



**Edward
River**
COUNCIL

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

Date: Thursday, 21 February 2019
Time: 9am
**Location: Council Chamber 180 Cressy Street
Deniliquin**

BUSINESS PAPER

Ordinary Council Meeting

21 February 2019

**Adam McSwain
General Manager**

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MINUTES

Ordinary Council Meeting

20 December 2018

**MINUTES OF EDWARD RIVER COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER 180 CRESSY STREET DENILIQUN
ON THURSDAY, 20 DECEMBER 2018 AT 9AM**

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

IN ATTENDANCE: Adam McSwain (General Manager), Oliver McNulty (Director Infrastructure) Anthony Smith (Interim Corporate Services Director), Cian Middleton (Communications and Governance Officer)

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

APOLOGIES AND REQUESTS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

2018/306 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

The following Councillors declared pecuniary interests:-

Cr Hall Item 11.23 – Trial for Seal Extension

Cr Wallace Item 11.13 Environmental Services Report and 11.24 Rural Fire Service Tanker Trailer Units.

Cr McCrabb Item 11.24 Rural Fire Service Tanker Trailer Units

Cr Bull Item 11.24 Rural Fire Service Tanker Trailer Units

The following Councillor declared a non-pecuniary interest:-

Cr Metcalfe Item 11.24 Rural Fire Service Tanker Trailer Units

2018/307 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTE FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLUTION

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 15 November 2018 be confirmed.

Moved: Cr McCrabb

Seconded: Cr Metcalfe

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

2018/308 MINUTES OF THE EDWARD RIVER CONCERT BAND COMMITTEE

That the minutes of the Edward River Concert Band Committee meeting held 4 December 2018 be confirmed.

Moved: Cr Fogarty
Seconded: Cr Bull

CARRIED

2018/309 MINUTES OF THE TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE

The the minutes of the Edward River Council Tidy Towns Committee meeting held 11 December 2018 be confirmed.

Moved: Cr Fogarty
Seconded: Cr Bull

CARRIED

REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

2018/310 MAYOR AND GENERAL MANAGER MEETINGS

RESOLUTION

That Council note the Mayor and General Manager meetings for November 2018.

Moved: Cr Wallace
Seconded: Cr Fogarty

CARRIED

2018/311 RESOLUTIONS OF COUNCIL

RESOLUTION

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

Moved: Cr Betts
Seconded: Cr Metcalfe

CARRIED

2018/312 MINUTES FROM THE AIRPORT PROJECT STEERING COMMITTEE**RESOLUTION**

That Council

1. Note and receive the Minutes from the Deniliquin Airport Expansion Steering Committee for the following meetings:
 - (a) 23 October 2018
 - (b) 20 November 2018
 - (c) 27 November 2018
2. Note and consider in a separate confidential report to the December Council meeting the RESOLUTION from the Deniliquin Airport Expansion Steering Committee meeting on 27 November 2018;

That the Airport Steering Committee recommend to Council that a staged approach to developing the runway be the preferred option for the airport project, subject to additional information from Redwater and McKinna consulting

Moved: Cr McCrabb

Seconded: Cr Bull

CARRIED

2018/313 APPOINTMENT OF ACTING GENERAL MANAGER**RESOLUTION**

That Council:

1. Note that the General Manager, Mr Adam McSwain, will be on annual leave from Tuesday, 2 January to Monday, 21 January 2019.
2. Temporarily appoint the Director Infrastructure, Mr Oliver McNulty, to act in the role of General Manager for the period Tuesday, 2 January to Monday, 21 January 2019.
3. Delegate the powers, authorities, duties and functions set out in the Instrument of Delegations to the General Manager, contained at Attachment A, to Mr McNulty for the period Tuesday, 2 January to Monday, 21 January 2019.

Moved: Cr Hall

Seconded: Cr Metcalfe

CARRIED

2018/314 STRATEGIC REVIEW OF COMMITTEE FRAMEWORK AND COMMUNITY FACILITY MANAGEMENT MODEL**RESOLUTION**

That Council:

1. Undertake a strategic review of its committee framework and community facility management model.
2. Notify all section 355 committees of the purpose of the strategic review and advise that committees will be consulted in the preparation of the review.

Moved: Cr Bull

Seconded: Cr Fogarty

CARRIED

2018/315 INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 30 NOVEMBER 2018**RESOLUTION**

That Council:

1. Note and receive the Report on Investments totaling \$45,491,518 inclusive of cash at bank for day-to-day operations;
2. Note that actual interest received for the month of November 2018 was \$144,560.
3. Note that accrued interest earned to 30 November 2018 but not yet received was \$269,140.
4. Note that Council's loan liability as at 30 November 2018 was \$2,239,027.

Moved: Cr McCrabb

Seconded: Cr Fogarty

CARRIED

2018/316 EARLY REPAYMENT OF LOANS**RESOLUTION**

That Council:

1. Approve the early repayment of Councils loans prior to 31 December 2018
2. Repay the loans from the following funds:
 - (a) Sewer Effluent Re-Use Facility loan to be paid from the Sewerage Services Fund
 - (b) Library loan to be paid from the Library reserve
 - (c) Aerodrome loan to be paid from the Airport Development reserve
 - (d) Remaining loans to be repaid from unrestricted funds.
3. Note the saving of \$48,169.15 that Council will generate through the early repayment of these loans

Moved: Cr McAllister

Seconded: Cr McCrabb

CARRIED

2018/317 INVESTMENT POLICY (REVIEWED)**RESOLUTION**

That Council:

1. Rescind the existing Investment Policy, Attachment A
2. Adopt the Draft Investment Policy, Attachment B

Moved: Cr McAllister

Seconded: Cr Fogarty

CARRIED

2018/318 DENILQUIN TOWN HALL REVITALISATION PROJECT REFERENCE GROUP**RESOLUTION**

That Council:

1. Establish a Project Reference Group to oversee the Deniliquin Town Hall Revitalisation Project.
2. Adopt the Deniliquin Town Hall Revitalisation Project Reference Group Constitution, contained as Attachment A.
3. Appoint Councillors Peta Betts, Margaret Bull and Mac Wallace as the three Councillor representatives on the Deniliquin Town Hall Revitalisation Project Reference Group, pursuant to clause 6.1 of the Constitution.
4. Invite representatives of Outback Theatre for Young People, South West Arts Inc. and South West Music Regional Conservatorium to serve as the three industry representatives on the Deniliquin Town Hall Revitalisation Project Reference Group, pursuant to clause 6.2 of the Constitution.

Moved: Cr McCrabb

Seconded: Cr Metcalfe

CARRIED

2018/319 DENILQUIN WATER TOWER PROJECT - REALLOCATION OF BUDGET**RESOLUTION**

That Council:

1. Note that the cost of completing the Deniliquin Water Tower Project is estimated to cost up to \$35,000.
2. Allocate a further \$15,000 from Stronger Communities Major Projects - Arts and Culture Precinct Budget to the Deniliquin Water Tower Project budget.

Moved: Cr Betts

Seconded: Cr McAllister

CARRIED

2018/320 REQUEST FOR WATER TRANSFERS**RESOLUTION**

That Council

- 1) Approve providing a water transfer to the Racecourse Reserve and Deniliquin Golf Club
- 2) Approve the linking of work approval 50CA501687 to Councils Water Access Licence to allow the water transfer to take place.
- 3) Approve the previous action taken by Council officers to link the work approval for the Deniliquin Golf Club with the Water Access Licence
- 4) Set the water transfers at the following levels:
 - a) Racecourse Reserve – 35 ML
 - b) Golf Club – 180 ML
- 5) Provide the water to the Golf Club and Racecourse free of charge and only pass on to either group administrative charges as incurred in establishing the water transfer
- 6) Note that this approval is a once off approval and that Council may not be able to provide this support in future years if increased water restrictions are applied
- 7) Request further information from Riverview Estate and Lawson Supply on future plans for water sustainability for each estate and previous water management practices including any water bought or sold.

Moved: Cr McAllister

Seconded: Cr Metcalfe

CARRIED

2018/321 SOUTH WEST MUSIC REQUEST FOR FUNDING ASSISTANCE FOR CONCEPT DESIGNS**RESOLUTION**

That Council

1. Support providing \$10,000 funding to South West Music Regional Conservatorium from Council's Stronger Communities Fund – Merger Funding for the development of concept plans for a permanent Conservatorium to be based in Deniliquin
2. Refer this request to the Stronger Communities Fund Assessment Panel for their consideration
3. Note that this support is based on:
 - (a) The important regional role of South West Music
 - (b) The social and economic benefits that South West Music and a permanent Conservatorium would provide to the broader community
 - (c) The diverse and varied cultural offering that South West Music provide

Moved: Cr Fogarty

Seconded: Cr Hall

CARRIED

Cr Wallace left the Chambers at 9.55am

2018/322 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT (NOVEMBER 2018)**RESOLUTION**

That Council note the Environmental Services report for November 2018.

Moved: Cr McCrabb

Seconded: Cr Fogarty

CARRIED

Cr Wallaced returned to the Chambers at 9.57am

2018/323 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES PROJECT QUARTERLY REPORT (DECEMBER 2018)**RESOLUTION**

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

Moved: Cr Wallace

Seconded: Cr McCrabb

CARRIED

2018/324 ROADSIDE GRAZING**RESOLUTION**

That Council:

1. Note the report on roadside grazing; and
2. Grant concurrence in accordance with section 78 of the Local Land Services Act for the issuing of roadside grazing permits until 21 February 2019.

Moved: Cr McAllister

Seconded: Cr Metcalfe

CARRIED

2018/325 DRAFT DENILIQVIN MASTERPLAN**RESOLUTION**

That Council:

1. Receive and note the draft Deniliquin Masterplan Public Exhibition Feedback Summary, contained at Attachment 1.
2. Adopt the Deniliquin Masterplan, contained as Attachment 2.

Moved: Cr Bull

Seconded: Cr McAllister

CARRIED

2018/326 MINUTES - OPEN AND PUBLIC SPACE STRATEGIC WORKING GROUP

RESOLUTION

That Council note the minutes from the meeting of the Open and Public Space Strategic Working Group held on 19 November 2018.

Moved: Cr Betts
Seconded: Cr McCrabb

CARRIED

2018/327 MINUTES - ACCESS COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

That Council:

1. Receive and note the minutes of the Access Committee meeting held 5 December 2018, contained at Attachment A.
2. Allocate the \$30,000 contained in Council's 2018/19 Budget for implementation of Council's Disability Inclusion Action Plan to delivering items 1.3, 2.2 and 2.3, as recommended by the Access Committee.

Moved: Cr Fogarty
Seconded: Cr McCrabb

CARRIED

2018/328 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION 56/18 - TEMPORARY USE BEING THE DENILIQUN RSL FISHING CLASSIC EVENT**RESOLUTION/S**

That Council: -

- 1 Approve in accordance with section 4.16 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 development application 56/18 for a temporary use being the 'Deniliquin RSL Fishing Classic' event, on Lot 7012 DP1120697 (Crown Reserve 79140) and Lot 2 DP1176349 (Crown Reserve 79158), Davidson Street, Deniliquin dated 24 September 2018 as shown on plan numbered DA56/18-1 and 2 for the following reasons:
 - (a) The proposed development is consistent with the zone and existing character of the area.
- 2 Impose the following conditions on DA56/18

CONDITIONS OF CONSENT:**1. General**

- 1.1 The development shall take place in accordance with the approved plans and documentation, including any notations marked by Council thereon, as referenced in Schedule 1 – List of approved plans attached to DA No. 56/18, and the conditions of consent.

Reason: To clarify the terms of the approval.

- 1.2 This development consent is issued for a period of one (1) year and one (1) event only, scheduled for Saturday 16 February and Sunday 17 February 2019.

Reason: To clarify the terms of the approval.

- 1.3 Overnight accommodation is not permitted on the site, including camping in tents, cars or otherwise.

Reason: To clarify the terms of the approval.

- 1.4 No advertising sign and/or structure other than that which is permissible without consent is to be erected as part of the approved development unless a formal application has been submitted to Council and a development consent has been issued.

Reason: To advise that unless shown as part of the development proposal separate development consent is required for any advertising sign and/or structures.

- 1.5 The Applicant is to contact Council at least 7 days prior to the event to make arrangements for the inspection of the site, **24 hours prior to the commencement of the event.**

Reason: To clarify the terms of the approval.

2. Insurance Requirements

- 2.1 **Prior to the commencement of the event** evidence shall be provided to Council that public liability coverage for a minimum of \$20,000,000 for any one occurrence has been obtained. The following organisations must be noted on the policy as an insured or interested party for their respective rights and interests:

- The State of New South Wales;
- NSW Roads and Maritime Services;
- NSW Police; and

- Edward River Council.

Reason: To clarify the terms of the approval.

- 2.2 **Prior to the commencement of the event** evidence shall be provided to Council that a volunteer workers insurance policy has been obtained. The level of coverage shall include public liability coverage of a minimum of \$20,000,000 for any one occurrence and shall be a separate policy than the general public liability policy.

Reason: To clarify the terms of the approval.

3. Plans of Management

- 3.1 A Plan of Management for the event is to be submitted to Council no later than **fourteen (14) days prior to the event** incorporating the following:

- Event Management Plan;
- Emergency Management Plan;
- Traffic Management Plan; and
- Waste Management Plan.

Reason: To ensure safe operation of the event.

- 3.2 The Plan of Management is to incorporate an Event Management Plan including the installation, operation and decommissioning of the event and providing for the following:

- Anticipated number of entrants and officials at the event;
- Details regarding how the event shall be managed,
- Details of volunteer management procedures including numbers of volunteers, roles and responsibilities, volunteer amenity including break times and provision of drinking water;
- Details of entrant management measures, including provision of adequate portable toilet facilities, security, traffic and parking control (with reference to the Traffic Management Plan) seating, first aid and emergency management (with reference to the Emergency Management Plan), management of lost children and other measures relating to entrant management and comfort;
- Details of vendor and stall management including exact numbers and locations as well as proof of compliance with the requirements of the 'Food Handling Guidelines for Temporary Events';
- Proof of all licenses and approvals from other agencies and organisations;
- Contingency plan in the event of heavy rain;
- Details indicating that access and facilities for persons with disabilities are in accordance with AS 1428.1 – Design for Access and Mobility and Part D3 of the Building Code of Australia;
- Details on the keeping of a complaint register which shall be kept by the organiser and be available for viewing by an authorised officer of Council upon request. All complaints must be recorded in the register and include relevant details such as the nature of the complaint, time, date and person making the complaint and contact details of the person making the complaint; and
- Details of the number and location of security staff.

Reason: To ensure the installation, operation and decommissioning of the event is consistent with the Event Management Plan.

- 3.3 The Plan of Management incorporating the Emergency Management Plan is to detail the emergency measures (including preventative and response) for all situations, including but not limited to:

- Injury (both minor and serious) to any person (including entrants, staff and volunteers) and first aid;
- Notification of the intended event, including the Plan of Management, to each of the following no later than fourteen (14) days before the event:
 - The officer-in-charge of the nearest police station to the event site;
 - The officer-in-charge of the nearest ambulance station to the event site; and
 - The officer-in-charge of the nearest Fire and Rescue NSW station to the event site.

Reason: To ensure emergency measures are in place for the event.

3.4 The Plan of Management incorporating the Traffic Management Plan is to detail the proposed treatment of traffic, both vehicle and pedestrian, at the event site and along the public roads leading to the event site. The Traffic Management Plan must have consideration for the following:

- Vehicle access to and from the site;
- Access to and from entrant vehicle parking areas;
- Location of the bus drop off area (this should be located at the rear of the site near the proposed parking area to remove the need for pedestrians near the carriageway of the Cobb Highway);
- Measures to ensure emergency vehicle access to, and within, the subject site during the event are to be addressed;
- Measures for the management of traffic to provide for vehicle and pedestrian access to and around the event, particularly directional signage for way finding for motorists.

Reason: To ensure the treatment of traffic is suitable for both vehicles and pedestrians in and around the event.

3.5 The Plan of Management incorporating the Waste Management Plan is to detail the proposed methods for management of waste generated by the event. The Waste Management Plan must have consideration for the following:

- Method for collection of waste containers from the site;
- Measures for ensuring that glass is not brought onto the site;
- Measures to address post-event waste management with the Edward River Oval grounds; and
- Details of on-site garbage storage areas that are readily accessible and serviceable by the waste contractor.

Reason: To ensure that treatment of waste is suitable for the event.

3.6 The Event Management Plan is to detail the management of alcohol during the event.

Reason: To ensure the safety of all participants, volunteers and spectators.

3.7 A minimum of **fourteen (14) days prior to the event** being held the event organiser shall notify Council details of food businesses that will be trading at your event / market including the following details:

- Business name;
- Business contact details including phone numbers, postal address and e-mail address;
- Trading location;
- Owners details including names, residential address and phone numbers; and
- The nature of the business. This shall include the type of stall (eg) mobile van/ marquee and a description of the nature / type of food to be sold).

Reason: This information is required to be provided in accordance with the provisions of the NSW Food Act & Regulation to provide information for investigation in the incidence of a foodborne illness outbreak.

3.8 All temporary food stalls and mobile food vans are to be constructed and located and have minimum facilities as outlined on the NSW Food Authority website under

the headings of Markets and Temporary Events and Mobile Food Vendors.

Reason: To ensure all foods meet the minimum standards necessary for the safe handling of food in accordance with the Food Act & Regulation.

- 3.9 All food businesses operating mobile food vending vehicles, with the exception of volunteer organisations must appoint a NSW Food Safety Supervisor (FSS) if the food they prepare and serve is:

- ready-to-eat
- potentially hazardous (ie needs temperature control)
- not sold and served in the supplier's original package.

The business must ensure the FSS certificate is available in the temporary stall / mobile food vending vehicle before commencement of operation and upon request by an authorised officer under the Food Act.

Note: Information can be obtained from the Food Safety Supervisor section of the NSW Food Authority website for information on how to obtain a certificate.

Reason: To comply with the requirements of the NSW Food Act and Regulation.

- 3.10 Any temporary structure such as a tent, marquee, booth having a floor area of more than 300m² or a stage having a floor area of more than 50m² shall have separate consent from Council. Any temporary structure having a floor area less than that specified shall be located on the site and be designed and constructed in accordance with the development standards specified in State Environmental Planning Policy (Exempt and Complying Development Codes) 2008.

Reason: To comply with the NSW SEPP's Code for Exempt and Complying Development.

4. **Damage to the Edward River Oval**

- 4.1 **Prior to the commencement of the event** a Pre-Event Dilapidation Report will be prepared by Council. The report shall provide detail regarding the pre-event condition of the Edward River Oval. The applicant shall be responsible for all costs involved with this report and any subsequent actions as required.

Reason: To clarify the terms of the approval.

- 4.2 **Immediately following the event** an inspection by Council staff shall be undertaken to ensure that the Edward River Oval is in sufficient condition to be re-opened to the public. The Applicant shall be responsible for all costs involved with this inspection and any subsequent actions as required.

Reason: To clarify the terms of the approval.

- 4.3 **Within seven (7) days of the event** a Post Event Dilapidation Report will be prepared by Council. The report shall provide details regarding the post event condition of the Edward River Council. The Applicant shall be responsible for all costs involved with these costs involved with this report and any subsequent actions as required.

Reason: To clarify the terms of the approval.

- 4.4 The Applicant shall be responsible for the repair of any damage to the Edward River Oval due to the event or activities associated with the event.

Reason: To clarify the terms of the approval.

Moved: Cr Hall
Seconded: Cr Fogarty

CARRIED

In Favour: Crs Norm Brennan, Pat Fogarty, Peta Betts, Marg Bull, Ashley Hall, Norm McAllister, Peter McCrabb, Nick Metcalfe and Mac Wallace

Against: Nil

CARRIED 9/0

2018/329 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION 51/18 - INSTALLATION OF A SINGLE MOORING.**RESOLUTION**

That Council approve: -

1. The development application 51/18 for the installation of a single mooring, on Lot 7012 DP1120697, Davidson Street, Deniliquin dated 7 September 2018 as shown on plans numbered DA51/18-1 and 2, as described in details accompanying the Development Application be **APPROVED** in accordance with section 4.16 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 for the following reasons:
 - (a) The proposed development is generally compliant with the key planning provisions contained in the Deniliquin Local Environmental Plan 2013 and Development Control Plan 2016. The proposed development is consistent with the zone and the desired future character of the area.
2. Impose the following conditions on DA51/18:

CONDITIONS OF CONSENT:**1. GENERAL**

- 1.1 The development shall take place in accordance with the approved plans and documentation, including any notations marked by Council thereon, as referenced in Schedule 1 - List of approved plans attached to DA No. 51/18 and the conditions of consent.

Reason: To clarify the extent of the consent.

2 ROADS AND MARITIME SERVICES (RMS) - CONDITIONS

- 2.1 Each mooring pole must be painted white above the mean high water mark or have a white cone shaped cap placed on top of each pole (or equivalent).

Reason: To provide for safe navigation of vessels by providing visibility to passing vessels.

- 2.2 Occupation of NSW waters by any vessel at the location must be subject to a mooring licence administered by RMS and moored parallel to the riverbank.

Reason: To comply with NSW Marine legislation relating to the occupation of vessels on NSW waters.

3. OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE (OEH) - CONDITIONS

- 3.1 If any Aboriginal object is discovered and/or harmed in, or under the land, while undertaking the proposed development activities, the proponent must:

1. Not further harm the object,
2. Immediately cease all work at the particular location,
3. Secure the area so as to avoid further harm to the Aboriginal object,
4. Notify OEH as soon as practical on 131555, providing any details of the Aboriginal object and its location, and
5. Not recommence any work at the particular location unless authorised in writing by OEH.

Reason: To comply with the requirements of the Office of Environment and Heritage.

Advising: *It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that all reasonable precautions are taken to prevent the occurrence of damage to Aboriginal objects. Applicants should be aware that if any Aboriginal objects are harmed during works they could be liable to prosecution under the strict liability offence of the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974, unless they can demonstrate they have followed the "Due Diligence Code of Practice for the Protection of Aboriginal Objects in NSW". Further information on the code is available at the Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) website: www.environment.nsw.gov.au/resources/cultureheritage/ddcop/10798ddcop.pdf*

4. DEPARTMENT OF PRIMARY INDUSTRIES – FISHERIES (DPI FISHERIES) – CONDITIONS

- 4.1 The applicants will need to obtain a permit under the *Fisheries Management Act* or the *Water Management Act* if there is to be any excavation within, or filling of the waterway.

- Reason: To comply with the requirements of DPI.
- 4.2 If any ground disturbance is to take place, erosion and sediment mitigation devices are to be erected in a manner consistent with currently accepted Best Management Practice (ie Managing Urban Stormwater: Soils and Construction 4th Edition Landcom, 2004) to prevent the entry or sediment into the waterway prior to any earthworks being undertaken. These are to be maintained in good working order for the whole duration of the works and subsequently until the site has been stabilised and the risk of erosion and sediment movement from the site is minimal.
- Reason: To ensure that sediment generated by the exposure of soil is not transported into the main water body.
- 4.3 On completion of works, the site is to be rehabilitated and stabilised. Surplus construction materials and temporary structures (other than silt fences and other erosion and sediment control devices) installed during the course of the works are to be removed.
- Reason: To ensure that habitats are restored as quickly as possible, public safety is not compromised and aesthetic values are not degraded.
- 4.4 Machinery is not to enter, or work from the waterway unnecessarily.
- Reason: To ensure minimal risk of water pollution from oil or petroleum products and to minimise disturbance to the streambed substrate.
- 4.5 No snags (tree trunks, root balls, limbs, branches or other woody debris) in the channel or on the bank of the river other than the one identified in the application and plans, are to be moved, removed or otherwise interfered with either during the construction phase of at any time subsequently, without the concurrence of Fisheries NSW.
- Reason: "Removal of Large Woody Debris" is listed as a Key Threatening Process under the provisions of the Fisheries Management Act 1994 and there are significant penalties for harming the habitat of threatened species.
- 4.6 Native vegetation (including trees such as River Red Gum, Black Box and River Coobah, shrubs, reeds such as Phragmites and grasses) on or adjacent to the river bank is not to be cleared, modified or otherwise harmed at any time during the construction or at any time subsequently. This does not include control of noxious or other recognised weeds.
- Reason: "Decline in native riparian vegetation" is listed as a Key Threatening Process under the provisions of the Fisheries Management Act 1994 and there are significant penalties for harming the habitat of threatened species.
- 4.7 Trees are not to be used for tying up or securing vessels.
- Reason: Continued use of trees for mooring can damage the bark of the tree and lead to its death.
- 4.8 The District Fisheries Officer at Deniliquin (Telephone: 03 5881 9928, Mobile: 0427 897 145, Fax: 03 5881 3719, Email: shaun.burke@industry.nsw.gov.au) **is to be notified at least 3 days prior to the commencement of construction** (email or fax preferred).
- Reason: To ensure that the local Fisheries Officer is aware that work on the river bank is about to commence.
- 4.9 DPI Fisheries is to be notified immediately if any fish kills occur in the vicinity of the works. In such as case all works are to cease until the issue is rectified and approval is given to proceed.
- Reason: DPI Fisheries needs to be aware of fish kills so that is can assess the cause and mitigate any further incidents in consultation with relevant authorities. They are also potentially contentious incidents from the public perspective. Work practices may need to be modified to reduce the impacts upon the aquatic environment.

Moved: Cr Betts

Seconded: Cr Hall

CARRIED

In Favour: Crs Norm Brennan, Pat Fogarty, Peta Betts, Marg Bull, Ashley Hall, Norm McAllister, Peter McCrabb, Nick Metcalfe and Mac Wallace

Against: Nil

CARRIED 9/0

2018/330 STRONGER COMMUNITIES FUND - MAJOR PROJECTS PROGRAM AND THE STRONGER COMMUNITIES PROGRAM - DECEMBER PROGRESS REPORT**RESOLUTION**

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

Moved: Cr McCrabb

Seconded: Cr Wallace

CARRIED

Michael Todd, Assets and Procurement Administrator entered the Chambers at 10.15am

2018/331 DENILIQVIN NORTH TENNIS COURTS**RESOLUTION**

That Council:

1. Inform the North Deniliquin Tennis Club that Council do not support the re-introduction of tennis at the North Deniliquin Tennis Courts.
2. Request Officers to commence work to plan for future use and beautification of the site.

Moved: Cr Hall

Seconded: Cr McAllister

CARRIED

In Favour: Crs Norm Brennan, Peta Betts, Ashley Hall, Norm McAllister, Peter McCrabb, Nick Metcalfe and Mac Wallace

Against: Crs Pat Fogarty and Marg Bull

CARRIED 7/2

Cr Hall left the Chambers at 10.34am

2018/332 TRIAL FOR SEAL EXTENSION**RESOLUTION**

That Council carry out a low-cost seal trial;

- a. Construct a 4 m wide seal on Sloane Street from Blackett Street to the River and on Wyatt Street between Henry Street and Harfleur Street utilising existing road base material.
- b. Prior to commencing work review costings to ensure no over-run in Sloane Street.
- c. Place signage on each of these roads identifying that Council are carrying out a low-cost seal trial and monitor for four years

Moved: Cr Wallace

Seconded: Cr Metcalfe

CARRIED

In Favour: Crs Norm Brennan, Pat Fogarty, Peta Betts, Marg Bull, Ashley Hall, Norm McAllister, Nick Metcalfe and Mac Wallace

Against: Cr Peter McCrabb

CARRIED 8/1

Cr Hall returned to the Chambers at 10.57am

Cr Bull, Cr McCrabb and Cr Wallace left the Chambers at 10.57am after having declared an interest in the report.

2018/333 RURAL FIRE SERVICE TANKER TRAILER UNITS

RESOLUTION

That Council

1. Approve disposal of all the Council-controlled Tanker Trailer Units.
2. Seek expressions of interest for the sale of Tanker Trailer Units from the public.
3. Utilise the following selection criteria in the expression of interest process:
 - a. Price – The price that an applicant is willing to pay for the trailer
 - b. Strategic Location – Location across the Edward River Local Government Area (LGA). Council's intention is to have an equitable spread of the units across the LGA.
 - c. Availability for fighting fires – Applicants must demonstrate their willingness to register and insure the fire trailer and that they would contribute to the broader community by assisting with fighting fires if required

Moved: Cr McAllister

Seconded: Cr Metcalfe

CARRIED

Cr Bull, Cr McCrabb and Cr Wallace turned to the Chambers at 11.04am.

Michael Todd, Assets and Procurement Administrator left the Chambers at 11.04am and did not return.

2018/334 RETIREMENT LIVING PROJECT OVERSPEND

RESOLUTION

That Council;

1. Note the overspend of \$95,000 of the funded allocation to complete enabling works at the retirement living site between Poitiers Street, Harfleur, Hardinge and Napier Streets.
2. Ratify that the funds to be transferred from the following areas to offset this cost overrun
 - (a) \$35,000 from the \$60,000 carried forward from 2017/18 for surface water drainage works
 - (b) \$50,000 from the \$100,000 allocated to sewer manhole refurbishment in the 2018/19 budget
 - (c) \$10,000 from the contractor roads budget in the 2018/19 budget

Moved: Cr Wallace

Seconded: Cr Fogarty

CARRIED

2018/335 ADJORNMENT

Council adjourned for a fifteen minute break.

Moved: Cr McCrabb

Seconded: Cr Fogarty

CARRIED

2018/336 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS**RESOLUTION**

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:

15.1 Contract 2.19.273 - Reconstruction of Intersection of Barham Road and Abattoir Road

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.

15.2 Dongmun Greentec - Repayment of Loan

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2) - g 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 advice concerning litigation, or advice as comprises a discussion of this matter, that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege.

15.3 PURCHASE OF PLANT - FORKLIFT

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.

15.4 Purchase of Councils Customer Service Building

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.

15.5 Deniliquin Airport Project

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.

15.6 Contract 2.19.266 - Deniliquin Swim Centre - Changerooms and Amenities Refurbishment

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.

Moved: Cr Betts

Seconded: Cr McCrabb

CARRIED

2018/337 CONTRACT 2.19.273 - RECONSTRUCTION OF INTERSECTION OF BARHAM ROAD AND ABATTOIR ROAD**RESOLUTION**

That Council:

1. Accept the tender submitted by Riverina Earthworks Pty Ltd for Contract 2.19.273 – Reconstruction of Intersection of Barham Road and Abattoir Road for the lump sum tender price of \$352,032.77 + 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 2.19.273 – Reconstruction of Intersection of Barham Road and Abattoir Road.

Moved: Cr McAllister

Seconded: Cr Wallace

CARRIED

2018/338 DONGMUN GREENTEC - REPAYMENT OF LOAN**RESOLUTION**

That Council

1. Approve the commencement of legal proceedings against Dongmun Greentec Pty Ltd for the necessary orders for possession of the property and removal of the freehold caveat on the land in Gheringhap that Council hold first mortgage on
2. Note that legal costs incurred will be added to the final amount payable by Dongmun Greentec on discharge of the mortgage

Moved: Cr McAllister

Seconded: Cr McCrabb

CARRIED

2018/339 PURCHASE OF PLANT - FORKLIFT**RESOLUTION**

That Council

1. Accept the tender submitted by Mackin Forklifts for the purchase of a Clark C50SD Forklift for the contract price of \$63,184.50 excluding GST.
2. Prior to purchasing this piece of equipment, the existing hiring costs be investigated.
3. Approve an increase in budget of \$3,184.50 excluding GST for the purchase of the forklift from \$60,000 to \$63,184.50 which will be reallocated from the \$50,000 budgeted for miscellaneous plant in 2018/19.

Moved: Cr McCrabb

Seconded: Cr Metcalfe

CARRIED

2018/340 PURCHASE OF COUNCILS CUSTOMER SERVICE BUILDING**RESOLUTION**

That Council

1. Purchase the Customer Service Building from Decentralised Demountables at a cost of \$436,953.46 ex GST
2. Utilise Council's unrestricted cash reserve to fund the purchase
3. Note that further work will be undertaken to confirm if the building will remain in its current location or be relocated to the North Depot

Moved: Cr Fogarty

Seconded: Cr Betts

CARRIED

2018/341 DENILQUIN AIRPORT PROJECT**RESOLUTION**

That Council

1. Note the RESOLUTION from the Deniliquin Airport Expansion Steering Committee meeting on 27 November 2018;

That the Airport Steering Committee recommend to Council that a staged approach to developing the runway be the preferred option for the airport project, subject to additional information from Redwater and McKinna consulting

2. Note that Council view the project as a long term asset for the region, continue with option one and await additional information from the consultants currently working on the project.

Moved: Cr McAllister

Seconded: Cr Fogarty

CARRIED

Cr Metcalfe left the Chambers at 12.05pm and did not return

2018/342 CONTRACT 2.19.266 - DENILQUIN SWIM CENTRE - CHANGEROOMS AND AMENITIES REFURBISHMENT**RESOLUTION**

That Council

1. Approve the revised scope of works for the changerooms and amenities refurbishment project to include
 - (a) The removal of the existing roof over the dressing rooms and reception area
 - (b) Construction of a new roof over the dressing rooms and reception area
 - (c) The replacement of the chain fencing along Macauley Street from the Swim Club, Club Rooms to the rear of the community garden
2. Authorise additional funding of \$110,000 to be allocated from the unallocated Stronger Communities Funding to increase the project total budget amount to \$407,000.
3. Accepts the tender from Precise Building PTY LTD for Contract 2.19.266 – Deniliquin Swim Centre – CHANGEROOMS AND AMENITIES REFURBISHMENTS for the total lump sum of \$366,485.94 including GST;
4. Authorise the General Manager and Mayor to sign and affix the Common Seal of Edward River Council to the contract documentation for Contract 2.19.266 – Deniliquin Swim Centre – Changerooms and Amenities Refurbishment; and
5. Approve the appointment of a fencing contractor at a cost of approximately \$8,500 to replace the fence along the Macauley Street boundary.

Moved: Cr McCrabb

Seconded: Cr Bull

CARRIED

2018/343 RESOLUTION

That Council moves out of Closed Council into Open Council.

Moved: Cr McCrabb

Seconded: Cr Hall

CARRIED

CLOSE OF MEETING

The Meeting closed at 12.10pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 21 February 2019.

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CHAIRPERSON



**Edward
River**
COUNCIL

MINUTES

Extraordinary Council Meeting

7 February 2019

**MINUTES OF EDWARD RIVER COUNCIL
EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER 180 CRESSY STREET DENILIQUIN
ON THURSDAY, 7 FEBRUARY 2019 AT 9.00AM**

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

IN ATTENDANCE: Adam McSwain (General Manager), Mark Dalzell (Manager Engineering and Assets), Mr Michael Todd (Assets and Procurement Coordinator), Cian Middleton (Governance and Communications Officer)

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Chair read the Statement of Purpose.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Chair read the Acknowledgement of Country

APOLOGIES AND REQUESTS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The Chair advised receipt of an apology from Cr Ashley Hall.

APOLOGY

RESOLUTION 2019/02/01

Moved: Cr Mac Wallace
Seconded: Cr Nick Metcalfe

That the apology received from Cr Ashley Hall be accepted and leave of absence granted.

CARRIED

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

The Chair advised there were no Disclosures of Interests received in relation to the 7 February 2019 Extraordinary Meeting.

Cr Fogarty joined the meeting at 9.02am.

PUBLIC FORUM

Speaker 1:	John Mulham, Lawson Water Supply Company Pty Ltd
Subject	Request for drought assistance

The Speaker made a presentation to Council in relation to the Lawson Water Supply Company's request for drought assistance.

The Chair invited questions from Councillors.

The Chair thanked the Speaker for his presentation to Council.

Speaker 2:	Warren Newton, Riverview Estate Community Association
Subject	Request for drought assistance

The Speaker made a presentation to Council in relation to the Riverview Estate Community Association's request for drought assistance.

The Chair invited questions from Councillors.

The Chair thanked the Speaker for his presentation to Council.

REQUEST FROM DENILIQUN RACECOURSE LAND MANAGER

RESOLUTION 2019/02/02

Moved: Cr Norm McAllister

Seconded: Cr Nick Metcalfe

That Council:

1. Receive and note the correspondence from the Deniliquin Racecourse Trust, contained at Attachment A.
2. Pursuant to section 356(1) of the Local Government Act 1993, approve the Deniliquin Racecourse Trust's request for financial assistance up to a maximum of \$25,000 to underwrite the Murray Irrigation Limited loan of 30ML of water.
3. Pursuant to section 356(2) of the Local Government Act 1993, provide 28 days' public notice of its proposal to provide financial assistance to the Deniliquin Racecourse Trust through the purchase of 30ML of water.
4. Subject to Council receiving no submissions during the 28-day public notice period, provide the financial assistance to the Deniliquin Racecourse Trust.
5. Approve the financial assistance to be reallocated in Council's 2018/19 budget from the Urban Drainage cost centre.
6. Note that if the application for the Water Access Licence and subsequent water transfer is approved then no direct financial assistance will be provided.

CARRIED

CLOSE OF MEETING

The Meeting closed at 9.32am.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Meeting of the Edward River Council held on 21 February 2019.

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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, COUNCILLORS AND GENERAL MANAGER MEETINGS**

File Number:

Author: Belinda Perrett, Executive Assistant

Authoriser: Adam McSwain, General Manager

RECOMMENDATION

That Council note the Mayor, Councillor and General Manager meetings for December 2018 and January 2019.

ACKGROUND

The report details meetings undertaken by the Mayor, Councillors and General Manager on behalf of Council during December 2018 and January 2019.

Mayor and General Manager meetings December 2018 and January 2019

Date	Participants	Topic	Council Reps
December 4	SDL Meeting	Yanco Creek	Mayor and General Manager
December 10	Murray Regional Strategy Group	Deniliquin RSL	Mayor
December 11	High School	Rise & Shine Community Breakfast	General Manager
December 11	Finley Public School Presentation Day	Finley High School	Cr McAllister
December 12	In Focus Exhibition	Peppin Heritage Centre	Cr Betts, General Manager
December 12	St Michaels School	Presentation Evening	Cr Hall
December 12	Mayrung Public School	Presentation Evening	Cr Metcalfe
December 14	Marianne Warren, Director Strategy & Planning; Fiona Rensaw Acting Director Operations	Murrumbidgee Local Health District	Mayor, General Manager
December 14	South Public School	Presentation Day	Cr Betts
December 15	South West Arts Board Meeting	Long Table Cafe	Cr Bull, General Manager
December	Community Christmas Party	Community	Mayor, Cr Fogarty, Cr

16	and Carols by Candlelight	Event	Betts, Cr Bull
December 17	Murray Regional Strategy Group	Council Chambers	Mayor
December 17	Conargo Primary School	Presentation Evening	Cr Bull
December 17	Blighty School	Presentation Evening	Cr Metcalfe
December 18	Deniliquin High School	Presentation Evening	Mayor and Lady Mayoress
December 19	MDBREDP Funding Announcement	Peppin Heritage Centre	Cr Hall, General Manager
December 20	Audit Risk & Improvement Committee Meeting	Council Chambers	Cr McAllister, Cr McCrabb, General Manager
January 9	Edward River Promotions Committee Meeting	Council Chambers	Mayor
January 17	Central Murray County Council	Council Chambers	Cr Hall, Acting General Manager
January 17	Australia Day Committee Meeting	Council Chambers	Cr Bull, Cr Fogarty
January 17	Augmented Reality project for the Long Paddock Touring Route	The Black Swamp, Boorooban and Hay	Cr McCrabb
January 17	"Artlife" 1 st Exhibition	Opening Peppin Heritage Centre	Cr Betts
January 22	Ochre Health re Doctor Recruitment	Ochre Health	Mayor, General Manager
January 22	Deniliquin Airport Expansion Steering Committee	Council Chambers	Mayor, Cr Hall, General Manager
January 25	Australia Day Dinner with Ambassador and nominees	Peppin Heritage Centre	Mayor, Deputy Mayor, General Manager
January 26	Australia Day with Federal Member for Farrer, The Hon Sussan Ley MP	Waring Gardens	Mayor, Deputy 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 to 7 February 2019.

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 to 7 February 2019**

Council Meeting Resolutions to 7 February 2019

7 February 2019	Resolution	Responsibility	Status	Expected Date of Completion
2019/02/02	<p>Request from Deniliquin Racecourse Land Manager</p> <p>That Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Receive and note the correspondence from the Deniliquin Racecourse Trust, contained at Attachment A. 2. Pursuant to section 356(1) of the Local Government Act 1993, approve the Deniliquin Racecourse Trust's request for financial assistance up to a maximum of \$25,000 to underwrite the Murray Irrigation Limited loan of 30ML of water. 3. Pursuant to section 356(2) of the Local Government Act 1993, provide 28 days' public notice of its proposal to provide financial assistance to the Deniliquin Racecourse Trust through the purchase of 30ML of water. 4. Subject to Council receiving no submissions during the 28-day public notice period, provide the financial assistance to the Deniliquin Racecourse Trust. 5. Approve the financial assistance to be reallocated in Council's 2018/19 budget from the Urban Drainage cost centre. 6. Note that if the application for the Water Access Licence and subsequent water transfer is approved then no direct financial assistance will be provided. 	General Manager	<p>Racecourse Land Manager had been informed.</p> <p>Public Notice published 8 February 2019.</p>	8 March 2019
20 December 2018	Resolution	Responsibility	Status	Expected Date of Completion
314/18	<p>Strategic Review of Committee Framework and Community Facility Management Model -</p> <p>That Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Undertake a strategic review of its committee framework and community facility management model. 	Corporate Services Director	<p>Committees have been notified.</p> <p>Quotes received from consultants to under the project.</p>	June 2019

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	2. Notify all section 355 committees of the purpose of the strategic review and advise that committees will be consulted in the preparation of the review.			
316/18	<p>Early Repayment of Loans</p> <p>That Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approve the early repayment of Councils loans prior to 31 December 2018 2. Repay the loans from the following funds: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Sewer Effluent Re-Use Facility loan to be paid from the Sewerage Services Fund (b) Library loan to be paid from the Library reserve (c) Aerodrome loan to be paid from the Airport Development reserve (d) Remaining loans to be repaid from unrestricted funds. 3. Note the saving of \$48,169.15 that Council will generate through the early repayment of these loans 	Corporate Services Director	Completed	Completed
318/18	<p>Deniliquin Town Hall Revitalisation Project Reference Group</p> <p>That Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Establish a Project Reference Group to oversee the Deniliquin Town Hall Revitalisation Project. 2. Adopt the Deniliquin Town Hall Revitalisation Project Reference Group Constitution, contained as Attachment A. 3. Appoint Councillors Peta Betts, Margaret Bull and Mac Wallace as the three Councillor representatives on the Deniliquin Town Hall Revitalisation Project Reference Group, pursuant to clause 6.1 of the Constitution. 4. Invite representatives of Outback Theatre for Young People, South West Arts Inc. and South West Music Regional Conservatorium to serve as the three industry representatives on the Deniliquin Town Hall Revitalisation Project Reference Group, pursuant to clause 6.2 of the Constitution. 	Manager Tourism and Economic Development	Reference Group established. First meeting 27 February 2019	June 2019
319/18	<p>Deniliquin Water Tower Project</p> <p>That Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Note that the cost of completing the Deniliquin Water Tower Project is estimated to cost up to \$35,000. 	Manager Tourism and Economic Development	Report to Council 21 February 2019	February 2019

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	2. Allocate a further \$15,000 from Stronger Communities Major Projects - Arts and Culture Precinct Budget to the Deniliquin Water Tower Project budget.			
320/18	Request for Water Transfers That Council 1) Approve providing a water transfer to the Racecourse Reserve and Deniliquin Golf Club 2) Approve the linking of work approval 50CA501687 to Councils Water Access Licence to allow the water transfer to take place. 3) Approve the previous action taken by Council officers to link the work approval for the Deniliquin Golf Club with the Water Access Licence 4) Set the water transfers at the following levels: a) Racecourse Reserve – 35 ML b) Golf Club – 180 ML 5) Provide the water to the Golf Club and Racecourse free of charge and only pass on to either group administrative charges as incurred in establishing the water transfer 6) Note that this approval is a once off approval and that Council may not be able to provide this support in future years if increased water restrictions are applied 7) Request further information from Riverview Estate and Lawson Supply on future plans for water sustainability for each estate and previous water management practices including any water bought or sold.	General Manager	A further report to Council 21 February 2019	21 February 2019
321/18	South West Music Request for Funding Assistance for Concept Designs That Council 1. Support providing \$10,000 funding to South West Music Regional Conservatorium from Council's Stronger Communities Fund – Merger Funding for the development of concept plans for a permanent Conservatorium to be based in Deniliquin 2. Refer this request to the Stronger Communities Fund Assessment Panel for their consideration	Manager Tourism and Economic Development	Funding Agreement signed.	30 June 2019

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	<p>3. Note that this support is based on:</p> <p>(a) The important regional role of South West Music</p> <p>(b) The social and economic benefits that South West Music and a permanent Conservatorium would provide to the broader community</p> <p>(c) The diverse and varied cultural offering that South West Music provide</p>			
324/18	<p>Roadside Grazing</p> <p>That Council:</p> <p>1. Note the report on roadside grazing; and</p> <p>2. Grant concurrence in accordance with section 78 of the Local Land Services Act for the issuing of roadside grazing permits until 21 February 2019.</p>	Manager Environment Services	A report will be taken to 21 February 2019 Council meeting.	21 February 2019.
327/18	<p>Minutes – Access Committee</p> <p>That Council:</p> <p>1. Receive and note the minutes of the Access Committee meeting held 5 December 2018, contained at Attachment A.</p> <p>2. Allocate the \$30,000 contained in Council's 2018/19 Budget for implementation of Council's Disability Inclusion Action Plan to delivering items 1.3, 2.2 and 2.3, as recommended by the Access Committee.</p>	Manager Environment Services	Briefs being prepared.	30 June 2019
331/18	<p>Deniliquin North Tennis Courts</p> <p>That Council:</p> <p>1. Inform the North Deniliquin Tennis Club that Council do not support the re-introduction of tennis at the North Deniliquin Tennis Courts.</p> <p>2. Request Officers to commence work to plan for future use and beautification of the site.</p>	Director Infrastructure	Club informed. Brief to engage consultants being prepared.	Completed
332/18	<p>Trial for Seal Extension</p> <p>That Council carry out a low-cost seal trial;</p> <p>a. Construct a 4 m wide seal on Sloane Street from Blackett Street to the River and on Wyatt Street between Henry Street and Harfleur Street utilising existing road base material.</p>	Director Infrastructure	Final design costings have commenced. This work is programmed to be completed in April 2019.	April 2019

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> b. Prior to commencing work review costings to ensure no over-run in Sloane Street. c. Place signage on each of these roads identifying that Council are carrying out a low-cost seal trial and monitor for four years 			
333/18	<p>Rural Fire Service Tanker Trailer Units That Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approve disposal of all the Council-controlled Tanker Trailer Units. 2. Seek expressions of interest for the sale of Tanker Trailer Units from the public. 3. Utilise the following selection criteria in the expression of interest process: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Price – The price that an applicant is willing to pay for the trailer b. Strategic Location – Location across the Edward River Local Government Area (LGA). Council's intention is to have an equitable spread of the units across the LGA. c. Availability for fighting fires – Applicants must demonstrate their willingness to register and insure the fire trailer and that they would contribute to the broader community by assisting with fighting fires if required 	Director Infrastructure	E.O.I. Process will be advertised by March 2019.	March 2019
334/18	<p>Retirement Living Project Overspend That Council;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Note the overspend of \$95,000 of the funded allocation to complete enabling works at the retirement living site between Poitiers Street, Harfleur, Hardinge and Napier Streets. 2. Ratify that the funds to be transferred from the following areas to offset this cost overrun <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) \$35,000 from the \$60,000 carried forward from 2017/18 for surface water drainage works (b) \$50,000 from the \$100,000 allocated to sewer manhole refurbishment in the 2018/19 budget 	Director Infrastructure		Completed

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	(c) \$10,000 from the contractor roads budget in the 2018/19 budget			
337/18	Contract 2.19.273 – Reconstruction of Intersection of Barham Road and Abattoir Road That Council: 1. Accept the tender submitted by Riverina Earthworks Pty Ltd for Contract 2.19.273 – Reconstruction of Intersection of Barham Road and Abattoir Road for the lump sum tender price of \$352,032.77 + 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 2.19.273 – Reconstruction of Intersection of Barham Road and Abattoir Road.	Director Infrastructure	Contract signed and sealed. Work to commence.	Completed
338/18	Dongmun Greentec – Repayment of Loan That Council 1. Approve the commencement of legal proceedings against Dongmun Greentec Pty Ltd for the necessary orders for possession of the property and removal of the freehold caveat on the land in Gheringhap that Council hold first mortgage on 2. Note that legal costs incurred will be added to the final amount payable by Dongmun Greentec on discharge of the mortgage	General Manager	Legal action proceeding.	30 June 2019
339/18	Purchase of Plant – Forklift That Council 1. Accept the tender submitted by Mackin Forklifts for the purchase of a Clark C50SD Forklift for the contract price of \$63,184.50 excluding GST. 2. Prior to purchasing this piece of equipment, the existing hiring costs be investigated. 3. Approve an increase in budget of \$3,184.50 excluding GST for the purchase of the forklift from \$60,000 to \$63,184.50 which will be reallocated from the \$50,000 budgeted for miscellaneous plant in 2018/19.	Director Infrastructure	Further information to be provided to Council.	March 2019
340/18	Purchase of Councils Customer Service Building That Council	General Manager		Completed

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	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Purchase the Customer Service Building from Decentralised Demountables at a cost of \$436,953.46 ex GST 2. Utilise Council's unrestricted cash reserve to fund the purchase 3. Note that further work will be undertaken to confirm if the building will remain in its current location or be relocated to the North Depot 			
341/18	<p>Deniliquin Airport Project That Council</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Note the RESOLUTION from the Deniliquin Airport Expansion Steering Committee meeting on 27 November 2018; <i>That the Airport Steering Committee recommend to Council that a staged approach to developing the runway be the preferred option for the airport project, subject to additional information from Redwater and McKinna consulting</i> 2. Note that Council view the project as a long-term asset for the region, continue with option one and await additional information from the consultants currently working on the project. 	General Manager		Completed
15 November 2018	Resolution	Responsibility	Status	Expected Date of Completion
297/18	<p>Draft Flood Planning Levels Policy That Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Exhibit the draft Flood Planning Levels Policy for a period of 28 days <p>Receive a further report upon completion of the exhibition period. Policy review will be November 2019</p>	Manager Environmental Services		Completed
301/18	<p>Lagoons Bridge works – Request for Reimbursement That Council defer this report until the Lagoons Committee is an Incorporated Body and a formal request is made to Council.</p>	Director Infrastructure	A further report to Council will be presented.	21 February 2019
304/18	<p>Contract 2.19.252 – Edward River Council Flood Recovery Works That Council:</p>	Manager Engineering Assets	Contract is signed and works are	Completed.

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	1. Accept the tender and authorises the General Manager and Mayor to sign and affix the Common Seal of Edward River Council to the contract documentation for Contract 2.19.252 – Edward River Council Flood Recovery Works.		programmed to commence.	
18 October 2018	Resolution	Responsibility	Status	Expected Date of Completion
241/18	Drought Assistance Program – Supporting Severely Drought Stricken Farmers. Council considered whether to donate to the 'Buy a Bale' foundation or other appropriate contribution in line with Riverina and Murray Joint Organisation of Councils (RAMJO). Council elected to provide support in a different manner and will consider at a further workshop.	General Manager	Will be re-tabled for discussion at February 2019 Council Workshop and Meeting	February 2019
244/18	Riverina and Murray Joint Organisation of Councils – Distribution of Funds. That Council 1. Agree to re-contribute its share of the distribution of unused Riverina and Murray Regional Organisation of Councils (RAMROC) funds back to Riverina and Murray Joint Organisation of Councils (RAMJO) for the purpose of establishing a sound level of working capital 2. That Council's commitment under point one (1) above be subject to a majority of RAMJO member Councils making a similar commitment 3. Council note the minutes of the Board Meeting of RAMJO held on 5 September 2018	General Manager	Completed – Advice provided to RAMJO	Completed
245/18	Headworks Charges – Request for Payment over Multiple Years – Big4 Deniliquin.	General Manager	Agreement being drawn up	March 2019

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	<p>That Council</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approve the request by Big 4 Deniliquin for the Headworks Charges of \$183,000 associated with the current 43 site expansion to be paid in annual instalments over a five-year period 2. Approve the General Manager to negotiate with Big 4 Deniliquin to agree the payment plan across the five-year period 3. Note that annual CPI increases will be applied to outstanding balances until paid in full 			
250/18	<p>Councillor Appointment to Committees That Council reviewed the current Councillor appointments to committees and determined the following changes for the period October 2018 to October 2019.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Additional Audit Risk Committee - Cr McAllister & Cr McCrabb b) Additional Cemetery Committee – Cr Wallace c) Edward River Concert Band Committee – Cr Bull d) Tidy Towns Committee (to include villages) – Cr Fogarty e) Billabong Creek Committee be removed f) DBEC Committee be removed 	Director Corporate Services	Governance Officer to generate new list of all committees and reinstate on ECM	Completed
261/18	<p>Weed Management That Council approve the project plan for weed management as outlined and commence the process to advertise the funding that is available.</p>	Director Infrastructure	Advertised. Meeting to be held with Local Land Services & County Council Staff	March 2019
263/18	<p>Contract 2.19.263 – Blighty Netball, Tennis and Community Sporting Facility. That Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Not accept any tender submissions for Contract 2.19.263 – Blighty Netball, Tennis and Community Sporting Facility, in 	Director Infrastructure	Currently being built. Expected completion date May 2019.	May 2019

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	<p>accordance with Clause 178(1)(b) of the <i>Local Government (General) Regulations</i>, since all submitted tender prices were greater than the grant funding for the project;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Authorise the General Manager to negotiate with a view to entering into a contract to deliver the work at a reduced price, in accordance with Clause 178(3)(e) of the <i>Local Government (General) Regulations</i>; 3. Authorise the General Manager and Mayor to sign and affix the Common Seal of Edward River Council to the contract documentation for Contract 2.19.263 – Blighty Netball, Tennis and Community Sporting Facility following the completion of negotiations; and 4. Declare the reasons for not entering a fresh tender process being that the tender submissions were of a suitable quality but exceeded the allowable budget. 			
264/18	<p>Contract 2.19.265 – Scotts Park Destination Playground Upgrade That Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Not accept any tender submissions for Contract 2.19.265 – Scotts Park Destination Playground Upgrade, in accordance with Clause 178(1)(b) of the <i>Local Government (General) Regulations</i>, since all submitted tender prices were greater than the grant funding for the project; 2. Authorise the General Manager to negotiate with a view to entering into a contract to deliver the contract at a reduced price, in accordance with Clause 178(3)(e) of the <i>Local Government (General) Regulations</i>; 3. Authorise the General Manager and Mayor to sign and affix the Common Seal of Edward River Council to the contract documentation for Contract 2.19.265 – Scotts Park Destination Playground Upgrade following the completion of negotiations; and 	Director Infrastructure	Work commenced on site 11 February 2019.	June 2019

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	4. Declare the reasons for not entering a fresh tender process being that tender submissions received were of a suitable quality but exceeded the allowable budget for the project.			
20 September 2018	Resolution	Responsibility	Status	Expected Date of Completion
211/18	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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 5. Requests Council Officers investigate other plant items held by the County Council, and if the cost benefit of having the plant is positive, that Officers bring a further report to Council for consideration.	General Manager	Complete - Resolution provided to Central Murray County Council	September 2019
227/18	Drought Relief That Council approve that during this period of drought; <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ratepayers can apply for 30,000 litres of rural water for their private use by completing the necessary application form, 	Director Infrastructure	System implemented and operational.	March 2019

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	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. That Council will donate this water to ratepayers for their use 3. That ratepayers purchase a temporary fob for the Avdata system to enable them to collect and transport this water to their properties and that staff will work with ratepayers to ensure the best way of collection. 4. This resolution will be reviewed at the March 2019 Council meeting 			
230/18	<p>Retirement Living Project That Council</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Note the correspondence received from the preferred site developer and operator 2. Note that final approval for the proposed development on the site and the acquisition of the second piece of land is still pending approval from the Office of Local Government 3. Approve that following written confirmation from the Office of Local Government that the proposed development complies with the site and that the compulsory acquisition for the second piece of land is completed, that Council agree to entering into a further 12-week period with the proposed developer to complete a community consultation, market testing and feasibility assessment process 4. Approve the General Manager to draft a letter to the preferred developer in line with the above recommendations. 	General Manager	Complete	Completed
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: - 	General Manager	Letters of advice forwarded. Governance Officer to obtain details for reporting and acquittals.	June 2019

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Booroorban Sporting & Social Club \$15,000 b. Deniliquin Multi Arts Centre \$6,600 c. Blighty Advancement Committee \$10,000 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 			
190/18	<p>River Street Drainage</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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	Works completed.	Completed
193/18	<p>Plant Replacement</p> <p>Accept the tender submitted by Wagga Trucks and the FM1 2002 Sterling be offered for sale by public auction</p>	Director Infrastructure	Completed	Completed
19 July 2018	Resolution	Responsibility	Status	Expected Date of Completion
155/18	<p>Conargo Hall Committee Incorporation</p> <p>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.</p>	Director Corporate Services	Ongoing. Draft agreement updated following discussions with the Committee. Councillors further briefed in relation to the matter 6 December 2018. Further work to occur in relation	2019

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			to Council's Section 355 Committees prior to finalising.	
163/18	<p>Sale and Development Former Council Depot 143-147 Hardinge Street Deniliquin</p> <p>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 relocated to a suitable site and that the costs to do this will be funded through the proceeds from the sale of the land</p>	Manager Tourism & Economic Development	EOI to be advertised March 2019.	March 2019
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</p>	Director Infrastructure	In discussion with contractors to progress delivery of this work.	June 2019

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	<p>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>			
17 May 2018	Resolution	Responsibility	Status	Expected Date of Completion
113/18	<p>Deniliquin Ethanol Plant That Council: Approve the sale of lots two and three of the land Council hold title over in Gheringhap for \$300,000 Approve the Mayor and General Manager signing and applying the Council seal to sell lots two and three in Gheringhap Recover from Dongmun the \$18,000 currently held in trust Do not proceed with the sale of lot one of the land in 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</p>	General Manager	<p>\$300k received for sale of lots 2 & 3.</p> <p>Continuing to work with Francis, Kelly & Grant. Sale of remaining land now underway</p>	June 2019
15 March 2018	Recommendation	Responsibility	Status	Expected Date of Completion
47/18	<p>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</p>	Manager Tourism & Economic Development	Currently Reviewing Deed.	June 2019

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49/18	<p>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 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. 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>	Manager Tourism & Economic Development	State Government grant application for \$10 million in funding submitted. Federal Government seeking \$10 million in funding submitted	Ongoing
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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	<p>DA approved for the removal of the houses.</p> <p>DA for removal of South Depot sheds and relocation to North Depot to be submitted by end of February.</p> <p>DA for new sheds at the depot – excluding the accommodation block to be submitted.</p>	March 2019

11.3 INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 31 JANUARY 2019**Author:** Rindayi Matienga, Financial Accountant**Authoriser:** Trish Kirkland, Director Corporate Services**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council:

1. Note and receive the Report on Investments totaling \$41,504,888 inclusive of cash at bank for day-to-day operations;
2. Note that actual interest received for the month of January 2019 was \$59,725.
3. Note that accrued interest earned to 31 January 2019 but not yet received was \$303,497.

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 January 2019, Council had a total of \$41,504,888 in invested funds and cash at bank. This balance does not include unrepresented receipts or cheques.

Interest received from investments during the month of January 2019 was \$59,725 consisting of \$11,656 for on-call/ bank accounts and \$48,069 for term deposits. Year to date interest received to 31 January 2019 for Edward River Council is \$643,994. Accrued interest of \$303,497 has been earned to 31 January 19 but is not yet received as these investments mature in later months. Council's average interest rate is 2.25%, which is 0.18% above the 3-month BBSW rate of 2.07%.

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 January 2019 Council investments had a carrying value of \$41,504,888 as detailed in the attachment.

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	\$ 8,108,127
Sewerage services fund	\$ 5,954,489
Tip remediation	\$ 1,300,000
Business promotion levy	\$ -
Unexpended Merger funds	\$ 8,724,050
Other unexpended grant funds	\$ 1,053,717
Library fund	\$ 509,031
Other external reserves	\$ 138,234
Total External Restrictions	\$ 25,787,649

Unrestricted Funds \$ 7,316,698

Total Funds \$ 41,504,888

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

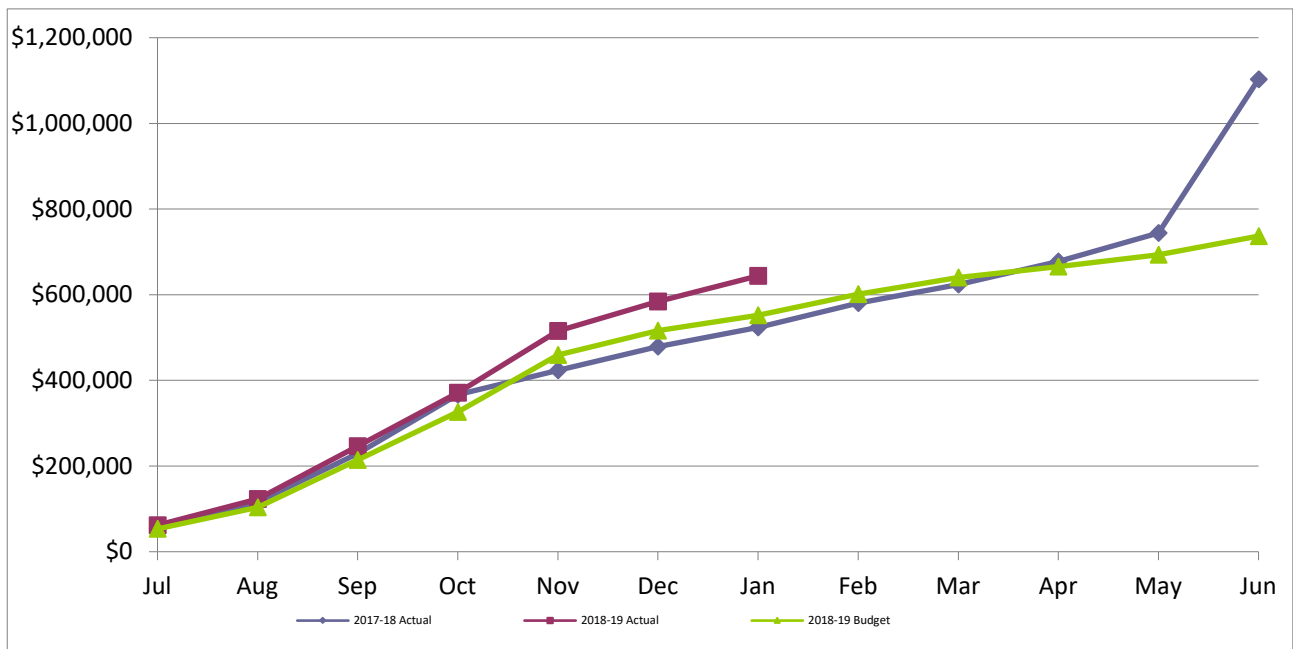
Fund Name	Bank and Investments	Percentage
General	\$ 27,442,272	66.12%
Water	\$ 8,108,127	19.54%
Sewer	\$ 5,954,489	14.35%
Total Funds	\$ 41,504,888	100.00%

Investments matured during January 2019

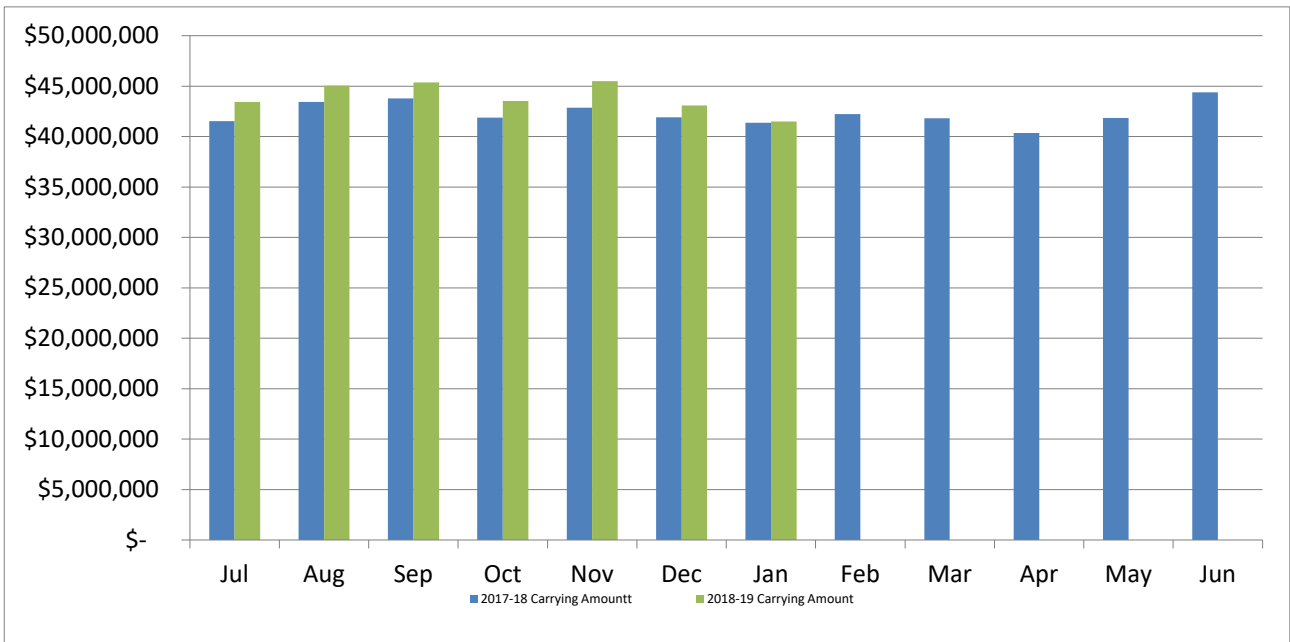
Matured/ Redeemed Investments

Financial Institution	Date Invested	Maturity Date	Days	Interest Rate	Amount	Actual Interest Received	Action Taken
Jan-19							
St George	02-Sep-18	02-Jan-19	122	2.35%	1,000,000	7,854.79	Redeemed
Police Credit Union	12-Jun-18	15-Jan-19	217	2.90%	500,000	8,620.55	Redeemed
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	21-Aug-18	22-Jan-19	154	2.60%	500,000	5,472.86	Redeemed
National Bank Australia	27-Apr-18	25-Jan-19	273	2.60%	500,000	9,723.29	Rolled over for 11 months @ 2.69%
AMP	27-Jun-18	23-Jan-19	210	2.85%	1,000,000	16,397.26	Redeemed
					3,500,000.00	48,068.75	

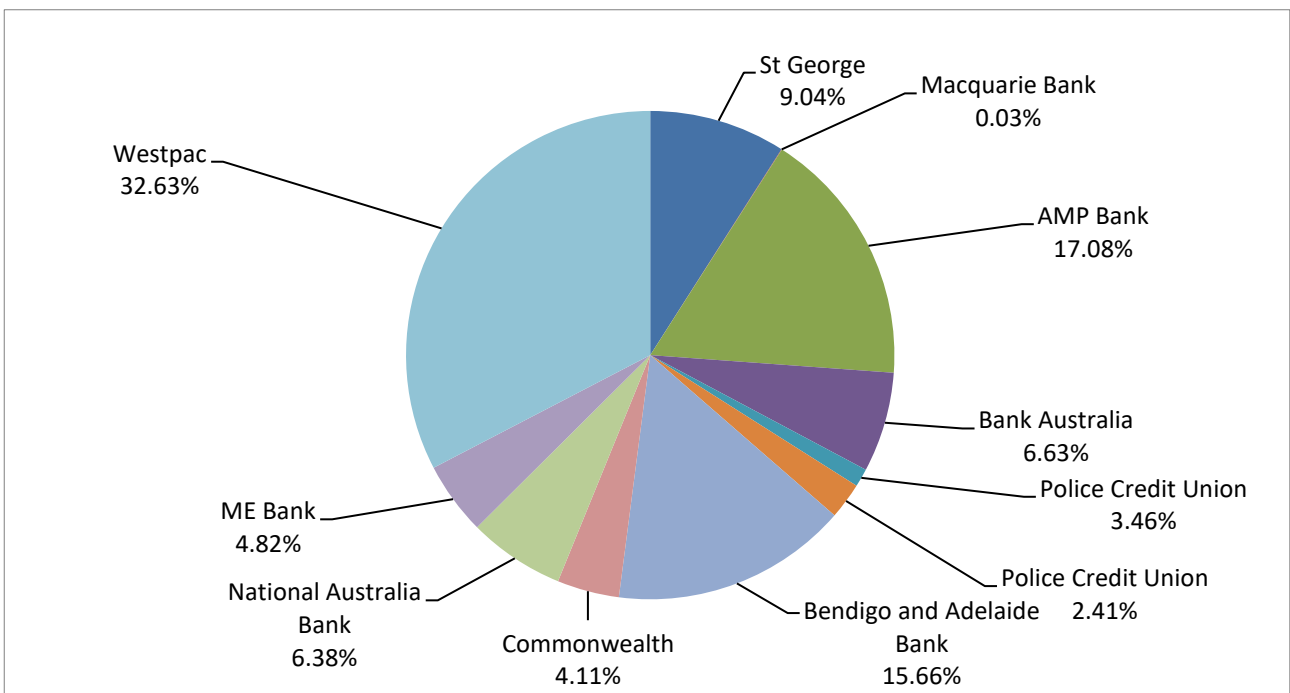
Actual year to date investment revenue earned



Total funds invested



Cash and investments total breakup by institution



Summary for cash at the bank for day to day operations as follows:

Cash Summary

Opening cash book balance	\$ 152,510
Plus receipts	\$ 7,898,882
Less payments	\$ 4,737,792
Cash book balance as at 31 January 2019	\$ 3,313,600

Statement Summary

Opening statement balance	\$ 1,075,818
Plus receipts	\$ 6,430,367
Less payments	\$ 3,895,097
Bank statement balance as at 31 January 2019	\$ 3,611,087
Plus unrepresented receipts	\$ 28,539
Less unrepresented payments	\$ 326,026
Reconciliation balance as as 31 January 2019	\$ 3,313,600

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Investments have been made in accordance with Council's investment policy, which was adopted on 20 December 2018.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

This report aligns with Outcome 5 – A community working together to achieve its potential and will assist to achieve the target 'Our local government is efficient, innovative and financially sustainable'.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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

Under Council's investment policy, investments are made with a range of banks, with Council funds invested with a single institution not going above a percentage of the total portfolio as follows:

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|--------------|---|
| 1. 40% | 2. A1+ rated institutions |
| 3. 20% | 4. A1 rated institutions |
| 5. 10% | 6. A2 rated institutions |
| 7. \$250,000 | 8. Unrated authorised deposit taking institutions |

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. Investment Report Attachment 31 January 2019

Schedule of Investments										
This Report is at date 31-January-2019										
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%	2,159,642.06	5.20%	Monthly	
Westpac Business Cash Reserve	032-870 17-9231	A1+	N/a	N/a	365	0.70%	2,250,000.00	5.42%	Monthly	
Westpac 31 Day Notice Account	032-870 23-2696	A1+	N/a	N/a	365	2.50%	2,134,262.91	5.14%	Monthly	
Commonwealth Bank General Fund	062-533 000 000 10	A1+	N/a	N/a	365	0.00%	1,451,445.22	3.50%	Monthly	
Commonwealth Bank Business On Line Acc	062-533 101 511 17	A1+	N/a	N/a	365	0.60%	255,098.11	0.61%	Monthly	
NAB Business Cheque Account	89-575-7273	A1+	N/a	N/a	365	0.00%	149,957.98	0.36%	Monthly	
Macquarie Bank - Rates	3005-79778	A1+	N/a	N/a	365	0.00%	12,594.00	0.03%	Monthly	
Macquarie Bank - Water	2643-18940	A1+	N/a	N/a	365	0.00%	867.59	0.00%	Monthly	
AMP Business Saver Account	939-200 164957532	A1+	N/a	N/a	365	1.80%	2,091,020.13	5.04%	Monthly	
Total Oncall/ CMT Accounts							10,504,888.00	25.31%		
Term Deposits										
St George	354032747	A1+	04-Sep-18	04-Apr-19	212	2.45%	1,250,000.00	3.01%	17,787.67	
St George	354775348	A1+	02-Oct-18	03-Sep-19	336	2.60%	1,500,000.00	3.61%	35,901.37	
St George	356833530	A1+	13-Dec-18	13-Dec-19	365	2.80%	1,000,000.00	2.41%	28,000.00	
Westpac	033-621 357900	A1+	27-Nov-18	27-Aug-19	273	2.55%	1,000,000.00	2.41%	19,072.60	
Westpac	033-621 243053	A1+	27-Nov-18	24-Sep-19	301	2.55%	1,000,000.00	2.41%	21,028.77	
Westpac	033-621 357900	A1+	27-Nov-18	29-Oct-19	336	2.55%	1,000,000.00	2.41%	23,473.97	
Westpac	032-870 22-6835	A1+	30-Oct-18	29-Oct-19	364	2.40%	500,000.00	1.20%	11,967.12	
Westpac	032-870 22-2287	A1+	16-Oct-18	20-Aug-19	308	2.70%	1,500,000.00	3.61%	34,175.34	
Westpac	032-870 22-8830	A1+	10-Jul-18	12-Mar-19	245	2.49%	1,000,000.00	2.41%	16,713.70	
Westpac	032-870 23-4616	A1+	27-Nov-18	30-Jul-19	245	2.55%	1,000,000.00	2.41%	17,116.44	
National Australia Bank	24-710-0644	A1+	25-Jan-19	23-Dec-19	332	2.69%	500,000.00	1.20%	12,233.97	
National Australia Bank	31-162-5542	A1+	08-Aug-18	09-Apr-19	244	2.65%	1,000,000.00	2.41%	17,715.07	
National Australia Bank	31-162-5542	A1+	23-Nov-18	26-Jun-19	215	2.66%	1,000,000.00	2.41%	15,668.49	
Total A1+ Deposits							13,250,000.00	31.92%		
AMP Bank	085241479-427214	A1	23-Oct-18	23-Jul-19	273	2.75%	1,000,000.00	2.41%	20,568.49	
AMP Bank	286870456-429501	A1	28-Aug-18	30-Jul-19	336	2.80%	1,000,000.00	2.41%	25,775.34	
AMP Bank	933904831-467929	A1	04-Dec-18	04-Sep-19	274	2.70%	1,000,000.00	2.41%	20,268.49	
AMP Bank	2 Deposits	A1	27-Jun-18	26-Feb-19	244	2.85%	2,000,000.00	4.82%	38,104.11	
Total A1 Deposits							5,000,000.00	12.05%		
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	2112060	A2	04-Sep-18	05-Mar-19	182	2.60%	1,000,000.00	2.41%	12,964.38	
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	105306781	A2	04-Dec-18	06-Nov-19	337	2.73%	1,000,000.00	2.41%	25,205.75	
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	157745555/157745696	A2	21-Aug-18	19-Mar-19	210	2.65%	500,000.00	1.20%	7,623.29	
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	157745894	A2	17-Jun-18	19-Feb-19	247	2.80%	500,000.00	1.20%	9,473.97	
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	157745951/157746033	A2	17-Jun-18	19-Mar-19	275	2.83%	1,000,000.00	2.41%	21,321.92	
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	157746082/157746124	A2	17-Jun-18	23-Apr-19	310	2.83%	1,000,000.00	2.41%	24,035.62	
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	157746140/157746199	A2	17-Jun-18	21-May-19	338	2.83%	1,000,000.00	2.41%	26,206.58	
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	157746223	A2	17-Jun-18	18-Jun-19	366	3.15%	500,000.00	1.20%	15,793.15	
Bank Australia	313-140 138363486	A2	16-Jul-18	18-Jun-19	337	2.85%	1,000,000.00	2.41%	26,313.70	
Bank Australia	313-140 138364459	A2	16-Oct-18	16-Apr-19	182	2.80%	750,000.00	1.81%	10,471.23	
Bank Australia		A2	02-Oct-18	01-Oct-19	364	2.85%	1,000,000.00	2.41%	28,421.92	
ME Bank (RIM)	11379100	A2	13-Nov-18	14-Feb-19	93	2.60%	1,000,000.00	2.41%	6,624.66	
ME Bank (RIM)	11379100	A2	08-Aug-18	07-May-19	272	2.75%	1,000,000.00	2.41%	20,493.15	
Defence Bank Limited	171548852	A2	25-Sep-18	26-Feb-19	154	2.60%	500,000.00	1.20%	5,484.93	
Total A2 Deposits							11,750,000.00	28.31%		
Police Credit Union	72668	NR	28-Aug-18	28-May-19	273	2.80%	1,000,000.00	2.41%	20,942.47	
Total Non Rated Deposits							1,000,000.00	2.41%		
Item 11.3 - Attachment 1						Average Interest Rate	2.25%	41,504,888.00	100.00%	63,942.69

11.4 INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2018**Author:** Rindayi Matienga, Financial Accountant**Authoriser:** Trish Kirkland, Director Corporate Services**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council:

1. Note and receive the Report on Investments totaling \$43,070,566 inclusive of cash at bank for day-to-day operations;
2. Note that actual interest received for the month of December 2018 was \$68,774.
3. Note that accrued interest earned to 31 December 2018 but not yet received was \$276,984.
4. Note that Council paid out loan liability as at 31 December 2018.

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 December 2018, Council had a total of \$43,070,566 in invested funds and cash at bank. This balance does not include unrepresented receipts or cheques.

Interest received from investments during the month of December 2018 was \$68,774 consisting of \$13,393 for on-call/ bank accounts and \$55,381 for term deposits. Year to date interest received to 31 December 2018 for Edward River Council is \$584,269. Accrued interest of \$276,984 has been earned to 31 December 18 but is not yet received as these investments mature in later months. Council's average interest rate is 2.29%, which is 0.20% above the 3-month BBSW rate of 2.09%.

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 December 2018 Council investments had a carrying value of \$43,070,566 as detailed in the attachment.

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	\$ 7,865,190
Sewerage services fund	\$ 5,575,023
Tip remediation	\$ 1,300,000
Business promotion levy	\$ -
Unexpended Merger funds	\$ 8,824,264
Other unexpended grant funds	\$ 1,053,717
Library fund	\$ 474,050
Other external reserves	\$ 138,234

Total External Restrictions \$ 25,230,478

Unrestricted Funds \$ 9,439,547

Total Funds \$ 43,070,566

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

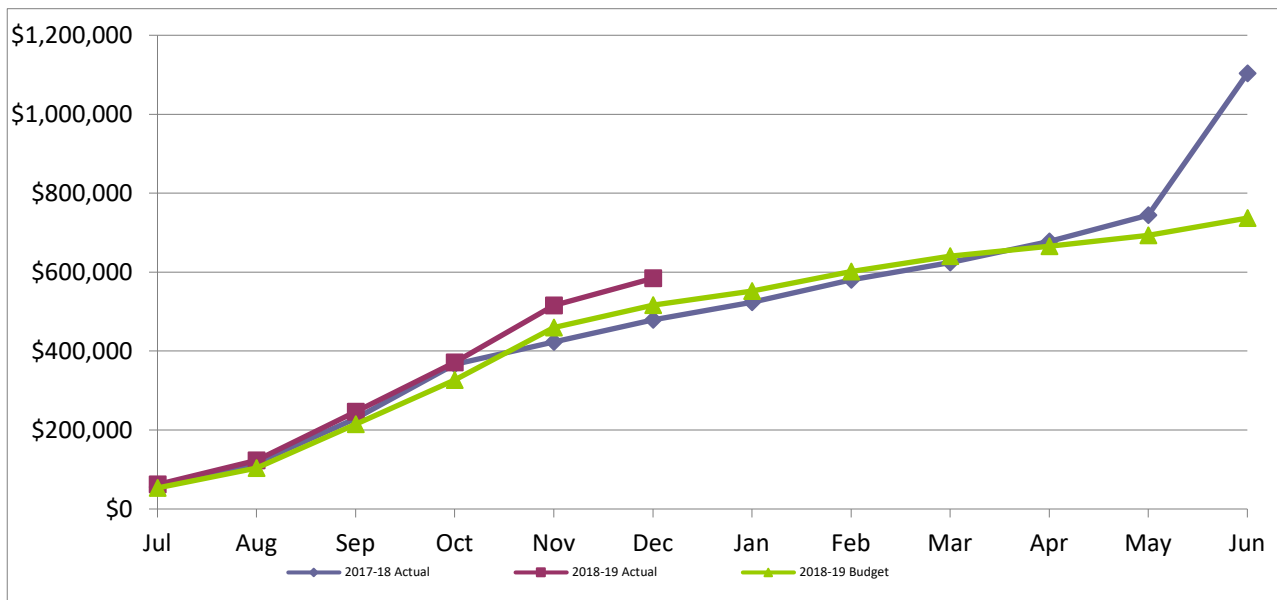
Fund Name	Bank and Investments	Percentage
General	\$ 29,630,354	68.79%
Water	\$ 7,865,190	18.26%
Sewer	\$ 5,575,023	12.94%
Total Funds	\$ 43,070,566	100.00%

Investments matured during December 2018

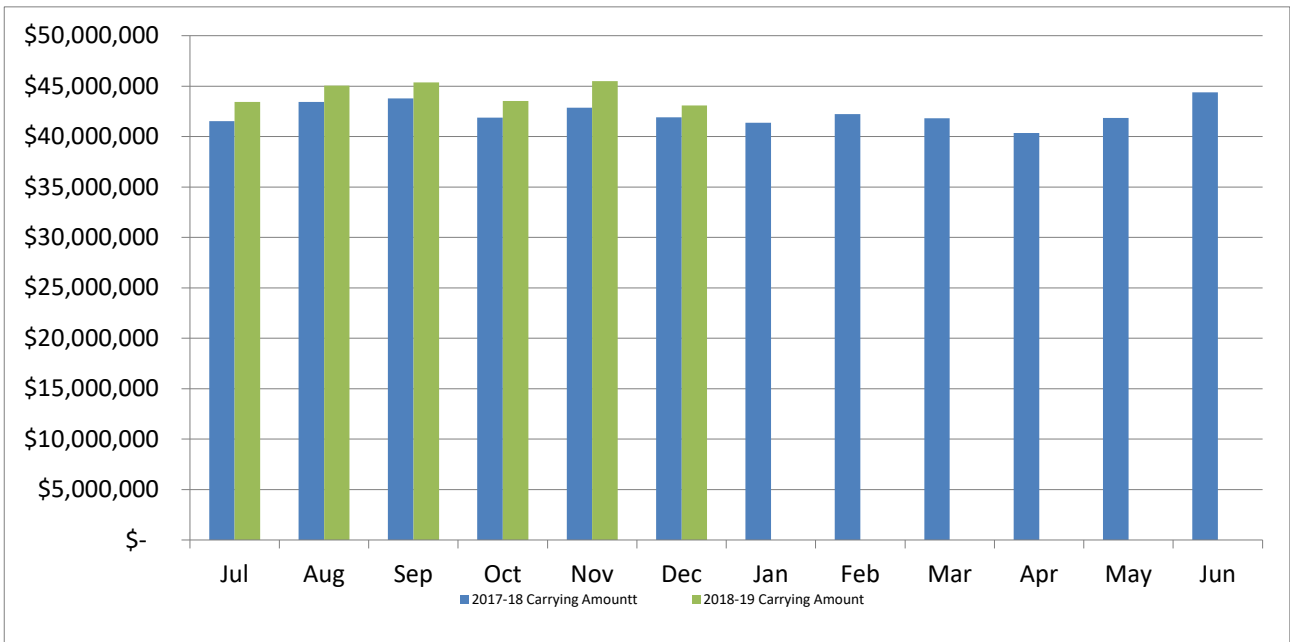
Matured/ Redeemed Investments

Financial Institution	Date Invested	Maturity Date	Days	Interest Rate	Amount	Actual Interest Received	Action Taken
Dec-18							
AMP Bank	29-May-18	04-Dec-18	189	2.75%	1,000,000	14,239.73	Rolled over for 9 months @ 2.70%
Bendigo Bank	05-Dec-17	04-Dec-18	364	2.60%	1,000,000	25,928.77	Rolled over for 11 months @ 2.73%
BananaCoast Credit Unio	10-Jul-18	11-Dec-18	154	2.90%	500,000	6,117.81	Redeemed and invested with St George
CBA	17-Apr-18	17-Dec-18	244	2.71%	500,000	9,095.21	Redeemed
3,000,000.00						55,381.52	

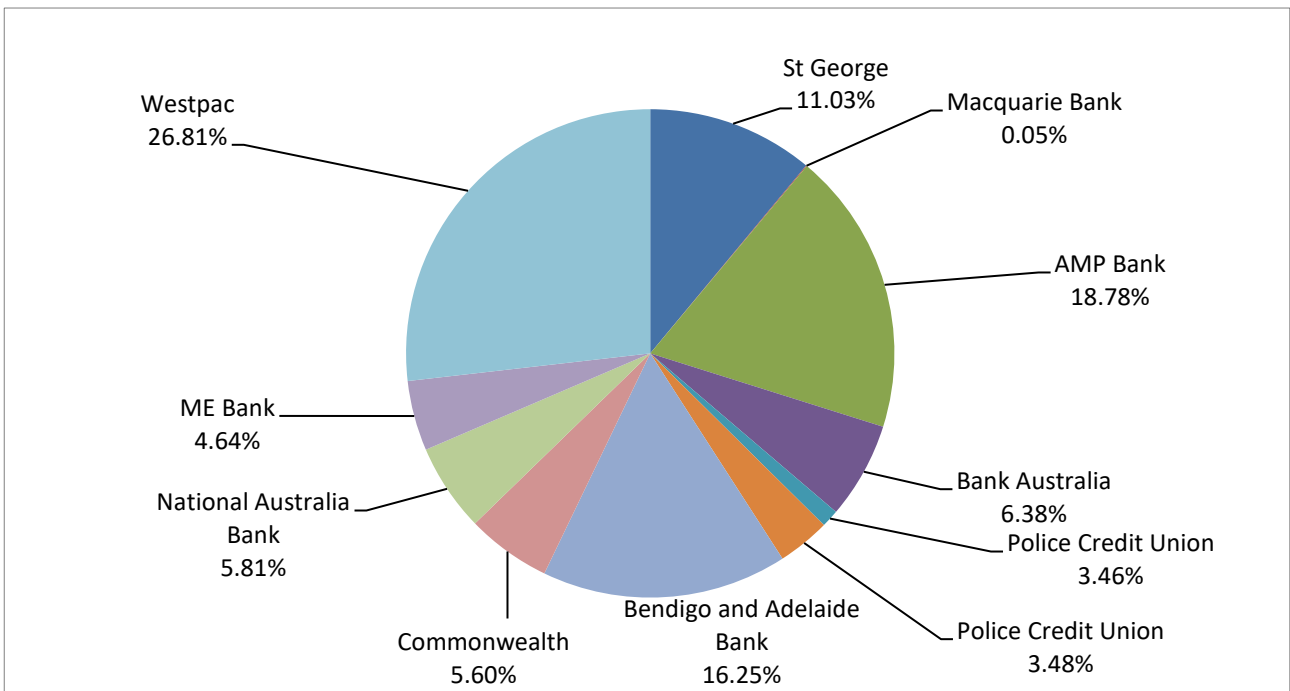
Actual year to date investment revenue earned



Total funds invested



Cash and investments total breakup by institution



Summary for cash at the bank for day to day operations as follows:

Cash Summary

Opening cash book balance	\$ 2,691,380
Plus receipts	\$ 6,673,327
Less payments	\$ 9,212,197
Cash book balance as at 31 December 2018	\$ 152,510

Statement Summary

Opening statement balance	\$ 1,999,843
Plus receipts	\$ 6,017,923
Less payments	\$ 6,941,948
Bank statement balance as at 31 December 2018	\$ 1,075,818
Plus unrepresented receipts	\$ 4,695
Less unrepresented payments	\$ 928,003
Reconciliation balance as as 31 December 2018	\$ 152,510

Council repaid all loans as at 31 December 2018.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Investments have been made in accordance with Council's investment policy, which was adopted on 20 December 2018.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

This report aligns with Outcome 5 – A community working together to achieve its potential and will assist to achieve the target 'Our local government is efficient, innovative and financially sustainable'.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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

Under Council's investment policy, investments are made with a range of banks, with Council funds invested with a single institution not going above a percentage of the total portfolio as follows:

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|---------------|--|
| 9. 40% | 10. A1+ rated institutions |
| 11. 20% | 12. A1 rated institutions |
| 13. 10% | 14. A2 rated institutions |
| 15. \$250,000 | 16. Unrated authorised deposit taking institutions |

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

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

ATTACHMENTS

1.	Investment	Report	Attachment	31	December	2018
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Schedule of Investments									
This Report is at date 31-December-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%	165,986.63	0.39%	
Westpac Business Cash Reserve	032-870 17-9231	A1+	N/a	N/a	365	0.70%	2,250,000.00	5.22%	Monthly
Westpac 31 Day Notice Account	032-870 23-2696	A1+	N/a	N/a	365	2.50%	2,129,831.12	4.94%	Monthly
Commonwealth Bank General Fund	062-533 000 000 10	A1+	N/a	N/a	365	0.00%	909,831.30	2.11%	Monthly
Commonwealth Bank Business On Line Acc	062-533 101 511 17	A1+	N/a	N/a	365	0.60%	1,502,013.36	3.49%	Monthly
NAB Business Cheque Account	89-575-7273	A1+	N/a	N/a	365	0.00%	2,680.98	0.01%	Monthly
Macquarie Bank - Rates	3005-79778	A1+	N/a	N/a	365	0.00%	18,870.55	0.04%	Monthly
Macquarie Bank - Water	2643-18940	A1+	N/a	N/a	365	0.00%	3,523.80	0.01%	Monthly
AMP Business Saver Account	939-200 164957532	A1+	N/a	N/a	365	1.80%	2,087,828.33	4.85%	Monthly
Total On-call/ CMT Accounts							9,070,566.07	21.06%	
Term Deposits									
St George	354032747	A1+	04-Sep-18	04-Apr-19	212	2.45%	1,250,000.00	2.90%	17,787.67
St George	354775348	A1+	02-Oct-18	03-Sep-19	336	2.60%	1,500,000.00	3.48%	35,901.37
St George	355276209	A1+	02-Sep-18	02-Jan-19	122	2.35%	1,000,000.00	2.32%	7,854.79
St George		A1+	17-Dec-18	17-Dec-19	365	2.72%	1,000,000.00	2.32%	27,200.00
Westpac	033-621 357900	A1+	27-Nov-18	27-Aug-19	273	2.55%	1,000,000.00	2.32%	19,072.60
Westpac	033-621 243053	A1+	27-Nov-18	24-Sep-19	301	2.55%	1,000,000.00	2.32%	21,028.77
Westpac	033-621 357900	A1+	27-Nov-18	29-Oct-19	336	2.55%	1,000,000.00	2.32%	23,473.97
Westpac	032-870 22-6835	A1+	30-Oct-18	29-Oct-19	364	2.40%	500,000.00	1.16%	11,967.12
Westpac	032-870 22-2287	A1+	16-Oct-18	20-Aug-19	308	2.70%	1,500,000.00	3.48%	34,175.34
Westpac	032-870 22-8830	A1+	10-Jul-18	12-Mar-19	245	2.49%	1,000,000.00	2.32%	16,713.70
Westpac	032-870 23-4616	A1+	27-Nov-18	30-Jul-19	245	2.55%	1,000,000.00	2.32%	17,116.44
National Australia Bank	24-710-0644	A1+	27-Apr-18	25-Jan-19	273	2.60%	500,000.00	1.16%	9,723.29
National Australia Bank	31-162-5542	A1+	08-Aug-18	09-Apr-19	244	2.65%	1,000,000.00	2.32%	17,715.07
National Australia Bank	31-162-5542	A1+	23-Nov-18	26-Jun-19	215	2.66%	1,000,000.00	2.32%	15,668.49
Total A1+ Deposits							14,250,000.00	33.09%	
AMP Bank	085241479-427214	A1	23-Oct-18	23-Jul-19	273	2.75%	1,000,000.00	2.32%	20,568.49
AMP Bank	286870456-429501	A1	28-Aug-18	30-Jul-19	336	2.80%	1,000,000.00	2.32%	25,775.34
AMP Bank	933904831-467929	A1	04-Dec-18	04-Sep-19	274	2.70%	1,000,000.00	2.32%	20,268.49
AMP Bank		A1	27-Jun-18	23-Jan-19	210	2.85%	1,000,000.00	2.32%	16,397.26
AMP Bank		A1	27-Jun-18	26-Feb-19	244	2.85%	2,000,000.00	4.64%	38,104.11
Total A1 Deposits							6,000,000.00	13.93%	
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	2112060	A2	04-Sep-18	05-Mar-19	182	2.60%	1,000,000.00	2.32%	12,964.38
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	105306781	A2	04-Dec-18	06-Nov-19	337	2.73%	1,000,000.00	2.32%	25,205.75
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	157745555/157745696	A2	21-Aug-18	22-Jan-19	154	2.60%	500,000.00	1.16%	5,484.93
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	157745555/157745696	A2	21-Aug-18	19-Mar-19	210	2.65%	500,000.00	1.16%	7,623.29
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	157745894	A2	17-Jun-18	19-Feb-19	247	2.80%	500,000.00	1.16%	9,473.97
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	157745951/157746033	A2	17-Jun-18	19-Mar-19	275	2.83%	1,000,000.00	2.32%	21,321.92
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	157746082/157746124	A2	17-Jun-18	23-Apr-19	310	2.83%	1,000,000.00	2.32%	24,035.62
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	157746140/157746199	A2	17-Jun-18	21-May-19	338	2.83%	1,000,000.00	2.32%	26,206.58
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	157746223	A2	17-Jun-18	18-Jun-19	366	3.15%	500,000.00	1.16%	15,793.15
Bank Australia	313-140 138363486	A2	16-Jul-18	18-Jun-19	337	2.85%	1,000,000.00	2.32%	26,313.70
Bank Australia	313-140 138364459	A2	16-Oct-18	16-Apr-19	182	2.80%	750,000.00	1.74%	10,471.23
Bank Australia		A2	02-Oct-18	01-Oct-19	364	2.85%	1,000,000.00	2.32%	28,421.92
ME Bank (RIM)	11379100	A2	13-Nov-18	14-Feb-19	93	2.60%	1,000,000.00	2.32%	6,624.66
ME Bank (RIM)	11379100	A2	08-Aug-18	07-May-19	272	2.75%	1,000,000.00	2.32%	20,493.15
Defence Bank Limited	171548852	A2	25-Sep-18	26-Feb-19	154	2.60%	500,000.00	1.16%	5,484.93
Total A2 Deposits							12,250,000.00	28.44%	
Police Credit Union	72668	NR	28-Aug-18	28-May-19	273	2.80%	1,000,000.00	2.32%	20,993.15
Police Credit Union	69759	NR	12-Jun-18	15-Jan-19	217	2.90%	500,000.00	1.16%	8,620.55
Total Non Rated Deposits							1,500,000.00	3.48%	
Average Interest Rate						2.29%	43,070,566.07	100.00%	671,994.52

11.5 QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW FOR DECEMBER 2018**Author:** Helen Flisher, Manager People & Customer Service**Authoriser:** Trish Kirkland, Director Corporate Services**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council receive and note the report.

BACKGROUND

Council receives Quarterly Budget Review Statements as at 31 March, 30 September, and 31 December no later than two (2) months after the end of each quarter as required by the Local Government (General) Regulations.

Council received and noted the Quarterly Budget Review Statement as at 30 September at its Ordinary Meeting held 15 November 2018. The Quarterly Budget Review Statement as at 31 December 2018 is due.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

The Quarterly Budget Review Statements as at 31 December 2018 will not be finalised for Council consideration until the March Ordinary Meeting.

Council is currently without a Manager Finance and our finance team have been carrying out their regular workload and additionally the key tasks normally completed by the Manager Finance.

Whilst undertaking these additional duties and compiling the management reports, the financial accountants noted that some expenditure items have been misallocated to cost centres without budget allocations, instead of those with budget allocations. This is a circumstance that can occur using cost-centre based accounting – particularly during the earlier stages of system implementation when staff are still adjusting to the new systems and processes.

This has created a circumstance where the financial accountants need to audit and identify the misallocations and relocate the expenditure to the areas with budget allocations. Once rectified, the unbudgeted cost centres will be made inactive in the system so that this issue is not a re-occurring one. Without the Manager Finance, this process has caused a delay in developing the Quarterly Budget Review Statements for the quarter ending December 2018.

Council's financial accountants are currently working to ensure that all expenditure is re-allocated appropriately so that the Quarter Budget Review Statements are accurate and reliable for Council consideration at the March Ordinary Meeting.

In order to rectify this issue moving forward an additional contract financial accountant has been engaged on a two-month contract. Interviews for the Manager Finance role were also completed on Thursday 14 February 2019 with the aim to appoint a Manager Finance (assuming a suitable candidate) by the end of February 2019.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Nil

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

The preparation of a quarterly budget review statement is required, not later than 2 months after the end of each quarter (except the June quarter) under Clause 203(1) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2005.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

11.6 2018 WORK HEALTH AND SAFETY UPDATE**Author:** Helen Flisher, Manager People & Customer Service**Authoriser:** Trish Kirkland, Director Corporate Services**RECOMMENDATION**

That the 2018 Work Health and Safety Update be noted

BACKGROUND

Following amalgamation, the Work Health & Safety (WHS) challenge for Edward River Council was bringing together two different safety systems and the associated cultures and experiences. Both councils had been operating for long periods and had some entrenched practices.

Council undertook a project to review the two systems and update and implement the preferred system. This review was done by an independent consultant.

The Edward River WHS Management system draws on the stronger aspects of the two existing systems and is based on the Australian Standard AS4801.

Key components are:

- Commitment and policy
- Planning
- Implementation
- Measurement and evaluation
- Management review and improvement

The updated system was implemented inhouse by staff at all levels and co-ordinated by the Manager People & Customer Service and council's WHS Officer.

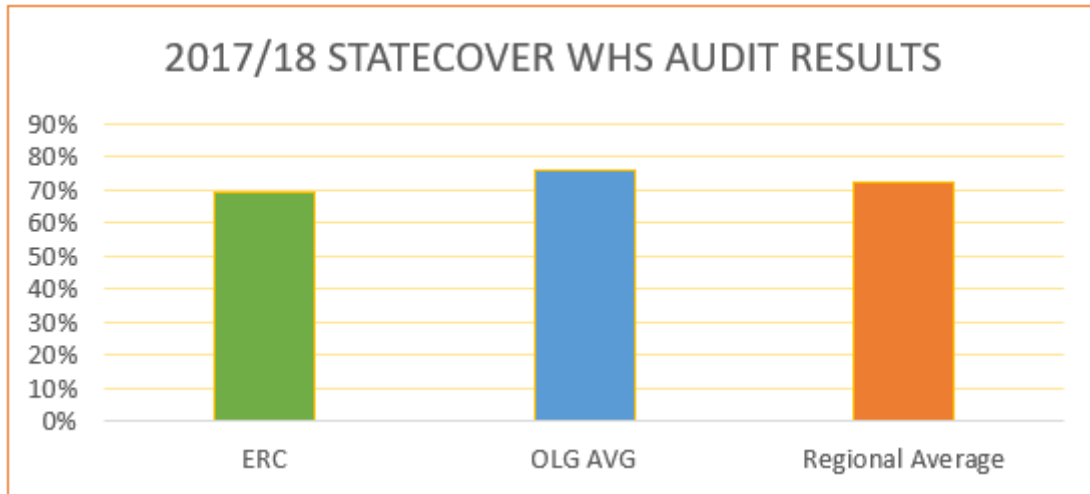
During the last year we have further reviewed our working documentation and made revisions following consultation and trialling with employees directly affected.

Our focus has been on involving and educating staff through practical application of the system for the day to day work that staff are doing, including larger projects and construction work and routine maintenance work.

Councils WHS Officer is active in the field and has been working closely with supervisors and outdoor team leaders to ensure that they understand the safety requirements and documentation and to support them in using it on their jobs. Staff have shown commitment to implementing these processes. Day to day issues are addressed as part of a continuous improvement process.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION***WHS AUDIT – STATECOVER***

Last year amalgamated councils had the choice to undertake a reduced audit from councils insurer, StateCover or to undertake the full audit for the council's WHS activities. Edward River Council chose to undertake the full audit in order to benchmark council against unamalgamated NSW councils and use this as an improvement tool. The results of this audit show that Edward River was almost at the same level as these councils with a score of 69.5% against the regional average of 72.5% and OLG group average of 76.2%.

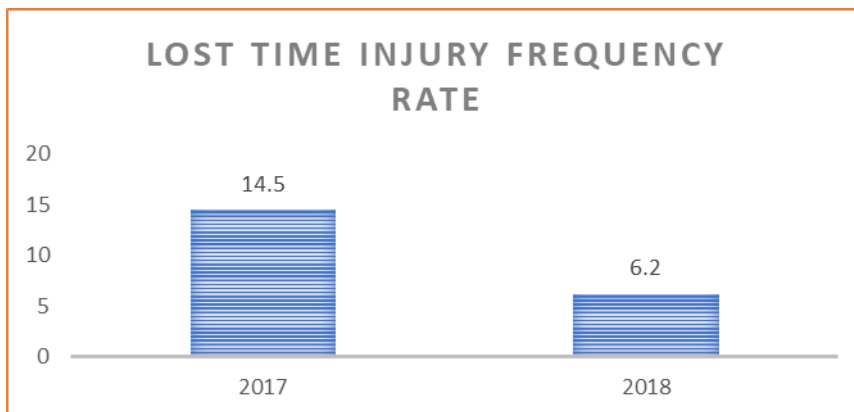


WHS ACTION PLAN

From this audit an action plan has been drawn up to give a guide as to areas that need further development. Much of this has already been implemented as the audit was completed in August 2018. A verification visit from StateCover has since been completed and they have confirmed our internal assessment scores as being reflective of the actual practices being undertaken.

LOST TIME INJURY RATES

Council had one (1) lost time incident in 2018, compared to three (3) in the 2017 calendar year. This reduced our lost time frequency rate from 14.5 in 2017 to 6.1 in the 2018 calendar year. The industry average for construction is 13.7.



WORKERS COMPENSATION

Council's premium is 'experience rated' with the cost of claims over previous three years directly impacting on the premium. Increased safety has meant that our workers compensation claims have reduced. The reduced number and cost of claims for last year has led to a considerably lower than estimated premium for the 2018 financial year. The saving from this reduced premium is approx. \$150,000.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Reduction in budgeted workers compensation premium for current financial year.

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

11.7 MINUTES OF THE AUDIT RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 20 DECEMBER 2018**Author:** Cian Middleton, Governance and Communications Officer**Authoriser:** Trish Kirkland, Director Corporate Services**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council:

1. Receive and note the minutes of the Audit Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting held on 20 December 2018, contained at Attachment A.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS*Local Government Amendment (Governance and Planning) Act 2016*

- Section 428A – Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee

ATTACHMENTS

1. **Attachment A - Minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting held 20 December 2018.**



MINUTES

Ordinary Audit Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting

20 December 2018

**ORDINARY AUDIT RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING 20 DECEMBER 2018
MINUTES**

**MINUTES OF EDWARD RIVER COUNCIL
ORDINARY AUDIT RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER 180 CRESSY STREET DENILIQUIN
ON THURSDAY, 20 DECEMBER 2018 AT 12.00PM**

PRESENT: Mr Peter Rae (Chair), Ms Perin Davey, Cr Norm McAllister, Cr Peter McCrabb, Mr John Tushuizen.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr Adam McSwain (General Manager), Mr Anthony Smith (Acting Director Corporate Services), Ms Helen Flisher (Manager People and Customer Service), Mr Cian Middleton (Governance and Communications Officer).

1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

I would like to acknowledge that we are here today on the land of the Wamba Wamba Perrepa Perrepa people. I would also like to acknowledge and pay my respects to past Aboriginal Elders, the present Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who reside within this area, and their future generations.

2 APOLOGIES AND REQUESTS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

3 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Nil

4 REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

PREVIOUS MINUTES AUDIT RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION ARIC/2018/01

Moved: Ms Perin Davey
Seconded: Cr Peter McCrabb

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee:

1. Adopt the Minutes of the Committee Meeting held 9 October 2018 as a true and correct record of that meeting.
2. Adopt the Minutes of the Committee Meeting held 19 July 2018 as a true and correct record of that meeting.

CARRIED

**ORDINARY AUDIT RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING 20 DECEMBER 2018
MINUTES**

4.2 REVIEW OF CORPORATE PURCHASING CARDS**RESOLUTION ARIC/2018/02**

Moved: Cr Peter McCrabb

Seconded: Ms Perin Davey

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee:

1. Note the results of the internal review of credit card usage.

CARRIED**4.3 EARLY REPAYMENT OF LOANS****RESOLUTION ARIC/2018/02**

Moved: Cr Peter McCrabb

Seconded: Cr Norm McAllister

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee:

1. Note the benefits of repaying Council's loan liabilities early.
2. Note that Council could repay the loans early from the following funds:
 - (a) Sewer Effluent Re-Use Facility loan to be paid from the Sewerage Services Fund
 - (b) Library loan to be paid from the Library reserve
 - (c) Aerodrome loan to be paid from the Airport Development reserve
 - (d) Remaining loans to be repaid from unrestricted funds.
3. Note that its Ordinary Meeting held 20 December 2018, Council resolved to approved the early repayment of Council's loans prior to 31 December 2018, generating a saving of \$48,169.15.

CARRIED**4.4 AUDIT ACTIONS - STATUS REPORT****RESOLUTION ARIC/2018/04**

Moved: Mr Peter Rae

Seconded: Mr John Tushuizen

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee:

1. Note the update on the status of audit actions.

CARRIED

**ORDINARY AUDIT RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING 20 DECEMBER 2018
MINUTES**

4.5 INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 30 NOVEMBER 2018**RESOLUTION ARIC/2018/05**

Moved: Mr Peter Rae

Seconded: Cr Peter McCrabb

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee:

1. Receive and note the Report on Investments totalling \$45,491,518 inclusive of cash at bank for day-to-day operations;
2. Note that actual interest received for the month of November 2018 was \$144,560.
3. Note that accrued interest earned to 30 November 2018 but not yet received was \$269,140.
4. Note that Council's loan liability as at 30 November 2018 was \$2,239,027.

CARRIED**4.6 ANNUAL REPORT 2017-18****RESOLUTION ARIC/2018/06**

Moved: Ms Perin Davey

Seconded: Cr Norm McAllister

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee:

1. Note the preparation of the Edward River Council's 2017-18 Annual Report; and
2. Note that the Annual Report was submitted to the NSW Minister for Local Government by 30 November 2018.

CARRIED**4.7 QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW STATEMENT FOR THE PERIOD 1 JULY 2018 TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2018****RESOLUTION ARIC/2018/07**

Moved: Cr Norm McAllister

Seconded: Ms Perin Davey

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee:

1. Receives the September 2018 financial review of the 2018-19 Operational Plan as adopted at the Council meeting on 22 November 2018.
2. Request an update from the Director Infrastructure on the progress of implementing the Capital Works Program, including the carried forward projects, project management and financial management of the projects.

CARRIED

**ORDINARY AUDIT RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING 20 DECEMBER 2018
MINUTES**

4.8 ADOPTION OF INTERNAL AUDIT CHARTER**RESOLUTION ARIC/2018/08**

Moved: Mr Peter Rae
Seconded: Ms Perin Davey

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee:

1. Adopt the Internal Audit Charter, contained at Attachment A.

CARRIED

**4.9 STRATEGIC REVIEW OF COMMITTEE FRAMEWORK AND COMMUNITY FACILITY
MANAGEMENT MODEL****RESOLUTION ARIC/2018/09**

Moved: Ms Perin Davey
Seconded: Cr Norm McAllister

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee:

1. Note that Council Officers have recommended to Council that it:
 - (a) Undertake a strategic review of its committee framework and community facility management model.
 - (b) Notify all section 355 committees of the purpose of the strategic review and advise that committees will be consulted in the preparation of the review.

CARRIED

4.10 INVESTMENT POLICY (REVIEWED)**RESOLUTION ARIC/2018/10**

Moved: Mr Peter Rae
Seconded: Cr Peter McCrabb

That the Audit Risk and Improvement Committee:

1. Note that at its Ordinary Meeting held 20 December 2018, Council resolved to rescind the existing Investment Policy, Attachment A
2. Note that at its Ordinary Meeting held 20 December 2018, Council resolved to adopt the Investment Policy, Attachment B

CARRIED

**ORDINARY AUDIT RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING 20 DECEMBER 2018
MINUTES**

**4.11 REVIEW OF CORPORATE CREDIT PURCHASING CARDS (SUPPLEMENTARY
REPORT)**

RESOLUTION ARIC/2018/11

Moved: Mr Peter Rae
Seconded: Ms Perin Davey

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee:

1. Note the results of the internal review of credit card usage.

CARRIED

4 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

Nil

5 CLOSE OF MEETING

The Meeting closed at 3:25pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Audit Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting held on .

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PETER RAE
CHAIRPERSON

11.8 COUNCILLOR EXPENSES REPORT**Author:** Cian Middleton, Governance and Communications Officer**Authoriser:** Trish Kirkland, Director Corporate Services**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council:

1. Receive and note the Councillor Expenses Report for the period 01 July 2018 to 31 December 2018, contained at Attachment A.
2. Note that the Councillor Expenses Report will be published to Council's website in accordance with clause 15.2 of the Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy.

BACKGROUND

Section 252 of the *Local Government Act 1993* ("the Act") requires all councils to adopt a policy concerning the payment of expenses incurred or to be incurred by, and the provision of facilities to, the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor and other Councillors in relation to discharging the functions of civic office.

Pursuant to section 252 of the Act, Council resolved to adopt its current Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy ("the Policy") at its Ordinary Meeting held 14 December 2017 [267/17]. Consistent with the requirements outlined in section 253 of the Act, the Policy was placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days prior to its adoption.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

The Policy is largely modelled on the template Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy published by the Office of Local Government (OLG). As with the OLG's policy template, the Policy provides at clause 15.2:

"Detailed reports on the provision of expenses and facilities to Councillors will be publicly tabled at a Council meeting every six months and published in full on Council's website. These reports will include expenditure summarised by individual Councillor and as a total for all Councillors."

The Councillor Expenses Report contained at Attachment A complies with the above requirement and covers the first half of the 2018-2019 financial year, being the period 01 July 2018 to 31 December 2018.

Under clause 217(1)(a1) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005, Council must include in its Annual Report the total cost during the year of the expenses of, and the provision of facilities to, Councillors in relation to their civic functions. Schedule 1 of the Government Information (Public Access) Regulation 2009 further provides that this information is classified as open access information for the purposes of the *Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009*. The Policy reflects these legislative provisions and requires the Councillor Expenses Report to be published to Council's website.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

The preparation of the Councillor Expenses Report is consistent with Council's requirements under the Policy. It should be noted that the Policy will be reviewed shortly to ensure alignment with the revised Model Code of Conduct for Local Councils in NSW published by the Office of the Local Government and to reflect recent amendments made to the Act by the *Local Government Amendment (Governance and Planning) Act 2016*.

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

Local Government Act 1993

- Section 252 – Payment of expenses and provision of facilities
- Section 253 – Requirements before policy concerning expenses and facilities can be adopted or amended

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1. **Attachment A - Councillor Expenses Report, 01 July to 31 December 2018**



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Section 252 of the *Local Government Act 1993* requires all councils to adopt a policy concerning the payment of expenses incurred or to be incurred by, and the provision of facilities to, the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillors in relation to discharging the functions of civic office.

Edward River Council (Council) adopted its current Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy at its Ordinary Meeting held 14 December 2017. This policy enables the reasonable and appropriate reimbursement of expenses and provision of facilities to Councillors to help them undertake their civic duties. It ensures accountability and transparency and seeks to align Councillor expenses and facilities with community expectations.

Clause 15 of Council's Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy provides:

- 15.1 *Council will report on the provision of expenses and facilities to councillors as required in the Local Government Act 1993 and Regulations.*
- 15.2 *Detailed reports on the provision of expenses and facilities to councillors will be publicly tabled at a council meeting every six months and published in full on council's website. These reports will include expenditure summarised by individual councillor and as a total for all councillors.*

Council's Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy can be accessed from Council's website at www.edwardriver.nsw.gov.au.



COUNCILLORS (All)						
Expense Description	Maximum Amount	Expense				
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD Total
General travel expenses (use of private motor vehicle)	As per Local Government (State) Award 2017 (Part B table 2).	\$2,591.88	\$3,606.26			\$6,198.14
Interstate, overseas and long distance intrastate travel expenses	\$5,000 total for all Councillors.	\$2,114.03	\$1,085.95			\$3,199.98
Accommodation	\$300 per night; \$500 per night capital cities.	\$1,356.22	\$596.09			\$1,952.31
Professional development	As per adopted budget.	\$2,996.00	\$5,000.00			\$7,996.00
Conferences and seminars	Actual costs including accommodation and travel.	\$958.55	\$2,336.00			\$3,294.55
ICT expenses	As per adopted budget.	\$3,028.40	\$5,589.12			\$8,617.52
Carer expenses	\$20 per hour to maximum \$1800 per annum or higher if by resolution of Council.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
						\$31,258.50



BRENNAN, Councillor Norm (Mayor)						
Expense Description	Maximum Amount	Expense				
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD Total
General travel expenses (use of private motor vehicle)	As per Local Government (State) Award 2017 (Part B table 2).	\$332.28	\$847.86			\$1,180.14
Interstate, overseas and long distance intrastate travel expenses	\$5,000 total for all Councillors.	\$1502.06	\$1085.95			\$2,588.01
Accommodation	\$300 per night; \$500 per night capital cities.	\$1356.22	\$553.10			\$1,909.32
Professional development	As per adopted budget.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
Conferences and seminars	Actual costs including accommodation and travel.	\$958.55	\$646.00			\$1,604.55
ICT expenses	As per adopted budget.	\$465.24	\$538.72			\$1,003.96
Carer expenses	\$20 per hour to maximum \$1800 per annum or higher if by resolution of Council.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
						\$8,285.98



FOGARTY, Councillor Pat (Deputy Mayor)						
Expense Description	Maximum Amount	Expense				
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD Total
General travel expenses (use of private motor vehicle)	As per Local Government (State) Award 2017 (Part B table 2).	Nil	\$231.20			\$231.20
Interstate, overseas and long distance intrastate travel expenses	\$5,000 total for all Councillors.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
Accommodation	\$300 per night; \$500 per night capital cities.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
Professional development	As per adopted budget.	Nil	\$2,500.00			\$2,500.00
Conferences and seminars	Actual costs including accommodation and travel.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
ICT expenses	As per adopted budget.	\$55.56	\$166.55			\$222.11
Carer expenses	\$20 per hour to maximum \$1800 per annum or higher if by resolution of Council.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
						\$2,953.31



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BETTS, Councillor Peta						
Expense Description	Maximum Amount	Expense				
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD Total
General travel expenses (use of private motor vehicle)	As per Local Government (State) Award 2017 (Part B table 2).	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
Interstate, overseas and long distance intrastate travel expenses	\$5,000 total for all Councillors.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
Accommodation	\$300 per night; \$500 per night capital cities.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
Professional development	As per adopted budget.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
Conferences and seminars	Actual costs including accommodation and travel.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
ICT expenses	As per adopted budget.	\$55.56	\$152.91			\$208.47
Carer expenses	\$20 per hour to maximum \$1800 per annum or higher if by resolution of Council.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
						\$208.47



BULL, Councillor Marg						
Expense Description	Maximum Amount	Expense				
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD Total
General travel expenses (use of private motor vehicle)	As per Local Government (State) Award 2017 (Part B table 2).	\$613.80	\$709.80			\$1,323.60
Interstate, overseas and long distance intrastate travel expenses	\$5,000 total for all Councillors.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
Accommodation	\$300 per night; \$500 per night capital cities.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
Professional development	As per adopted budget.	Nil	\$2,500.00			\$2,500.00
Conferences and seminars	Actual costs including accommodation and travel.	Nil	\$840.00			\$840.00
ICT expenses	As per adopted budget.	\$55.56	\$1,067.62			\$1,123.18
Carer expenses	\$20 per hour to maximum \$1800 per annum or higher if by resolution of Council.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
						\$5,786.78



HALL, Councillor Ashley						
Expense Description	Maximum Amount	Expense				
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD Total
General travel expenses (use of private motor vehicle)	As per Local Government (State) Award 2017 (Part B table 2).	Nil	\$390.00			\$390.00
Interstate, overseas and long distance intrastate travel expenses	\$5,000 total for all Councillors.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
Accommodation	\$300 per night; \$500 per night capital cities.	Nil	\$42.99			\$42.99
Professional development	As per adopted budget.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
Conferences and seminars	Actual costs including accommodation and travel.	Nil	\$840.00			\$840.00
ICT expenses	As per adopted budget.	\$1,074.88	\$1,419.36			\$2,494.24
Carer expenses	\$20 per hour to maximum \$1800 per annum or higher if by resolution of Council.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
						\$3,767.23



McALLISTER, Councillor Norm						
Expense Description	Maximum Amount	Expense				
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD Total
General travel expenses (use of private motor vehicle)	As per Local Government (State) Award 2017 (Part B table 2).	\$468.00	Nil			\$468.00
Interstate, overseas and long distance intrastate travel expenses	\$5,000 total for all Councillors.	\$611.97	Nil			\$611.97
Accommodation	\$300 per night; \$500 per night capital cities.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
Professional development	As per adopted budget.	\$2,996.00	Nil			\$2,996.00
Conferences and seminars	Actual costs including accommodation and travel.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
ICT expenses	As per adopted budget.	\$265.56	\$381.58			\$647.14
Carer expenses	\$20 per hour to maximum \$1800 per annum or higher if by resolution of Council.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
						\$4,723.11



McCRABB, Councillor Peter						
Expense Description	Maximum Amount	Expense				
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD Total
General travel expenses (use of private motor vehicle)	As per Local Government (State) Award 2017 (Part B table 2).	\$967.20	\$858.00			\$1,825.20
Interstate, overseas and long distance intrastate travel expenses	\$5,000 total for all Councillors.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
Accommodation	\$300 per night; \$500 per night capital cities.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
Professional development	As per adopted budget.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
Conferences and seminars	Actual costs including accommodation and travel.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
ICT expenses	As per adopted budget.	\$395.24	\$552.16			\$947.40
Carer expenses	\$20 per hour to maximum \$1800 per annum or higher if by resolution of Council.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
						\$2,772.60



METCALFE, Councillor Nick						
Expense Description	Maximum Amount	Expense				
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD Total
General travel expenses (use of private motor vehicle)	As per Local Government (State) Award 2017 (Part B table 2).	\$210.60	\$257.40			\$468.00
Interstate, overseas and long distance intrastate travel expenses	\$5,000 total for all Councillors.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
Accommodation	\$300 per night; \$500 per night capital cities.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
Professional development	As per adopted budget.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
Conferences and seminars	Actual costs including accommodation and travel.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
ICT expenses	As per adopted budget.	\$395.24	\$933.08			\$1,328.32
Carer expenses	\$20 per hour to maximum \$1800 per annum or higher if by resolution of Council.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
						\$1,796.32



WALLACE, Councillor Mac						
Expense Description	Maximum Amount	Expense				
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD Total
General travel expenses (use of private motor vehicle)	As per Local Government (State) Award 2017 (Part B table 2).	Nil	\$312.00			\$312.00
Interstate, overseas and long distance intrastate travel expenses	\$5,000 total for all Councillors.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
Accommodation	\$300 per night; \$500 per night capital cities.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
Professional development	As per adopted budget.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
Conferences and seminars	Actual costs including accommodation and travel.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
ICT expenses	As per adopted budget.	\$265.56	\$377.14			\$642.70
Carer expenses	\$20 per hour to maximum \$1800 per annum or higher if by resolution of Council.	Nil	Nil			\$0.00
						\$954.70

11.9 COMBINED DELIVERY PROGRAM 2018-2021 AND OPERATIONAL PLAN 2018-2019 PROGRESS REPORT

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RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Receive and note the combined Delivery Program 2018-2021 and Operational Plan 2018-2019 Progress Report, contained at Attachment A.

BACKGROUND

Under the Integrated Planning and Reporting (“IP&R”) Framework, Council is required to report on its progress in implementing its Delivery Program and Operational Plan. This requirement is reflected in section 404(5) of the *Local Government Act 1993* (“the Act”), which stipulates that the General Manager must ensure that regular progress reports are provided to the Council, at intervals of no more than six months, detailing the organisation’s progress with respect to the principal activities detailed in the Delivery Program.

Council’s inaugural 10-year Community Strategic Plan, *Edward River 2030*, was developed throughout 2017 and 2018 and adopted at its Ordinary Meeting held 3 May 2018 [2018/87]. *Edward River 2030* identifies five key strategic outcomes, each of which is supported by three targets. Council’s combined Delivery Program 2018-2021 and Operational Plan 2018-2019 (“the combined Delivery Program and Operational Plan”), which was adopted by Council at its Ordinary Meeting held 21 June 2018 [2018/123], details the three-year principal activities and annual actions that will be undertaken to meet those targets.



ISSUE/DISCUSSION

In 2018-2019, Council has committed to delivering 75 actions focussed on achieving our community’s vision across the five key strategic outcome areas contained in *Edward River 2030*. The progress report contained at Attachment A details Council’s progress in achieving those actions over the six-month period from 01 July 2018 to 31 December 2018.

Each of the 75 actions contained in the combined Delivery Program and Operational Plan has been allocated to a member of Council’s Leadership Team for completion. In turn, each member of the Leadership Team is responsible for monitoring the actions assigned to their position and providing a progress status.

The report utilises a traffic light system to illustrate the organisation’s progress made over the reporting period. Explanatory commentary has been provided for all actions that have been assigned a status of “Not Started”, “Behind Plan” or “Urgent Action Needed”.

A summary of Council’s progress in implementing its combined Delivery Program and Operational Plan for the six-month period to 31 December 2018 is set out in Table 1 – Action Status Summary, below:

Table 1 – Action Status Summary			
Symbol	Descriptor	Number of Actions	Percentage %
	Project Complete	5	6.8%
	On/Ahead of Plan	54	72.0%

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	Not Started	4	5.2%
	Behind Plan	11	14.7%
	Urgent Action Needed	1	1.3%

Of the 75 actions contained in the combined Delivery Program and Operational Plan, a combined total of 78.8 per cent have been achieved or on plan to being achieved. A further 5.2 per cent were not started during the reporting period and are scheduled to commence in either the third or fourth quarter of the 2018-2019 year. A combined total of 16 per cent are either behind plan or requiring urgent action.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

The preparation of the combined Delivery Program and Operational Plan Progress Report is a requirement of the IP&R Framework as set out in the Act. The combined Delivery Program and Operational Plan is a subsidiary document of *Edward River 2030* and is the point where the community's goals contained in that document are translated into action.

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

Local Government Act 1993

- Section 404 – Delivery program

ATTACHMENTS

1. **Attachment A - Combined Delivery Program 2018-2021 and Operational Plan 2018-2019 Progress Report as at 31 December 2018**



Combined Delivery Program 2018-2021 and
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All councils in NSW are required to undertake their planning and reporting activities in accordance with the Integrated Planning and Reporting (IP&R) framework set out in the *Local Government Act 1993* (the Act) and Local Government (General) Regulation 2005. The IP&R framework allows councils to draw their various plans together to understand how they interact and to get maximum leverage from their efforts by planning holistically for the future.

Edward River Council (Council) adopted its current suite of IP&R documents in 2018. The Community Strategic Plan, *Edward River 2030*, sits above this suite of interrelated plans and identifies the aspirations of the Edward River community.

The Delivery Program is informed by *Edward River 2030* and identifies the principal activities that Council will undertake over the 2017-2020 term of the Council to deliver on our community’s aspirations. All of Council’s plans, projects, activities and funding allocations must be directly linked to our Delivery Program. Supporting the Delivery Program is Council’s annual Operational Plan, which details the individual projects and activities that will be undertaken each year to achieve the commitments made in the Delivery Program.

Under section 404 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, Council must prepare progress reports with respect to the principal activities detailed in the Delivery Program at least once every six months. This report covers the period from 1 July 2018 to 31 December 2018 inclusive.








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Measuring our Progress

Council’s Community Strategic Plan, *Edward River 2030*, identifies five key strategic outcomes, each of which is supported by three targets. Council’s combined Delivery Program 2018-2021 and Operational Plan 2018-2019 detail the activities and actions that will be undertaken to meet these targets.

In 2018-19, Council committed to delivering 75 actions focused on achieving our community’s vision across these five key strategic outcome areas. Those actions are detailed in our combined Delivery Program and Operational Plan. In this report, our progress in achieving those actions is illustrated by the following coloured symbols:






Symbol	Descriptor
	Project Complete
	On/Ahead of Plan
	Not Started
	Behind Plan
	Urgent Action Needed

Each of the 75 actions contained in our combined Delivery Program is assigned to a Council Officer, who is primarily responsible for achieving the action and who provides a six-monthly progress report using the coloured symbols. The responsibility legend used throughout this report is set out below:

Acronym	Council Officer
GM	General Manager
MCED	Manager Community and Economic Development
MES	Manager Environmental Services
DCS	Director Corporate Services
MFIN	Manager Finance
MIM	Manager Information Management
MPCS	Manager People and Customer Service
DIN	Director Infrastructure
MEA	Manager Engineering and Assets
MOP	Manager Operations




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Our Performance






Edward River 2030 Strategic Outcome		Progress									
											
		Project Complete		On/Ahead of Plan		Not Started		Behind Plan		Urgent Action Needed	
		No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
1	A great place to live	0	0%	8	10.7%	2	2.6%	1	1.3%	1	1.3%
2	A prosperous and vibrant economy	0	0%	10	13.3%	1	1.3%	2	2.6%	0	0%
3	A valued and enhanced natural environment	0	0%	11	14.6%	0	0%	5	6.9%	0	0%
4	A region with quality and sustainable infrastructure	1	1.3%	8	10.7%	1	1.3%	1	1.3%	0	0%
5	A community working together to achieve its potential	4	5.3%	17	22.7%	0	0%	2	2.6%	0	0%
Total		5	6.8%	54	72.0%	4	5.2%	11	14.7%	1	1.3%

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Outcome 1 – A great place to live


1.1 Our community has access to essential services				
Delivery Program 2018-21	Operational Plan 2018-19	Responsible Officer	Measure	Status
1.1.1 Communicate and engage with stakeholders to understand community need and undertake advocacy on important issues.	1.1.1.1 Advocate for improved health, medical, education and transport services and infrastructure.	GM	1. Council Advocacy Strategy developed and approved by Council. 2. State Government investment in health, medical, education and/or transport services.	
	1.1.1.2 Develop and implement a Doctor Incentive Policy to assist in the attraction of medical practitioners.	GM	1. Doctor Incentive Policy developed and approved by Council.	
1.2 Our community is safe, happy and healthy, both physically and mentally				
Delivery Program 2018-21	Operational Plan 2018-19	Responsible Officer	Measure	Status
1.2.1 Develop and maintain Council's sporting facilities, pool,	1.2.1.1 Undertake a Sportsground Equity Review to realign service levels and clearly define Council's and user groups' roles.	MES	1. Sportsground Equity Review completed. 2. User Group Agreements reviewed.	

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playgrounds and walking and cycling paths.	1.2.1.2 Deliver projects funded through the Stronger Communities Fund Major Projects Program.	DIN	1. All projects completed and acquitted by 30 June 2019.	
	1.2.1.3 Deliver projects funded through the Stronger Country Communities Program: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lagoon to River Walk Signage Project Deniliquin Swim Centre All Abilities Access Upgrade Scott's Park Destination Playground Project. 	DIN	1. All projects completed and acquitted in line with funding agreements.	
1.2.2 Provide community halls and facilities.	1.2.2.1 Support Committees to manage Council halls and facilities.	DCS	1. 355 Committees compliant with legislation.	
	1.2.2.2 Ensure community halls and facilities are fit for purpose and sufficiently maintained.	MOP	1. Community halls and facilities maintained as per condition assessments.	
1.2.3 Deliver services to enhance community safety in the built and natural environment.	1.2.3.1 Delivery regulatory services with a focus on animal management, town appearance and car parking.	MES	1. Increased number of registered dogs for 2018/19 year in comparison with 2017/18. 2. Implement de-sexing program.	

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			3. Undertake four free microchipping weeks per year.	
	1.2.3.2 Deliver building and environmental health services to provide a safe built environment and achieve food safety.	MES	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Completion of all food inspections within legislative requirements. 2. Complete all skin penetration inspections. 3. Complete two pool barrier inspections per week. 4. Prepare a Council Policy for pool barrier inspections. 5. Preparation of essential fire safety program. 	

1.3 Our community and public space are accessible and inclusive and reflect our history, heritage and culture				
Delivery Program 2018-21 Activity	Operational Plan 2018-19	Responsible Officer	Measure	Status
1.3.1 Council aims to develop Edward River Council as a vibrant and progressive community by supporting and partnering with	1.3.1.1 Promote and support local events and activities such as NAIDOC week, Wamba Wamba Perrepa Perrepa week, Seniors week, International Women’s Day and Youth Week activities.	MCED	1. No. of local events supported.	

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community groups and assisting in developing cultural spaces.	1.3.1.2 Progress the development of the Deniliquin Town Hall as a community, arts, performance and cultural hub.	MCED	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Funding secured for project. 2. Project plan developed, and tender completed. 3. Project commenced. 	
	1.3.1.3 Commence discussions with Indigenous groups and organisations about local indigenous arts, culture and heritage.	MCED	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Discussions commenced with relevant groups. 2. Plan developed and presented to Council. 	

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Commentary on: ● Action - Not Started		
Delivery Program 2018-21 Activity	Operational Plan 2018-19 Action	Explanatory text
1.1.1 Communicate and engage with stakeholders to understand community need and undertake advocacy on important issues.	1.1.1.2 Develop and implement a Doctor Incentive Policy to assist in the attraction of medical practitioners.	Scheduled to commence Q3.
1.2.3 Deliver services to enhance community safety in the built and natural environment.	1.2.3.2 Deliver building and environmental health services to provide a safe built environment and achieve food safety	Food inspection, skin penetration inspection, pool barrier inspection programs are all scheduled to be undertaken across Q3 and Q4.

Commentary on: ● Action - Behind Plan		
Delivery Program 2018-21 Activity	Operational Plan 2018-19 Action	Explanatory text
1.2.1 Develop and maintain Council's sporting facilities, pool, playgrounds and walking and cycling paths.	1.1.1.2 Deliver projects funded through the Stronger Communities Fund Major Projects Program.	Planning and design for all Round 1 Stronger Communities Fund Major Projects Program projects has commenced. Some of the projects will not be deliverable by 30 June 2019 due to a shortage of suitable design consultants and contractors.

Commentary on: ● Action - Urgent Action Needed		
Delivery Program 2018-21 Activity	Operational Plan 2018-19 Action	Explanatory text
1.2.2	1.2.2.1	While Council has continued to operate section 355 Committees, there is no currently no framework in place to





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Provide community halls and facilities.	Support Committees to manage Council halls and facilities.	ensure compliance with the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i> and other legislation, as well as the Code of Conduct and Code of Meeting Practice. Council has resolved to commission a strategic review of Council’s committee framework and it is anticipated the review’s recommendations will be resourced for implementation in the 2019-20 year.
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Additional achievements: ● Other significant achievements not contained in the combined Delivery Program 2018-21 and Operational Plan 2018-19	
Delivery Program 2018-21 Activity	Other achievements obtained
1.2.3 Deliver services to enhance community safety in the built and natural environment.	Completed mandatory dog attack reporting through the NSW Companion Animals Register. Commenced review of Council’s Enforcement Policy. Development of Management of Feral and/or Infant Companion Animals Policy. Implemented the alcohol-free zone in Deniliquin for the 2018-2022 period.

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Outcome 2 – A prosperous and vibrant economy

2.1 Our economy is strong and diverse				
Delivery Program 2018-21 Activity	Operational Plan 2018-19 Action	Responsible Officer	Measure	Status
2.1.1 Support and grow local business and agriculture	2.1.1.1 Provide support to any local business looking to expand through the provision of advice, assistance, identifying and applying for grants and any other support that is achievable.	MCED	1. Value of funding accessed for private business expansion.	
	2.1.1.2 Develop an Investment Attraction Policy and Framework.	MCED	1. Policy and Framework developed and approved by Council. 2. No. of businesses who access support.	
	2.1.1.3 Investigate and advocate to RMS for additional truck stops to improve road safety and encourage additional economic spend.	MCED	1. Engage with trucking industry to understand priority areas of focus.	
	2.1.1.4 Progressively implement the Economic Development Strategy.	MCED	1. No. of initiatives implemented from the Strategy.	


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	<p>2.1.1.5 Undertake the development of a Retirement Village in Deniliquin.</p>	MCED	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Land secured and prepared for development. 2. Agreement in place with developer for retirement village to be constructed. 3. Development commenced. 	
	<p>2.1.1.6 Undertake the Deniliquin Airport Runway Project.</p>	MCED	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Undertake next steps to further develop project as outlined in KPMG Business Case. 2. Submit funding applications to both State and Federal Governments for the project. 	
<p>2.1.2 Develop and promote investment opportunities within Edward River region.</p>	<p>2.1.2.1 Develop a Major Project Pipeline to attract funding and development.</p>	MCED	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Project pipeline developed and approved by Council. 2. Value of funding received for projects identified in pipeline. 	
<p>2.1.3 Streamline processes and identify efficiencies to assist investors, developers, builders and event organisers.</p>	<p>2.1.3.1 Progressively review processes relating to investors, developers, builders and event organisers with reduction in red tape and simplification of the process as the primary focus.</p>	MCED	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. No. of processes reviewed, savings generated, and time delays removed. 	

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2.2 We develop our key assets to enhance agriculture, boost tourism and support existing business				
Delivery Program 2018-21 Activity	Operational Plan 2018-19 Action	Responsible Officer	Measure	Status
2.2.1 Promote and develop Edward River region as a place to live, learn, work, play and visit.	2.2.1.1 Continue to promote Deniliquin and Edward River Council through a tourism marketing campaign.	MCED	1. Tourism marketing campaign delivered for 2018/19 year.	
	2.2.1.2 Support existing events and attract new events.	MCED	1. Value of support provided for existing events. 2. No. of new events attracted.	
2.2.2 Invest in our rivers, creeks, billabongs and main streets to support existing business and attract tourism	2.2.2.1 Implement the Rural Villages Beautification program for Conargo, Blighty, Wanganella, Booroorban, Pretty Pine and Mayrung.	MEA	1. Project completed in each village.	
	2.2.2.2 Complete and commence implementing the Riverfront, CBD, Lagoons and Town Entrance Masterplans.	MES	1. Masterplans completed. 2. No. of initiatives implemented.	

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2.3 Our region provides strong education, employment and training opportunities				
Delivery Program 2018-21 Activity	Operational Plan 2018-19 Action	Responsible Officer	Measure	Status
2.3.1 Work in partnership with business to identify skill and employment gaps that can attract new residents and support economic growth.	2.3.1 Engage with business to understand skill gaps and advocate to education providers to try and align needs.	MCED	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Meetings held with industry to understand skills gaps. 2. Discussions with education providers to align aims. 	

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2.1.1 Support and grow local business and agriculture	2.1.1.2 Develop an Investment Attraction Policy and Framework.	Scheduled for Q4.

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Delivery Program 2018-21 Activity	Operational Plan 2018-19 Action	Explanatory text
2.1.2 Develop and promote investment opportunities within Edward River region.	2.1.2.1 Develop a Major Project Pipeline to attract funding and development.	Major project pipeline has commenced but more work needs to be done to promote the opportunities. The Inaugural Major Projects Summit enabled Edward River businesses to understand the opportunities for them to leverage major projects in the region.
2.3.1 Work in partnership with business to identify skill and employment gaps that can attract new residents and support economic growth.	2.3.1 Engage with business to understand skill gaps and advocate to education providers to try and align needs.	Discussions have commenced with the manufacturing sector and the health sector. A forum will be held in February to discuss attracting GPS to Deniliquin and further work will be done in conjunction with industry.





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Additional achievements:		 Other significant achievements not contained in the combined Delivery Program 2018-21 and Operational Plan 2018-19
Delivery Program 2018-21 Activity	Other achievements obtained	
2.1.1 Support and grow local business and agriculture.	Delivered significant program of business events during Small Business Month including the particularly successful Inaugural Major Projects Summit. Over 120 local businesses attended forums, workshops and the projects summit aimed at growing local businesses.	

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Outcome 3 – A valued and enhanced natural environment

3.1 We are committed to resource recovery and waste management				
Delivery Program 2018-21 Activity	Operational Plan 2018-19 Action	Responsible Officer	Measure	Status
3.1.1 Minimise waste to landfill and investigate options for recycling.	3.1.1.1 Develop and implement an Edward River Council Waste Strategy.	DIN	1. Strategy developed and approved by Council.	
	3.1.1.2 Complete a Business Case for kerbside recycling.	DIN	1. Business case completed and adopted by Council.	
3.1.2 Provide sustainable waste services and infrastructure.	3.1.2.1 Operate and maintain waste facilities.	MOP	1. Facilities operating within licence requirements. 2. No. breaches of licence requirements.	
	3.1.2.2 Undertake planning for the expansion of the Deniliquin Waste Disposal Depot.	MOP	1. Planning completed, and detailed report taken to Council. 2. Decision on expansion of tip made by Council. 3. Project implementation commenced, if approved.	

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3.2 Our natural environment is protected and enhanced				
Delivery Program 2018-21 Activity	Operational Plan 2018-19 Action	Responsible Officer	Measure	Status
3.2.1 Sustainably manage Council owned and managed natural areas.	3.2.1.1 Provide cemetery management to Council operated public cemeteries	MOP	1. Cemetery services delivered to agreed service levels. 2. No. of complaints received.	
	3.2.1.2 Maintain Council owned and managed areas within agreed service levels.	MOP	1. Service levels progressively developed. 2. Updated service levels are implemented.	
3.2.2 Proactively manage the impacts associated with invasive species.	3.2.2.1 Conduct weed control initiatives in line with regulatory obligations.	MOP	1. Service delivered and compliance with DPI guidelines and relevant legislation.	
3.2.3 Collaborate with emergency services and other agencies to provide cohesive emergency management services.	3.2.3.1 Partner with agencies to achieve coordinated emergency management.	MEA	1. Membership of relevant committees maintained.	
	3.2.3.2 Deliver the RFS Fire Control Centre project at the Deniliquin Airport.	MEA	1. Project delivered on time and on budget.	
3.2.4 Provide great Parks and Open Space by greening our streets,	3.2.4.1 Develop and implement outcomes from the Edward River Council Recreation	DIN	1. Plans developed.	

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managing tree safety and improving our town entrances, sporting ovals, gardens and passive recreation spaces.	Strategy, Memorial Park Masterplan and Open Space Strategy.		2. Funding applications developed and submitted for high priority projects.	
	3.2.4.2 Deliver maintenance programs for our parks, trees and reserves.	MOP	1. Maintenance programs developed and implemented.	

3.3 We plan for the future to accommodate and facilitate sustainable growth and development

Delivery Program 2018-21 Activity	Operational Plan 2018-19 Action	Responsible Officer	Measure	Status
3.3.1 Manage the built environment in line with the LEP and relevant legislation.	3.3.1.1 Provide timely, accurate and professional development services.	MES	1. Planning processing times meet legislative requirements.	
	3.3.1.2 Commence development of an Edward River LEP.	MES	1. Single Edward River Council LEP commenced.	
3.3.2 Undertake strategic planning to ensure our community is well planned and there is adequate land available to support residential, business, industrial and agricultural growth.	3.3.2.1 Finalise the Rural Living strategic planning project.	MES	1. Report completed and approved by Council.	
	3.3.2.2 Develop an Industrial Land Strategy.	MES	1. Strategy completed and approved by Council.	

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	<p>3.3.2.3 Complete the North Deniliquin Levy Feasibility and Design.</p>	<p>MEA</p>	<p>1. Feasibility complete. 2. Design complete.</p>	
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Delivery Program 2018-21 Activity	Operational Plan 2018-19 Action	Explanatory text
All actions commenced during the reporting period.		

Commentary on: ● Action - Behind Plan		
Delivery Program 2018-21 Activity	Operational Plan 2018-19 Action	Explanatory text
3.1.1 Minimise waste to landfill and investigate options for recycling.	3.1.1.1 Develop and implement an Edward River Council Waste Strategy.	Consultants have presented a first draft of the strategy to Council and are currently incorporating the feedback from the presentation into the final draft.
	3.1.1.2 Complete a Business Case for kerbside recycling.	Council has resolved to further investigate the business case for a three-bin recycling system.
3.2.3 Collaborate with emergency services and other agencies to provide cohesive emergency management services.	3.2.3.2 Deliver the RFS Fire Control Centre project at the Deniliquin Airport.	Project on budget but behind plan due to contractor issues beyond Council's control. Status of project has been communicated to NSW RFS.
3.1.2 Provide sustainable waste services and infrastructure.	3.1.2.2 Undertake planning for the expansion of the Deniliquin Waste Disposal Depot.	Consultants have been engaged to design and facilitate the expansion of the Waste Disposal depot.

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<p>3.3.2 Undertake strategic planning to ensure our community is well planned and there is adequate land available to support residential, business, industrial and agricultural growth.</p>	<p>3.3.2.2 Develop an Industrial Land Strategy.</p>	<p>The brief for the strategy has been drafted and will be finalised for quotation by February 2019.</p>
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<p>Commentary on: ● Action - Urgent Action Needed</p>		
<p>Delivery Program 2018-21 Activity</p>	<p>Operational Plan 2018-19 Action</p>	<p>Explanatory text</p>
<p>No actions requiring urgent action during the reporting period.</p>		


<p>Additional achievements: ● Other significant achievements not contained in the combined Delivery Program 2018-21 and Operational Plan 2018-19</p>	
<p>Delivery Program 2018-21 Activity</p>	<p>Other achievements obtained</p>
<p>3.3.1 Manage the built environment in line with the LEP and relevant legislation.</p>	<p>Commenced the planning proposal to insert flood planning controls into the Deniliquin Local Environmental Plans 1997/2013 in accordance with recommendations of the Edward River at Deniliquin Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan 2017.</p> <p>Undertook review of bushfire-prone land mapping, which is currently awaiting certification by the NSW Rural Fire Service.</p> <p>Commenced preparation of a Local Approvals Policy.</p>



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Outcome 4 – A region with quality and sustainable infrastructure

4.1 Our built environment is managed, maintained and improved				
Delivery Program 2018-21 Activity	Operational Plan 2018-19 Action	Responsible Officer	Measure	Status
4.1.1 Responsibly manage our assets including roads, buildings, footpaths, airport, cemetery, recreation and sporting facilities and public toilets by inspecting and monitoring maintenance and renewal needs.	4.1.1.1 Deliver Council's Annual Capital Works Program.	MOP	1. 100% capital works program delivered.	
	4.1.1.2 Deliver annual maintenance on Council infrastructure.	MOP	1. 100% annual maintenance delivered.	
4.1.2 Understand and plan for Council's asset renewal requirements.	4.1.2.1 Progress towards investing in our assets at a level equal to depreciation.	DIN	1. Increasing capital expenditure.	
	4.1.2.2 Progressively develop and implement detailed asset management plans across all asset classes.	MEA	1. No. of asset plans developed.	
	4.1.2.3 Develop a ten-year plant replacement that aligns with service needs.	MOP	1. Ten-year plant program developed and approved by Council. 2. Plan implemented for 2019/20 budget development process.	



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	4.1.2.4 Progressively develop service standards by Council infrastructure.	DIN	1. No. of service standards developed.	
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4.2 Our road network is a source of pride				
Delivery Program 2018-21 Activity	Operational Plan 2018-19 Action	Responsible Officer	Measure	Status
4.2.1 Close Council's asset renewal gap with the road network as the priority area of focus.	4.2.1.1 Undertake condition assessments of Council's roads and related infrastructure.	MOP	1. Condition assessments completed for road network.	
	4.2.1.2 Develop a program of works to renew Council's roads in line with condition assessments.	MOP	1. Program developed and approved by Council. 2. Implemented of program commenced for 2019/20 budget.	

4.3 Our water and sewer infrastructure is efficient and fit for purpose				
Delivery Program 2018-21 Activity	Operational Plan 2018-19 Action	Responsible Officer	Measure	Status
4.3.1	4.3.1.1 Deliver Council's annual Water and Sewer Capital Works Program.	MOP	1. 100% capital works program delivered.	

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Provide for safe, reliable and sustainable water and sewerage services.	4.3.1.2 Deliver annual maintenance programs on Water and Sewer infrastructure	MOP	1. 100% annual maintenance delivered.	
4.3.2 Plan for the replacement of the Deniliquin Sewerage Treatment Plant	4.3.2.1 Commence planning and discussions with the State Government for the replacement of the Deniliquin Sewerage Treatment Plant.	DIN	1. Project plan for project developed and approved by Council. 2. Discussions commenced with Government on project and funding.	

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Commentary on: ● Action - Not Started		
Delivery Program 2018-21 Activity	Operational Plan 2018-19 Action	Explanatory text
4.3.2 Plan for the replacement of the Deniliquin Sewerage Treatment Plant	4.3.2.1 Commence planning and discussions with the State Government for the replacement of the Deniliquin Sewerage Treatment Plant.	Council shall prepare a brief regarding the replacement of the Sewerage Treatment Plant for discussions with the State Government and funding in the 2019/20 Operational Plan.

Commentary on: ● Action - Behind Plan		
Delivery Program 2018-21 Activity	Operational Plan 2018-19 Action	Explanatory text
4.3.1 Provide for safe, reliable and sustainable water and sewerage services.	4.3.1.1 Deliver Council's annual Water and Sewer Capital Works Program.	Work is continuing on the Water and Sewer Capital Works Program, subject to consultant and contractor availability.




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Delivery Program 2018-21 Activity	Other achievements obtained
No additional achievements during the reporting period.	

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Outcome 5 – A community working together to achieve its potential

5.1 Our community is informed and engaged				
Delivery Program 2018-21 Activity	Operational Plan 2018-19 Action	Responsible Officer	Measure	Status
5.1.1 Proactively communicate information on Council services, activities and events.	5.1.1.1 Ensure a Council wide focus on external communication that works across multiple mediums including online, print and face to face and ensures both the urban and rural areas are adequately communicated with.	GM	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Bi-annual newsletter developed and distributed. Increase in Followers on Council Facebook page. No. of media releases distributed. 	
5.1.2 Provide opportunities for the community to be involved in key strategies, policies and decisions of Council.	5.1.2.1 Implement a Community Engagement Policy and Community Engagement Strategy in line with IAP2 guidelines.	MCED	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Policy and Strategy developed and approved by Council. 	
	5.1.2.2 Complete communication strategies for key projects.	GM	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> No. of strategies developed for key projects. 	







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5.2 We collaborate and pursue partnerships that achieve great outcomes for our community				
Delivery Program 2018-21 Activity	Operational Plan 2018-19 Action	Responsible Officer	Measure	Status
5.2.1 Work in partnership with the community on key projects.	5.2.1.1 Establish Committees and Working Groups with community representation for key Council projects.	GM	1. No. of committees established for projects.	
	5.2.1.2 Implement the priority projects from the Disability Inclusion Action Plan to establish a Disability Inclusion Committee and construct an accessible change facility at the Deniliquin Swim Centre.	MES	1. Accessible pool changerooms completed. 2. Committee established.	
5.3 Our local government is efficient, innovative and financially sustainable				
Delivery Program 2018-21 Activity	Operational Plan 2018-19 Action	Responsible Officer	Measure	Status
5.3.1 Deliver sustainable financial management.	5.3.1.1 Develop and implement a sustainable Long-Term Financial Plan.	MFIN	1. Long-Term Financial Plan developed and approved by Council. 2. Document updated and approved annually.	
	5.3.1.2 Implement year one of reimplementing Council's Business System with a focus on maximising mobility in the field.	DCS	1. Year one of TechOne project implemented on time and within budget.	






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	5.3.1.3 Investigate opportunities to sell assets surplus to requirements.	DCS	1. No. of surplus assets sold or disposed of.	
	5.3.1.4 Undertake sound financial management in line with legislative requirements.	MFIN	1. Quarterly budget statement reviews completed. 2. Financial statements lodged by 31 October. 3. Monthly investment reports to Council completed. 4. Outstanding rates maintained at below 8%.	
5.3.2 Deliver excellent customer service.	5.3.2.1 Develop a Frequently Asked Question (FAQ) system to improve first point of contact resolution customer service.	MPCS	1. System developed and implemented.	
	5.3.2.2 Develop and implement a performance reporting framework and project management system to track and support delivery of Council services and projects.	DCS	1. Performance reporting and project management systems implemented.	
5.3.3 Deliver good governance and take steps to improve management of risk and safety.	5.3.3.1 Establish a Council Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee.	DCS	1. Committee established. 2. Committee meets a minimum of four times per year.	

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	5.3.3.2 Develop and deliver a program of Councillor governance training.	DCS	1. Councillor training delivered.	
	5.3.3.3 Facilitate effective Council meetings and workshops.	GM	1. Monthly Council meetings and workshops held. 2. Agendas set out minimum of five days prior.	
	5.3.3.4 Develop and implement an Enterprise Risk Management system.	MPCS	1. Enterprise Risk Management system developed, implemented and maintained. 2. Reporting through to Audit and Risk Committee on key strategic risk areas.	
5.3.4 Identify and deliver innovative projects to improve Council's performance.	5.3.4.1 Progressively implement Council's IT Strategy.	MIM	1. No. of initiatives reimplemented.	
	5.3.4.2 Implement a LEAN process improvement program across Council.	GM	1. Program implemented. 2. No. of projects implemented across Council.	
	5.3.4.3 Where possible, partner through the Joint Organisation or with neighbouring councils on projects and service delivery that provides benefits to all communities.	GM	1. No. of initiatives undertaken in partnership with the Joint Organisation or neighbouring municipalities.	

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<p>5.3.5 Be an employer of choice.</p>	<p>5.3.5.1 Consolidate to one Council Depot.</p>	<p>DIN</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Plan for new depot developed and costed. 2. Construction of single depot commenced. 3. Resolution and implementation of process for selling or developing 'South Depot'. 	
	<p>5.3.5.2 Implement year one of Council's Workforce Development Strategy.</p>	<p>MPCS</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. No. of initiatives implemented. 	
	<p>5.3.5.3 Undertake annual staff satisfaction surveys to identify areas for improvement.</p>	<p>MPCS</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Annual survey completed. 2. Action from findings is implemented as required. 	
	<p>5.3.5.4 Explore options for a new Civic Centre.</p>	<p>DCS</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Planning commenced for staff offices. 	
	<p>5.3.5.5 Fund annual staff training programs.</p>	<p>MPCS</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Training policy developed 2. Suitable budget allocation for staff training. 	


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All actions commenced during the reporting period.		

Commentary on: ● Action - Behind Plan		
Delivery Program 2018-21 Activity	Operational Plan 2018-19 Action	Explanatory text
5.1.2 Provide opportunities for the community to be involved in key strategies, policies and decisions of Council.	5.1.2.2 Complete communication strategies for key projects.	Communication plan completed for Streetscape project. Additional project management resources now engaged and a requirement for the completion of communication strategies will be built into a redeveloped project management process.
5.3.5 Be an employer of choice.	5.3.5.1 Consolidate to one Council Depot.	Architects are continuing to develop the Masterplan for the Works Depot and prepare a Development Application for the required works.

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Delivery Program 2018-21 Activity	Other achievements obtained	
No additional achievements during the reporting period.		

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11.10 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT (DECEMBER 2018)

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RECOMMENDATION

That Council note the Environmental Services report for December 2018.

BACKGROUND

Attachment 1 is the Environmental Services report for December 2018.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

Nil.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Nil.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Environmental Services Report (December 2018)



Current Applications at 31 December 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	Awaiting advice from applicant re addressing requirements of EPA and OEH
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 to a maximum of 7,458 scu.	13/07/2018	Awaiting advice from applicant re odour 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 46/18	Lot 20, DP873364, 555 Poitiers Street, Deniliquin	Paul Park	2 lot subdivision	28/08/2018	Awaiting advice from applicant – submission of amended plans
DA 53/18	Lot 488, DP721980, Ochertyre Street, Deniliquin	GSD Architects	Installation of a service station	13/09/2018	Awaiting advice from applicant
DA 60/18 CC 34/18	Lot 20, DP1175451, 251 Harfleur Street, Deniliquin	Andrew Bruncker	Family room extension	10/10/2018	Under assessment
DA 64/18	Lot 153, DP756325, 154 Pakenham Street, Deniliquin	Andrew & Kim Barry	7 lot subdivision	16/10/2018	Under assessment
DA 65/18	Lot 403, DP756325, 142-144 Napier Street, Deniliquin	Steve Jaques on behalf of Kurrajong Waratah	30 lot subdivision	16/10/2018	Awaiting advice from applicant
DA 66/18	Lot 62, DP756325, 416-418 Ochertyre Street, Deniliquin	Paul Swinton (Maxi Tankers)	Installation of a service station	22/10/2018	Awaiting advice from applicant
DA 67/18	Lot 8, DP228729 & Lot 12, DP235080, 13-15 Butler Street, Deniliquin	Frank & Dianne Rinaldi	Demolish existing motel	19/10/2018	Under assessment



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DA 70/18 CC 40/18	Lot 122, DP1111183, 161 Hay Road, Deniliquin	Ian Barnett	Internal alterations and change of use	30/10/2018	Awaiting advice from applicant
DA 71/18 CC 41/18	Lot 2, DP1135369, 265-271 Barham Road, Deniliquin	Jason O'Connor	Shed	1/11/2018	Awaiting advice from applicant
DA 73/18	Lot 2, DP1174509, 258 Harfleur Street, Deniliquin	HDN Building Design	Dual occupancy	21/11/2018	Under assessment
DA 74/18	Lot 560, DP1101666, Pretty Pine Road, Moulamein	John Loudon	2 lot subdivision	28/11/2018	Under assessment
DA 77/18	Lot 1, & 3 DP1235420 & Lot 5 DP1220715, 227 Cemetery Road & 179-183 Cemetery Road, Deniliquin	Deni Industrial Park Pty Ltd	Staged Development Stage 1: Railway Freight Terminal Stage 2: 13 Lot Subdivision	4/12/2018	Under assessment
DA 79/18 CC 47/18	Lot 531, 3 Macauley Street, Deniliquin	Lindsay Renwick for the Deniliquin Historical Society	Construction of verandah to existing building	4/12/2018	Under assessment
DA 80/18 CC 49/18	Lot 7, DP788285, 158 Old Racecourse Road, Deniliquin	Grant Frazer	Shed	19/12/2018	Under assessment
CC 44/18	Lot 1, Section 208, DP758913, 46-58 Edwardes Street, Deniliquin	Tim Nolan	Multi Arts Centre Kitchen Extension	23/11/2018	Under assessment
Complying Development Certificates					
CDC 38/18	Lot 22, DP1243387, Lot 22 Finley Road, Deniliquin	Michael Maher	Residential shed	14/12/2018	Under assessment



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Applications Determined December 2018				
Application	Property Description	Applicant	Development	Amount
DA 50/18	Lot 2 DP740184, Lot 17 DP23259 & Lot 18 DP23259, 455 & 457 Harfleur Street, Deniliquin	FPY Pty Ltd	Construct a car park for funeral home	60,000.00
DA 51/18	Lot 7012, DP1120697, Davidson Street, Deniliquin (land adjoining Crown Reserve 79140 known as the Edward River Oval)	Lawrence & Leanne Wright	Installation of a single mooring	3,000.00
DA 54/18 CC 29/18	Lot 34, DP1069691, 258-260 Henry Street, Deniliquin	Christine Buchanan	Extension to existing dwelling	25,000.00
DA 56/18	Lot 7012, DP1120697, Davidson Street, Deniliquin	Deniliquin RSL Fishing Club	Temporary event being the Deniliquin RSL Fishing Classic	0.00
DA 63/18	Lot 12, DP628326, 404 Charlotte Street, Deniliquin	Realm Building Design	Alterations and additions to existing Dental Clinic, including alterations to existing onsite carparking	750,000.00
DA 69/18 CC 39/18	Lot 2A, DP30555, 240 Henry Street, Deniliquin	Peter O'Bryan	Carport	4,000.00
DA 72/18 CC 43/18	Lot 79, DP605705, 408 Harfleur Street, Deniliquin	Mark Panton	Dwelling alterations and additions	300,000.00



DA 75/18	Lot 6, Section 22, DP758913, 364-370 Whitelock Street, Deniliquin	Felicity Michael (Deniliquin Children's Centre)	Erection of business identification sign	5,000.00
DA 76/18 CC 45/18	Lot 2, DP813708, 375 Hay Road, Deniliquin	Sussan Jackson	Garage	4,000.00
CC 37/18	Lot 26, DP877116, 388 Wakool Road, Deniliquin	David & Caitrin Watson	Construction rebuild of stables shed in the same location and temporary use as function centre	280,000.00
CC 42/18	Lot 487, DP731813, Memorial Drive, Deniliquin	Decentralised Demountables	Addition of coolroom & storeroom to existing Rovers Clubrooms	46,000.00
DA 78/18 CC 46/18	Lot 1, DP108077, 234 River Street, Deniliquin	Grant McDonald	Alteration to pitch on roof	19,500.00
CDC 31/18	Lot 1232, DP1190964, 168 Henry Street, Deniliquin	Tony Campbell	Residential Shed	35,000.00
CDC 32/18	Lot 101, DP756336, 264 Booabula Road, Wanganella	John Wallace	Residential alterations & additions	450,000.00
CDC 35/18	Lot B, DP412193, 478 George Street, Deniliquin	Daniel Brwick	Swimming pool	50,450.00
CDC 36/18	Lot 12, DP1123768, 219 Wanderer Street, Deniliquin	Brandrick Architects	Demolition of dwelling	20,000.00
CDC 37/18	Lot 11, DP1123768, 221 Wanderer Street, Deniliquin	Brandrick Architects	Demolition of dwelling	20,000.00
S68 18/18	Lot 12, Dp628326, 404 Charlotte Street, Deniliquin	Realm Building Design	Sewerage work	0.00



S68 19/18	N/A	Gerry Thommers	Operate food & drink van	0.00
S68 20/18	N/A	Gerry Thommers	Operate food & drink van	0.00

Processing Times for December 2018		
Application Type	Mean Gross Days	Mean Net Days
DA	54	33
Mod (S96) of DA & DA/CC	-	-
CDC	14	14
CC	28	28
S68 Applications	6	6



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	5	4	2	4	\$1,625,621	\$709,435
October	13	5	4	1	4	1	\$3,171,654	\$1,081,700
November	9	6	5	5	1	1	\$4,456,450	\$484,138
December	3	10	2	5	1	3	\$2,220,230	\$1,745,950
TOTALS	96	72	40	37	41	21	\$21,374,834.00	\$9,633,120

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	16
Sewerage drainage diagrams	10

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



Ranger's Report – December 2018			
Companion Animals			
	Cats	Dogs	Other
Animals seized/surrendered	6	8	
Animals released to owner	0	6	
Animals euthanised	3 (3 escaped)	1	
Animals rehomed	0	2	
Dogs declared dangerous / menacing	-	0	
Animals still impounded	0	3	
Animals microchipped by Council	1	12	
Animals microchipped by Council (quarterly free chipping week)	-	-	
Animal registered	2	10	
Animal registration notices sent	3	40	
Animal fines	0	2	0 wandering stock
Clean Up Notices			
Property clean up notices	1		
Illegal dumping	0		
Parking Fines			
Parking fines	0		
Impoundment (Impounding Act 1993)			
Vehicles	0		
Livestock	0		
Euthanised Wildlife			
	0		

**Dog Attacks**

Date	Details	Victims	Outcome
13/12/2018	2 dogs attacked sheep	2 lambs died	Dogs could not be found
17/12/2018	Dog attacked a person and a dog	1 dog injured	Warning and fines issued to owner

11.11 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT (JANUARY 2019)

Author: Julie Rogers, Manager Environmental Services

Authoriser: Adam McSwain, General Manager

RECOMMENDATION

That Council note the Environmental Services report for January 2019.

BACKGROUND

Attachment 1 is the Environmental Services report for January 2019.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

Nil.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Nil.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Environmental Services Report (January 2019)



Current Applications at 31 January 2019					
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	Awaiting advice from applicant re addressing requirements of EPA and OEH
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 to a maximum of 7,458 scu.	13/07/2018	Awaiting advice from applicant re odour 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	Awaiting advice from applicant
DA 64/18	Lot 153, DP756325, 154 Pakenham Street, Deniliquin	Andrew & Kim Barry	7 lot subdivision	16/10/2018	Awaiting advice from applicant
DA 65/18	Lot 403, DP756325, 142-144 Napier Street, Deniliquin	Steve Jaques on behalf of Kurrajong Waratah	30 lot subdivision	16/10/2018	Under assessment
DA 66/18	Lot 62, DP756325, 416-418 Ochtertyre Street, Deniliquin	Paul Swinton (Maxi Tankers)	Installation of a service station	22/10/2018	Awaiting advice from applicant
DA 67/18	Lot 8, DP228729 & Lot 12, DP235080, 13-15 Butler Street, Deniliquin	Frank & Dianne Rinaldi	Demolish existing motel	19/10/2018	Awaiting advice from applicant
DA 70/18 CC 40/18	Lot 122, DP1111183, 161 Hay Road, Deniliquin	Ian Barnett	Internal alterations and change of use	30/10/2018	Awaiting advice from applicant
DA 71/18 CC 41/18	Lot 2, DP1135369, 265-271 Barham Road, Deniliquin	Jason O'Connor	Shed	1/11/2018	Awaiting advice from applicant
DA 74/18	Lot 560, DP1101666, Pretty Pine Road, Moulamein	John Loudon	2 lot subdivision	28/11/2018	Under assessment
DA 77/18	Lot 1, & 3 DP1235420 & Lot 5 DP1220715, 227 Cemetery Road & 179-183 Cemetery Road, Deniliquin	Deni Industrial Park Pty Ltd	Staged development Stage 1: Railway freight terminal Stage 2: 13 lot subdivision	4/12/2018	Awaiting advice from applicant



DA 79/18 CC 47/18	Lot 531, 3 Macauley Street, Deniliquin	Lindsay Renwick for the Deniliquin Historical Society	Construction of verandah to existing building	4/12/2018	Under assessment
DA 80/18 CC 49/18	Lot 7, DP788285, 158 Old Racecourse Road, Deniliquin	Grant Frazer	Shed	19/12/2018	Awaiting advice from applicant
CC 44/18	Lot 1, Section 208, DP758913, 46-58 Edwardes Street, Deniliquin	Tim Nolan	Multi Arts Centre Kitchen Extension	23/11/2018	Awaiting advice from applicant
DA 2/19	Lot 11, Section 76, DP758913, 90-106 Wellington Street, Deniliquin	NSW Department of Education	Installation of an electronic LED freestanding sign to replace the existing school sign	25/01/2019	Under assessment
DA 3/19	Lot 519, DP820164, Cemetery Road, (Crown Reserve 150007), Deniliquin	Deniliquin Sports Park Incorporated	Modification of DA 1844. Extension to basketball stadium – stage 2	23/01/2019	Under assessment
Complying Development Certificates					
-	-	-	-	-	-
S68 Applications					
-	-	-	-	-	-



Applications Determined January 2019				
Application	Property Description	Applicant	Development	Amount
DA 46/18	Lot 20, DP873364, 555 Poitiers Street, Deniliquin	Paul Park	2 lot subdivision	0.00
DA 53/18	Lot 488, DP721980, Ochertyre Street, Deniliquin	GSD Architects	Installation of a service station	200,000.00
DA 60/18 CC 34/18	Lot 20, DP1175451, 251 Harfleur Street, Deniliquin	Andrew Bruner	Family room extension	46,750.00
DA 73/18	Lot 2, DP1174509, 258 Harfleur Street, Deniliquin	HDN Building Design	Dual occupancy	350,000.00
CDC 38/18	Lot 22, DP1243387, Lot 22 Finley Road, Deniliquin	Michael Maher	Residential Shed	9,500.00
DA 1/19 CC 1/19	Lot 18, DP650070, 407 Harfleur Street, Deniliquin	Zena Wahanui	Front Fence	2,500.00
Processing Times for January 2019				
Application Type		Mean Gross Days	Mean Net Days	
DA		93	57	
Mod (S96) of DA & DA/CC		-	-	
CDC		33	1	
CC		59	33	
S68 Applications		-	-	



Value and Number of Applications Determined 2018 and 2019								
Month	DAs 2018	DAs 2019	CDCs 2018	CDCs 2019	S68 2018	S68 2019	Value 2018	Value 2019
January	3	5	0	1	0	0	\$96,900	\$608,750
February	8		2		3		\$753,100	
March	3		5		1		\$1,560,188	
April	6		4		1		\$522,400	
May	6		2		2		\$119,300	
June	8		3		1		\$1,062,899	
July	6		3		3		\$624,300	
August	6		3		1		\$872,810	
September	5		4		4		\$709,435	
October	5		1		1		\$1,081,700	
November	6		5		1		\$484,138	
December	10		5		3		\$1,745,950	
TOTALS	72	5	37	1	21	0	\$9,633,120	\$608,750.00

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	23
Sewerage drainage diagrams	15

Swimming Pool Inspection Program			
Month	1 st Inspection	2 nd Inspection	3 rd Inspection
January 2019	0	0	0



Ranger's Report – January 2019			
Companion Animals			
	Cats	Dogs	Other
Animals seized/surrendered	2	23	0
Animals released to owner	0	12	
Animals euthanised	0	2	
Animals rehomed	1	2	
Dogs declared dangerous / menacing	-	0	
Animals still impounded	1	7	
Animals microchipped by Council	0	0	
Animals microchipped by Council (quarterly free chipping week)	0	0	
Animal registered	0	10	
Animal registration notices sent	4	45	
Animal fines	0	5	0 wandering stock
Clean Up Notices			
Property clean up notices	0		
Illegal dumping	0		
Parking Fines			
Parking fines	0		
Impoundment (Impounding Act 1993)			
Vehicles	0		
Livestock	0		
Euthanised Wildlife			
	0		

**Dog Attacks**

Date	Details	Victims	Outcome
17/01/2019	1 dog attacked 7 sheep	4 lambs severely injured and 3 dead	Dog could not be found
20/01/2019	Dog attacked person and his dog	Adult required medical treatment, dog suffered minor injury	Warning and fines issued to owner
24/01/2019	1 dog attacked another dog	Dog needed medical treatment	-
29/01/2019	Dog attacked pet rabbit	1 rabbit died	Warning and fines issued to owner



Dog Attacks 2018 and 2019

Month	No. of Incidents		No. of Attacking Dogs		No. of Victims	
	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019
January	2	4	4	4	3	11
February	1		1		1	
March	-		-		-	
April	2		2		2	
May	2		2		2	
June	5		8		16	
July	4		6		7	
August	1		1		1	
September	1		2		1	
October	4		7		4	
November	4		6		11	
December	2		3		3	
TOTAL	28	4	42	4	51	11

11.12 DRAFT FLOOD PLANNING LEVELS POLICY

Author: Julie Rogers, Manager Environmental Services

Authoriser: Adam McSwain, General Manager

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Repeal Town Planning Policy 5.9 Flood Planning Levels; and
2. Adopt the draft Flood Planning Levels Policy

BACKGROUND

At its meeting on 15 November 2018 Council resolved to exhibit the draft Flood Planning Levels Policy for a period of 28 days and receive a further report upon completion of the exhibition period [297/18].

Attachment 1 is the draft policy.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

The draft policy was exhibited for a period of 28 days from 20 November 2018 to 18 December 2018. No submissions were received. It is recommended to Council that it repeal Town Planning Policy 5.9 Flood Planning Levels (attachment 2) and adopt the Flood Planning Levels Policy (attachment 1).

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

The proposed changes ensure consistency with the Deniliquin Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan (2017).

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

The draft policy is consistent with target 1 'a great place to live' and target 4 'a region with quality and sustainable infrastructure'.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Section 733 of the Local Government Act 1993 provides certain exemptions from liability in respect advice provided in good faith and/or anything done in good faith in relation to flooding.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Draft Flood Planning Levels Policy
2. Town Planning Policy 5.9 Flood Planning Levels



Flood Planning Levels Policy

Council Policy
Office of General Manager
Manager Environmental Services

POLICY OBJECTIVE

To set flood planning levels in the flood planning area and for other land that is at or below the flood planning level.

SCOPE

This policy applies to all land identified in the flood planning area or other land at or below the flood planning level within the study area for the Edward River at Deniliquin Flood Study (2014) and the Edward River at Deniliquin Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan (2017). This policy does not apply to land protected by the South Deniliquin Flood Levee.

LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

- Local Government Act 1993
- Environmental Planning and Assessment Act

POLICY STATEMENT

Flood Planning Areas – land within the floodway extent

The flood planning level for land in the flood planning area and within the floodway extent is 1%AEP + 500mm.

Additions to existing residential accommodation of less than 30% of the existing floor area may be permitted at a matching finished floor level to the existing building. All additions which are 30% or greater of the existing floor area shall be above the flood planning level. The floor area for residential accommodation will be calculated based on the habitable areas of the building.

Flood Planning Areas – land outside the floodway extent

The flood planning level for land within the flood planning area and outside the floodway extent is 1%AEP + 300mm.

Additions to existing residential accommodation of less than 30% of the existing floor area may be permitted at a matching finished floor level to the existing building. All additions which are 30% or greater of the existing floor area shall be above the flood planning level. The floor area for residential accommodation will be calculated based on the habitable areas of the building.

ASSOCIATED POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

- Edward River at Deniliquin Flood Study (WMAwater 2014)
- Edward River at Deniliquin Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan (WMAwater 2017)
- Deniliquin Local Environmental Plan 2013
- Deniliquin Local Environmental Plan 1997



**Edward
River**
COUNCIL

Flood Planning Levels Policy

Council Policy
Office of General Manager
Manager Environmental Services

DEFINITIONS

Flood planning area – as defined by the Floodplain Development Manual published by the NSW Government in April 2005. Note: the flood planning area is identified in the 'Edward River at Deniliquin Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan' (2017).

Flood planning level – as defined by the Floodplain Development Manual published by the NSW Government in April 2005.

Floodway – as defined by the Floodplain Development Manual published by the NSW Government in April 2005.

Residential accommodation – as defined by the Deniliquin Local Environmental Plan 2013.

Annual Exceedance Probability (AEP) – as defined by the Floodplain Development Manual published by the NSW Government in April 2005.

POLICY VERSION CONTROL

Title	Flood Planning Levels Policy			
ECM Doc Set ID	44059			
Date Adopted				
Date of Review	February 2024			
Council Minute No.				
Responsible Officer	Manager Environmental Services			
Version Number	Modified By	Modifications Made	Date modified and Approved by Council	Council Minute Number
2	Manager Environmental Services	Revise flood planning level requirements and policy placed into current Council policy template.		



DENILIQVIN COUNCIL

FLOOD PLANNING LEVELS

POLICY NO: Town Planning 5.9

DEPARTMENT: ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

OBJECTIVE

To set flood planning levels in the flood planning area and for other land that is at or below the flood planning level.

SCOPE

This policy applies to all land identified in the flood planning area or other land at or below the flood planning level. This policy does not apply to land protected by the South Deniliquin Flood Levee.

POLICY:

Flood Planning Areas except Davidson Street area/Inside North Deniliquin Flood Levee

All finished floor levels of residential accommodation on land affected by this policy shall be above the flood planning level.

Additions to existing residential accommodation of less than 30% of the existing habitable floor area may be permitted at a matching finished floor level to the existing building. All additions which are 30% or greater of the existing floor area shall be above the flood planning level.

Davidson Street Area

All finished floor levels shall be above the flood planning level (Davidson Street area).

Additions to existing buildings of less than 30% of the existing floor area may be permitted at a matching finished floor level to the existing building. All additions which are 30% or greater of the existing floor area shall be above the flood planning level. The floor area for residential accommodation will be calculated based on the habitable areas of the building.

Inside North Deniliquin Flood Levee

All finished floor levels of residential accommodation shall be 300mm above ground level (existing).

Additions to existing residential accommodation of less than 30% of the existing habitable floor area may be permitted at a matching finished floor level to the existing building. All additions which are 30% or greater of the existing habitable floor area shall be 300mm above the ground level (existing).



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In this policy:

Flood planning area – The flood planning area is identified in figure 32 of the 'Edward River at Deniliquin Flood Study' (WMAwater 2014) or is other land at or below the flood planning level.

Flood planning level – the level of a 1%AEP flood event plus 100mm freeboard.

Flood planning level (Davidson Street area) – the level of a 1%AEP flood event plus 500mm freeboard.

Residential accommodation – as defined by the Deniliquin Local Environmental Plan 2013.

1% Annual Exceedance Probability (AEP) – the chance of a flood of this size or larger size occurring in any one year as determined by figure 17 of the 'Edward River at Deniliquin Flood Study' (WMAwater 2014).

Ground Level (existing) – as defined by the Deniliquin Local Environmental Plan 2013.

Davidson Street area – all land identified as being 'deferred' or zoned E3 Environmental Management under the Deniliquin Local Environmental Plan 2013.

RELATED POLICIES/DOCUMENTS:

Edward River at Deniliquin Flood Study (WMAwater 2014)
Deniliquin Local Environmental Plan 2013

Date Approved	Revision No.	Minute No
13 October 2010	-	332/10
25 February 2015	1	20/15

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

That Council:

1. Note the report on roadside grazing; and
2. Consider granting concurrence in accordance with section 78 of the Local Land Services Act for the issuing of roadside grazing permits until 21 March 2019.

BACKGROUND

At its meeting on 20 December 2018 Council resolved 'to note the report on roadside grazing and grant concurrence in accordance with section 78 of the Local Land Services Act for the issuing of roadside grazing permits until 21 February 2019'.

This report provides an update on the making of applications for roadside grazing since Council's meeting on 20 December 2018.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

At the time of writing of this report no applications for roadside grazing have been submitted.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Council has a policy framework for making decisions about roadside grazing.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

The 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

Roadside grazing permits are issued under the Local Land Services Act 2013 with the concurrence of the road authority.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

11.14 MINUTES OF THE DENILIQVIN PROMOTION ADVISORY GROUP**Author: Michelle Cobb, Manager Tourism & Economic Development****Authoriser: Adam McSwain, General Manager****RECOMMENDATION**

That Council:

1. Note the attached minutes of the Deniliquin Promotion Advisory Group for the October 2018 and January 2019 meetings.

BACKGROUND

The Deniliquin Promotion Advisory Group meets on a regular basis, the frequency dependent upon activities planned in the area. Minutes from the previous two meetings, one held October 24 and the other January 9 are attached for review.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Deniliquin Promotion Advisory Group Minutes 24 October 2018
2. Deniliquin Promotion Advisory Group Minutes 9 January 2019



A meeting of the Deniliquin Promotion Advisory Group was held on Wednesday 24 October 2018, at 5.30pm at the Edward River Council Offices, Cressy Street, Deniliquin NSW.

MINUTES

1. Meeting open: 5.32pm
2. Members in attendance: Mick Summers, Anthony Smith, Norm Brennan, Michelle Cobb and Erica Laing
3. Apologies: Frank White, Pam Sutton
4. Minutes of the previous meeting (August meeting):
 - Final acquittal for DNSW
 - 2018/19 budget
 - Moomba campaign
 - Visit Deni website
 - Visit Deni rebrand
 - Official Visitor Guide (OVG)
 - Communication
 - Future of the Promotion Advisory Group
5. Matters arising from the previous meeting:
 - N/A
6. General business:
 - Marketing and promotional activities for 18/19
 - The committee were presented the new Visit Deni destination campaign and key action items for the next six months.
 - Discussed all upcoming activities and budget.
 - Extra drought assistance from council
 - Advised that council had approved an additional \$30,000 for destination marketing as a drought relief initiative.
 - The new funds will be used for two x four-week TV & Radio campaigns (placement in October 2018 & February 2019).
 - We Are Explorers – Influence campaign
 - Overview of the We Are Explorers campaign.
 - Three days for two explorers to spend in region
 - Canoe/Kayak Video (5/15/45 second videos)
 - Mountain Bike Video (5/15/45 second videos)
 - Family Video (45 second video)
 - 40-50 images for use online and social
 - 2 x WAE articles on the adventures

- Shared on website (100k+ monthly visitors) and newsletter promotion (20k)
- 3 x Instagram posts
- 2 x Insta stories
- 6 x Facebook posts
- Takeover of Visit Deni Account
- Edward River Promotional Committee – membership discussion
 - It was agreed to invite three new members on the Advisory committee.
 - Janet Renehan – Chamber of Commerce
 - Vicky Lowry – Deni Ute Muster
 - Kerry- Anne Jones – South West Arts
 - Michelle will invite new members to next meeting
 - Terms of reference for the new committee to be discussed at next meeting
- Economic Development Strategy
 - Discussion of the Economic Development Strategy.
 - Agree to add this to the agenda of the next meeting.
- Official Visitors Guide (OVG)
 - Advised that the new OVG would be produced and released prior to Christmas.
- Meeting closed: 7pm

7. Next meeting: The next meeting will be held towards the beginning of January (exact date TBC) at the Edward River Council offices.



A meeting of the Deniliquin Promotion Advisory Group was held on Wednesday 9 January 2019, at 5.30pm at the Edward River Council Offices, Cressy Street, Deniliquin NSW.

MINUTES

1. Meeting open: 5.38pm
2. Members in attendance: Janet Renehan, Kerry-Anne Jones, Pam Sutton, Neville Purtill, Sivonne Binks, Anthony Smith, Norm Brennan, Vicky Lowry, Michelle Cobb and Erica Singleton.
3. Apologies: Frank White and Mick Summers.
4. Minutes of the previous meeting (October meeting):
 - Amendments required:
 - Add Neville Purtill to members in attendance
 - Sivonne Binks recommended as a new committee member
 - Minutes Moved by Neville Purtill
 - Minutes Seconded by Norm Brennan
5. Matters arising from the previous meeting:
 - Economic Development strategy, to be presented at the current meeting.
6. General business:
 - Meet and greet new committee members (Vicky Lowry, Kerry-Anne Jones and Janet Renehan).
 - Sivonne Binks was recommended as a new member and will be joining the committee.
 - Brief introduction from each new committee member.
 - Moomba festival
 - 2019 Moomba Festival to be held Friday 8 March – Monday 11 March 2019.
 - This is the third year of our five year partnership agreement.
 - Discussion around potential site activations and influencers to engage for social media promotion at the event.
 - It was agreed messaging would primarily focus on river/water based activities, but this doesn't necessarily have to be the focus of the influencer we engage.
 - Committee recommends also promoting other tourism attractions such as the golf course and new mountain bike track.
 - The new We Are Explorers content will be used at the event, specifically the river based video.

- **ACTION:** Erica Singleton to investigate three different influencer options (including costings) and present these to the committee for further discussion.
- Visit Deni website
 - The current Visit Deni website platform is contracted through Murray Regional Tourism.
 - Murray Regional Tourism are redeveloping the visitthemurray.com.au website and therefore all destination sub sites must be moved to a new platform. Either through Murray Regional Tourism or another provider.
 - Murray Regional Tourism submitted a proposal for a new website at an annual cost of \$8,000. The proposal has now been accepted.
 - Development will begin within the next two months and the new site will be live before June 2019.
- Campaign results to date
 - The three We Are Explorers video edits were shown to the committee.
 - Presented the TV/Radio booking schedule for the October 2018 and February 2019 campaigns.
 - The committee would like the schedule circulated to key accommodation providers and the RSL fishing classic, so they have the option to piggyback off the campaign.
 - Presented the digital advertising results and an option to invest a further \$5,500 into digital advertising.
 - The committee agreed not to proceed with the additional \$5,500 digital advertising spend until they can review the website analytics from the campaign period.
 - Discussion that the additional \$5,500 spend could be used more effectively for social media advertising.
 - **ACTION:** Erica Singleton to gather website analytics from the digital campaign period and present them to the committee for further discussion.
 - **ACTION:** Michelle Cobb & Erica Singleton to circulate the advertising schedule and booking contact to local tourism advertisers.
- Economic Development Strategy
 - The committee members were each provided copies of the Economic Development Strategy for reference.
 - Michelle Cobb presented the strategic themes of the strategy:
 - Attract new business investment
 - Support existing businesses to grow
 - Infrastructure provision
 - Innovation, education and skills development
 - Revitalise and activate the CBD
 - Market the region
- Social media performance
 - Presented current social media competitor results.
 - Discussed the social media results since Forest Media took over the account management. The current agreement comes to an end on 31 January.
 - The committee agreed the results to date have been impressive.
 - The importance of social media over the Moomba festival was noted, and it was suggested we ask Forest Media to attend the weekend to ensure social media advertising is proactive and targeted.
 - **ACTION:** Erica Singleton to ask Forest Media for a Moomba festival quote and engage Forest Media for a further six month period.

- Do it in Deni Street Bazaar (Saturday 9 March)
 - Janet Renehan noted the upcoming event, which occurs the same weekend as Moomba.
 - The committee discussed the importance of local businesses staying open for the event.
 - This led to discussion around how we can encourage local businesses to open on weekends and public holidays. Especially around key events such as the Deni Ute Muster.
 - The Business Chamber are doing all they can to encourage businesses to open. An opening roster could be further investigated.
 - Kerry-Anne Jones mentioned she was aware the Echuca-Moama tourism group are actively working on strategies to attract Deni Ute Muster travelers to stop/stay in Echuca as they're aware Deniliquin are not capitalising on the opportunity to entertain and retain the visitors in town over the October long weekend.
 - **ACTION:** Revisit this discussion at the next meeting. Erica Singleton and Michelle Cobb to include it on the next agenda.
- Committee terms of reference
 - Presented the original terms of reference to the group for review and feedback.
 - The terms of reference must be updated to reflect the new focus of the group, which has broadened to include economic development as well as tourism.
 - **ACTION:** Committee members to review the terms of reference and provide feedback to Erica Singleton or Michelle Cobb by Wednesday 13 February.
 - **ACTION:** Michelle Cobb will present a revised terms of reference document at the next committee meeting for review and agreement.
- Destination marketing report card to businesses
 - The committee would like to better communicate the positive results from the two year destination marketing campaign.
 - It was agreed that a report card showcasing the results from the campaign should be developed and circulated to all local businesses.
 - The committee will work on this over the next few months.
 - An emphasis on positive messaging was discussed. We should be showcasing success stories.
 - An opportunity for a campaign around "The People of Deniliquin" was discussed. Opportunity to work with micro influencers to spread consistent positive messaging about Deniliquin.
 - The work the committee is doing should actively be promoted to the local media.
 - **ACTION:** Erica Singleton and Michelle Cobb will work with Edward River Council's communications officer to develop a communication plan.
 - **ACTION:** Janet Renehan to speak to local businesses and gather information and data around business growth within the last two years. This information will be used in the report card.
- Meeting closed: 7.55pm

7. Next meeting: The next meeting will be held in six weeks time, 5.30pm Wednesday 20 February 2019 at the Edward River Council offices.

11.15 DENILIQUIN WATER TOWER PROJECT – ARTIST TENDER**Author: Michelle Cobb, Manager Tourism & Economic Development****Authoriser: Adam McSwain, General Manager****RECOMMENDATION**

That Council endorse the recommendation of the Water Tower project advisory committee and award the tender to Adnate (represented by the Juddy Roller group) for a price of \$28,820

BACKGROUND

Given the increasing value of the cultural tourism sector to the regional tourism industry, Council Officers identified the installation of public art as a suitable project to be undertaken through the Major Projects Program funding. This proposal has been welcomed by industry stakeholders in the local arts and culture sector.

Due to its size and strategic location, the water tower located at Scott's Park, Deniliquin was identified through the development of both the Edward River Open Space Strategy and Deniliquin Public Space Strategy as a suitable asset to feature the public art. As the Scott's Park precinct is already benefitting from funding through both the Major Projects Program and the Stronger Country Communities Fund, the installation of public art on the water tower will complement the other works and underway at this site.

\$35,000 from the Stronger Community Fund Major Projects Program fund has been allocated to complete the project.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

Following an Expressions of Interest (EOI) process, full proposals including concept designs were sought from experienced artists to complete a large-scale public art commission on the façade of the water tower located in Scott's Park, Deniliquin.

Three full proposals were submitted and reviewed by the project advisory committee:

- **Juddy Roller**

1. Representing artists Adnate and Andrew Bourke. Projects include the Brim, Kimba, Rupanyup and Lacelles silos, Benalla Street Art Festival.

- **Scott Nagy**

2. Based in the Blue Mountains. Projects include the Lockhart Water Tower and various murals throughout coastal NSW.

- **Greg Chandler**

3. Based in Echuca. Projects include murals in Eugowra, Jamestown S.A., Mathoura Railway, Hillston and Portland.

The project assessment panel consists of:

- Pat Fogarty – Edward River Council, Deputy Mayor
- Kerry-Anne Jones – South West Arts
- Karen Wilson – Yarkuwa
- Sarah Parsons – Outback Theatre for Young People
- Pam Wettenhall – Community Member
- Margaret Jefferies – Neighbour of the Water Tower
- Ray Jefferies – Neighbour of the Water Tower

- Jane Frazer – Council Representative

The assessment panel met on Tuesday 5 February 2019 to discuss the proposals.

The panel agreed the concept submitted by Matt Adnate - known as Adnate and represented by the Juddy Roller group - was the best financial, cultural tourism, economic and artistic decision.

Adnate is one of the world's foremost large-scale portrait artists:

“Adnate has always held a connection towards indigenous people of their native land, especially with Indigenous Australians. He paints large scale murals in the main cities around Australia and the world, creating a statement of reclaiming the land that was always theirs. He endeavours to capture the stories and emotions of each subject he paints, encouraging the audience to feel through their own experience.”

Adnate's artist process requires him to spend time with the local indigenous community with the opportunity to take his own photos for us in the mural. By working in this way, his works become a more meaningful and true reflection of the area and the people who live there.

Adnate's concept addresses the theme of Indigenous Culture which was included as a key theme in the artist brief.

Adnate is represented by Juddy Roller, who are the group behind the Silo Art Trail and Wall to Wall in Benalla and are considered leaders in the industry. Being aligned with their brand brings huge opportunities for cultural tourism.

Juddy Roller's cost comes to \$28,820.00, plus the hire of suitable equipment (boom-lifts) which have been estimated by Coates Hire to be between \$5,600 and \$7,600 excluding GST. These costs are achievable within the allocated project budget.

The committee agreed that the Scott Nagy concepts didn't fully represent the Deniliquin landscape, and didn't offer the same cultural tourism benefits of the Adnate submission. The Greg Chandler submission was eliminated based on both the design concept - which was deemed to not embody the town of Deniliquin or the Edward River Region - and cost, which was well above the project budget.

Attachment 1 is a confidential attachment that provides the costings for all three of the submissions.

Three considerations were raised by the committee during the meeting:

1. The artwork must depict or represent children or youth so that the theme 'Children at Play' is realised.
2. The option of adding multiple cultures (or faces) into the mural.
3. Wrapping the mural around the Water Tower so most of the tower is covered by the mural and not just one side.

These points will be raised with the successful artist during the consultation and concept development stage.

The project assessment panel recommends Council award the tender to Adnate (represented by the Ruddy Roller group).

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

The Deniliquin Water Tower Project aligns with the following strategies adopted by Council:

1. Deniliquin Open Space Strategy 2018
2. Edward River Council Open Space Strategy 2018
3. Edward River Council Community Strategic Plan 2030
4. Edward River Council Economic Development Strategy 2018 - 2021

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

- Outcome 1.3: Our community and public spaces are accessible and inclusive and reflect our history, heritage and culture.
- Outcome 2.2: We develop our key assets to enhance agriculture, boost tourism and support existing business.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

At its Ordinary Meeting held 20 July 2017, Council resolved to allocate \$475,000 of the Stronger Communities Fund Major Projects Program funds to Arts and Culture projects **[150/17]**. Of that figure, \$438,500 has been set aside to restore and revitalise the Deniliquin Town Hall as an arts and culture space. The remaining \$36,500 has been set aside for a public art project (\$20,000) and for concepts for the revitalisation of the Crossing Café and Peppin Heritage Centre.

At its Ordinary Meeting held 20 December 2018, Council resolved to increase the Water Tower Project budget to \$35,000.

This can be managed within the merger funding allocated for arts and culture. No funding from Council rates is required for this project.

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

ATTACHMENTS

1. **Water Tower Concept Designs - Confidential**
2. **Water Tower Concept Designs - Without pricing detail**

Greg Chandler Signs

Concept 1/1

\$46,842.40



Scott Nagy

Concept 1/2

\$27,810.00



Scott Nagy

Concept 2/2

\$27,810.00



Juddy Roller (Adnate)

Concept 1/2

\$28,820.00



Juddy Roller (Andrew Bourke)

Concept 2/2

\$28,820.00



11.16 STRONGER COMMUNITIES FUND - MAJOR PROJECTS PROGRAM AND THE STRONGER COMMUNITIES PROGRAM - FEBRUARY PROGRESS REPORT**Author:** Oliver McNulty, Director Infrastructure**Authoriser:** Oliver McNulty, Director Infrastructure**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council note the Stronger Communities Fund- Major Projects Program and the Stronger Country Communities Program- Progress Report for February 2019

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 Round One of 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:

4. Project – Stronger Communities Fund	5. Grant Amount
6. Deniliquin Swim Centre Revitalisation	7. 880,000
8. Community Masterplans & Initial Works	9. 2,105,000
10. Deniliquin Regional Sports & Entertainment Stadium	12. 540,000
11. Extension	
13. Blighty Community Netball & Tennis Facility	14. 550,000
15. Deniliquin Children's Centre Extension	16. 500,000
17. Deniliquin Netball Facility Improvement Works	18. 320,000
19. Rural Villages Beautification Project	20. 300,000
21. Beach to Beach Walk Connectivity Improvements	22. 300,000
23. Deniliquin Community Facility Refurbishments	24. 165,000
25. Urban Road Infrastructure Program	26. 2,390,000
27. Deniliquin Airport Heritage Centre Development	28. 50,000

29. Unallocated Funding for New Council	30.	500,000
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The projects that have been funded through Round One of 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 February 2019 is attached to this report.

Additional funding through Round Two of the Stronger Country Communities program of \$3.3 million has also now been approved and are as follows:

Project – Stronger Country Communities – Round 2	Grant Amount
The Deniliquin Town Hall	\$1,315,170 + \$438,500
Deni Central Streetscape (Napier Street)	\$401,500
Deniliquin Memorial Park	\$786,000
Deniliquin RAMS Facility Upgrades	\$559,000
Deni Lawn Tennis Club	\$198,910
Deni Golf Club	\$111,170

Additional Merger funding has also been confirmed from the State Government for the following projects:

Additional Merger Funding	Grant Amount
Cressy Street CBD	\$1,200,000
Riverfront Enhancement	\$700,000
Waring Gardens Upgrade	\$640,000
Lagoon Walk road treatments	\$250,000
Truck Stop	\$400,000
Peppin Heritage/Visitor Centre upgrade	\$200,000
Internal merger costs	\$1,600,000

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.

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Council must ensure that these projects are completed within the timeframes set out within the funding agreements.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Projects

Update

Stronger Communities Fund – Major Project Program**Stronger Country Communities Program****Additional Funding Program**

Project Description	Project Phase				Comments
	Initiation	Design & Documentation	Quotes and Tendering	Delivery and Handover	
Round 2 Stronger Country Communities Fund projects					
The Deniliquin Town Hall – A vibrant, creative hub for our community	COMPLETE	Architects have been appointed and designs have commenced			The architects are working on documentation to bring to the project control group for discussion and feedback. Councils major Projects Coordinator is completing a project plan to track and manage the project
Deni Central – Beautifying Napier Street to create a vibrant, leafy and welcoming CBD	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	Tenders closed Dec 2018		Officers are in discussion with the contractors who have tendered for this project to review the scope and to ensure the project can be delivered within the available budget This is subject to a separate report.
Deniliquin Memorial Park – Play space for all reasons and seasons	An initial meeting has been held with the club committee				A project manager has been appointed to this project. Further meetings are required with user groups to finalise the scope of the project
Deniliquin RAMS Facility Upgrades at	An initial meeting has been held with club committee	Design and project assessments have			The project manager is working with the user group to finalise a

Project Description	Project Phase				Comments
	Initiation	Design & Documentation	Quotes and Tendering	Delivery and Handover	
Deni Oval – improving the spectator's experience		commenced			project plan for the full scope of the project
Deni Lawn Tennis Club – Let's play tennis all year round	Meeting to be scheduled				Council have provided the tennis club a draft template agreement to enable them to progress the delivery of this project. This agreement will provide for hold points for Councils approval prior to work progressing.
Deni Golf Club – A view to the future	Commenced				Council have provided the Golf club a draft template agreement to enable them to progress the delivery of this project. This agreement will provide for hold points for Councils approval prior to work progressing.
Deniliquin Swim Centre Revitalisation					
Water Play facility	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE
Lining of Main Pool and Wet Deck Construction	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	Pool lining work complete Elements of the plant room work are complete	All works for 2018 complete. Additional work will commence March /April 2019
Solar Heating of medium pool	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	This work will progress once the amenities building works are complete.	June 2019	Works dependent on the Lining of main pool, wet deck project and the Amenities facility project. The proposed new solar panels require to be on

Project Description	Project Phase				Comments
	Initiation	Design & Documentation	Quotes and Tendering	Delivery and Handover	
					the roof of the amenities.
Amenities Facility Refurbishment	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	June 2019	The contractor has been appointed and works will commence in April 2019
Community Master Plans and Initial Works					
Recreation Strategy	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	Consultants are working on the development of the Project Manager of the strategy	Officers are coordinating initial feedback to the consultant.
Memorial Park – Masterplan	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	Consultants are working on the development of the Project Manager of the strategy	
River Front Master Plan	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE
CBD Streetscape	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE
Arts & Culture Precinct	Funding has been allocated as outlined in the comments	Designs are progressing for the Peppin/Crossing Café. Further funding has been allocated through Councils Capital Works renewal and through Unallocated Murray Darling Basin Regional Economic Diversification Program funds	Tenders have been received for the Water Tower art project		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$438,500 is included as part of the \$1.7mil Town Hall refurbishment. \$20k has been allocated for the water tower art project. \$11.5 K has been allocated for a master plan for the Peppin/Crossing café
Deniliquin Sports and Entertainment Building Extension	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	Tender closed Feb 18 2019		Officers are meeting with representatives of the Stadium management committee to

Project Description	Project Phase				Comments
	Initiation	Design & Documentation	Quotes and Tendering	Delivery and Handover	
					progress this project. Tenders will be assessed by the end of Feb19. A report will be provided to Council in March 2019 updating Council on the outcome for the tender progress.
Blighty Community Netball & Tennis Facility	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	ONGOING this will be completed in May 2019	Progressing Well
Deniliquin Children's Centre Expansion	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	
Deniliquin Netball Facility Improvements					
Deniliquin Oval	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	Works have commenced	This work will be complete March 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			Council have in consultation with the Deniliquin Netball Association appointed 2mh consulting to complete a review and audit of the current netball facilities. This audit will provide the information required to get clear direction from Netball Victoria in relation to the issue of the compliance of the run off on the existing courts.
Rural Villages Projects					
Blighty	COMMENCED	COMMENCED			Discussions have taken place with the Blighty committee and preliminary designs were provided for their feedback. At

Project Description	Project Phase				Comments
	Initiation	Design & Documentation	Quotes and Tendering	Delivery and Handover	
					a recent meeting the committee have asked Council to review options and change the direction of this project.
Boooroban	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	Request for quotations for identified works close Feb 2019		This work will progress March 2019
Conargo	COMPLETE	DRAFT COMPLETE	Officers are waiting for final comments from committee prior to commencing a quotation process.		Progressing
Mayrung	COMPLETE		Request for Quotation March 2019		Plans have been updated based on community feedback. These have been reissued to the community representative for final feedback prior to commencing a quotation process.
Pretty Pine	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	March 2019		Officers are waiting on final approval to proceed to quotation
Wanganella	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	BBQ and shelter are out for quotation		Further work required to progress work for tennis lighting
Beach to Beach Connectivity Walks					
McLean's Beach access pathway	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	Out for Tender		This is out for tender. The scope of this project may require review due to expected budget over run
Island Sanctuary Bridge Refurbishment	COMPLETE	Bridge assessment is complete to enable tender and construction documentation	Request for tender Feb 2019	Construction to proceed early 2019	Further to feedback from the design engineer the bridge has been closed for safety reasons. Specifications are proceeding for tender

Project Description	Project Phase				Comments
	Initiation	Design & Documentation	Quotes and Tendering	Delivery and Handover	
Deniliquin Community Facility Refurbishment					
Scout Hall Refurbishment for Army Cadets	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE
Deniliquin Boat Club Accessible Toilet	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE
Urban Road Infrastructure Program	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	ONGOING	Works will commence March 2019	Officers are meeting local contractors to get estimates to progress this project. Ongoing
Deniliquin Airport Heritage Centre Development Project Managerent	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE
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 Amenities building allocation \$110,000 allocated to the Amenities Building
Lagoons to River Walk		COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMMENCED	This work is 90% complete. The final sections adjacent to Orana and Waring Gardens will be complete Feb/March 2019
Scotts Park – A destination Playground	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	Works have commenced and will be complete by June 2019	Tenders have closed and are subject to a separate report.
ADDITIONAL FUNDING – STATE GOVT					

Project Description	Project Phase				Comments
	Initiation	Design & Documentation	Quotes and Tendering	Delivery and Handover	
Cressy Street CBD					\$1,200,000
Riverfront Enhancement					\$700,000
Waring Gardens Upgrade					\$640,000
Lagoon Walk road treatments					\$250,000
Truck Stop					\$400,000
Peppin Heritage/Visitor Centre Upgrade					\$200,000

11.17 MCLEAN CARAVAN PARK - ELECTRICAL SUPPLY

Author: Oliver McNulty, Director Infrastructure

Authoriser: Oliver McNulty, Director Infrastructure

RECOMMENDATION

That Council

1. Approve the reallocation of \$35,000 from the \$62,000 allocated towards works in Waring Gardens to the costs associated with the emergency electrical work as required at McLeans Beach Caravan Park,
2. Approve any unexpended allocated budget from the emergency work and any balance from the \$62,000 towards works in Waring Gardens will be returned into Council's general reserve,
3. Approve that the works identified in 2017/18 Operational Plan at Waring Garden and carried forward into 2018/19 will now be completed through the \$640,000 funding received through the Stronger Communities Fund,
4. Note the works were completed in line with the Director Infrastructure delegated authority of emergency work,
5. Note that the costs associated with these works will be capitalised for the renewal of assets at McLeans Beach Caravan Park.

BACKGROUND

Council were informed by essential energy in July/August 2018 that they had carried out an inspection of the power distribution poles and power cables in McLean's Caravan Park. The Essential Energy inspector met with Council officers and informed them that they had some serious concerns about the condition of some of the poles and that the quality of some of the cabling was not up to standard.

They informed Council that if this infrastructure was not brought up to standard that they would have to disconnect power supply to the caravan park. Essential Energy provided Council with a defect list of works that was required to be addressed.

Council engaged a local electrical contractor to carry out a review of the information provided by Essential Energy and to provide an opinion based on Essential Energy's list. The contractor confirmed that the work, as outlined, was required.

ISSUE/SUSTAINABILITY

The substantial works, as outlined by Essential Energy, are now complete. This included the replacement of a few distribution poles as well as the wiring and connection of a number of power boards. Some minor outstanding works will be completed over the coming weeks. Essential Energy are satisfied that the critical works identified have been completed.

The works outlined were completed in consultation with the operator of the caravan park prior to the busy holiday period and this ensured that they and their patrons experienced minimal disruption.

Council are the land managers of this Crown Reserve and own all the assets within the caravan park. The operations are run by the operator in line with a lease agreement. Officers reviewed the lease conditions with the operators of the caravan park and in line with the agreement the works completed would be considered renewal of assets and fall to Council to complete.

This work was carried out as emergency work and is in line with delegation:

Directors are delegated to;

Authorise Expenditure for Urgent Works

To authorise expenditure outside the budget approved by Council in order to undertake urgent works to reduce or eliminate a significant health or safety hazard

Council allocated \$62,000 towards improvement works for Waring Gardens as part of their operational plan in 2017/18. This allocation was carried forward into the budget for 2018/19 to support any works to improve and upgrade the CBD and Waring Gardens. Recently Council has received \$640,000 towards the refurbishment of Waring Gardens and this will include the works that were listed for inclusion in 2017/18. Council can choose to reallocate a proportion of the \$62,000 towards the works that have been completed at McLeans Beach Caravan Park. The balance could be returned to the general reserve.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

McLeans Beach Caravan Park attracts visitors to Deniliquin throughout the year. It is essential for the sustainability and growth of tourism within the region. Any closure of the caravan park due to deteriorating infrastructure leading up to the busy Christmas period would have had a negative impact for the community.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Outcome 2 – A prosperous and vibrant economy

Target 2.2 – we develop our key assets to enhance agriculture, boost tourism and support existing business.

Outcome 4 – A region with quality and sustainable infrastructure

Target 4.1 – our built environment is managed, maintained and improved.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Council have received invoices from the electrical contractors for the works completed to date.

These invoices include works for replacement of distribution poles and related reconnections. The total invoiced amount to date is \$33,964.17 Inclusive of GST (\$30,567.75 Ex GST) It is anticipated that a further \$2,500 of works may be required to ensure that defects have been renewed. This is a total maximum anticipated cost of \$33,100 Ex GST. It is recommended the budget allocation of \$62,000 previously identified for works at Waring Gardens be reallocated to cover this work. Any balance can be transferred back into Councils general reserve.

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

NIL

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

11.18 DROUGHT RELIEF**Author:** Oliver McNulty, Director Infrastructure**Authoriser:** Oliver McNulty, Director Infrastructure**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council approve the extension of the Drought Relief period for a further 6 months – 15 August 2019

BACKGROUND

In September Council considered a report in relation to drought assistance for ratepayers to apply for rural water for their private use.

Council resolved:

1. *Ratepayers can apply for 30,000 litres of rural water for their private use by completing the necessary application form,*
2. *That Council will donate this water to ratepayers for their use*
3. *That ratepayers purchase a temporary fob for the Avdata system to enable them to collect and transport this water to their properties and that staff will work with ratepayers to ensure the best way of collection*
4. *This resolution will be reviewed at the March 2019 Council meeting*

This program has been well-received by the community. Council have received 77 applications for drought relief water which equates to approximately 2ML of water up to 31 December 2018.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

NSW and the Riverina Region are still experiencing drought conditions with minimal rainfall. This is having a major impact on both the farming and urban communities of Edward River.

Given the current and expected future weather conditions, it is recommended that Council extend this Drought Relief Program for an additional six months.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Council has access to water which is currently not fully utilised. This program has supported the Edward River community during this period of drought.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Outcome 1 – A great place to live

Target 1.1 – our community has access to essential services

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Council charge out rate for potable water is \$8/Kl. The average value of the water that has been donated to through each application to impacted land holders is \$250. The total approximate value of water donated up to December 2018 is approximately \$18,500.

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

11.19 NOTIFICATION OF NATIVE TITLE MANAGER**Author:** Mark Dalzell, Manager Engineering Assets**Authoriser:** Oliver McNulty, Director Infrastructure**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council notifies the Minister for Lands and Forestry that Mr Michael Todd, Council's Assets and Procurement Co-ordinator, has been delegated responsibility as Council's Native Title Manager in accordance with the *Crown Land Management Act 2016*.

BACKGROUND

Council, under Section 8.8 of the *Crown Land Management Act 2016*, is required to notify the Minister for Lands and Forestry of the name and contact details of any staff employed as a Native Title Manager or who undertakes the responsibilities of Native Title Manager as part of their employment.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

Mr Michael Todd, Council's Assets and Procurement Co-ordinator, has been delegated responsibility as Council's Native Title Manager following his completion of the relevant training.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Council is the trustee of crown land reserves within the Edward River Council local government area and is responsible for the management of these areas in accordance with the *Crown Land Management Act 2016* and other related legislation.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

This matter meets the objectives of *Outcome 1 – A great place to live* in the Community Strategic Plan, including:

- Target 1.3 – Our community and public spaces are accessible and inclusive and reflect our history, heritage and culture.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications regarding this matter.

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

To comply with the requirements of the *Crown Land Management Act 2016*, Council is required to notify the Minister for Lands and Forestry of the details of Council's Native Title Manager.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

11.20 DENILIQVIN GOLF CLUB - REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL WATER**Author:** Adam McSwain, General Manager**Authoriser:** Adam McSwain, General Manager**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council

1. Approve an additional transfer of 50ML of water to the Deniliquin Golf Club.
2. Provide the water to the Golf Club free of charge and only pass on the administrative charges as incurred in establishing the water transfer.
3. Note that this approval is a once off approval and that Council may not be able to provide this support in future years if increased water restrictions are applied.

BACKGROUND

Council has received a further letter from the Deniliquin Golf Club (Golf Club) with a request for an additional 50ML of water to be transferred.

31. At Council's December Council meeting, Council passed the following motion **[320/18]**:
 - 32.
 33. *That Council*
 34. *1) Approve providing a water transfer to the Racecourse Reserve and Deniliquin Golf Club*
 35. *2) Approve the linking of work approval 50CA501687 to Councils Water Access Licence to allow the water transfer to take place.*
 36. *3) Approve the previous action taken by Council officers to link the work approval for the Deniliquin Golf Club with the Water Access Licence*
 37. *4) Set the water transfers at the following levels:*
 38. *a) Racecourse Reserve – 35 ML*
 39. *b) Golf Club – 180 ML*
 40. *5) Provide the water to the Golf Club and Racecourse free of charge and only pass on to either group administrative charges as incurred in establishing the water transfer*
 41. *6) Note that this approval is a once off approval and that Council may not be able to provide this support in future years if increased water restrictions are applied*
 - 7) *Request further information from Riverview Estate and Lawson Supply on future plans for water sustainability for each estate and previous water management practices including any water bought or sold.*

This motion set the water transfer for the Golf Club at 180ML. Officers have progressed with this resolution and proceeded with the establishment of the Water Access Licence (WAL) and associated transfer of 180ML.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

The Golf Club has identified that due to the extreme heat they don't believe that the additional allocation of 180ML will provide enough water for the club to maintain its watering program through until June 2019.

The forecasting the Golf Club have completed for their water usage suggests that another 50ML is required. If the Club were to utilise the 180ML and the additional 50ML this would make it the highest water usage on record for the Golf course.

Representatives from the Golf Club were questioned on whether or not they have put in place suitable measures to ensure that their water usage is at an acceptable level given the current weather conditions. The Golf Club have advised Council that they believe they have put in place suitable measures and that the amount of water required is solely to do with the weather conditions and not their management practices.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Approval to transfer the water will still be required through WaterNSW.

Given the expected weather conditions for the upcoming 2019-year, Council need to consider support for the 2019/20 summer period.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

- Outcome 1.3: Our community and public spaces are accessible and inclusive and reflect our history, heritage and culture.
- Outcome 2.2: We develop our key assets to enhance agriculture, boost tourism and support existing business.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The transfer of water through the current WAL process provides minimal direct costs to Council. These direct costs will be passed on to the Golf Club.

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

11.21 SOUTHERN LIGHTS PROJECT**Author:** Adam McSwain, General Manager**Authoriser:** Adam McSwain, General Manager**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council

1. Support the business case for funding of the smart street lighting program by the NSW Govt at a cost of \$61.4M and seek support for the project from the member for Murray, Austin Evans MP.
2. Support the rollout of LED lighting with smart technology capability for all street lights in the local government area.

BACKGROUND

The Southern Light Project commenced in 2016 with a number of interested Councils and ROCs collaborating to drive the conversion of street lighting to LED lighting in order to save Councils up to 50% of the cost of their street lighting costs. The consortium of Councils is now represented by Riverina Eastern Regional Organisation of Councils (REROC), the Riverina and Murray Joint Organisation (RAMJO), the Central NSW Joint Organisation, the Canberra Region Joint Organisation and Broken Hill City Council.

From the initial focus of LEDs, the project has grown to encompass smart street lighting with street lighting being the *vehicle* for smart controllers that will lead digital technology throughout regional NSW. The group engaged energy consultant NextEnergy to assist the preparation of the business case for the Southern Lights project. Essential Energy was recognised as a major stakeholder in the project being the provider of the majority of street lighting across the area. The Council group has now been working closely with NextEnergy and Essential Energy to:

- develop a business case to convince the State Government it should be funding an immediate rollout of smart street lighting
- develop the specifications for the street lighting and associated smart technology

**1. Benefits of the Project**

In summary the benefits are:

- *Reduced electricity costs to Council*; up to 50% cost saving on traditional street lights
- *Improved service levels*; smart technology will indicate any failed lights back to the maintenance authority
- *Lower maintenance costs*; LEDs are more reliable, have a longer life and maintenance is lower
- *Safer lighting*; LED lighting levels can be adjusted for high security areas
- *Community enabling smart technology*; the streetlights are a vehicle for potentially hosting many other forms smart technology through the communication network connecting the street lights for example; security, traffic measurement, asset tracking, livestock location, garbage bin sensors, parking sensors, pedestrian movements and noise monitoring.

2. Business Case

Key Points from the Business Case roll out across the Southern Lights area are;

- The cost to implement the program across the 41 Councils \$71.2 M
- The program covers 83,000 lights
- Essential Energy will provide a rebate of \$9.8M
- The program (subject to funding) would be implemented over a 2-3 year time frame.
- The payback period is 8.8 years
- Funding request to NSW Government is \$61.4M

This Business Case was submitted to the NSW Government in November seeking funding for the project.

3. What's needed now?

1.

- a. **Light suppliers** – It is proposed call tenders and establish a number of contracts for the supply of luminaire suppliers. The technical specification is in the process of being finalised and Essential Energy propose to call tenders in the near future.
- b. **Smart Controllers and the Communication Backbone** - Tenders will be called for both the smart controllers and the 'communication backbone'. Smart controller must be compatible with the enabling communication network (low to medium bandwidth). Tenders will be called for these components by Essential Energy in the near future as soon as specifications have been finalised.
- c. **Agreement for access to smart controllers** – An agreement for access to data from the smart street lights needs to be resolved prior to installation of the lights. This agreement will be developed early in 2019 while tenders for the infrastructure are being processed.
- d. **Funding and Support**– The project needs the NSW Government to commit to funding the rollout of the project across the 41 Southern Lights Councils and our local members need to be familiar with the benefits this project and support its funding by the NSW
- e. **Council Commitment** - Council commitment is needed for 'smart' street lighting and not just upgrading with LEDs. Existing street lighting can be replaced with LED lighting without being 'smart enabled' however such a strategy is considered to be short sighted and

ignores the opportunity for our regional communities to take advantage of current and future digital technology.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

The Southern Lights project proposes to deliver LED street lights and digital enabling infrastructure through 83,000 street lights across southern NSW. It will provide better, cheaper, more efficient, more reliable street lighting and digital connectivity that will be enabling infrastructure for smart community technologies. This infrastructure will be a 'smart technology deployment' to regional communities and will include opportunities for all types of digital monitoring for example; security, traffic measurements, asset tracking, livestock location, water meter measurements, garbage bin sensors, parking sensors, pedestrian movements and noise monitoring.

Southern Lights is seeking the program to be fully funded by the State Government for \$61.4M and implemented over the 3 years.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

This project would provide significant benefits for the region and Edward River Council. A key strategic element of the project is the 'smart' capability of the lights which will allow open up a number of opportunities for Council in the 'Smart Cities' area.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

This project will contribute towards Objective 5 – A community working together to achieve its potential. It will make progress towards 5.3 – Our Local Government is efficient, innovative and financially sustainable.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

It currently costs Council \$125,000 annually for street lighting charges. The Business Case is suggesting this project would lead to a 50% saving on current costs. As a result, it is expected that this project could provide a \$60,000 annual saving to Council.

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

11.22 LAGOONS BRIDGE WORKS- REQUEST FOR REIMBURSEMENT**Author:** Oliver McNulty, Director Infrastructure**Authoriser:** Oliver McNulty, Director Infrastructure**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council Approve

1. The reimbursement of \$1,431.60 to the Lagoons Committee for the cost to purchase materials for the construction of the footbridge at Fish Park.
2. That this \$1,431.60 would be made available from Councils Capital works budget of \$150,000 for works to bridges across the municipal area.

BACKGROUND

Council have been actively working with the Lagoons Committee and Yarkuwa for several years to improve and manage the lagoons system through the centre of Deniliquin.

As part of their work with Deniliquin High School the Lagoons Committee and Yarkuwa have recently completed a project to construct the footbridge to the island at Fish Park. This work was the completion of the original project at Fish Park. The Lagoons Committee worked with Deniliquin High School to deliver this project and paid for the materials in advance.

Council considered the request for the reimbursement of the costs of materials to construct the bridge at their meeting in November 2018 and resolved;

That Council defer this report until the Lagoons Committee is an Incorporated Body and a formal request is made to Council.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

At its meeting in November, Council discussed its concern relating to the nature of the Invoices and that they were made out to a member of the Lagoons committee rather than the committee itself.

The Edward-Wakool Angling Association are actively involved in the regeneration of the Lagoons within Deniliquin and have secured funding in the past towards these works. They are also involved in discussions to create a new Incorporated organisation that will oversee a number of these projects with Council.

The Edward-Wakool Angling Association have reimbursed their member who originally paid for the materials and have requested that they are reimbursed to cover these costs. A letter from the Edward-Wakool Angling Association is attached to this report as attachment one.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

The Council have excellent working relations with these groups and are actively working with them to strengthen these relationships going forward. Council are developing Memorandum of Understandings for these groups to ensure that this situation does not occur in the future.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Outcome 1 – A great Place to live

Outcome 3 – A valued and enhanced natural environment of the Community Strategic Plan

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Currently there is no budget identified for works specific to Fish Park. There is however a capital budget of \$150,000 for the capital works to bridges through the Council area. Council could consider utilising funds from this budget for the work completed by the Lagoons Committee regarding the footbridge at the Fish Park.

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

ATTACHMENTS

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| 1. | Letter | Edward-Wakool | Angling | Association |
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Edward-Wakool Angling Association

Working with local communities and government to help manage our native fish

Troy Bright

Edward-Wakool Angling Association
102 Charley St, Deniliquin, NSW 2710

Edward River Council
The General Manager
1 Civic Pl, Deniliquin, NSW, 2710

Dear Adam and Councillors,

This is a letter to confirm that the Edward-Wakool Angling Association has reimbursed Ian Fisher (North Side Car Solutions) for the sum of \$1431.60 for the construction of the bridge and walkway onto the Island at Browns Park.

The receipts for the works and an invoice from the Edward-Wakool Angling Association has been sent to council.

We are looking forward to working with council in future projects on both the lagoons and surrounding water bodies.

Yours Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Troy Bright".

Troy Bright
President
Edward-Wakool Angling Association

Working towards self-sustaining populations of native fish, healthy water bodies within vibrant

11.23 DISASTER RELIEF FUNDING ARRANGEMENTS**Author: Mark Dalzell, Manager Engineering Assets****Authoriser: Oliver McNulty, Director Infrastructure****RECOMMENDATION**

That Council:

1. Approve the 'Opt-In Co-funding' option for the Disaster Recovery Funding arrangements.

BACKGROUND

The Commonwealth has replaced the Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements (NDRRA) with the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA). These arrangements relate to funding to Council after natural disasters such as floods and bushfires

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

The Commonwealth has brought in the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) to replace the Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements (NDRRA) for funding relating to damage from natural disasters. This is in response to the 2015 Productivity Commission's inquiry into disaster recovery funding as well as major audits of the NDRRA scheme.

A major change with the DFRA is regarding payment back to councils for recovery after disasters. Under the previous NDRRA, Council would work with the relevant state government department responsible for managing the NDRRA to determine the amount of funding required to bring assets affected by the disaster back to the asset's pre-disaster state. No improvements of assets were eligible for funding even if the improvements would result in the asset being less prone to failure in future disaster events. Once the funding had been agreed to the work would need to be completed by contractors external to Council's normal operations rather than Council's own staff and resources.

Under the DFRA there are two options for the resourcing works related to disaster recovery. These are:

- 'Opt-In Co-funding' option where Council's use of its own resources can be claimed; and
- 'Opt-out' option, which is the same as the old NDRRA scheme whereas all work related to disaster recovery needs to be done by contractors.

The 'Opt-in' model gives Council an ability to react more quickly to disaster recovery using its own resources.

Officers have attended briefing sessions and demonstrations on how the process will work. The information provided at these briefing sessions has demonstrated the difference and benefits of the two options. A high-level summary of this information is below

*Comparison Opt-in v Opt-out***Resources**

- Opt-in, enables Council to utilise their own resources to complete the disaster recovery work. This includes plant and labour and will improve the ability to respond quickly
- Opt-out, Council must develop project briefs and scope for works approval prior to works commencing. It is required to tender out this work and appoint an independent contractor to complete this work. Any cost over-run above estimates is made up by Council

Initial Works

- Opt-in, allows for 3 months for initial emergency works, to ensure that as much work as possible is completed as quickly as possible with limited restrictions.
- Opt-out, allows 21 days for initial response work.

Funding

- Opt-in, does not fund 100% and Council must contribute up to a maximum value of \$58,000. This is calculated based on a maximum percentage of the claim and is also linked to a percentage score of Councils Rateable Income.
- Opt-out, Council construction work for immediate works is capped at \$29,000 for roads. There is a separate capping also of \$29,000 for works to other essential assets.

From summary information above and the other briefings that have been provided to Council Officers, it is recommended that Edward River Council will derive more benefit from the 'Opt-In Co-funding' option.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

In case of emergency these changes will enable Council to manage and control the response and the recovery process more effectively

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Outcome 4 – A region with quality and sustainable infrastructure.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

In case of a natural disaster Council will be required to provide own source funding towards the recovery work up to a capped value of \$58,000 per natural disaster.

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

This is a legislated change to how funding will be managed for the recovery of natural disasters into the future. Council will have the ability to provide feedback on this process in the future.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

11.24 APPLICATION FOR MEMORIAL IN PUBLIC PLACE**Author:** Adam McSwain, General Manager**Authoriser:** Adam McSwain, General Manager**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council:

1. Approve the application for a Public Memorial for Mr Bill Mulham.
2. Approve Council officers to work with Ian Campbell and the Mulham family to confirm a location within the CBD or Riverfront for this Memorial to be located.
3. Approve funding for a plaque for the memorial to be funded from Council's civic functions budget line.

BACKGROUND

The former Deniliquin Council approved in February 2016 a policy for Memorials in Public Places. This policy was amended and adopted by Edward River Council in December 2016 to include an amount of \$1,500 be included in future budgets to meet the cost of plaques.

To date this is the first application received under this Policy.

The Policy is currently being reviewed by Officers. However, given the application for a memorial for Bill Mulham has been in development since late 2017, it is proposed that this be considered under the current Policy. It should also be noted that to date the Policy review is not proposing any major changes.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

The application for a memorial for Bill Mulham has been assessed against the current Policy and under the local category. The full Policy is attached in attachment two and an excerpt is below:

Local

Memorialisation of an individual may be allowed, and will only be considered upon request from an individual and where possible with approval from the family of the individual where the request meets the following criteria:

- *The deceased individual was a member of the community and has made a substantial contribution to the community which stands out from others who may have also made a valuable contribution.*
- *The contribution has been recognised by the local Australia Day awards system*
- *The individual has reached the pinnacle in their local field of endeavour e.g. their chosen sport, the arts etc.*

The full application for the memorial is attached to this report as attachment one.

The attachment highlights the significant contribution made by Mr Bill Mulham. Mr Mulham was awarded a Medal of the Order of Australia and was Citizen of the Year in 2005. His achievements, both professionally and personally were numerous and exemplary.

The application also requests letters of support from organisations and the support of the family, these criteria have also been met.

In line with the assessment against the Policy it is recommended by Council officers that the application for a public memorial for Mr Bill Mulham be approved.

The current Policy restricts Council to only providing a plaque (maximum dimension of 200mm X 180mm) as recognition for a memorial. The application has requested a plaque and a copse of trees with the this proposed to be in Brown Park (also known as Fish Park). Following discussions with Ian Campbell as the submitter of the application it was considered that a more suitable location for the memorial might be incorporated through the work currently being completed to upgrade the CBD or Riverfront. The Masterplans for these areas already designate a number of opportunities for additional tree planting. It was considered suitable that a plaque and trees already identified and budgeted for through these plans could be combined to still achieve a similar outcome to that hoped for by Ian Campbell when the application was submitted.

It is recommended that Council identify the CBD and Riverfront as possible locations for the memorial and that Officers work with Ian Campbell and the Mulham family to finalise a location in one of these two areas.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

N/A

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

1.3 Our community and public space are accessible and inclusive and reflect our history, heritage and culture.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

If the plaque is required this financial year, it will be funded from the Civic Functions budget line. If not required until after 30 June 2019 then it will be budgeted for in the 2019/20 budget.

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

N/A

ATTACHMENTS

1. Application for Memorial
2. Memorials in Public Places Policy - 2016

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Application for Memorial

EDWARD RIVER COUNCIL
- 3 OCT 2018
RECEIVED BY RECORDS of

Name IAN CAMPBELL
address 132 QUARRY ST., DENILIQUN 2710
Telephone 58818985 Email talipot@bigpond.com

hereby submit an Application for the Erection of a Memorial in memory of the late BILL MULHAM of DENILIQUN

Proposed location WHITELOCK ST PARK OP WARING GARDENS
_____ please

set out below or on attached sheet a diagram or photo of the intended location.

Please indicate whether this nomination is for a class 1 or class 2 recognition.

Class 1 Class 2 ASSUMING CLASS 2 REFERS TO LOCAL

(Please address the principles outlined on pages 1 and 2 of this policy)

Reasons supporting the memorialisation of the nominee (if more spaces is required, please attach additional information in support of your application)

BILL MULHAM'S LIFE ACHIEVEMENTS REACHED AN OUTSTANDING LEVEL CULMINATING IN HIM BEING AWARDED A MEDAL OF THE ORDER OF RUST, & CITIZEN OF THE YEAR IN 2005. FROM A HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL CAREER AS A SCIENTIST WITH CSIRO TO INVOLVEMENT WITH MANY COMMUNITY GROUPS OVER A LONG PERIOD HE WAS A HIGHLY REGARDED MEMBER OF THE DENILIQUN COMMUNITY

Please obtain letters of support from the organisations or community sectors on which the nominee has served in support of the nomination.

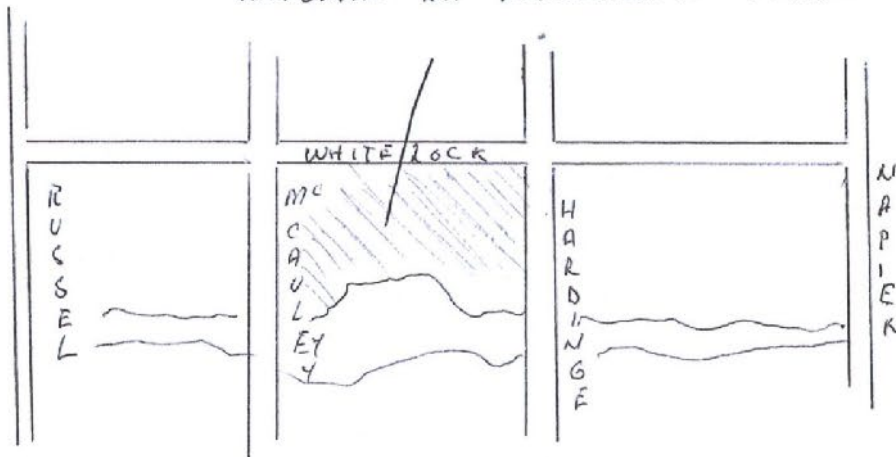


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Additional Information – This page is deliberately left blank for additional information to support your application.

PROPOSED SITE FOR COARSE OF NATIVE TREES
INCLUDING AN APPROPRIATE PLAQUE



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WILLIAM EDWARD MULHAM OAM 1932-2015

***CSIRO Rangelands Division Deniliquin 1948 - 1986**

*Little Athletics Club - inaugural member

*Edward School - First Chairman *P + C*

Deniliquin Fire Brigade - 1956 - 1992 (36 years) awarded National Medal

*Deniliquin Golf Club - author of Club History, Life Member

*Deniliquin Rams Football Club - 1954 Best and Fairest, first Rams player to play 100 games in Murray League and Life Member.

*Deniliquin Police - Forensic photographer

Deniliquin Hospital Board member

*Navorina Nursing Home - Board member and Chairman

*Southern Riverina Naturalists Club - member for 25 years including President

*Deniliquin Historical Society - 1997, President 15 years

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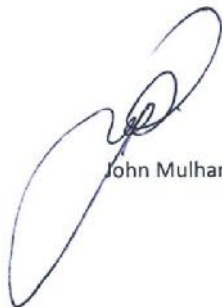
John Mulham
PO Box 1068
DENILIQUIN, NSW 2710
6TH December,2017

The General Manager,
Edward River Council,
Civic Place,
Deniliquin, NSW 2710

Dear Sir,

I write on behalf of my siblings in regard to a proposed memorial to our father, Bill Mulham.
All my siblings have been consulted and are happy to consent to a memorial of Bill, subject only to
being consulted when the final proposal is known.
We would appreciate you conveying our appreciation to all concerned.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'John Mulham', written in a cursive style with a large loop at the end.

John Mulham

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General Manager

Deniliquin Council

16-09-2015

Dear Sir

Bill Mulham, who passed away on September 12, 2015, could be described as Deniliquin's leading citizen of his time. Bill was a high achiever and a very popular man of the highest integrity. For his accomplishments and contribution to our community he was awarded the Order of Australia and Deniliquin's Citizen of the Year.

We believe it would be appropriate to recognise what Bill Mulham has done for our region with a memorial, in the closest proximity to the centre of town as possible.

Bill was a botanist with a strong sense of responsibility to preservation of the natural environment, and as such we would like to recommend a memorial incorporated in a native vegetation planting. This depiction of a small area of Australian bush, with adequate signage and a plaque commemorating Bill Mulham and his contribution to our community, would serve as a lasting memorial and an educational resource for future generations.

Bill had a significant involvement in many fields and organisations, a number of which have recognised his untiring service with Life Membership. He was a long-time employee of the CSIRO and a passionate member of, inter alia, Deniliquin Historical Society, Southern Riverina Field Naturalists, Deniliquin Fire Brigade, Deniliquin Golf Club and Deniliquin Football Club.

His achievements were in many fields as a sportsman, author and leader. However, it was his affinity with our environment that makes appropriate the memorial we have suggested.

We would be happy to work with Council on this project.

Yours Faithfully

Signatories

Deniliquin Football Club
Jem Jennings - Played on grand final with Bell 1957

CSIRO *Victor Harrington - Deniliquin Historical Society*

Tommy Deniliquin Golf Club

Deniliquin SREMO

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To whom it may concern,
Regarding a memorial to the work and influence of Bill Mulham, we wish to provide some input to the proposal.

During our 20-year involvement in the Southern Riverina Field Naturalists Club, Bill was a kingpin in this group. Being educated and remaining in Deniliquin gave Bill the insight in district matters and the knowledge to provide sound advice for farming practice and general management of the local environment. Travelling regularly over the whole of Western New South Wales gave Bill a wealth of experience of the landscape and vegetation which he readily passed on to our local group. The Field Nats Club visited and surveyed local areas of significant vegetation from which we all learnt a great deal. When we travelled to distant Reserves and private properties having Bill's prior exploration and plant identification proved invaluable. Having firstly co-authored The Pastoral Plants of the Riverine Plain and then The Plants of Western New South Wales some made Bill an essential part of our Field Trips. He always passed on his knowledge with ease and patience.

After fire had swept across the plains north of Deniliquin, Bill was called upon to survey the damage. He was careful to avoid exaggeration in his work, and so any of his assessments were valued. Likewise his survey of roadside vegetation in the shires around Deniliquin led to a change in attitude by council staff, farmers and travellers on the roads. He drew to public attention the spread of invasive species along some of our roads. Being also involved in sporting and historical groups meant that Bill's experience was well disseminated throughout the community.

We feel that Deniliquin can be proud of Bill Mulham as one of its sons.

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3 Linda Court
Shepparton 3630

25th March 2016

The General Manager
Deniliquin Municipal Council
P.O. Box 270,
Deniliquin. NSW 2710

Re Proposed Memorial to William E. Mulham

Dear Council,

I write in support of the proposal to establish a memorial to WE (Bill) Mulham. It is my role to detail his professional career with CSIRO, which was wholly undertaken whilst based in Deniliquin and covered the years 1948 to 1986.

There have no doubt been many local born citizens who made their mark after leaving the town and climbing the ladders of industry or government in other centres or capital cities. However, Bill was special because he did so whilst remaining a Local. He joined the National organisation that came to town and climbed its ladder to gain national recognition from within.

The structure of CSIRO, in Deniliquin as elsewhere in Australia, is to employ top class scientists, recruited from a world-wide pool of science graduates with degrees and higher degrees, to address issues of national significance. These scientists are supported by technical staff who may have technical qualifications, or may have no qualifications, but possess the aptitude to gain the necessary skills on the job. Bill was one of the few people to begin as one of the techs, yet learnt the trade so well that he was officially recognised as possessing the skill, standing and working role of a science graduate (classified as in CSIRO at the time as Experimental Scientist).

Early in his career Bill was assigned to work alongside the various scientists of the time (such as Mr Owen Williams and Dr John Leigh) on their studies of the ecology and management of native dryland vegetation. This minor area of research became the major endeavour for the local CSIRO group from 1969 onwards and Bill's value then became apparent as he was by then the local expert on the taxonomy (classification and nomenclature) of the local vegetation. In this role he became co-author (with Dr J.H. Leigh) of the book 'The Plants of the Riverine Plain'. When the local research group's role expanded to an Australian wide one, the need for a much larger and more comprehensive book became apparent. Pastoralists could not be expected to manage their native pastures properly if they did not

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know what plants they had in their paddocks and what value those plants had for livestock and for conservation of the land. Thus Bill became an equal partner with three others – John Leigh as before and Peter Milthorpe and Geoff Cunningham of the NSW Soil Conservation Service. The resulting book 'The Plants of Western New South Wales', of 766 pages, with descriptions, Latin and common names, and photographs of every plant to be found across the region, was published in 1981. It contains over 2000 entries and includes both technical details and general information about those plants – hence its value to a wide range of people. In the subsequent 35 years some plant names have been revised as further information has come to hand, but the book remains the bible for botanists, ecologists and pastoralists alike.

Bill was also co- author on many scientific papers on topics such as herbivore diets, impact of domestic herbivores and fire on rangeland vegetation, range condition monitoring, and the selection and testing of introduced forage plants. As a result he was promoted internally to the position of Experimental Scientist. After retiring from official duties with CSIRO in 1986 he continued his professional role in a number of private consulting projects involving vegetation assessment, directed primarily towards the conservation of native vegetation. He also used his extensive knowledge to support local groups such as The Field Naturalists Society.

Bill was a model citizen of Deniliquin, both in employment and in his many community roles. The proposal to make a modest recognition for him, in the form of a plaque and copse of native vegetation, or similar, has my full support.

Yours sincerely,




Allan D Wilson
(Former Officer-in-Charge)

Cc:
Ian Campbell
PO Box 769
Deniliquin 2710

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Scott Barlow @ murrayriversports.com.au



Deniliquin Rams Football & Netball Club Ltd

ABN: 52 003 542 096 PO Box 141 Deniliquin, NSW, 2710

President: Scott Barlow 0429 645 322
 Treasurer: Sue Morris 0428 816 488
 Match Secretary: Val Meadowcroft 0423 683 660
 Executive Secretary: Sam Hall 0408 425 777
 Netball Co-ordinators
 Seniors: Madeleine Gallagher 0405 936 565
 Juniors: Cathryn Park 0427 544 480

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To whom it may concern,

Mr W. (Bill) Mulham – Service to Deniliquin Rams Football Club

Mr Bill Mulham was a valued member of the Deniliquin Rams Football Club playing 198 games for the "blue and golds".

Bill's achievements at the Football Club included:

- Member of the 1957 premiership team.
- 1954 Best and Fairest winner (only player who didn't miss a game).
- In 1955 Bill became the first Rams player to play 100 games in the Murray Football League.
- Bill was the club secretary in 1962.

Yours sincerely,



Scott Barlow

President

Deniliquin Rams Football and Netball Club

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MEMORIALS IN PUBLIC PLACES

POLICY NO:

RESPONSIBLE OFFICER: Director Corporate Services

DATE ADOPTED: 15 December 2016

OBJECTIVE:

The objective of this policy is

- To establish the principles used in determining community requests for the installation of plaques and memorials recognising the community contribution by residents of Edward River Council
- To ensure that there is a clear and consistent method for assessing community requests for plaques and memorials in open space.
- To ensure that the installation and ongoing management of new and existing plaques and memorials in open space is undertaken in an agreed manner
- To assist community members when considering a request for a memorial or plaque on land owned or controlled by council.

POLICY:

Council recognises the contribution that certain individuals have made to the Edward River community and as an acknowledgement have established the following principles for determining applications for memorialisation of those individuals in Council open spaces.

PRINCIPLES

National or International

Memorialisation of an individual may be allowed, and will only be considered upon request from an individual and where possible with approval from the family of the individual where the request meets the following criteria:

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- The deceased individual was a member of the community and has made a substantial contribution to the community and the contribution was extra-ordinary and beyond what might reasonably be expected through paid employment or voluntary contribution, **and** that contribution stands out from others who may have also made a valuable contribution.
- The contribution has been recognised by the Australian Honours system
- The individual has either nationally or internationally reached the pinnacle of their field of endeavour e.g. their chosen sport, the arts etc.

Council will consider a nomination that recognises not only the quantity of service, but the quality of service including individual acts of compassion, bravery, generosity, ingenuity, creativity etc.

Local

Memorialisation of an individual may be allowed, and will only be considered upon request from an individual and where possible with approval from the family of the individual where the request meets the following criteria:

- The deceased individual was a member of the community and has made a substantial contribution to the community which stands out from others who may have also made a valuable contribution.
- The contribution has been recognised by the local Australia Day awards system
- The individual has reached the pinnacle in their local field of endeavour e.g. their chosen sport, the arts etc.

Council will consider a nomination that recognises not only the quantity of service, but the quality of service including individual acts of compassion, bravery, generosity, ingenuity, creativity in a local context.

MEMORIALS

National or International

Council shall supply a plaque with a maximum dimension of 300mm x 200mm with up to ten lines of text recognising the achievement of the person memorialised. The plaque shall be located in an area or on existing infrastructure agreed upon by the nominator and Council.

If a location or infrastructure does not satisfy the nominator, additional infrastructure, as approved by Council, shall be installed at the cost of the nominator.

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This may involve the installation of a landscaping feature such as a seat, a small garden, garden feature (e.g. a row of roses) or tree. It is a condition that any such installation does not involve Council staff with any material increase in maintenance responsibilities.

Local

If a person is classified in a local category, Council shall, at the request of the nominator, install a plaque on existing infrastructure within public open spaces. If a location of infrastructure does not satisfy the nominator, additional infrastructure shall be installed at the cost of the nominator. The wording and location of the plaque is to be agreed upon in conjunction with the nominator and will be a maximum dimension of 200mm x 180mm with up to eight lines of text.

Timing of Memorial

Generally a request commemorating a deceased individual for Community Service will only be considered where the individual has been deceased for at least one year. For those who have achieved the pinnacle of their field of endeavour a request commemorating their achievements will be considered during their lifetime.

Only one memorial per individual will be permitted.

Other Memorials

Memorials may also be considered in the following circumstances:

- Where a group or association have made a substantial and outstanding contribution to the Edward River community
- As a result of a significant historical or other event that has a link with the community, or is of a national or state significance.

Any requests that do not meet these principles will not be considered.

Memorials have a finite life and Council cannot guarantee that a memorial will remain at the designated site for more than fifteen years. Council reserves the right to remove a memorial at its discretion and will attempt to provide notification to the family of the memorialised person at least thirty days prior to removal.

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DEFINITIONS

Plaque - For the purpose of this policy, "plaque" refers to a flat tablet of metal, which includes text and and/or images which commemorates a person and provides historical text or relevant information. Such a tablet is affixed to an object, building or hard ground surface located within public open space.

Memorial - For the purpose of this policy 'memorial' refers to an object established in the memory of a person, group, association or event. This may include sculptures, statues, fountains and other landscape objects and may include a plaque.

Open Space - For the purpose of this policy 'public open space' refers to all Council owned or managed land that is primarily reserved for leisure, recreation or nature conservation purposes. This includes: - Council owned public open space including bushland reserves and sports fields - Public open space managed by Council but owned by another body - The exterior or interior of Council buildings within public open space - Park furniture within public open space (such as park benches, picnic tables etc)

Former Mayors

Council's road naming policy seeks to recognise former Mayors, which serves as an acknowledgement of that role within Council. For that reason, it is not intended to duplicate that recognition within the principles of this policy.

All applications require:

- A completed Memorial Application form;
- Evidence that demonstrates how the application fulfils the criteria identified in this policy including, for example:
 - Details of the community involvement of the nominee
 - letters of support and/or documentation relating to the significance of the nominee;
 - a letter of permission of relevant family if the request is from a person or organisation other than a family member; and/or
 - character references for the person to be commemorated.
- Identification of the preferred memorial and possible site by diagram photo or map

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Assessing an Application

How does the assessment process work?

Requests are assessed against the Principles established in this Policy.

Two criteria are essential for any approval:

1. That the individual, group or event is demonstrated to be significant to the location/community; and
2. The design and placement of the memorial is appropriate and does not pose a safety risk.

All other criteria support these primary criteria.

Notes:

1. All applications will be considered on the principles detailed on pages 1 and 2.
2. Parks and public spaces that can be observed to already contain a high number of memorial plaques, features and furniture are currently a low priority for further memorial items unless the subject for commemoration is of particular significance.
3. No more than one plaque will be attached to each furniture item.
4. The location of a table, seat or memorial item shall not impact on park maintenance operations.
5. Council has developed a standardised model for plaques on memorials.
6. All memorial applications are subject to availability of funds and are accepted on the basis that long term maintenance is at the discretion of Council. It is essential; when considering the memorialisation of an individual, the applicant and family take into account the longevity of the proposed memorial and likely maintenance costs.

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Application for Memorial

Name _____ of

address _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

hereby submit an Application for the Erection of a Memorial in memory of the late

_____ of _____.

Proposed location _____

please set out below or on attached sheet a diagram or photo of the intended location.

Please indicate whether this nomination is for a class 1 or class 2 recognition.

Class 1

Class 2

(Please address the principles outlined on pages 1 and 2 of this policy)

Reasons supporting the memorialisation of the nominee (if more spaces is required, please attach additional information in support of your application)

Please obtain letters of support from the organisations or community sectors on which the nominee has served in support of the nomination.

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Additional Information – This page is deliberately left blank for additional information to support your application.

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12 REPORTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Nil

13 MOTIONS OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN**13.1 NOTICE OF MOTION - REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES**

I, Mayor, Cr Norm Brennan give notice that at the next Ordinary Meeting of Council be held on 21 February 2019, I intend to move the following motion:

MOTION

That Council:

1. Approve the payment of \$764.24 in expenses incurred by Mrs Linda Brennan in November 2018, comprising:
 - a. Return flights from Melbourne to Sydney, valued at \$436.24.
 - b. Attendance at the NSW Tourism Awards on 22 November 2018, valued at \$140.00; and
 - c. Attendance at the NSW Business Chamber State Business Awards on 23 November 2018, valued at \$188.00

RATIONALE

In November 2018, I travelled to Sydney with the General Manager to attend meetings with parliamentarians. While we were in Sydney, both the NSW Tourism Awards and the NSW Business Chamber State Business Awards were held and due to Council being a finalist at one of the award ceremonies and other Deniliquin stakeholders being finalists at both award ceremonies; the General Manager and I attended both events. My wife, Linda Brennan, accompanied me on the trip to Sydney and Council paid for both her flights and her attendance at the two events.

Under Council's Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy, these expenses would not usually be borne by Council. However, under the former Conargo Shire Council, expenses incurred by the Mayor's spouse would have been met by Council. As I attended both events in my capacity as Mayor, I believe it is appropriate that Council meet the expenses incurred by Mrs Brennan for accompanying me on this trip.

I commend this Notice of Motion to Council.

OFFICER'S COMMENT

The following comment is provided in accordance with clause 3.13 of the Model Code of Meeting Practice for Local Councils in NSW.

Section 252 of the *Local Government Act 1993* ("the Act") requires all councils to adopt a policy concerning the payment of expenses incurred or to be incurred by, and the provision of facilities to, the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor and other Councillors in relation to discharging the functions of civic office. Council's current Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy ("the Policy") was adopted by Council at its Ordinary Meeting held 14 December 2017 **[267/17]**.

As noted in the Mayor's Notice of Motion, the Mayor attended two events while in Sydney in November 2018 and was accompanied by his wife. As Council arranged the travel, accommodation and event registrations for the Mayor, Council also paid these costs for Mrs Brennan. Officers acknowledge that the former Conargo Shire Council took a different approach to the payment of expenses incurred by Councillors' accompanying persons, and it should be noted that Cr Brennan was not advised prior to Mrs Brennan's travel and event registration costs being paid that these costs would not be borne by Council.

While clause 6.32 of the Policy provides for Council to meet the costs of a Councillor's accompanying person for the Local Government NSW Annual Conference dinner; the Policy does not provide for Council to meet such costs incurred by a Councillor's accompanying person for

other events. As such, the decision made with respect to this matter is consistent with the Policy. However, clause 12.2 of the Policy states that if a Councillor disputes a determination made under the Policy, the Councillor is able to submit a Notice of Motion to a Council meeting seeking to have the dispute resolved.

As the Mayor's Travelling Expenses budget has been exceeded for the year; should the Notice of Motion be successful, the cost of \$764.24 would be charged to the Councillors Travelling Expenses budget. \$10,000 has been allocated to this budget in 2018-2019, and to date, \$7,445.08 has been expended.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

14 QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Nil

15 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:

15.1 Contract 2.19.274 - Reconstruction of Napier Street between Cressy Street and Charlotte Street

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.

15.2 Weed Management

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2) - a 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 personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).

16 CLOSE OF MEETING