: 1	ON SITE
Risk Manager/Safety Officer	Pete Docwra Executive Events Solutions	0439 533 336	Operations Centre	ON SITE 24/7
Security	Simon Austin	0404 008 297	Radio CH: 15	ON SITE 24/7
Edward River Council		5898 3000	Deniliquin	24/7
Deniliquin Hospital		5882 2800	Deniliquin	24/7
NSW Ambulance		000	Deniliquin	24/7
NRMA		13 11 11	Deniliquin	24/7
Service NSW		13 77 88	Deniliquin	7am – 7pm
Poisons Information Centre		13 11 26		24/7
EPA		13 15 55		24/7
Safework NSW		13 10 50		24/7

ESC – Emergency Services Compound

11.21 DROUGHT RELIEF**Author:** Oliver McNulty, Director Infrastructure**Authoriser:** Oliver McNulty, Director Infrastructure**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council approve that during this period of drought;

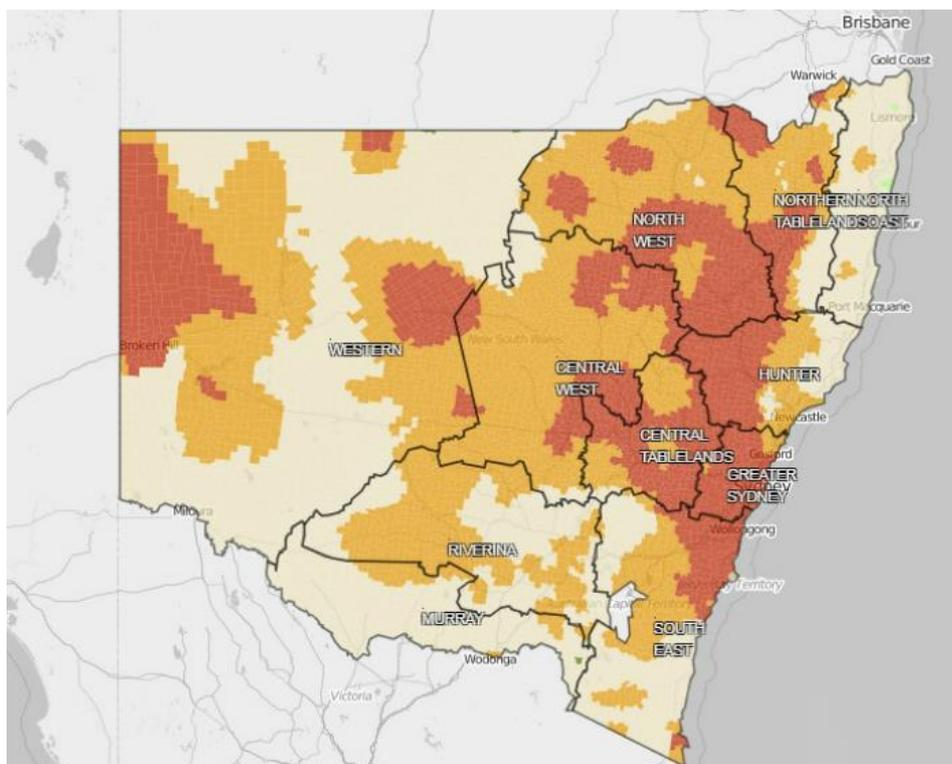
1. Rural landowners can apply for 18,000 litres of rural water for their private use by completing the necessary application form,
2. That Council will donate this water to rural landowners for their use
3. That rural landowners purchase a temporary fob for the Avdata system to enable them to collect and transport this water to their properties.

BACKGROUND

Recent press releases from the NSW Government have confirmed that "100 per cent" of the state is now in drought or drought affected. Figures from the Department of Primary Industries (DPI) show every part of the state is affected by the dry conditions, with almost one quarter classified as being in "intense drought".

Based on the Bureau of Meteorology (BOM) website there has been less than 12mm of rainfall recorded in the Conargo weather station in July and August of 2018. In Deniliquin there was a recorded rainfall of 13mm in August and 23mm in July. Year to date the total rainfall recorded in Conargo has been 106mm which according to the BOM is well below average.

This map shows how Australia's big dry is affecting different parts of NSW. Red areas are in "intense drought", orange areas are in "drought" and all other areas are "drought affected".



This drought is having a major impact on the rural farming communities of Edward River impacting the ability to both grow crops and sustain and feed livestock.

As part of the Deniliquin water supply system, Edward River Council has a water allocation of 5500M/l under a high security water supply licence, per year. In 2017/18 2350M/L of this allocation was used to service the local community. Officers have spoken to the Regional Manager for Water and Sewage in the NSW Department of Industry/ Water to request if it is possible for Council to consider using some of their water allocation to assist rural farmers. He confirmed that Council can supply water for use by rural communities.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

Council provides bulk water to the community through the Avdata system. Community members can apply for a fob which can be programmed to enable a fixed volume of water. They can then get a water carrier to collect and deliver the water to them.

Dubbo Regional Council have already set up a model for the provision of this service and is proposed that Edward River Council provide a similar service for drought impacted community members.

The process would be:

- Rural property owners would fill out an application form (see attached) for up to 18,000 litres at a time and bring the application form into Council;
- Upon approval of the application, the property owner would be issued with an Avdata fob for access to the system. This fob would be programmed to allow 18,000 litres to be distributed. There would be a deposit for the fob, being \$44, which is in-line with Council's Fees and Charges;
- Upon receiving the water the property owner would return the fob to Council and receive the deposit back.

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The fobs would be issued in Council's name, meaning that no costs would go to the property owner. Council will maintain a record of fobs that are issued. If fobs aren't returned, then they can be cancelled.

Existing Avdata users could send in the application form and then get 18,000 litres credited to their account.

Items that should be considered as part of the provision of this service;

- This service would be based upon an honesty system, in that people only order water when they need it. This would need to be monitored and actioned if we thought the system was being abused;
- A single person may want to get water for several neighbors at the same time, especially if they have larger capacity tanks. Separate application forms would be required for each property receiving water and separate fobs issued;
- Council shall not incur any costs other than a pro-rata amount for the cost of producing the potable water. The current rate for the delivery of water through the avdata system is \$8 per KL.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Council has access to water which is currently not fully utilised. This process will support rural communities in this period of drought.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

This report demonstrates Outcome 1 – A great place to live of the Community Strategic Plan.

Target 1.1 Our community has access to essential services.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Council charge out rate for potable water is \$8 per Kl. Each delivery of 18,000 would have a charge out value of \$140. This is a minimal cost to support rural landowners at this time.

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

ATTACHMENTS

1. Application for Drought Relief



Application – Drought Relief
Water Filling Station – Rural Customer*
Additional Allocation

KEY NUMBER: FILLING STATION:

Name:

Address:

Town: State: Postcode:

Phone: email:

Assessment: Lot: DP:

PURPOSE:

Domestic Usage: Stock Usage:

REASON FOR ADDITIONAL ALLOCATION:

*ELIGIBILITY: Premises outside Edward River Council’s Water Supply Service Area only

ABOUT YOU KEY:

- An additional allocation of 15,000 litres of water (15 Kilolitres) will be made available may be approved by Council for you Water Filling Station key. Once approved, the additional allocation is applied to your FOB within two (2) business days for use at a nominated filling station.
- “Water Filling Station Instructions and Conditions of Use” are attached for your reference and you are reminded to **press the OFF button when finished**, or you may waste your allocation
- If you lose your key then you must immediately advise AVDATA (02 6262 8111) or Council (5898 3000)
- Your key is required to be returned to Council on completion of the Drought Relief Rural Water Supply period. The \$44 key deposit will be refunded upon return of the undamaged key

DISCLAIMER:

- Water is only used for personal use and cannot be provided to a third party
- Users of this service are solely responsible for cleanliness of containers/tanks filled from the filling stations.
- Edward River Council has no responsibility for water quality once water is removed from the standpipe
- Council will monitor usage and reserves the right to cancel access to filling stations if conditions of use are not complied with.

I have read and understood the above, and I agree to abide by the terms and conditions for use of the water filling station facilities:

Signature: Date:

11.22 SALE OF LAND TO CARUSO - LOT 234 BARHAM ROAD DENILIKUIN**Author:** Michael Todd, Assets & Procurement Administrator**Authoriser:** Oliver McNulty, Director Infrastructure**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council ratify the decision to sell Lot 1 DP 1213955 (Barham Rd, Deniliquin) to EL-Max Nominees Pty Ltd for \$66,000.00 as per the agreement signed 22nd May 2013 and that the Common Seal of Council be affixed to the relevant documents.

BACKGROUND

In May 2013 Council agreed to a lease between Caruso (EI-Max) for lot 1 DP 1213955 (See Attachment 1) with an area of 23. 24ha. The land is owned by Council on the Barham Road (See Attachment 2).

The lease was for four (4) one-year terms with an option to purchase in force for the period of the lease (see Attachment 3). The lease has been continuous and prior to the lease expiring the Caruso's wrote to council advising that they would like to exercise their option to buy the land for the price of \$60,000 +GST as stipulated in the agreement.

David Grant of Francis Kelly and Grant has drawn up a contract for sale under instruction from Council

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

The history behind the lease has been researched, however, the information in our records is limited. Minutes have been reviewed and various staff consulted, most can remember discussions around the land, but only the original signed lease agreement has been located.

The original lease has the seal of council affixed referencing the Council meeting held on 22nd May 2013 (See Attachment 4). A check of the minutes has revealed there is no motion in relation to the land or lease noted.

In good faith council should honour the original agreement, the lessee has constructed an access and done some improvements on the understanding that if he wished the option to buy was available. External legal advice has also indicated that the original agreement should be adhered to as the lessee has acted on it in doing some improvements to the land and if challenged council would be liable for compensation.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

The land originally was part of a larger parcel and at the time identified as surplus to the needs of Council.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

2.1 Our Economy is strong and diverse – Edward River Target 2030 (Promote and grow the agribusiness sector, Promote business activities in industrial and commercial areas – Riverina Murray Regional Plan 2036)

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Council will receive the proceeds from the land sale, this was not budgeted for.

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

All sales of land assets will;

- be consistent with Council's economic, social, and environmental objectives,

- be undertaken in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1993.
- be undertaken with the intention of securing maximum economic, social and environmental benefits for the community,
- occur through a fair and transparent process,
- consider any industry or ICAC guidelines ¹
- be open to public scrutiny while maintaining appropriate levels of commercial confidentiality, and
- be conducted in accordance with any relevant Council procedures.

ATTACHMENTS

1. **Map - Lot 1 DP 1213955**
2. **234 Barham Rd**
3. **Original Lease - May 2013**
4. **May 2013 Minutes**



**LEASE AGREEMENT WITH OPTION TO PURCHASE LAND AT BARHAM ROAD
SEWERAGE SITE**

LEASE AGREEMENT WITH OPTION TO PURCHASE BETWEEN DENILIQUIN COUNCIL AND MR MARK ANDREW CARUSO FOR LEASE OF 250 METRE WIDE PORTION OF LOTS 214 AND 215 OF BARHAM ROAD SEWERAGE SITE DATED 8TH DAY OF JUNE 2013 AT DENILIQUIN IN THE STATE OF NEW SOUTH WALES

- 1. PARTIES** BETWEEN Deniliquin Council of Civic Place, Deniliquin (**LESSOR**)
AND Mr Mark Andrew Caruso (**LESSEE**)
- 2. PREMISES** Lot in unregistered plan as part of Deniliquin New Sewerage Site (**LOT**) as defined in **Annexure A**.
- 3. USE** The **LOT** shall be used for the storage of bulk agricultural produce and associated activities.
- 4. RENT** \$1,500.00 (excluding GST) per annum.
- 5. TERM** The term of this lease is twelve (12) months.
Commencement Date: 17th June 2013
Termination Date: 16th June 2014
- 6. OPTION TO RENEW** Options for renewal for four periods each of twelve (12) months duration.
- 7. OPTION TO PURCHASE** An option to purchase the site for \$60,000 (exclusive of GST) shall remain in force for the period of the lease.
- 8. HOLDING OVER** Unless either party gives the other written notice at least one (1) month before the end of the term that vacant possession of the site shall be given on that day, the lease shall become a periodic lease from month to month at the same rent or at a rent which both parties agree to.
- 9. INSURANCE** The **LESSEE** shall provide proof that it has Public Liability Insurance for a minimum of \$10,000,000 by providing the **LESSOR** with a copy of the insurance policy on an annual basis.
- 10. REPAIRS** The **LESSEE** must maintain the **LOT** in its condition at the commencement date and promptly do any repairs needed to the **LOT** in that condition.
- 11. INDEMNITY** (a) The **LESSEE** agrees to compensate and meet all claims of:
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- (i) the **LESSOR** for the loss or damage to part or all of the **LOT**;
- (ii) any person or persons for the loss or damage to their personal property;
and
- (iii) any person or persons for personal injury or death.

As a result of any accident or neglect or a deliberate or careless act on the **LOT** or a breach of any condition of the lease by the **LESSEE**, his employees or agents or any persons present on the premises with the consent of the **LESSEE**, their employees or agents.

(b) In these circumstances the **LESSEE** shall meet all claims whether they are made directly against the **LESSEE** or against the **LESSOR**. Any resultant repairs to the **LOT** shall be carried out at the expense of the **LESSEE**.

12. DISPUTES

In any dispute or proceedings between the parties, both parties shall act reasonably and without delay and make all admissions necessary to enable the issues in dispute to be decided.

13. TERMINATION

(a) The lease may only be terminated by mutual agreement of both **LESSOR** and **LESSEE** during the term of the lease.

(b) The **LESSOR** shall have the right to re-enter the **LOT** without giving notice if there are reasonable grounds to believe that the **LOT** has been abandoned.

(c) Upon termination of the lease the **LESSEE** shall remove all buildings and fixtures that they have constructed or installed on the **LOT**, excluding services to the site such as water, sewerage and electricity, and leave the **LOT** in the same condition as at the commencement date for the lease.

14. PARTING WITH POSSESSION

The **LESSEE** shall not assign or sub-let or part with possession of the **LOT** or any part thereof except with the written consent of the **LESSOR**.

15. CARE OF PREMISES

The **LESSEE** agrees to take care of the **LOT** and to keep the **LOT** in a clean condition, and in particular:

(a) To make no alterations or additions to the **LOT** without the written consent of the **LESSOR**;

(b) To keep no animals or birds on the premises;

(c) To ensure that there is no accumulation of rubbish on the premises;

(d) To ensure that nothing is done that may prejudice any insurance the **LESSOR** has in relation to the premises; and

(e) To notify the **LESSOR** promptly of any loss, damage or defect in the premises.

**16. LESSEE TO
PROVIDE**

The **LESSEE**, as part of this lease, shall provide:

- (a) All weather gravel access road to the **LOT**;
- (b) Fencing and gate access to the site.

**17. LESSOR SHALL
NOT PROVIDE**

The **LESSOR** shall not provide the following services to the **LOT**:

- (a) Electricity. The **LESSEE** shall be responsible for the provision of electricity to the **LOT** if required and be responsible for the payment of any costs associated with its provision or use;
- (b) Reticulated potable water supply. The **LESSEE** may install a rainwater tank of the same colour as the cladding for the hangar. All rainwater tanks must include a fitting suitable for Fire and Rescue NSW and the NSW Rural Fire Service to extract water from the tank for fire fighting purposes;
- (c) Sewerage collection system, including reticulated mains, septic tanks or low pressure sewerage systems; and
- (d) Telecommunications.

18. CONSTRUCTION

The **LESSOR** shall allow the **LESSEE** to construct grain storage facilities and associated works on the **LOT** subject to the following conditions:

All construction shall require development approval and a construction certificate from Deniliquin Council prior to commencement of any work. The **LESSEE** shall be responsible for obtaining all necessary approvals.

SIGNED BY THE LESSEE

M. Caruso
.....
Signature

M. Henderson
.....
Signature

MARK ANDREW CARUSO
.....
Name

MEG JANE HENDERSON
.....
Witness Name

14/6/2013
.....
Date:

14/6/2013
.....
Date

SIGNED BY THE LESSOR

Signed for and on behalf of **DENILIQUIN COUNCIL** by its duly authorised officers:

Lindsay Renwick
.....
Cllr Lindsay Renwick
Mayor

Des Bilske
.....
Des Bilske
General Manager

14.06.2013
.....
Date:

14.06.2013
.....
Date

The seal of Deniliquin Council is affixed to this document by resolution of Council dated 22 May 2013.



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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE DENILQUIN COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CIVIC PLACE, DENILQUIN ON WEDNESDAY 22 MAY 2013, COMMENCING AT 5:30 pm

PRESENT:

The Mayor, Councillor Lindsay Renwick; Deputy Mayor, Councillor Ashley Hall; (from 5.45 pm) Councillor Peter Connell; Councillor Andrew Howley; Councillor Jeff Shand and Councillor Susan Taylor.

COUNCIL STAFF PRESENT:

Mr Des Bilske, General Manager; Mr Mark Dalzell, Director Technical Services; Ms Terri Maguire, Director Corporate Services and Mrs Faye Falahey, Executive Assistant.

CHAIRMANSHIP OF MEETING:

The Mayor, Councillor Lindsay Renwick, chaired the meeting.

INTERPRETATION:

In these Minutes "the Council" means the Denilquin Council.

DECLARATION OF MEETING OPEN AND WELCOME TO GUESTS AND VISITORS

The Mayor, Councillor Lindsay Renwick, formally declared the meeting open and welcomed guests and visitors to the meeting.

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Mayor

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102/13 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

An apology was tendered for the non attendance of Councillor Patricia Fogarty.

Moved Councillor Connell

That the apology be accepted and that Council grant leave of absence to Councillor Fogarty.

Seconded Councillor Howley **CARRIED**

103/13 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – COUNCIL MEETING 23 APRIL 2013

A copy of the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 23 April 2013 had been provided to each Councillor.

Moved Councillor Taylor

That the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 23 April 2013 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

Seconded Councillor Howley **CARRIED**

104/13 CONSIDERATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE MEETING OF THE TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE – 2 APRIL 2013

Moved Councillor Taylor

That the Council receive and adopt the recommendations of the Tidy Towns Committee meeting held on 2 April, 2013.

Seconded Councillor Hall **CARRIED**

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Mayor

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**105/13 CONSIDERATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE
MEETING OF THE DENILQUIN AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE
– 14 MAY 2013**

Moved Councillor Taylor

That the Council receive and adopt the recommendations of the
Deniliquin Airport Advisory Committee meeting held on 14 May, 2013.

Seconded Councillor Connell

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE REPORTS**106/13 CORRESPONDENCE REPORT****SUBJECT: LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW – APPROVAL OF
LEGAL ASSISTANCE MID-WESTERN REGIONAL
COUNCIL****FROM: GENERAL MANAGER
Des Bilske**

Moved Councillor Connell

That the correspondence from Local Government NSW regarding the
Approval of Legal Assistance Mid-Western Regional Council be
received.

Seconded Councillor Howley

CARRIED

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Mayor

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CORPORATE & GOVERNANCE REPORTS

107/13 **SUBJECT:** **INVESTMENTS AS AT 30 APRIL 2013**
FROM: **DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES**
 Terri Maguire

Moved Councillor Shand

That Council note and receive the Report on Investments of \$10,479,083 inclusive of cash on hand for day to day operations and interest earned of \$28,420 as at 30 April 2013.

Seconded Councillor Taylor

CARRIED

108/13 **SUBJECT:** **QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW STATEMENT**
FOR THE PERIOD 1 JULY 2012 TO 31 MARCH
2013
FROM: **DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES**
 Terri Maguire

Moved Councillor Connell

That Council receives the March 2013 financial review of the Operational Plan and approves the variations to the 2012/2013 Operational Plan adopted at the Council Meeting on 27 June 2012.

Seconded Councillor Howley

CARRIED

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Mayor

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109/13 **SUBJECT:** **FEES FOR COUNCILLORS AND MAYORS 2013-2014**

FROM: **DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES**
 Terri Maguire

Moved Councillor Shand

That Council approve payment of fees for Deniliquin Council Councillors and Mayor at the maximum for Category 4 – Rural to commence on 1 July 2013.

Seconded Councillor Howley

CARRIED

110/13 **SUBJECT:** **GUIDELINES FOR THE CLOSURE OF COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

FROM: **GENERAL MANAGER**
 Des Bilske

Moved Councillor Taylor

That Council receive this report and note the issuing of the "Guidelines on the Closure of Council and Committee Meetings".

That Council consider the "Guidelines on the Closure of Council and Committee Meetings" when considering the revised Code of Meeting Practice.

Seconded Councillor Connell

CARRIED

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Mayor

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111 /13 **SUBJECT: DRAFT ANNUAL STATEMENT OF REVENUE
2013-2013**

**FROM: DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES
Terri Maguire**

Moved Councillor Howley

1. That Council give notice of its intention to:
 - a. Make and levy an ordinary rate to comprise of a base rate and an ad valorem rating structure for Residential, a minimum rate and an ad valorem Business rate and an ad valorem rate for the Farmland categories of rates.
 - b. Increase the rate income by the maximum 3.4% rate pegged amount determined by the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal of NSW (IPART)
2. No increase to Sewer Access charges from the 2012-2013 financial year.
3. Increase Raw and Filtered Water Access Charges by 3.40% and then reduce the Access Charges by \$100 per rateable property. The additional Pensioner rebate to be absorbed in the reduction of \$100 per rateable property.
4. Increase Water Usage charges by 5 cents per kilolitre to 60 cents per kilolitre up to 800 kilolitres and by 5 cents per kilolitre for usage above 800 kilolitres to \$1.00.
5. Introduce Raw Water usage for Community Land for Parks and Gardens to 5 cents per kilolitre with no Access Charge.
6. Increase Domestic Waste charges by \$10 to \$290 per annum with no charges being applied to vacant land.
7. To fix the fees and charges schedule for the 2013/14 year as set out in Draft Annual Statement of Revenue.
8. To charge the maximum 9% interest on overdue rates and charges as determined by the Minister for Local Government.
9. That pursuant to Sections 405 and 406 of the Local Government Act, 1993, the Draft Annual Statement of Revenue 2013-2014 incorporating Council's Revenue Policy and Schedule of Fees and Charges be endorsed by Council and placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days.

Seconded Councillor Hall

CARRIED

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Mayor

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114 /13 **SUBJECT: DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION 2009**
FROM: DIRECTOR TECHNICAL SERVICES
Mark Dalzell

Moved Councillor Shand

That Development Application 2009 for the erection of three freestanding signs located on Lot 1, DP 724430, Ochertyre Street (with frontage to Hardinge Street) Deniliquin – Crown Reserve 77085 dated 5 April 2013 as shown on plans and photographs numbered DA2009/1 to DA2009/4 inclusive and described in details accompanying the Development Application be

APPROVED in accordance with section 80(1) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 and subject to the conditions listed below:

1 GENERAL

- 1.1 The development shall take place in accordance with the plans and documentation submitted with the application. A copy of these is held by Council as Plan No DA2009/1 – 2009/4 inclusive.
Reason: To clarify the extent of the consent.
- 1.2 The advertising structure/sign is not to be a flashing type and its illumination should not distract passing motorists.
Reason: To maintain road safety.
- 1.3 The advertising structures/signs shall be maintained to the satisfaction of Council.
Reason: To prevent adverse visual impact.
- 1.4 In accordance with clause 14(1)(a) of the State Environmental Planning Policy 64 – Advertising and Signage, this consent ceases to be in force on the expiration of 15 years after the date on which the consent becomes effective and operates in accordance with section 83 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act.
Reason: To comply with State Environmental Planning Policy No 64 –Advertising and Signage.
- 1.5 No additional advertising signs and/or structures other than that which is permissible without consent is to be erected unless development consent has been obtained from Council.

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Reason: To ensure that the Applicant is aware that any further signs to be erected on the site are required to obtain development consent unless it is a sign which is exempt development under the Development Control Plan No 4 – Exempt and Complying Development.

- 1.6 Signs are to be erected in accordance with the approved size, details and spacing as noted in the Signage Agreement for the Deniliquin Rams Football and Netball Club site.

Reason: To ensure the signs do not detract from the amenity of the area.

- 1.7 The advertising signage shall be designed and located such that it complies with the following;

- i) the sign display shall not include:
 - Any flashing lights
 - Electronically changeable messages
 - Animated display, moving parts or simulated movements
 - Complex display that holds motorists attention beyond a "glance appreciation"
 - Display resembling traffic signs or signals, or giving instruction to traffic by using words such as 'halt ' or 'stop'
- ii) The proposed advertising sign and support structure shall be located wholly within the confines of the property boundaries and not protrude over any adjoining road reserve.
- iii) The method and intensity of any illumination of the sign shall not be directed or transmitted in such concentration or intensity as to cause distraction or glare to motorists.
- iv) Any proposed sign and supporting structures to be located within close proximity to a road reserve is required, as a minimum, to comply with the wind loading requirements as specified in AS1170.1 Structural design actions – Permanent, imposed and other actions and AS1170.0 Structural design actions – wind actions.
- v) Any advertising sign and supporting structure should not obstruct, or interfere with, any RTA or road safety or directional signage in the vicinity.
- vi) The sign shall not pose any risk to pedestrian safety.

Reason: To comply with the requirements of the Roads and Maritime Service.

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- 1.8 Any works associated with the proposed development shall be at no cost to Roads and Maritime Services (RMS).
Reason: To comply with the requirements of the Roads and Maritime Service.
- 1.9 Advertising signs are to be contained wholly within the boundaries of the property and in the locations indicated on the application.
Reason: To ensure signs are contained on the property to which the consent has been issued.
- 1.10 The structure(s) are to comply with the relevant requirements of the Building Code of Australia and the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.
Reason: To ensure compliance with the Building Code of Australia.

Seconded Councillor Connell

CARRIED

DIVISION

A division was recorded for Minute No114 /13 –Development Application 2009, a copy of which is attached to these Minutes.

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DENILIQIN COUNCIL
Achievement through Action

Development/Planning Register
Section 375A of the Local Government Act 2008

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DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION NO: 2009

COUNCILLOR	FOR	AGAINST	ABSENT	DECLARED INTEREST
Lindsay RENWICK	√			
Ashley HALL	√			
Peter CONNELL	√			
Patricia FOGARTY			√	
Andrew HOWLEY	√			
Jeff SHAND	√			
Susan TAYLOR	√			

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118/13 **SUBJECT:** **RECENT CHANGES TO ENVIRONMENTAL
PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT 1979 AND
BUILDING PROFESSIONALS ACT 2005**

FROM: **DIRECTOR TECHNICAL SERVICES
Mark Dalzell**

Moved Councillor Taylor

That Council note this report on changes to the Environmental
Planning and Assessment Act and the Building Professionals Act 2005.

Seconded Councillor Connell

CARRIED

119/13 **SUBJECT:** **DRAFT DENILQUIN LEP 2013**

FROM: **DIRECTOR TECHNICAL SERVICES
Mark Dalzell**

Moved Councillor Taylor

That Council note this report on the Draft Deniliquin Local
Environmental Plan 2013.

Seconded Councillor Connell

CARRIED

120/13 **SUBJECT:** **TECHNICAL SERVICES –
RESOLUTION SHEET**

FROM: **GENERAL MANAGER
Des Bilske**

Moved Councillor Howley

That the Technical Services – Resolution Sheet report be received.

Seconded Councillor Taylor

CARRIED

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121/13 DELEGATES REPORTS

Cr Connell:-

- Reported on his attendance at the Deniliquin Airport Advisory Committee meeting held on 14 May, 2013;
- Advised that the Edward River Country Education Fund dinner was a great success

Cr Hall:-

- Reported on his attendance at the Local Government Independent Review Panel meeting held on 15 May, 2013 which was very informative.
- Reported on his attendance at the Riverina Tourism Destination Management Workshop held on 21 May, 2013

Cr Howley:-

- Reported on his attendance the Local Government Independent Review Panel meetings held on 15 May, 2013.
- Reported on the Outback Theatre for Young People Reverbrate function held on Saturday 18 May, 2013 throughout the CBD which was attended by approximately 400 people. He advised that organisers were very happy with the outcome, which was a great success with many interesting ideas being put forward and hopes that it will continue. Commended the organisers on their outstanding initiative and efforts.

Cr Renwick:-

Advised that during the preceding month he had attended

- Anzac Eve Dinner
- Anzac Day Ceremonies
- Edward River Country Education Dinner with guest speaker Professor Marie Bashir
- RAMROC Meeting in Jerilderie
- Deni Innovation Expo
- Northern Zone Pony Club Horse Trial State Championships
- Airport Advisory Committee Meeting

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- Election Funding Presentation and workshop
 - Meet and Greet Civic Reception for Olympians Melanie Schlanger and Chris Wright
 - Independent Local Government Review Panel meetings
 - Opening of the Maternity Wing at the Deniliquin Hospital
 - Geoff Riley's 80th Birthday
 - Community Safety and Crime Prevention Advisory Committee Meeting
 - Local Government Act Taskforce workshop Wagga
 - Outback Theatre – Reverbrate activities – which were fantastic

The General Manager, Mr Des Bilske advised that Mr Greg Johnston had accepted the position of Health and Building Officer and would commence duties with Deniliquin Council on 3 June, 2013.

The General Manager also advised that the appointment of the Manager Economic and Business Development position would be finalised by the end of next week.

122/13 Moved Councillor Howley

That a special meeting be held on Friday 24 May, 2013 commencing at 1.00pm to adopt the Annual Budget, Operational Plan, Delivery Program and Long Term Financial Plan.

Seconded Councillor Taylor

CARRIED

CLOSURE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 7.15 pm

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12 REPORTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Nil

13 MOTIONS OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil

14 RESCISSION MOTIONS

Nil

15 QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Nil

16 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act 1993:

16.1 Retirement Living Project Update

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2) - c of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

17 CLOSE OF MEETING