

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

Date: Tuesday, 16 May 2023

Time: 10:00 AM

Location: Council Chambers, Estates Building Cressy Street

Deniliquin

AGENDA

Ordinary Council Meeting

Tuesday, 16 May 2023

Philip Stone
Chief Executive Officer

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2. ATTENDANCE

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4. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Edward River Council acknowledges and embraces the First Nations Peoples - the Wamba Wamba Perrepa Perrepa peoples as the Traditional Owners of the Lands within the Edward River Council area and also recognises the diversity of different cultures within our community and their contribution.

5. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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- c. To observe the Code of Conduct and respect the rule of the chair and views of my fellow Councillors

6. APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY COUNCILLORS

That Council accept the leave of absence requested by Cr Tarria Moore.

7. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

7.1. DRAFT MINUTES ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING 18 APRIL 2023

Author: Executive Assistant

Authoriser: Chief Executive Officer

RECOMMENDATION

That Council accept the Draft Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held 18 April 2023 as a true and correct record.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

- 5. Accountable leadership and responsive administration
- 5.1 Collaborative and Engaged
- 5.2 Financially sustainable
- 5.3 Professional Workplace culture

ATTACHMENTS

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TUESDAY, 18 APRIL 2023

1. OPENING MEETING

The Meeting opened at 10.02am

2. ATTENDANCE

Present: Mayor Cr Peta Betts, Deputy Mayor Cr Paul Fellows, Cr Shirlee Burge, Cr Harold

Clapham, Cr Linda Fawns, Cr Tarria Moore, Cr Marc Petersen

In Attendance: Chief Executive Officer, Director Corporate Services, Director Infrastructure,

Executive Assistant to the Director Infrastructure, Acting Chief Financial Officer

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6. APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY COUNCILLORS

Moved: Cr Tarria Moore

Seconded: Cr Marc Petersen

RESOLUTION 2023/0418/6

That the leave of absence requested by Cr Pat Fogarty and Cr Shannon Sampson be accepted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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7. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

7.1. EDWARD RIVER COUNCIL DRAFT MINUTES ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING 21 MARCH 2023

Moved: Cr Linda Fawns
Seconded: Cr Paul Fellows
RESOLUTION 2023/0418/7.1

That Council accept the Draft Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held 21 March 2023 as a true and correct record.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS

12.3 Proposed Sale of April Street Report - Mayor Peta Betts declared a Non-Pecuniary - Significant Interest and did not participate in the discussion.

9. MAYORAL MINUTE(S)

Nil.

10. URGENT ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Nil.

11. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

11.1. ARIC DRAFT MINUTES - MEETING NO 21, THURSDAY 16 MARCH 2023

Moved: Cr Harold Clapham Seconded: Cr Marc Petersen

RESOLUTION 2023/0418/11.1

That Council receives the draft Minutes of the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee meeting held on 16 March 2023 with minor administrative amendments and endorse the resolutions of that meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.2. AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES 28 MARCH 2023

Moved: Cr Linda Fawns
Seconded: Cr Marc Petersen
RESOLUTION 2023/0418/11.2

That Council note the minutes of the Airport Advisory Committee Meeting held 28 March 2023.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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11.3. ROTARY PARK USERS GROUP MEETING 5 APRIL 2023

Moved: Cr Marc Petersen
Seconded: Cr Shirlee Burge
RESOLUTION 2023/0418/11.3

That Council note the minutes from the Rotary Park Users Group meeting of 5 April 2023 with minor changes to action items.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.4. SALEYARDS COMMITTEE MINUTES

Moved: Cr Harold Clapham Seconded: Cr Paul Fellows

RESOLUTION 2023/0418/11.4

That Council note the minutes of the Saleyards Advisory Committee Meeting of 30 March 2023.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12. REPORTS TO COUNCIL

12.1. FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY REVIEW DRAFT REPORT

Moved: Cr Harold Clapham Seconded: Cr Linda Fawns

RESOLUTION 2023/0418/12.1

That Council

- 1. Note the Report and findings of the Financial Sustainability Review and strategies to achieve a financially sustainable Council.
- 2. Adopt the Financial Sustainability Review report and recommendations and action plan contained within the report.
- 3. Adopt the draft Long Term Financial Plan for public exhibition alongside the draft 2023-24 draft Operational Plan and Budget

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.2. 2023-24 OPERATIONAL PLAN AND BUDGET

Moved: Cr Paul Fellows Seconded: Cr Linda Fawns

RESOLUTION 2022/0418/12.2

That Council:

- 1.Endorse the attached draft 2023-24 Operational Plan and Budget (including Fees and Charges) for public exhibition,
- 2. Notes the public exhibition period will run for at least 28 days and will invite members of the community to make a submission on the draft documents,

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- 3. Notes that a community engagement program will be implemented during the exhibition period to enable community consultation and discussion on the draft documents,
- 4. Notes that all submissions received during the public exhibition period will be considered during finalisation of the 2023-24 Operational Plan and Budget prior to its formal adoption before 30 June 2023.

For: Cr Paul Fellows, Cr Linda Fawns, Cr Tarria Moore and Mayor Peta Betts

Against: Cr Shirlee Burge, Cr Harold Clapham and Cr Marc Petersen

CARRIED 4/3

12.3. PROPOSED SALE OF PART OF APRIL STREET

Mayor Peta Betts left the Council Chambers at 10:56am.

Moved: Cr Tarria Moore Seconded: Cr Linda Fawns

RESOLUTION 2023/0418/12.3

That Council proceeds with the sale, by way of an expression of interest process, of the former Crown road reserve located off April Street, adjacent to Lot 1 DP251852 and Lot 2 Section 122 DP758782.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mayor Peta Betts returned to the Council Chambers at 10:59am

Cr Paul Fellows left the Council Chambers at 10:59am and returned to the Council Chambers at 11:02am

Acting Chief Finance Officer left the Council Chambers at 11am and returned to the Council Chambers at 11:01am.

12.4. CEO PERFORMANCE REVIEW POLICY

Moved: Cr Shirlee Burge

Seconded: Cr Harold Clapham

MOTION

That Council adopt the policy with an amendment to include all Councillors as members of the review committee.

For: Cr Marc Petersen, Cr Shirlee Burge and Cr Harold Clapham

Against: Cr Paul Fellows, Mayor Peta Betts, Cr Linda Fawns and Cr Tarria Moore

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Moved: Cr Linda Fawns
Seconded: Cr Paul Fellows
RESOLUTION 2023/0418/12.4

That Council adopt the revised CEO Performance Review Policy.

For: Cr Paul Fellows, Mayor Peta Betts, Cr Linda Fawns and Cr Tarria Moore

Against: Cr Marc Petersen, Cr Shirlee Burge and Cr Harold Clapham

CARRIED 4/3

12.5. AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION - NATIONAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2023

Moved: Cr Marc Petersen
Seconded: Cr Paul Fellows
RESOLUTION 2023/0418/12.5

That Council

- Approves the attendance of the Mayor and the Chief Executive Officer at the Australian Local Government Association 2023 National General Assembly 13 to 16 June 2023 at the National Convention Centre in Canberra.
- 2. Approves the attendance of up to 3 other Councillors in line with the Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Chief Executive Officer left the Council Chambers at 11:26am

Chief Executive Officer returned to the Council Chambers at 11:29am.

12.6. EDWARD RIVER COUNCIL ARTS & CULTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE

Moved: Cr Marc Petersen Seconded: Cr Tarria Moore

RESOLUTION 2023/0418/12.6

That Council adopt the draft Terms of Reference for the Edward River Council Arts & Culture Advisory Committee with an amendment to include a representative from Play on the Plains and Art Life.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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12.7. THE LONG PADDOCK

Moved: Cr Harold Clapham Seconded: Cr Marc Petersen RESOLUTION 2023/0418/12.7

That Council:

- 1. Note the Minutes of the Officers' Forum.
- Dissolve the s355 committee arrangement for the Long Paddock Tourism Route of Edward River Council (noting that the Committee was not reconfirmed after the council election, nor was it dissolved).
- 3. Support in principle the formation of a membership-based committee with an incorporated association governance model for the purpose of marketing and promoting the Long Paddock Touring Route, noting proposed membership will include a council representative and community representative for each member Council and that community representatives should be appointed via an open and transparent process.
- 4. Notes that Councillor Burge is the Edward River Councillor delegate.
- Support in principle the establishment of a bank account for the deposit of current Long Paddock Committee funds once evidence of incorporation is provided and that Council transfer the remaining Long Paddock Touring Route funds to that account.
- Notes the recommendation by the Committee to waive the 2021/22 financial contribution from member councils.
- 7. Notes the intention to maintain membership fees for the new incorporated association at \$7,000 per member council, and notes that Edward River Council's contribution will reduce to \$7k per annum which is comparable to Hay and Murray River Councils' contributions.
- 8. Notes Edward River Council's limited ability to support the transition work described above, given current resourcing constraints, and that it is recommended that this work will be assigned to the project officer (currently an employee of Hay Shire Council) to undertake in the interim until an external contractor can be hired.
- Notes that the sculpture and other Long Paddock Touring Route assets that reside in the Edward River Council LGA are considered assets of council and will require appropriate management in accordance with asset management principles and processes.
- 10. Notes that performance measures and return on investment in the Long Paddock Touring Route for Edward River Council are largely anecdotal, however, continued participation is recommended to an extent that is within current Council's resourcing (staffing and proposed future budget allocations).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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12.8. INVESTMENTS & RESERVES REPORT - MARCH 2023

Moved: Cr Linda Fawns
Seconded: Cr Paul Fellows
RESOLUTION 2023/0418/12.8

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- 1. Note and receive the March 2023 report on Investments totalling \$46,133,606 inclusive of cash at bank for day-to-day operations.
- 2. Note that actual interest earned in the month of March 2023 was \$85,931.
- 3. Note that total interest earned for the year to 31 March 2023 is \$555,130.
- 4. Note the Certificate of the Responsible Accounting Officer and adopt the Investment Report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.9. DEVELOPMENT SERVICES REPORT

Moved: Cr Harold Clapham Seconded: Cr Marc Petersen RESOLUTION 2023/0418/12.9

That Council receive and note the March 2023 Development Services team update.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.10. MAJOR PROJECTS REPORT

Moved: Cr Linda Fawns
Seconded: Cr Marc Petersen
RESOLUTION 2023/0418/12.10

That Council note the Major Projects update for March 2023.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.11. RESOLUTIONS OF COUNCIL

Moved: Cr Marc Petersen Seconded: Cr Paul Fellows

RESOLUTION 2023/0418/12.11

That Council note the information in the Resolutions of Council as at 31 March 2023.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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12.12. MAYOR, COUNCILLOR, CEO MEETINGS

Moved: Cr Marc Petersen Seconded: Cr Linda Fawns

RESOLUTION 2023/0418/12.12

That Council

- 1. Note the Mayor, Councillor and Chief Executive Officer meetings attended on behalf of Council during the month of March 2023 with the following amendments:
 - a. 8th March 2023, International Women's Day, remove Mayor Peta Betts
 - b. 8th March 2023, River Front Artwork Unveiling, add Cr Shirlee Burge
 - c. 28th March 2023, Break the Cycle, add Mayor Peta Betts.
 - d. 28th March 2023, Airport Advisory Meeting, remove Cr Linda Fawns
- Continue to advise the Chief Executive Officer's Executive Assistant of their meeting diaries and activities attendance.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13. NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Nil.

14. QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

Nil.

15. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

Nil.

16. CLOSE OF MEETING

There being no other business the meeting closed at 11:46am.

7.2. DRAFT MINUTES EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING 5 MAY 2023

Author: Executive Assistant

Authoriser: Executive Assistant

RECOMMENDATION

That Council accept the Draft Minutes of the Extraordinary Council Meeting held 5 May 2023 as a true and correct record.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

- 5. Accountable leadership and responsive administration
- 5.1 Collaborative and Engaged
- 5.2 Financially sustainable
- 5.3 Professional Workplace culture

ATTACHMENTS

Draft Minutes Extraordinary Council Meeting 5 May 2023

Attachment 1 - Draft Minutes for Extraordinary Council Meeting 10-00 AM - Friday 5 May 202356



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Time: 10:00 AM

Location: Council Chambers, Wanderer Street Deniliquin

MINUTES

Extraordinary Council Meeting

Friday, 05 May 2023

Philip Stone
Chief Executive Officer

FRIDAY, 05 MAY 2023

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FRIDAY, 05 MAY 2023

1. OPENING MEETING

Present: Mayor Cr Peta Betts, Deputy Mayor Cr Paul Fellows, Cr Linda Fawns, Cr Shannon Sampson, Cr Shirlee Burge, Chief Executive Officer, Director Infrastructure

Via Teams: Cr Tarria Moore, Cr Pat Fogarty, Director Corporate Services, Acting Chief Financial

Officer, Cr Harold Clapham (from 10.07am)

In Attendance: Executive Assistant

Gallery: Two

2. LIVE STREAMING STATEMENT

3. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

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5. APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY COUNCILLORS RESOLUTION 2023/0505/5

Moved: Cr Linda Fawns Seconded: Cr Tarria Moore

That Council notes the absence without notice of Cr Harold Clapham and Cr Marc Petersen and that Cr Fogarty and Cr Moore are in attendance via video link.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Nil

7. DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS

Nil

8. MAYORAL MINUTE(S)

Nil

9. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Nil

Cr Harold Clapham joined via teams at 10.07am

FRIDAY, 05 MAY 2023

10. REPORTS TO COUNCIL

10.1. SUBMISSION REGARDING DA2023/0024 - 4.95MW SOLAR FARM RESOLUTION 2023/0505/10.1

Moved: Cr Paul Fellows Seconded: Cr Linda Fawns

That Council makes a submission regarding DA2023/0024, being the proposed development of a solar farm along Hogans Lane, noting its concerns based on the unsuitability of the site, lack of consultation, lack of community benefit and impact on Council infrastructure.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.2. LETTER TO NSW STATE GOVERNMENT ON PROPOSED REMOVAL OF ESL SUBSIDY

RESOLUTION 2023/0505/10.2

Moved: Cr Shirlee Burge

Seconded: Cr Shannon Sampson

That Council write to the Minister for Local Government, the Hon. Ron Hoenig, MP, the Minister for Emergency Services, The Hon. Jihad Dib, MP, and carbon copy Mrs Helen Dalton, MP, Member for Murray, expressing its dissatisfaction with the proposed removal of the Emergency Services Levy (ESL) subsidy, using the preferred template issued by Local Government NSW (LGNSW) to all NSW Councils for this purpose.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11. NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Nil

12. QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

Nil

13. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

Nil

14. CLOSE OF MEETING

Mayor Cr Peta Betts declared the meeting closed at 10.25am.

8. DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS

9. MAYORAL MINUTE(S)

10. URGENT ITEMS OF BUSINESS

NOTE: Business may be considered at a meeting of the council even though due notice of the business has not been given to the councillors if:

- a. a motion is passed to have the business considered at the meeting, and
- b. the business to be considered is ruled by the chairperson to be of great urgency on the grounds that it requires a decision by the council before the next scheduled ordinary meeting of the council.

Only the mover of a motion can speak to the motion before it is put.

A motion of dissent cannot be moved against a ruling by the chairperson.

11. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

11.1. DRAFT MINUTES EDWARD RIVER VILLAGE COMMITTEE 18 APRIL 2023

Author: Executive Assistant

Authoriser: Chief Executive Officer

RECOMMENDATION

That Council note the minutes of the Edward River Village committee.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

- 3. Encouraging growth through partnerships
- 3.2 Economic development
- 4. Delivering community assets and services
- 4.1 Vibrant villages and towns
- 5. Accountable leadership and responsive administration
- 5.1 Collaborative and Engaged

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 - Draft Edward River Village Committee Minutes 18 April 2023



Edward River Village Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday 18 April 2023

Time: Following Council Meeting

Location: Council Chambers, Estates Building

1. Present

 Mayor Peta Betts, Deputy Mayor Paul Fellows, Cr Lind Fawns, Cr Tarria Moore, Cr Marc Petersen, Chief Executive Officer, Director Corporate Services, Project Manager

2. Apologies

- a. None
- 3. Project Update

a. Overall Project Program

- Civil works including the services and roadway are nearing completion
- ii. The builder will commence work, hopefully by late April.
- iii. Marketing the village has continued with 21 enquiries to date
- iv. Budget of \$4.43m. Actual and committed expenditure to date \$3.66m
- b. Civil Works are nearing completion after many challenges with the weather and site. Road edging is nearing completion, then the road base and asphalt.
- Dwellings Construction contract awarded for the first 6 homes.
 Construction is planned to commence late April.
- d. Electrical Upgrade Most of the past risks and delays have been overcome. Essential Energy (after a very long time) approved the power supply upgrade design. The pole mounted transformer was ordered last year and is due May 2023. Presently calling for quotes to install the new

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pole and transformer. On site electrical works are largely complete. Street lights will go up once the roadway is complete.

e. Marketing

- New brochures were direct mailed to Deniliquin residents and surrounds in March, as well as being dropped off in many local businesses and service providers.
- ii. New video promoting Deniliquin as a great place to retire has been developed and will go live shortly
- iii. Web includes web enquiry form
- iv. Media Pastoral Times and social media
- v. Billboards 3 have been erected on site and north and south of the CBD
- vi. Upcoming marketing
 - 1. Marketing document (final this week)
 - 2. 3 min video (proof within next couple of days)
 - 3. 30 sec commercial (proof within next couple of days)
 - 4. 4x 15-30 sec social videos (proofs within next week or so)
 - 5. DL flyer design (proof within two weeks of final images approved)
 - 6. Newspaper ad (proof within two weeks of final images approved)
 - 7. 5 x social media posts (proof within two weeks of final images approved)

vii. Enquiries

- 21 enquiries to date. Have met, phoned and/or emailed all details to all people who have contacted council
- 2. Have met with three, who say they are very keen.
- 3. Two said they were interested but not in a hurry
- 4. One could not proceed as they didn't have any funds

11.2. DRAFT MINUTES HEALTH SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Author: Executive Assistant

Authoriser: Chief Executive Officer

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- 1. Receive the Minutes of the Health Services Advisory Committee Meeting of 17 April 2023
- 2. Endorse the recommendations of the Health Service Advisory Committee meeting of 17 April to council, being:
 - Adoption of the updated Terms of Reference, with the inclusion of a regular meeting cycle
 - b. Commencement of an Expression of Interest process for the recruitment of members to the committee
 - c. The intention of the committee to send a letter written by the Independent Chair to the Minister highlighting the Clinical Services Plan and the significant work undertaken in its preparation and its intention to engage proactively with the new Ministry on the Plan
 - d. The intention of the committee to formally invite the Minister for Health, the Hon. Ryan Park, to visit Deniliquin and to request a briefing on the statement issued in the recent media relating to the inquiry and the consideration of a review of the local health district model
 - e. The intention of the committee to invite the current Member for Murray to the committee meeting for 29 May, and request a briefing document be prepared two weeks prior to the meeting, to include what a demerged health area is, what the boundaries would look like, the reasons for the demerger, the advantages and disadvantages, the stakeholders consulted with, and any details of a feasibility study
 - f. That council provide in principle support to the Deniliquin Mental Health Awareness Group to seek funding, implement and promote evidence based community led initiatives as per the National Suicide Prevention Strategy, with the Deniliquin Mental Health Awareness Group to provide examples of this support to inform any resourcing requirements for council
 - g. That council provide in principle support, and consider applying for and joining, the Mental Health First Aid Champion Communities Program in collaboration with Deniliquin Mental Health Awareness Group and including this is as part of Council's health advocacy strategy and Operational Plan for 2023/24
- 3. Consider item 2(g) as a submission to the 2023/24 Operational Plan from the Committee.

BACKGROUND

The Health Services Advisory Committee met on Monday 17 April 2023 and was attended by Cr Shirlee Burge, Cr Linda Fawns and Mayor Cr Peta Betts.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

Discussion at the April 2023 meeting of the Health Services Advisory Committee included:

- Notable discussions as to how the change of government will impact health service delivery
 for the Edward River Council community, with particular emphasis on the existing Deniliquin
 Health Service Clinical Services Plan, the statement made during the election campaign by
 the now Minister for Health, the Hon. Ryan Park, regarding the consideration of a review of
 the local health district model and the intention to invite the Member for Murray to the May
 meeting to discuss the concept of a demerged health district model.
- the Blue Tree Project, its proposal and resourcing considerations, and the agreement for members of the Committee to meet to discuss how the project can be moved forward collaboratively with other stakeholders such as the Local Response Group and Deni Mental Health Awareness Group
- the Mental Health First Aid Champion Communities program

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

- 3. Encouraging growth through partnerships
- 3.4 Health
- 5. Accountable leadership and responsive administration
- 5.1 Collaborative and Engaged

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 - Draft Minutes for Health Services Advisory Committee 17_30 PM - Monday, 17 April 2023

MINUTES

Health Services Advisory Committee

Monday, 17 April 2023

Commencing at 5:30 PM

Council Chambers, Estates Building 180 Cressy

Street, Deniliquin

Health Services Advisory Committee Monday, 17 April 2023

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Health Services Advisory Committee
Monday, 17 April 2023

1. Attendance and Apologies

The meeting opened at 5.35pm

The Chair delivered the Acknowledgement of Country and welcomed attendees.

Present: Deb Stockton (Chair); Cr Shirlee Burge; Alison Thorne; Craig McColm; Lourene Liebenberg; Albert Liebenberg; Marion McGee

In Attendance: Mayor Cr Peta Betts; Cr Linda Fawns; Chief Executive Officer; Director

Corporate Services

Apologies: Cr Pat Fogarty Moved: Lourene Liebenberg Seconded: Marion McGee

That the apology from Cr Pat Fogarty is received.

CARRIED

2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Moved: Deb Stockton

Seconded: Lourene Liebenberg

Resolved:

That the minutes of the meeting of the committee held 27 February 2023 are not accepted, and that those minutes are reformatted into an agreed format with the Chair, and those draft minutes are issued to the Chair for approval prior to distribution.

Minutes are to include page numbers.

CARRIED

3. Actions Arising

Terms of Reference

Moved: Deb Stockton

Seconded: Lourene Liebenberg

Resolved:

That the committee accept the draft Terms of Reference and recommend to Council that the draft Terms of Reference for the committee are adopted.

CARRIED

Letter of Resignation - Lyn Bond

Moved: Marion McGee Seconded: Craig McColm

That the letter of resignation tendered by Lyn Bond be accepted and note Alison Thorne will be Lyn's appointment by Mental Health Action Group.

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CARRIED

Membership

Moved: Albert Liebenberg Seconded: Craig McColm

Resolved:

That the committee proceed with the commencement of an Expression of Interest process utilising council's communication channels once the Expression of Interest form is finalised.

CARRIED

4. Reports

Strategic Local Health Advocacy Approach

Moved: Alison Thorne

Seconded: Albert Liebenberg

Resolved:

That the draft Local Health Advocacy Strategic brief be reissued to the committee members for review by 5 May and added to the agenda of the next Health Advisory Committee agenda in time to ready a submission for consideration of council's inclusion in the 2023-24 Operational Plan.

CARRIED

Proposed Letter to NSW Minister for Health regarding the Deniliquin Health Service Clinical Services Plan (2022)

Moved: Lourene Liebenberg Seconded: Craig McColm

RESOLVED:

That a letter to be written by Chair on behalf of the Health Services Advisory Committee that commences a dialogue with the Minister of Health and confirms Council's position relating to the Clinical Services Plan including:

- a. The highlighting of the collaboration between Edward River Council and Deni Local Health Action Committee, Deni Mental Health Action Group and community as a whole during the community consultation process of the Clinical Services plan development
- b. That the plan was completed in October 2022, and the Murrumbidgee Local Health District (MLHD) Board signed off on it late last year.
- c. The plan proposed both innovative models of service delivery specific to meeting more of the needs our rural community has, and clearly outlined infrastructure deficiencies and subsequently some specific infrastructure upgrades/ redevelopment for Deniliquin Health Service to develop these new models of service delivery which could significantly improve health outcomes for people in our region.

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- d. This plan also recommends significant upgrades and provision of accommodation options for health staff
- e. Deniliquin Health Service is the third largest / busiest facility in MLHD, after Wagga Wagga ad Griffith Hospitals. As you are aware both these hospitals are currently undergoing major upgrades.
- f. Deniliquin is 2-3 hours away from our major regional hospitals and with multiple barriers to access to many services. We believe our community can greatly benefit from both the proposed new and improved models of care, and more specifically significant infrastructure funding to enable these models of care.
- g. We have availed ourselves about the Fresh Start Plan for Health Care and recognise there is much work to be done across the state, we respectfully ask that the Deniliquin Health Service Clinical Services Plan be acted on as a matter of priority and urgency.
- h. We are a passionate group of people all working towards better health outcomes for our community and would welcome a visit from the ministry.

CARRIED

Carried 6/1 - Against Cr Shirlee Burge

RECOMMENDATION

Moved: Lourene Liebenberg Seconded: Craig McColm

That Council notes the intention of the committee to send a letter written by the Independent Chair to the Minister highlighting the Clinical Services Plan and the significant work undertaken in its preparation and its intention to engage proactively with the new Ministry on the Plan.

CARRIED

Discussion in Relation to NSW Health Minister's Statement During Election Campaign

Moved: Craig McColm

Seconded: Cr Shirlee Burge

RESOLVED

That the committee formally invite the Minister for Health, the Hon. Ryan Park, to visit Deniliquin and request a briefing on the statement issued in the recent media relating to the inquiry and the consideration of a review of the local health district model.

CARRIED

RESOLVED

Moved: Lourene Liebenberg Seconded: Cr Shirlee Burge

That the current Member for Murray be invited to the committee meeting for 29 May, and request a briefing document be prepared two weeks prior to the meeting, including what a demerged area is, the boundaries would look like, the reasons for the demerger, the advantages and disadvantages of a demerger, stakeholders consulted with, any details of a

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feasibility study, proposed to provide any questions from committee members to the Chair seven days before the meeting so that the Member can receive and prepare responses.

CARRIED

The Blue Tree Project

Cr Shirlee Burge provided an update on the council resolution in December where support for the initiative was confirmed.

- Cr Burge provided an explanation of the initiative and its importance. The project
 proposed is to create a quiet space near a chosen tree which is then painted blue as
 a symbol of support for families of suicide. The preferred tree is on council land.
 Work has been undertaken to garner both financial and in-kind support for the
 project.
- Cr Burge has extended through the committee an invitation to all local mental health support groups to get involved with a meeting scheduled of stakeholders next week.
- Cr Burge informed the committee of her intention to present back to Council in May a
 proposal for consideration, given there will be ongoing council resourcing implications
 with appropriate maintenance and permission is required as the tree resides on
 council land.

ACTION:

Lourene Liebenberg, Alison Thorne and Cr Shirlee Burge to arrange to meet and discuss outside of the meeting as to how the project can progress collaboratively with other stakeholders such as the Local Response Group and Deni Mental Health Action Group

Edward River Council, Deniliquin Mental Health Action Group and the National Suicide Prevention Strategy

Moved: Lourene Liebenberg Seconded: Albert Liebenberg

RECOMMENDATION:

That council, provide in principle support to the Deniliquin Mental Health Awareness Group (Deni MHAG) to seek funding, implement and promote evidence based community led initiatives as per the National Suicide Prevention Strategy, and that the Deniliquin Mental Health Awareness Group will provide examples of this support to inform resourcing requirement.

CARRIED

Mental Health First Aid Champion Communities Program

Moved: Lourene Liebenberg Seconded: Craig McColm RECOMMENDATION

That council provide in principle support and consider applying for and joining the Mental Health First Aid Champion Communities Program in collaboration with Deniliquin Mental

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Health Awareness Group and including this is part of their health advocacy strategy and operational plan for 2023/24.

CARRIED

General Business -

1. Schedule of Committee Meetings

Moved: Albert Liebenberg Seconded: Craig McColm

Resolved

That the Committee amend the Terms of Reference to reflect a meeting schedule being the 4th Monday of May, August, November and February.

CARRIED

2. Establishment of a Teams Share Folder

Action:

That Council establish a Teams shared folder for committee resources including agendas, minutes and supporting documentation.

3. Development of a Briefing Note Template

Action:

That Council Officers work with the Chair to develop a template for the Committee members to prepare briefing reports to the meeting.

4. Next Meeting - 29 May 2023 at 5.30pm

5. Close of Meeting

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.04pm.

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11.3. DRAFT MINUTES ABORIGINAL LIAISON COMMITTEE MEETING 26 APRIL 2023

Author: Executive Assistant

Authoriser: Executive Assistant

RECOMMENDATION

That Council

- 1. Notes the recommendations made by the Aboriginal Liaison Committee
- 2. Notes that the draft minutes are a true and correct record.

BACKGROUND

The Aboriginal Liaison Committee met Wednesday 26 April 2023 and made the following recommendations to Council

- 1. That the draft Flag Policy is endorsed by the Aboriginal Liaison Committee
- 2. That the National Reconciliation Week Walk being held 2 June 2023 is referred to as a Recognition Walk

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

- 3. Encouraging growth through partnerships
- 3.1 Education
- 3.2 Economic development
- 5. Accountable leadership and responsive administration
- 5.1 Collaborative and Engaged

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Draft Minutes Aboriginal Liaison Committee Wednesday 26 April 2023.
- 2. Recognition Walk Event Steve Fawns

Attachment 1 - Aboriginal Liaison Committee Minutes 26 April 2023



Aboriginal Liaison Committee

Meeting Minutes/Action Items

Group	Aboriginal Liaison Committee			
Date	26 April 2023	26 April 2023 Time 9am		
Location	Council Chambers, Estates Bu	Council Chambers, Estates Building		
Prepared By	Executive Assistant			
Attendees	Cr Linda Fawns, Cr Harold Clapham, David Crew, Jeanette Crew, Philip Stone, Robert Phillips, Laura Hand-Ross from 9.23am			
Apologies	Nil			
Additional Distribution				

Meeting Chair

Cr Linda Fawns

Declaration of Meeting Open

Meeting was opened by Chair Cr Linda Fawns at 9.03am

Acknowledgement of Country given by Jeanette Crew

Confirmation of Minutes

Moved: David Crew

Seconded: Cr Harold Clapham

That the previous minutes be received and confirmed with the inclusion of the ABCDE Program in the Actions List.

CARRIED

Discussion and Action Items

Draft Flag Policy.

Distributed to all members prior to the meeting. The draft policy includes general protocols around the flying of the Australian Flag and further editing is required before going to Council for adoption.

Moved: Jeanette Crew Seconded: Cr Harold Clapham

That the draft Flag Policy is endorsed by the Aboriginal Liaison Committee.

CARRIED

National Reconciliation Week Walk

The origin of this walk comes as a direct response from one of Laura's speeches, which led to Steve Fawns reaching out to Edward River Council and the Aboriginal Community with this proposal.

- To be referred to as a Recognition Walk
- Proposed date Friday June 2nd, 2023 (dates of other activities for National Reconciliation Week will be investigated).
- · This year's theme is "A Voice for Our Generation"

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- The Multi Arts Centre was deemed the most appropriate start/finish area as it is central
 and offers for the space for conversations to be had at the conclusion of the walk.
- The Deniliquin High School has been invited to participate
- Intereach supports this suggestion and is happy to participate in all National Reconciliation Week events.
- Steve to be requested to send an invoice to Edward River Council for the quick response grant of \$250.

The proposal outlined by Steve is attached.

Voice to Parliament - Referendum 2023

A special meeting will be scheduled to discuss the Voice to Parliament.

Deniliquin Aboriginal Lands Council engagement

To foster further engagement Cr Linda Fawns, Cr Harold Clapham, Mayor Betts (if available) will invite Rose Dunn and other employees of the Deniliquin Aboriginal Land Council to have a coffee and a chat.

Laura will feed back to the Lands Council and request consistency at these meetings and will provide a list of the other Board Members.

The Growth Strategy currently being prepared could have a specific topic of the Aboriginal Land held.

General Business

Transfer of Werai State Forest

- Should take place around the 4th of May 2023. This affects Murray River Council and Edward River Council.
- The Werai State Forest will be transferred to Werai Enterprises and Werai Land and Water Corporation will own the title.
- A Board of Management is being developed.
- Planned Celebrations will most likely happen in Spring when Ministers both State and Federal will be invited to attend. This transfer is particularly significant as this is not a native title claim (although the process is very similar),
- This poses a huge potential for all, and assistance and robust discussions will need to be held with Murray River Council, Edward River Council and Werai Enterprises.
- Werai Land and Water Corporation will be requested to notify Councils and Stakeholders
 of the next meeting.

Aboriginal Languages Strategy

- David Crew requested timing for a policy document.
- Ensure that it is included in the operational plan. David was requested to write to Council
 through the Have Your Say link on the website to request this strategy's inclusion in the
 operational plan.

Relocation of Yarkuwa

- Contract has been signed for the purchase of the Hay Road Building and deposit has been paid. Currently waiting for exchange of contracts.
- David Crew is currently conversing with Edward River Council's Manager of Projects to assist.
- Support and guidance will also be needed for dual occupancy of the block with the two Werai organisations.

Intereach Update

Intereach has applied for members of SNAICC (this is the national voice for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children.).

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Next Meeting

Due to the large volume of work happening the next meeting will be held **Wednesday 24 May 2023 at 9am.**

Actions	Whom	When	Status
ABCDE Program	Belinda	June	
National Reconciliation Week - Walk	Ellie	2 June 2023	Underway
Tax Invoice required	Belinda	May	
National Reconciliation Week – other activities planned	Belinda	ASAP	
Meeting with Aboriginal Land Council	Belinda	ASAP	
List of current Aboriginal Land Council Board Members	Laura	Мау	
Werai Land and Water Corporation request to notify Councils of next meeting.	David		
Aboriginal Languages Strategy – request to be lodged via Have Your Say – Edward River Council website.	David	Мау	
Missing signage on Jerilderie Road & old signage	Libby Braybon	ASAP	In Progress

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Attachment 2 - Recognition walk 2023 - Steve Fawns

RECONCILIATION WEEK EVENT

Deniliquin Recognition Walk Friday June the 2nd 2023.

Proposed outline for consideration and feedback by local First Nations community, Elders and other stakeholders.

Purpose and background

The Deniliquin Community would like to facilitate and host a walk and morning tea of approximately 1km and 1:15 hour commencing at either the Multi Arts Centre or Town Hall, joining the river at the Water NSW River access following the Koltey river West to re-join Napier Street at the Peppin Heritage centre returning to the start point Via Napier and Cressy Street foot paths. At the conclusion of the walk the community would like to also host a morning tea for participants and concurrently invite First Nations people to share their knowledge of locally significant cultural landmarks, site or events. This could have the following outcomes: Participants would have a better understanding of the pre- colonisation history of Deniliquin, Demonstrate First Nations people's attachment to the land and natural resources of our region provides, an opportunity to share the intended and unintended effects of post colonisation polices imposed on First Nations People in a safe environment. Provide an opportunity to start conversations and demonstrate by the walk, that if First Nations and Non-First Nations people can walk together, we can also talk and work together to support the land and communities that supports us.

General proposed outline of activity

- Configure Hall and set up static displays as required.
- 9:50 to 10:00 am Meet and register at Multi Arts Centre or Town Hall
- 10:00 depart for walk.
- Concurrent to walk opportunity to pause and talk about local sites not limited to Jail River, School
- 10:15 Join Napier Street opportunity for people with limited mobility or would like to reduce the walk distance or have limited time can join.
- 10:30 Catered Moring tea (I have asked High School and awaiting a reply)
- 10:15 to 11:15 Yarning session suggested topics, The Flats, Ranger Program, Lagoon Project
- Invite to stay on for small group conversations on any subjects including the Voice or questions from participants.



11.4. DRAFT MEMORIAL PARK USERS GROUP MEETING

Author: Executive Assistant Infrastructure

Authoriser: Director Infrastructure

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive and note the Minutes of the Memorial Park Users Group Meeting of 26 April 2023.

BACKGROUND

The Memorial Park Users Group Meeting met on Wednesday 26 April 2023 and was attended by Cr Marc Petersen and Mayor Peta Betts.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

N/A

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

N/A

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

5. Accountable leadership and responsive administration

5.1 Collaborative and Engaged

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

N/A

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

N/A

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 - Draft Memorial Park Meeting Minutes 26 April 2023



Memorial Park User Group Meeting 26 April 2023

Group	Memorial Park User Group		
Date	26 April 2023	Time	5.30pm
Location	Memorial Park – Rovers Clubrooms	·	·
Prepared By	Libby Braybon		
Attendees	Darryl Whately – Car Collectors Club Neil Buckley - Car Collectors Club Brad Todd – Rhino's Cricket Club Tim Hillier – Rhino's Cricket Club Shannon Martin – Rovers Football Club Michael Fleming – Rover Football Club Chantelle Chevels – P & A Society Judy Bond – P & A Society Mayor Cr Peta Betts - ERC Cr Marc Peterson (via Teams) - ERC Philip Stone – ERC Mark Dalzell - ERC		
Apologies	Brendan Hope – Rovers Football Club		

Chairmen of Meeting - Mark Dalzell

Declaration of Meeting Open - 5.30pm

Discussion and Current Action Items

Action item reference is in the form of meeting date (mmdd) and sequential number. DI refers to a discussion item only – no specific action required.

Acceptance of previous minutes

Noted apologies: Brenden Hope

Minutes read as true and correct.



Memorial Park User Group Meeting 26 April 2023

Action Ref	Outcomes/Decisions/Actions	Whom	When	Status
MP Ame	enities Construction – Show Ground Stimulus Funding	g		
	Mark Dalzell provided an update on the amenities block. The works are 76% complete with the roof works to commence next week. Scheduled for completion late May 2023.			
Parking	and Road Access – Show Ground Stimulus Funding			
	 Mark Dalzell provided an update regarding this project and advised the committee that funding has been extended to end of this year. Looking to commence this project in September 2023 with completion scheduled for December 2023. Michael Fleming advised the committee that Rovers have secured a preliminary final this year. Mark Dalzell advised that works would not commence prior to this event. Michael Fleming to advise Council of Preliminary Final date. 	Michael Fleming - Rovers	Next Meeting	
Cricket	Club Rooms Funding			
	 Brad Todd proved an update to the committee on Cricket Club Rooms project. Brad noted that the designs are now complete, and the DA has been submitted. The Cricket Club is working with Council's Project Managers office who are assisting with the Tender process. Brad Todd advised the committee that once the DA is approved, they'll request and extension. The Cricket Club has been liaising with the funding body, who are aware of the impact the recent floods have had on this project. Scope of works down and ready to be market testes. Cricket club is happy with what is on application. 			
SCCF R	4 - Lighting Project			
	Mark Dalzell provided an update on the project and the current constraints, noting that the cost had increased significantly due to inadequate infrastructure onsite. Mark Dalzell advised the committee that Council has engaged level two engineer to undertake further investigation and design of the electricity network at Memorial Park. Mark Dalzell noted that once pricing and scope is finalised, we will be able to go back to council for consideration. Committee requested a meeting with all three groups highlighting the issues around cost once scope and price is finalised.	Libby Braybon - ERC		



Memorial Park User Group Meeting 26 April 2023

Flood Re	covery Works Update		
	 Mark Dalzell provided an update on flood recovery works at Memorial Park. P & A Society noted that they were happy with Council's assistance following the floods. Rovers Football club advised that they have sourced funding for surfacing and line marking. Mark Dalzell advised the committee that the Netball Courts reconstruction will be completed prior to the Preliminary Final (September 2023). 		
General E	Business		
	 Council booking system and lead up time. Internal processes to be updated. 		
Car Colle	ctors Update		
	 The National Tractor Convention will be held at Memorial Park Anzac weekend 2024. Action: Council to follow up re Special Event Application Rover Football Club advised they would notify Picola League and move any home games to accommodate. The convention. 	Libboo	Next Meeting Next
	 Action: Email to Picola League advising. Annual Car Rally is scheduled for the 3rd weekend in September and no cars will be on the oval this year. 	Michael Fleming - Rovers	Meeting
Cricket C	lub Update		
	 New User Group Committee member, Brendan hope to join at next meeting. No further update. 		
P & Socie	ety Update		
	 P & A Society thanked Council for all the Recovery Works. Tremendous job, very appreciative. Annual Show had record numbers through the gate. P & A Society will be hosting a Mother's Day Market on the 14th May 2023. Comms follow through. 		
Rovers F	ootball Club Update		
	 Thanked the DNA for use of their facilities. Rovers advised the committee that they been selected to host the 2025 Picola League Grand Final. 		

Meeting finished at 6.24pm

Next meeting 26 July 2023.

11.5. MAYRUNG VILLAGE COMMITTEE MINUTES OF MEETING 22 FEBRUARY 2023

Mayrung Village Committee - Meeting of February 2023

Author: Senior Governance Advisor

Authoriser: Director Corporate Services

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive and note the Minutes and Financial report of the Mayrung Village Committee of 22 February 2023.

BACKGROUND

The Mayrung Village Committee met on 22 February 2023, and was attended by Councillor Tarria Moore.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

Discussion at the February 2023 meeting of the Mayrung Village Committee included:

- Confirmation of previous meeting's minutes
- Noting that business arising from the meeting included marking of 120 chairs
- Review of inwards and outwards correspondence
- Receipt of the Financial Report
- General business discussion was about safety protocols for maintenance work on Council
 property, positioning of a stage handrail, refurbishment of the toilets, condition report on the
 hall and recreation reserve, Mayrung Road widening and drainage, and a motion of thanks
 to retiring secretary (Phyllis Ball).

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

There are no strategic implications arising from this report.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

The Mayrung Village Committee contributes to the achievement of the following Community Strategic Plan objectives:

- 4. Delivering community assets and services
- 4.1 Vibrant villages and towns
- 5. Accountable leadership and responsive administration
- 5.1 Collaborative and Engaged

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

There are no legislative implications arising from this report.

ATTACHMENTS

The following attachments are included with this report:

• Minutes of the Mayrung Village Committee - 22 February 2023

• Mayrung Village Committee Financial Report - February 2023

MAYRUNG VILLAGE COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes, February 22nd, 2023

Meeting opened 10.00am

Present: Stephen Ball, Gordon Ball, Lorraine Beer, Tarria Moore, Lynda Barclay, John Beer

Apologies; Sarah Bain, Phyllis Ball, Pam Beer

Minutes read by chairman, Stephen Ball. Moved Stephen, seconded Tarria: that the minutes as read be accepted.' Carried.

Business arising – noted that the chairs had been marked by Stephen. 120 chairs.

Correspondence read by Stephen was all emails.

Outwards; Email from Phyllis re her resignation as Secretary

Inwards; Thanks to Phyllis from Lynda Barclay, Tarria Moore, Greg Briscoe Hough, Sarah Bain

Email from Julie Eason re Hall door

Financial Report; See attached sheet.

Moved Lorraine, seconded Lynda 'That the financial report be accepted' Carried.

General Business: Tarria gave a Council position on committee safety protocols for maintenance work on Council property.

Discussion on position for stage handrail near stairs.

Discussion on the toilets – painting and / or refurbishment. Are toilets listed as public toilets or not?

Some discussion on previous Condition report of Hall and Rec Reserve.

Discussion on Mayrung Road widening and improving drainage.

Motion of thanks to the retiring secretary, Phyllis.

Meeting closed at 10.45am
Signed

Attachment 2 - MVC Financials February 2023

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12. REPORTS TO COUNCIL

12.1. COUNCILLOR NOMINATIONS TO THE ARTS & CULTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Councillor nominations to the Arts & Culture Advisory Committee

Author: Senior Governance Officer

Authoriser: Director Corporate Services

RECOMMENDATION

That Council appoints Councillor	as delegate, and Councillor	 as
alternate, to be its representatives of	on the Arts & Culture Advisory Committee.	

BACKGROUND

At its April Meeting, Council resolved to adopt the Terms of Reference for the establishment of the Edward River Council Arts & Culture Advisory Committee.

The Terms of Reference identify that the Committee's Membership includes a councillor delegate who will serve on the Committee for the duration of that term of Council. Additionally, a second councillor delegate is to be appointed to stand in (as alternate) when the primary councillor delegate is unable to attend Committee meetings.

The Terms of Reference make clear that there is only one councillor representative; the second councillor delegate only participates in the absence of the primary councillor delegate.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

It is requested that Council formally resolve the appointment of its primary and secondary delegates to the Arts & Culture Advisory Committee at the May Council Meeting.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Nil

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

This report addresses the following objectives of the Community Strategic Plan:

- 2. An open and connected community
- 2.3 Cultural and personal links
- 3. Encouraging growth through partnerships
- 3.2 Economic development
- 3.3 The Edward River Experience?
- 4. Delivering community assets and services
- 4.1 Vibrant villages and towns

- 5. Accountable leadership and responsive administration
- 5.1 Collaborative and Engaged

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

12.2. COUNCIL NOMINATIONS TO CEO PERFORMANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE

Councillor Nominations to CEO Performance Review Committee

Author: Senior Governance Advisor

Authoriser: Director Corporate Services

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- 1. Receives the nominations for the Council-appointed member of the CEO Performance Review Committee from Cr Pat Fogarty and Cr Linda Fawns
- 2. Confirms its appointment of the Council-appointed member of the CEO Performance Review Committee as Cr
- 3. Endorses the appointment of the Chief Executive Officer-nominated member of the CEO Performance Review Committee as Cr Shirlee Burge.

BACKGROUND

At its April Meeting, Council adopted an updated CEO Performance Review Policy. This Policy identified that the Review Committee will comprise the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor and two councillors: one nominated by the CEO and one appointed by resolution of Council.

The CEO has confirmed his nomination to the Review Committee is Cr Shirlee Burge. Council is requested to appoint the fourth member of the Review Committee at the May Council Meeting in order that the 2023 CEO Performance Review Committee can be established and the review process commenced.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

At the May councillor briefing, councillors were invited to consider nominating for appointment to the Council-appointed role on the CEO Performance Review Committee. Nominations received will be tabled at the May Council Meeting. In the event that more than one nomination is received, a vote may be held to determine the Council-appointed member of the Review Committee.

At the time of writing, two nominations have been received from Cr Fogarty and Cr Fawns for consideration of the council, and are attached.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Nil

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

This report contributes to the following theme of the Community Strategic Plan:

- 5. Accountable leadership and responsive administration
- 5.1 Collaborative and Engaged
- 5.2 Financially sustainable
- 5.3 Professional Workplace culture

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Section 223 (i) of the *Local Government Act 1993* includes as part of the governing body's role to "determine the process for appointment of the general manager... and to monitor the general manager's performance". At Edward River Council the general manager is referred to as the Chief Executive Officer.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Nomination for CEO Performance Review Committee Cr Linda Fawns
- 2. Nomination for CEO Performance Review Committee Cr Pat Fogarty

Attachment 1 - Nomination for CEO Performance Review Committee - Cr Linda Fawns - 2023

Nomination for CEO Performance Review Committee - Cr Linda Fawns

I would like to put myself forward to be nominated to be part of the CEO Performance Review Panel.

My past career in finance and being a branch manager and managing up to 12 employees has provided me with extensive training in the application of performance management frameworks. In this time, I was responsible for creating business plans and setting targets that would be benchmarked across the region and contribute to an overall statewide business plan. I am experienced in setting KPI's and measuring my own and my employee's performance against these KPIs. During this time, I was responsible for delivering performance reviews, as well as coaching and mentoring employees to achieve their KPIs as well as their own personal development goals.

I am passionate about having clear measurable KPIs that encourage stretch and growth for the individual and the organization. I am experienced in having performance conversations for both performing staff as well as underperforming staff including managing staff on performance improvement plans.

I believe I would be a strong candidate for the Performance review committee and would bring valuable skills to the committee that would be an asset.

From: Pat Fogarty pat.fogarty@edwardriver.nsw.gov.au>

Sent: Thursday, 4 May 2023 11:58 AM

Subject: Nomination to CEO Performance Review Committee.

Good Morning

I am seeking endorsement from my fellow Councillors as to their representative upon the CEO's Annual Performance Review. I believe I have extensive experience from a diverse range of government, commercial and not-for-profit environments gleaned by past participations in General Managers, Chief Executive Officers, and general staff appraisal systems.

Statement of Experience:

Throughout my LOCAL GOVERNMENT terms of office I have been involved in twelve Performance review sessions appraising five individual General Managers/CEO.

As a Board Member and Deputy Chair of the NSW FEDERATION OF HOUSING I represented the Board, Members, and government in the Annual appraisal of two CEO's over a six year period.

During my twenty year Board and intermittent Chairperson involvement with HOMES OUT WEST I was responsible for and involved in numerous (approximately 20) performance reviews of two Managers/CEO's and senior executive staff.

As Chairperson of INTEREACH I was responsible for the performance appraisal mechanism of two CEO's throughout the organisations significant growth period to become one of Edward River Communities largest employers with a now Annual Budget in excess of \$50M, subsequently as a Board member I participated in the performance review of two previous CEO'S.

Working for a global organisation, ST VINCENT DE PAUL (SVDP) my role as NSW Southern Area Regional Manager - Housing/Homelessness, presented numerous growth opportunities in terms of performance management and commercial liaison with partner organisations. With a regional staff team of sixty plus employees including seven direct reports I was responsible for the performance review of six team leaders/managers and supervisory oversight of the employee performance review system. I was also invited to participated in the 360 degree performance review of the CEO SVDP Support Services statewide Division. As Regional Manager I was accountable to the Executive Director Homelessness Services and participated in personal Performance Reviews on an annual basis.

My Social Science post graduate studies exposed me to a variety of business models and appraisal mechanisms that honed and refined my staff management skill sets initially developed following completion of UTS Diploma of Management Social Studies.

Regards Cr Pat Fogarty.

12.3. SUPPORT FOR SECTOR ADVOCACY RELATED TO PFAS CONTAMINATED LAND

Author: Senior Governance Advisor

Authoriser: Director Corporate Services

RECOMMENDATION

That Council endorse a proposal to provide its support to local government sector advocacy actions related to PFAS contaminated land.

BACKGROUND

Local councils across NSW have discovered in recent years that land within their local government area may be contaminated by poly-flouroalkyl substances (known as PFAS), stemming from the historical use of fire-fighting foams, particularly at firefighting training venues.

The NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) has identified a parcel of land within the Edward River local government area that is affected by PFAS contamination - the Fire & Rescue NSW Deniliquin site at the Deniliquin airport.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

Council was recently contacted by Armidale Regional Council regarding the issue of PFAS-contaminated land. Armidale Regional Council is currently a party to legal proceedings in relation to a parcel of land that has PFAS contamination. Armidale Regional Council was keen to hear if other local councils identified on the NSW Environment Protection Authority's website as having PFAS-contaminated sites would be interested in joining a local government sector advocacy action to other levels of government, seeking support to address these issues locally.

Many PFAS contaminations are associated with fire-fighting training exercises by State and Commonwealth Government agencies, but in some instances the land on which the training exercises occurred over time was owned or managed by a local authority.

Initially, consideration was given to putting or supporting a motion to the Australian Local Government Association's (ALGA) 2023 National General Assembly. However, ALGA has advised that submissions for motions to the 2023 National General Assembly have already closed.

ALGA has advised, though, that it has done considerable policy work in relation to PFAS contamination in recent years, and would be receptive to a request from State local government associations seeking a national advocacy approach to the Commonwealth Government on behalf of the local government sector. ALGA's advice is that Council (and any other affected councils) write to their State local government association asking that the issue be put to ALGA's Board for consideration.

It is proposed that Council write a letter to Local Government NSW (the NSW local government association) making such a request.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

As the local authority, Council may be brought in to any local issues arising from PFAS contamination at the Fire & Rescue NSW site outside Deniliquin. Being part of a local government sector response will support Council to address the issue locally if such concerns arise in the future.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

This report contributes to the achievement of the following Community Strategic Plan objectives:

- 1. Shaping the Future
- 1.1 Pristine natural environment
- 1.2 Quality built environment
- 1.4 Sustainable Waste Management
- 5. Accountable leadership and responsive administration
- 5.1 Collaborative and Engaged

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments to this report.

12.4. APPOINTMENT OF NSW ELECTORAL COMMISSION

Author: Senior Governance Advisor

Authoriser: Director Corporate Services

RECOMMENDATION

That Council resolves:

- 1. Pursuant to s. 296(2) and (3) of the *Local Government Act 1993* that an election arrangement be entered into by contract for the Electoral Commissioner to administer all elections of the Council
- 2. Pursuant to s. 296(2) and (3) of the Act, as applied and modified by s. 18, that a council poll arrangement be entered into by contract for the Electoral Commissioner to administer all council polls of the Council
- 3. Pursuant to s. 296(2) and (3) of the Act, as applied and modified by s. 18, that a constitutional referendum arrangement be entered into by contract for the Electoral Commissioner to administer all constitutional referenda of the Council.

BACKGROUND

At its December 2022 Meeting, Council resolved to appoint the NSW Electoral Commission to administer the ordinary election for Council, scheduled to be held in September 2024.

Recent advice from the NSW Electoral Commission advises that the wording of that resolution was insufficient to also enable the NSW Electoral Commission to conduct any subsequent elections and polls and/or referenda without the need for Council to enter into a new contract with the NSW Electoral Commission.

An appropriate form of words for a new Council resolution has been provided by the NSW Electoral Commission (the recommendation of this report) to remove the requirement for Council to enter into a new contract should the need for a countback election or a referenda arise.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

This report seeks to prevent future contractual issues between Council and the NSW Electoral Commission in relation to the conduct of Council's election and/or referenda.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

This report contributes to achieving the following Community Strategic Plan objective:

- 5. Accountable leadership and responsive administration
- 5.1 Collaborative and Engaged

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Council's contract with the NSW Electoral Commission relates to section 296 (2) and (3) of the NSW Local Government Act 1993.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments to this report.

12.5. DRAFT POLICY - FLYING FLAGS ON COUNCIL BUILDINGS

Author: Senior Governance Advisor

Authoriser: Director Corporate Services

RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopt the Policy for flying flags on Council buildings.

BACKGROUND

A request has been received from the Aboriginal Liaison Committee in relation to flying the Aboriginal flag on Council buildings. As Council does not currently have a policy related to flying flags on Council buildings, a draft has been prepared for Council's adoption.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

Flying the Australian flag and other flags requires adherence to a number of protocols. It is important, therefore, that staff of Edward River Council who have responsibility for flying flags on Council buildings have clear guidance that supports them to comply with these protocols.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Nil

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

- 2. An open and connected community
- 2.3 Cultural and personal links
- 5. Accountable leadership and responsive administration
- 5.1 Collaborative and Engaged
- 5.3 Professional Workplace culture

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

This policy seeks to bring Council practice into line with the Australian Government's Flags Act 1953.

ATTACHMENTS

The draft Policy for flying flags on Council buildings is attached.

Attachment 1 - DRAFT Flag Policy - May 2023



Flying flags on Council buildings policy

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POLICY OBJECTIVE

To provide advice to Edward River Council staff about flying the Australian flag and other flags on Council buildings.

SCOPE

This policy applies to any staff who have flag-raising responsibilities.

This policy applies to Edward River Council's flag poles at the Civic Centre, Cressy Street, Deniliquin and the Peppin Heritage Centre, George Street, Deniliquin.

LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

The Australian Flags Act 1953 describes the legislative requirements related to this policy.

POLICY STATEMENT

This policy has been developed to ensure legislative requirements for the flying of the Australian flag and other flags are followed. In flying the Australian flag and other flags, Council provides a positive leadership role that helps to foster community pride in the history and future of Australia.

Dignity of the Flag

The Australian National Flag should not be flown in a position inferior to any other flag or ensign and should not be smaller than any other flag or ensign.

Legislation requires flags to be flown in accordance with Protocols issued by the Commonwealth Government. The Australian National Flag takes precedence over all national flags when it is flown in Australia or an Australian Territory.

After the Australian National Flag, the order of precedence of flags is: national flag of other nations, State and Territory flags, other Australian flags prescribed by the *Flags Act 1953*, ensigns and pennants.

The publication *Australian Flags, 3rd Edition*, produced by the Australian Government, is the guiding document for the use and flying of the Australian flag for the official purposes of Edward River Council, including:

- Flying and Handling
- Displaying the Australian National Flag
- Use of Flags on conference tables
- Flying the Australian National Flag alone

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- Flying the Australian National Flag with other National Flags, and
- Flying of Flag at half-mast.

Days Flags Raised

The Australian flag, together with either flag of the State of NSW and/or Aboriginal flag and/or Edward River Council flag will be raised and flown together (as per the flag raising protocols) on each Council working day during business hours and on the Public Holidays listed below.

- 26 January Australia Day
- 25 April ANZAC Day

The number and combination of flags will be determined by the number of flagpoles at the respective sites.

Flag at Half Mast

Flags are flown at half-mast as a sign of mourning. When lowering the flag from a half-mast position it should be briefly raised to the peak and then lowered ceremoniously. The flag should never be flown at half-mast at night even if it is illuminated.

When flying the Australian National Flag with other flags, all flags in the set should be flown at half-mast. The Australian National Flag should be raised first and lowered last.

Flags will be flown at half-mast on the following occasions.

- On days of National Commemoration being ANZAC Day and Remembrance Day as per following timetable.
 - 25 April annually: ANZAC Day flags flown at half-mast till noon, then at the peak for the remainder of the day.
 - 11 November annually: Remembrance Day flags flown at peak till 10:30 am, at half mast from 10:30am to 11:02am, then at peak the remainder of the day.
- 2. On occasions as directed by the Australian Government for all flags to be flown at half-mast. Some examples of these occasions are:
 - On the death of the Sovereign (King or Queen) the flag should be flown from the time
 of announcement of the death up to and including the funeral.
 - On the day the accession of the new Sovereign is proclaimed, it is customary to raise the flag to the top of the mast from 11a.m. until the usual time for closure of business.
 - On the death of a member of the royal family by special command of the Sovereign and/or by direction of the Australian Government.



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- On the death of the Governor-General or a former Governor-General.
- On the death of a distinguished Australian citizen, in accordance with protocol.
- On the death of a local citizen or on the day, or part of the day, of their funeral. This includes
 the death or funeral of a serving or past Councillor, a local Aboriginal Elder, an Australian
 Veteran/Returned Serviceman/ woman.

Responsibilities

Customer Service Staff are responsible for the flying of flags each day under the supervision of the Manager Administration and the EA to Chief Executive Officer, and in accordance with directives received from the Flag Marshall from the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet, Canberra.

Flying of the Aboriginal flag

The Aboriginal flag may be flown in other locations on occasions of special significance to the Aboriginal people of the Edward River Community, at the request of the Aboriginal community.

For example, the Aboriginal flag may be flown during Reconciliation Week or NAIDOC Celebrations. The Aboriginal flag may also be flown at half-mast on the death of an Aboriginal person who has contributed significantly to the Edward River community. The discretion of when to fly the Aboriginal flag on such an occasion would be left to the Chief Executive Officer, in consultation with the Mayor and the Chair of the Aboriginal Liaison Committee.

Representatives of the Aboriginal community or the Aboriginal Liaison Committee may request the flying of the Aboriginal flag on certain occasions via a request to office of Council's Chief Executive Officer.

ASSOCIATED POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Australian Flags, 3rd Edition

DEFINITIONS

ANZAC - Australian & New Zealand Army Corps

NAIDOC - National Aboriginal and Islander Day Observance Committee



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POLICY VERSION CONTROL

Title	Edward River Co	uncil Policy for flying flags on Co	uncil buildings	
ECM Doc Set ID				
Date Adopted				
Council Minute No.				
Responsible Officer	Office of the CE	0		
Version Number	Modified By	Modifications Made	Date modified and Approved by Council	Council Minute Number
V1		Draft for Council adoption		

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12.6. ALCOHOL FREE ZONE

Author: Manager Development Services

Authoriser: Director Infrastructure

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Prepare a proposal for the re-establishment of an Alcohol Free Zone within the area outlined in red in Attachment 1 of this report showing the Proposed AFZ 2023-2027, in accordance with section 644 of the Local Government Act,

- 2. Undertake public consultation of the proposal to establish the Alcohol Fee Zone within the area outlined in red in Attachment 1 of this report showing the Proposed AFZ 2023-2027, in accordance with Section 644A of the Local Government Act and the Ministerial Guidelines on Alcohol Free Zone (February 2009), and
- 3. Upon completion of this public consultation, consider a further report on the proposal to establish the Alcohol Free Zone.

BACKGROUND

The Alcohol Free Zone (AFZ) as shown in Attachment 1 to this report, expired on 1 November 2022. The same area is now proposed to be re-established for a further period of four years.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

Alcohol free zones (AFZ's) may be used by councils to prohibit alcohol consumption in public places to reduce anti-social behaviour and crime. AFZ's apply to road related public areas (including public roads, footpaths or carparks). AFZ's can be established for a maximum duration of four years.

Alcohol Prohibited Areas (APA's) apply to non-road related public places (such as a park or beach) and do not require a resolution from Council to establish.

Section 644 of the Act provides that Council may prepare a proposal for the establishment of an AFZ on request from local Community representative, Police or Council. The proposal must comply with the 'Ministerial Guidelines on Alcohol Free Zones '(February 2009) and must address the following matters:

- Reasons to support an AFZ,
- Location of an AFZ,
- Duration of an AFZ, and
- Consultation with the Police.

Council must give public notice in a newspaper circulating in the area of the proposed AFZ and invite public comment for a period of 30 days from the date of publication. In addition to this Council must notify NSW Police, Liquor Licensees and Secretaries of Registered Clubs whose premises border on or adjoin or are adjacent to the proposed zone. The Guidelines also require that Council consult with any known organisation representing or able to speak on behalf of an identifiable Aboriginal or culturally linguistically diverse group within the local area.

After complying with the procedures Council may, by resolution, adopt a proposal to establish an alcohol-free zone. Council must publicly advise the establishment of the AFZ by notice published in a newspaper circulating in the area. The AFZ will not operate until seven days after publication of the notice and until the roads, footpaths and public carparks affected are adequately signposted.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

There are no strategic implications regarding this matter.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

- 1. Shaping the Future
- 1.3 Enhanced Active and Passive Open Spaces

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications regarding this matter beyond updating information on the relevant signs.

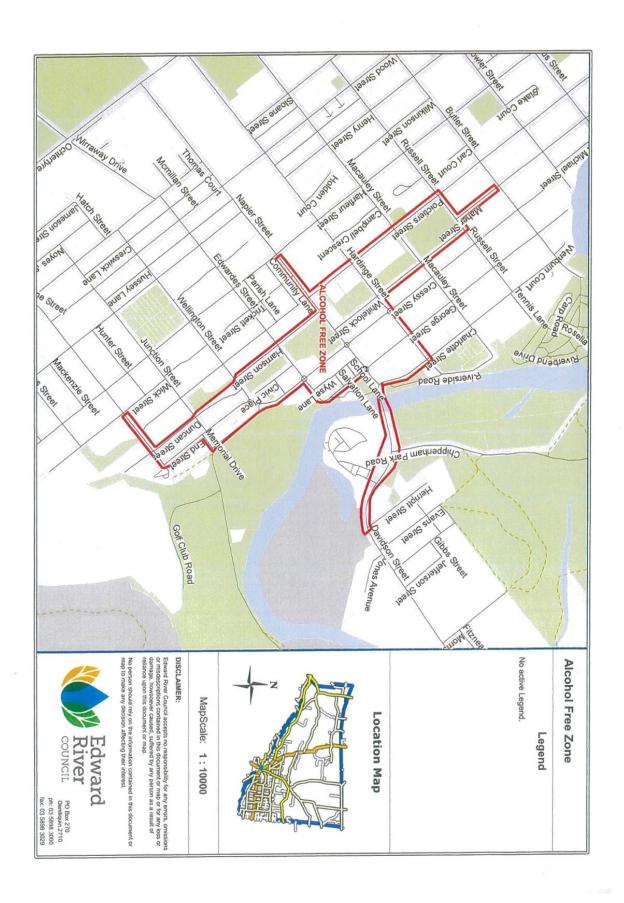
LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

The implementation of Alcohol Free Zones must comply with the Local Government Act.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Locations of Alcohol Free Zones.

Attachment 1 - Alcohol Free Zone



12.7. DA2023/0021 - CRICKET CLUBROOMS - MEMORIAL PARK

Author: Town Planner

Authoriser: Manager Development Services

DIVISION

In accordance with section 375A of the Local Government Act 1993, it is necessary for Council to call a division when voting of any resolution relating to a relevant planning application.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council resolves to: -

- 1. APPROVE the development application DA2023/0021 for the Construction of Clubrooms and Demolition of Existing Clubrooms, on Lot 487 DP731813, Memorial Park Reserve, Memorial Drive, Deniliquin as shown on plan numbered WD01, WD02 & WD03 and described in details accompanying the Development Application, in accordance with section 4.16 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 and subject to the following reasons:
 - a) The application is generally compliant with the key planning provisions contained within the DLEP 2013 and the Deniliquin Development Control Plan 2016.
 - b) The proposal is appropriate on the site given the existing character of the area.
 - c) The proposed development is permissible with consent in the RE1 Public Recreation zone and is consistent with zone objectives.
 - d) The development will have no significant adverse impacts on the natural or built environments.
- 2. Impose conditions as per Attachment 1

BACKGROUND

Development application 2023/0021 (DA2023/0021) was lodged on 23 March 2023. The DA relates to Lot 487 DP731813, Memorial Park Reserve, Memorial Drive, Deniliquin and Figure 1 shows the location of the subject site.



Figure 1 Location of subject site

The subject site is located within the Memorial Park reserve between the Deniliquin District Cricket Association oval and the Deniliquin Netball Association netball courts.

The proposed development is to demolish the existing clubrooms and construct new clubrooms for the Deniliquin District Cricket Association in the same location. The clubrooms will also be utilised by the Deniliquin Netball Association. The clubrooms will be single storey with a floor area of approximately 25m x 18m. A roofed area will join the proposed clubrooms with the existing changerooms on the site. The clubrooms will include a kitchen, bar, office, storage rooms and umpires change rooms.

Attachment 2 shows the plans of the proposed development and attachment 3 shows the statement of environmental effects.

The DA was exhibited for a period of 14 days and no submissions were received.

The DA is being reported to Council because the land is Crown land of which Council has the care and/or control of.

INTERNAL REFERRALS

<u>Infrastructure</u> - no objection subject to conditions of consent. The following comment was provided regarding the proposed finished floor level (FFL) of 91.35 AHD. "The proposed building type does not trigger a formal finished floor level. This level approximates a 1 in 10 year flood event and would be appropriate to afford a reasonable level of protection for the building".

<u>Trade Waste Consultant</u> - no objection subject to a condition of consent requiring the applicant to obtain a liquid trade waste approval from Council for the proposed discharge of liquid trade waste to the sewer.

EXTERNAL REFERRALS

There were no referrals to external agencies as part of the assessment of this DA.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Council is responsible for the strategic development of land within the Edward River Council area and does this mainly through the adoption and implementation of Local Environment Plans (LEP's). The proposed development is consistent with the Deniliquin LEP.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

- 1. Shaping the Future
- 1.2 Quality built environment

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications regarding this matter.

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

The following assessment of the Development Application is in accordance with section 4.15 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

Provisions of Environmental Planning Instruments (s4.15(1)(a)(i))

Deniliquin Local Environmental Plan 2013 (DLEP 2013)

The subject site is zoned RE1 Public Recreation under the DLEP 2013 and the proposed use is a "recreation facility (outdoor)" which is defined as 'a building or place (other than a recreation area) used predominantly for outdoor recreation, whether or not operated for the purposes of gain, including a golf course, golf driving range, mini-golf centre, tennis court, paint-ball centre, lawn bowling green, outdoor swimming pool, equestrian centre, skate board ramp, go-kart track, rifle range, water-ski centre or any other building or place of a like character used for outdoor recreation (including any ancillary buildings), but does not include an entertainment facility or a recreation facility (major)". The use is permissible with development consent in the zone.

The following clauses of the DLEP 2013 apply:

Before granting consent for earthworks (or development involving ancillary earthworks), the consent authority must consider the following: • Likely disruption of, and any detrimental effect on, drainage patterns and soil stability in the locality of the development; • The effect of the development on the likely future use or redevelopment on the soil to be excavated, or both; • The quality of the fill of the soil to be excavated, or both; • The effect of the development on the existing and likely amenity of adjoining properties; • The source of any fill material and the destination of any excavated material; • The likelihood of disturbing relics; • The proximity to, and potential for adverse impacts on, any waterway, drinking water catchment or environmentally sensitive area; and • Any appropriate measures proposed to avoid, minimise or mitigate the impacts of the development. 6.3 Terrestrial Biodiversity The lication of the properties and water to construct the foc and pad for the building. The works can be appropriate and pad for the building. The works can be appropriate and pad for the building. The works can be appropriate and pad for the building. The works can be appropriate and pad for the building. The works can be appropriate and pad for the building. The works can be appropriate and pad for the building. The works can be appropriate and pad for the building. The works can be appropriate and pad for the building. The works can be appropriate and pad for the building. The works can be appropriate and soil stability of the add on the development on the likely future use or redevelopment on the likely future use or redevelopment on the likely future use or redevelopment on the flight of the soil to be excavated, or both. The proposed development on the flight of the soil to be excavated and extent of the works. The proposed development on the flight of the soil to be excavated, or both. The proposed development on the flight of the soil to be excavated, or both. The proposed development on	Clause	Control	Response
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Clause	Control	Response
	The clause applies to land identified as biodiversity on the Terrestrial Biodiversity Map. The subject is has been identified on this map. The consent authority must consider before determining a DA:	biodiversity on the Terrestrial Biodiversity Map.
	Whether the development is likely to have any adverse impact on the condition, ecological value and significance of the fauna and flora on the land;	
	Whether the development is likely to have any adverse impact on the importance of the vegetation on the land to the habitat and survival of native fauna;	
	Whether the development is likely to have any potential to fragment, disturb or diminish the biodiversity structure, function and composition of the land;	
	Whether the development is likely to have any adverse impact on the habitat elements providing connectivity on the land;	
	Any appropriate measures proposed to avoid, minimise or mitigate the impacts of the development.	
	Development consent must not be granted to development on land to which this clause applies unless the consent authority is satisfied that:	

Clause	Control	Response
	The development is designed, sited and will be managed to avoid any significant adverse environmental impact;	
	If that impact cannot be reasonably avoided by adopting feasible alternatives – the development is designed, sited and will be managed to minimise that impact; or	
	If that impact cannot be minimised – the development will be managed to mitigate that impact.	
6.4	Riparian Land and Watercourses	The location of the proposed development is not identified on
	This clause applies to land identified as 'Riparian Land and Watercourse Map and all land that is within 40m of the top of the bank of each watercourse identified on the Map.	the Riparian Land Watercourse Map.
	Before determining a DA for development on land that this clause applies, the consent authority must consider:	
	Whether or not the development is likely to have any adverse impact on the water quality and flows within the watercourse, aquatic and riparian species, habitats and ecosystems of the watercourse, the stability of the bed and banks of the watercourse, the free passage of fish and other aquatic organisms within or along the watercourse and any future rehabilitation of the	

Clause	Control	Response
	watercourse and riparian areas;	
	Whether or not the development is likely to increase water extraction from the watercourse; and	
	Any appropriate measures proposed to avoid, minimise or mitigate the impacts of the development.	
	Development consent must not be granted to development on land to which this clause applies unless the consent authority is satisfied that:	
	The development is designed, sited and will be managed to avoid any significant adverse environmental impact;	
	If that impact cannot be reasonably avoided – the development is designed, sited and will be managed to minimise that impact; or	
	If that impact cannot be minimised – the development will be managed to mitigate that impact.	
6.7	Essential Services	Water – existing water
	Development consent must not be granted to development	
	unless the consent authority is satisfied that any of the following services that are	Disposal and management of sewage – existing sewer point
	essential for the development are available or that adequate arrangements have been made to make them available when required:	Stormwater generated from the development will discharge to the site drainage system.
	The supply of water;	Suitable vehicular access – existing vehicular access off Memorial Drive.

Clause	Control	Response
	 The supply of electricity; The disposal and management of sewage; 	
	Stormwater drainage or on-site conservation; and	
	Suitable vehicular access.	
5.21	Development consent must not be granted to development on land the consent authority considers to be within the flood planning area unless the consent authority is satisfied the development— (a) is compatible with the flood function and behaviour on the land, and (b) will not adversely affect flood behaviour in a way that results in detrimental increases in the potential flood affectation of other development or properties, and (c) will not adversely affect the safe occupation and efficient evacuation of people or exceed the capacity of existing evacuation routes	The subject site is identified as flood prone land. As stated previously, the following comment was provided from Councils Infrastructure department regarding the proposed finished floor level (FFL) of 91.35 AHD. "The proposed building type does not trigger a formal finished floor level. This level approximates a 1 in 10 year flood event and would be appropriate to afford a reasonable level of protection for the building". A condition of consent regarding building materials for flood liable land will be imposed on any consent granted. It is proposed to replace the existing clubrooms in the same location. It is not considered the development will impact flood behaviour or adversely affect the environment. The clubrooms will not be a habital building therefore evaluation and risk to life is a risk able to be mitigated through existing warning systems.

Clause	Control	Response
	for the surrounding area in the event of a flood, and	
	(d) incorporatesappropriatemeasures tomanage risk to lifein the event of aflood, and	
	(e) will not adversely affect the environment or cause avoidable erosion, siltation, destruction of riparian vegetation or a reduction in the stability of river banks or watercourses.	
	In deciding whether to grant development consent on land to which this clause applies, the consent authority must consider the following matters—	
	(a) the impact of the development on projected changes to flood behaviour as a result of climate change,	
	(b) the intended design and scale of buildings resulting from the development,	
	(c) whether the development incorporates measures to minimise the risk to life and ensure the	

Clause	Control	Response
	safe evacuation of people in the event of a flood, (d) the potential to modify, relocate or remove buildings resulting from development if the surrounding area is impacted by flooding or coastal erosion.	

State Environmental Planning Policy (Infrastructure)

n/a

State Environmental Planning Policy 55 Remediation of Land (SEPP 55)

N/A

Murray Regional Environmental Plan

STATE ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING POLICY (BIODIVERSITY AND CONSERVATION) 2021 Chapter 5 River Murray lands

Council must consider the following planning principles when assessing a development application.

Planning Principle	Response
Access	The proposed development does not impact on public access to the river.
Bank disturbance	The proposed development will not result in any bank disturbance.
Flooding	Considered - impact of flooding addressed throughout this report.
Land degradation	The proposed development will not result in any land degradation.
Landscape	The proposed development will not impact on the riverine landscape.
River related uses	The subject site is not located on land that has frontage to the Edward River.
Settlement	Not applicable.
Water quality	Not applicable.
Wetlands	Not applicable.

Provisions of any draft Environmental Planning Instrument (s4.15(a)(ii))

Not applicable.

Provisions of any Development Control Plan (s4.15(a)(iii))

The following provisions of the DCP 2016 apply to this development:

Clause	Requirements	Comments
		Chapter 1 Notification
1.11 Notification	DA exhibition required for DAs where Council is the applicant, landowner or are in care and control of the land in question.	
		Chapter 6 Recreation Zones
6.1 Infrastructure and Services	Development must be connected to town water supply, electricity, telephone and sewage services where possible.	connection to town water &
	Development must be connected to Council's stormwater system or an alternative system approved by Council at cost to the developer. Connections are to be in accordance with Council's Development Manual.	Stormwater generated from the development will discharge to
6.2 Access and Parking	The number of car parking spaces provided on the development site shall be in accordance with Chapter 12 - Car Parking.	parking requirement for a recreation facility (outdoor)
	The required number of off- street car parking spaces is to include a minimum of one (1) space for persons with a disability. One (1) disabled access parking space is to be provided per 33 spaces or part thereof.	
	Car parking spaces must be clearly indicated on plans	Considered satisfactory

Clause	Requirements	Comments
	submitted with a development application for development within a recreation zone.	
	Car parking spaces must be sited in a safe and convenient location on site.	Considered satisfactory
	Legal vehicular access from a public road is required for all development.	
	Stacked car parking will only be permitted for staff parking.	n/a
	Car parking areas, access driveways and vehicle movement areas are to be constructed of impervious materials. This may include suitably compacted gravel or road base material.	
	The location of new access points must achieve adequate sight lines.	n/a
	All vehicles must be able to enter and leave the site in a forward direction.	Considered satisfactory
	Adequate area must be provided on site to allow for access and manoeuvrability of all vehicles likely to access the site for the operation of the proposed development.	Considered satisfactory
	A dedicated area for loading and unloading must be provided on site where delivery vehicles will not conflict with visitor vehicular movements. The size of the loading and unloading area must be suitable for the type and size of vehicles that will be utilising the area.	Considered satisfactory
	A DA must include details of the frequency and types of vehicles that are likely to access the site during the operation of the proposed development.	Considered satisfactory

Clause	Requirements	Comments
	A Traffic Impact Study may be required for larger developments (where they are permissible with consent), such as and not limited to larger entertainment facilities, ecotourist facilities, registered clubs and recreational facilities where adverse local traffic impacts may be generated by the development.	n/a
6.3 Landscaping	A landscaping plan must be submitted to Council with development applications for development within a recreation zone.	clubrooms at Memorial Park includes existing native trees,
	Larger developments (where they are permissible with consent) such as entertainment facilities, eco-tourist facilities, registered clubs, recreational facilities or the like must include landscaping to provide shade to car parking areas and to soften the appearance of hardstand areas.	n/a
	Due consideration must be given to plant species utilised in landscaping. Wherever possible drought tolerant plant species are to be utilised.	n/a
	Where a proposed car park will provide ten (10) or more spaces suitable landscaping must be provided within the car park.	n/a
6.4 Building appearance and design	Building exteriors must use high quality non-reflective materials and finishes.	1

Clause	Requirements	Comments
	Proposed new buildings must not present large areas of blank walls.	•
	The design of proposed new buildings, additions or alterations must give due consideration to Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) principles.	Considered satisfactory
6.5 Outdoor areas	Unsightly materials stored on a site within view of a public road must be screened by either landscaping, appropriate fencing or a decorative feature wall.	n/a
	Outdoor storage and work areas must be suitably surfaced to reduce dust being produced by vehicle movements.	n/a
6.6 Waste and trade waste	A waste storage area must be provided on-site for all development.	-
	The waste storage area must be in a location that is convenient for users and waste collection contractors.	Considered satisfactory - see above
	The size of the waste storage area must be appropriate for the nature and scale of development.	_
	The waste storage area must be appropriately screened from view of the street by the use of attractive fencing or landscaping.	n/a
	A trade waste agreement must be made with Council where liquid waste will be disposed to Council's sewerage system.	A condition of consent will require a trade waste agreement be made with Council.
6.7 Impacts on surrounding land	The proposed development must not unreasonably affect	• •

Clause	Requirements	Comments
	surrounding properties by way of any type of pollutant such as noise and vibration, air emissions, dust, water pollution or odour.	clubrooms within Memorial Park it is considered unlikely the development will unreasonable affect surrounding properties.
	2. The hours of operation for a proposed development must not significantly impact the amenity of neighbouring residential areas.	See above
	3. Where a proposed development is likely to increase the amount of stormwater runoff from the site, the development must be carried out in accordance with Council's Development Manual.	See previous comments on stormwater
		Chapter 10 Hazards
10.1 Bushfire prone land	Development on land that is mapped as being bush fire prone must satisfy the requirements of Planning for Bush Fire Protection.	
	Development on land that is mapped as being bushfire prone must satisfy the requirements of AS 3959: Construction of Buildings in Bush Fire Prone Areas	proposed building type does not trigger any specific
10.2 Contaminated land	Contaminated land	n/a - the land is not identified on Councils potentially contaminated land register
10.3 Flood liable land	 The finished floor level must be in accordance with Council's Policy 5.9 Flood Planning Levels. Preparation of a Flood Risk Management Plan for the property in consultation with the 	previous comments regarding proposed FFL. 2. Considered satisfactory - condition of consent 3. Considered satisfactory -
	SES. 3. Construction must satisfy the requirements of the Australian Building Codes Board's	condition of consent regarding building materials for flood liable land

Clause	Requirements	Comments
	Construction of Buildings in Flood Hazard Areas: Standard.	4. Considered satisfactory - see previous comments
	4. Buildings to be orientated and constructed to minimise the impact on the floodway.	5. Considered satisfactory6. n/a - not residential development
	5. No alteration to existing ground levels through filling or other earthworks except for the purpose of laying foundations.	7. See Clause 5.21 of the DLEP 2013 comments above 8. n/a - not residential
	6. An engineers report is required for any new residential structure (for example dwellings, units, motels, aged care etc), certifying that the structure can withstand the forces of floodwater, debris and buoyancy up to and including the probable maximum flood.	accommodation
	7. An application for development within the floodway must address clause 6.2 (amended 5.21) of the LEP 2013 or clause 21 of the LEP 1997 for the Davidson Street area identified as "Deferred Matter".	
	8. Safe path of travel for residential accommodation, at the same height as the adjoining road network, must be provided for pedestrians and/or vehicles at a height that is equivalent to the adjoining road network.	

Provisions of any Planning Agreement or Draft Planning Agreement (s4.15(a)(iiia)

Not applicable.

Prescribed Matters in the Regulation (s4.15(a)(iv))

The following matters prescribed by the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation apply to this DA:

Clause	Requirement	Comment
61(1)(b)	Demolition to comply with the provisions of AS2601 The demolition of structures.	condition of consent
61(1)(e)	Consideration of the Medium Density Design guide for DAs for a manor house or multi dwelling housing (terraces) where there is not a DCP that adequately addresses such development.	n/a
62	Applies to DAs for a change of building use for an existing building where there is no rebuilding, alteration, enlargement or extension of a building.	n/a
	The consent authority is to consider whether the fire protection and structural capacity of the building will be appropriate to the building's proposed use.	
	Consent for a change of building use must not be granted unless the consent authority is satisfied that the building complies (or will, when completed, comply) with such of the Category 1 fire safety provision as are applicable to the building's proposed use.	
64	Applies to a DA for development involving the rebuilding, alteration, enlargement or extension of an existing building where the proposed building work, together with any other building work completed or authorised within the previous 3 years, represents more than half the total volume of the building (as it was before any such work was commenced, measured over its roof and external walls) or the measures contained in	n/a

Clause	Requirement	Comment
	the building are inadequate to protect persons using the building, and to facilitate their egress from the building, in the event of fire or to restrict the spread of fire from the building to other buildings nearby	
63A	Temporary structures - whether the fire protection and structural capacity of the structure will be appropriate to the proposed use of the structure; and	n/a
	Whether the ground or other surface on which the structure is to be erected will be sufficiently firm and level to sustain the structure while in use.	

Likely Impacts of that Development (s4.15(b))

The likely impacts of the development are on the environment and flood behaviour and risk, they have been addressed throughout this report

Any detrimental impact is considered to be minimal, subject to appropriate conditions of consent.

Suitability of Site for Development (s4.15(c))

The proposed clubroom development is permitted with development consent in the RE1 zone.

The site is an established sporting facility and the development proposes to replace the existing clubrooms.

It is considered the site is suitable for the proposed development.

Submissions (s4.15(d))

The DA was exhibited for 14 days and no submissions were received.

The Public Interest (s4.15(e))

The DA was exhibited for 14 days and no submissions were received.

Political Donations and Gifts Disclosure

The Applicant has advised that they have not made any reportable political donations to a Councillor and/or any gift to a Councillor or Council employees within a two (2) year period before the date of the application being submitted.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Conditions
- 2. Plans
- 3. Statement of Environmental Effects

Attachment 1 - Conditions of Consent

CONDITIONS OF CONSENT

DA2023/0021 - Cricket Clubrooms - Memorial Park

1 GENERAL

A Development as per Plans

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 DA2023/0021 and the conditions of consent.

B Construction Certificate

An application for a Construction Certificate is to be submitted to and approved by Council or an accredited Private Certifier prior to any building work commencing. The construction certificate plans are to be consistent with this development consent and shall include detailed plans and specifications to demonstrate compliance with the provisions of the National Construction Code 2019 Volume 1 - Building Code of Australia (BCA).

C Building Code of Australia

All building work must be carried out in accordance with the requirements of the Building Code of Australia (as in force on the date the application for the relevant Construction Certificate or Complying Development Certificate is made).

D Fire Safety Schedule & Certificates

The essential fire safety measures as per the attached schedule, or as otherwise determined by the Principal Certifying Authority upon assessment of the Construction Certificate, are to be installed in or on the site of the proposed building to comply with the requirements of the National Construction Code Volume 1 - Building Code of Australia 2019.

Prior to the issue of an occupation certificate the owner must cause the Council to be given a fire safety certificate in relation to each essential fire safety measure. The fire safety certificate is to state in relation to each essential fire safety measure implemented in the building or on the land on which the building is situated:

- a) that the measure has been assessed by a person (chosen by the owner of the building) who is properly qualified to do so and
- b) that at the date of assessment of the measure was found to be capable of functioning to at least the minimum standard required by the schedule attached to the Construction Certificate.

Note: The owner is responsible for maintenance of the essential fire safety measure for the life of the structure. Annual Fire Safety Statements must be submitted to Council within each twelve-month period from the date of the initial fire safety statement certifying the maintenance standard of the essential fire safety measure installed on the property.

E Building materials for flood liable land

All building materials used below the 1% (AEP) flood level plus a 100m freeboard, (ie) below the minimum habitable floor level and including the floor, are to be of flood compatible materials, i.e.: the structural integrity of the materials must not be adversely affected by repeated immersion in floodwater.

F No Liability for Flooding

The land may be subject to flooding and the development has been assessed using best available information concerning the likelihood of flooding at the date of determination. If the land is flooded, Council will not, pursuant to Section 733 of the Local Government Act 1993, incur any liability in respect of the granting of this consent.

G Plant / Tree Removal

No plants or trees are to be removed unless:

- The individual trees or area to be cleared have been delineated on the approved plans; or
- (ii) Removal is required to comply with any other condition of consent in relation to matters such as servicing or firebreaks.

H All Weather Access

An all weather vehicular access and car parking area is to be provided.

I Advertising Signs

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.

J Stormwater connection

All stormwater from the roof of the proposed building, including the overflow from any rainwater tank, if any, is to be discharged via the existing stormwater drainage system and piped to Council's stormwater main.

K Standard of Plumbing & Drainage Works

All plumbing and drainage work shall be carried out in accordance with the requirements of AS3500 National Plumbing and Drainage Code, the Plumbing and Drainage Act 2011, the Plumbing and Drainage Regulation, 2012 and the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005.

L Water Connection

Provision of a water meter and/or connection to main to suit the development. Such meter to be located so as to be accessible to Council's Water Meter Reader at all times.

M Licensed Plumber

All plumbing and drainage work is to be carried out by a NSW licensed Plumber and Drainer

N Flood Risk Management Plan

The applicant is responsible for ensuring a Flood Risk Management Plan has been prepared for the property in consultation with the SES, in accordance with the development controls for flood prone land of the Deniliquin Development Control Plan 2016.

O Section 68 Approval required

Prior to the issue of the construction certificate an application for approval pursuant to Section 68 of the Local Government Act, 1993 to carry out water supply, stormwater and sewerage works is to be lodged with Council. The approval under Section 68 of

the Local Government Act, 1993 is to be obtained prior to any works commencing on site.

P Disabled Access

Access for people with disability is to be provided from the accessible carpark provided on site and from the main point of pedestrian entry at the allotment boundary, to and within the building in accordance with Part D3 of the Building Code of Australia and AS1428.1-2009 Design for access and mobility. Details are to be submitted **PRIOR TO THE RELEASE OF THE CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATE**.

2 PRIOR TO THE ISSUE OF A CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATE

A Trade Waste

The applicant is to obtain a liquid trade waste approval from Council for the proposed discharge of liquid trade waste to the sewer **PRIOR TO THE RELEASE OF THE CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATE**.

3 PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF WORKS

A Appointment of PCA and Notice of Commencement

The erection of the building the subject of this development consent MUST not be commenced until:

- (a) detailed plans/specifications of the building have been endorsed with a construction certificate by:
 - (i) the Council, or
 - (ii) an accredited certifier, and
- (b) the person having the benefit of the development consent:
 - (i) has appointed a principal certifying authority, and
 - (ii) has notified the Council of the appointment, and
- (c) the person having the benefit of the development consent has lodged a notice of commencement form with Council. This is to be lodged at least two days prior to commencing the building work.

B Site Protection

PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF WORKS, the principal contractor is to ensure that the site has been appropriately protected and secured by a fence or hoarding to prevent access from the street and to prevent the possibility of any unauthorised access in accordance with WorkCover requirements.

C Erosion and Sediment Control

PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF WORKS appropriate erosion and sediment control measures are to be implemented to prevent any sediment from leaving the site and these measures are to be maintained during the construction phase and can only be removed once appropriate stabilisation has been completed.

D Waste Bins for Construction

An on-site waste bins for waste materials generated during construction and a bin with a tight fitting lid for food scraps are to be provided **PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF WORKS** or they are to remove waste from the site to an EPA approved waste depot daily.

E Erection of Sign

A sign must be erected in a prominent position on the work site on which work involved in the erection or demolition of a building is being carried out **PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF WORKS**:

- i) Showing the name, address and telephone number of the principal certifying authority for the work:
- ii) Showing the name for the principal contractor (if any) for any building work and a telephone number on which that person may be contacted outside working hours; and
- iii) Stating that unauthorised entry to the work site is prohibited.

Any such sign is to be maintained while the building work is being carried out and must be removed when the work had been completed.

F Toilet Facilities

Toilet facilities are to be provided, at or in the vicinity of the work site on which work involved in the erection or demolition of a building is being carried out, at the rate of one toilet for every 20 persons or part of 20 persons employed at the site **PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF WORKS**.

G Dial Before You Dig

Prior to carrying out any works, a "Dial Before You Dig" enquiry should be undertaken in accordance with the requirements of Part 5E (Protection of Underground Electricity Power Lines) of the Electricity Supply Act 1995.

H Worksite Safety

If the work involved in the erection or demolition of a building:

- (i) is likely to cause pedestrian or vehicular traffic in a public place to be obstructed or rendered inconvenient, or
- (ii) involves the enclosure of a public place, a hoarding or fence must be erected between the work site and the public place.

If necessary, an awning / fence is to be erected, sufficient to prevent any substance from, or in connection with, the work falling into the public place.

The work site must be kept lit between sunset and sunrise if it is likely to be hazardous to persons in the public place.

Any such hoarding, fence or awning is to be removed when the work has been completed.

4 DURING CONSTRUCTION

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A Comply with the BCA

The structure(s) are to comply with the relevant requirements of the Building Code of Australia and the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

B Inspections Class 5 to 9

The following inspections are required for <u>48 hours notice</u> is to be given to Council or an accredited certifier to enable an inspection to be conducted.

- a) at the commencement of building work, and
- b) after excavation for and prior to the placement of, any footings, and
- c) prior to pouring any in-situ reinforced concrete building element, and
- d) prior to covering of the frame work for any floor, wall, roof or other building element
- e) Prior to covering all hot and cold water plumbing and sanitary plumbing and drainage.
- f) prior to waterproofing in any wet areas, and
- g) prior to covering any stormwater drainage connections, and
- h) after building work has been completed and prior to any occupation certificate being issued in relation to the approval.

Please note that failure to comply with this condition may result in the Occupation Certificate not being granted.

C Hours of Operation (Demolition/Construction)

The hours of operation for demolition or building works on the site shall be limited to the daylight hours, between 7.00am and 6.00pm Monday to Friday inclusive, 8.00am and 5.00pm Saturdays. No work shall be carried out on Sundays and Public Holidays without the prior written consent of the Council.

D Removal of Spoil

Any spoil deposited on public roads during the cartage of materials from or to the site shall be removed on the same day. The cartage of spoil shall cease, as directed by Council, if the Council determines that excessive deposition of spoil onto the road is taking place.

E Excavation and Backfilling Safety

All excavations and backfilling associated with the erection or demolition of a building must be executed safely and in accordance with appropriate professional standards.

All excavations associated with the erection or demolition of a building must be properly guarded and protected to prevent them from being dangerous to life or property.

F Waste Disposal

Any waste or excavated material removed from the site is to be taken to an authorised site for disposal. No fill is to be deposited on other land without the prior consent of Council.

G Removal and Disposal of Asbestos

If the building / demolition work involves the removal of material suspected of containing asbestos all waste shall be removed strictly in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 8 of the NSW Work Health and Safety Regulations 2011.

If this involves more than $10m^2$ of waste this shall be by a NSW licensed asbestos removal contractor.

All waste containing asbestos shall be disposed of at Council's EPA approved landfill depot or other facility at which asbestos waste can be lawfully disposed. A minimum of 24 hours notice is to be given to the landfill operator.

H Demolition Works

All works to demolish the existing clubrooms shall be carried out in accordance with the AS 2601-2001 Demolition of structures and the requirements of NSW Workcover.

5 PRIOR TO OCCUPATION CERTIFICATE

A Asbestos

A copy of the tip disposal dockets for any asbestos waste generated during the demolition work is to be provided to Council **PRIOR TO THE RELEASE OF THE OCCUPATION CERTIFICATE**.

B Trade Waste

An inspection of the liquid trade waste installation must be completed, and a certificate of compliance is to be issued by Council **PRIOR TO THE RELEASE OF THE OCCUPATION CERTIFICATE**.

C Satisfy Conditions of Approval

Use of the site for the proposed development shall not take place until all relevant conditions of this consent have been satisfied.

D Occupation Certificate

The use of the building is not to commence until such time as an Occupation Certificate is issued by Council/the Principal Certifying Authority responsible for the work.

E Repair of Damage to Council Infrastructure

Prior to the issue of a Final Occupation Certificate any damage to kerb and gutter, road surfaces, infrastructure or landscaping outside of the property boundary that is a result of the proposed work, must be reinstated at total cost to the person having the benefit of the consent and to the satisfaction of Edward River Council.

F Public Utilities

Adjustments to the public utilities necessitated by the development shall be completed prior to occupation of the development and in accordance with the requirements of the relevant authority, all at no cost to Council.

G Fire Safety Schedule and Certificates

The essential fire safety measures determined by the Principal Certifying Authority upon assessment of the Construction Certificate, are to be installed in or on the site of the proposed building to comply with the requirements of the National Construction Code - Building Code of Australia 2017.

PRIOR TO THE ISSUE OF AN OCCUPATION CERTIFICATE the owner must provide Council with a fire safety certificate in relation to each essential fire safety measure. The fire safety certificate is to state in relation to each essential fire safety measure implemented in the building or on the land on which the building is situated:

- that the measure has been assessed by a person (chosen by the owner of the building) who is properly qualified to do so; and
- that at the date of assessment of the measure was found to be capable of functioning to at least the minimum standard required by the schedule attached to the Construction Certificate.

Note: The owner is responsible for maintenance of the essential fire safety measure for the life of the structure. Annual Fire Safety Statements must be submitted to Council within each twelve-month period from the date of the initial fire safety statement certifying the maintenance standard of the essential fire safety measure installed on the property.

H Final Documents to be provided

Prior to the issue of an occupation certificate, Council must be in receipt of the following documentation, relevant to this development;

- 1. Glazing Compliance Certificate
- 2. Waterproofing Compliance Certificate
- 3. Certificate of Compliance Electrical
- 4. Certificate of Compliance Gas (if available)
- 5. Termite Barrier Installation Certificates Part A Part B
- 6. Roof Truss Design Certificate
- 7. Section J Statement of Compliance
- 8. Final Fire Safety Certificate
- 9. Mechanical Services Compliance Certification
- 10. Certificate of Compliance Plumbing and Drainage
- 11. Plumber's work-as-executed drainage plan
- Justification for any missed critical stage inspection and supporting documentation

Advisory Notes

1. The EPA has introduced WasteLocate, an online reporting tool that is required for the movement of any load over 100kg of asbestos waste, or 10m2 or more of asbestos sheeting within NSW. Transporters are required to register with WasteLocate and report movements of asbestos from the point of generation to the place of disposal, including disposal at Council's waste facilities. Transporters must scan the QR2id plate at Council's Waste Disposal Depot with their mobile device to complete the process at the point of disposal. WasteLocate can be found at https://wastelocate.epa.nsw.gov.au.

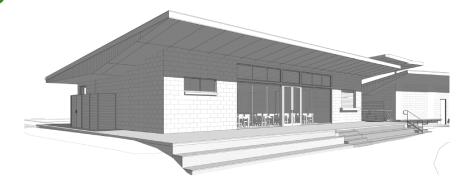
- 2. A liquor licence is to be obtained prior to the commencement of the event from the Office of Liquor, Gaming and Racing. Any alcohol consumption must be within the terms of the licence.
- 3. The NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (Crown Lands) has provided land owners consent (dated 8 March 2023) for the lodgement of this development application. The land owner consent is conditional and as such, you must comply with their requirements as they are the owners of the land.

Attachment 2 - Plans



DRAWING SCHEDULE

NO.	DRAWING NAME	REV.	DATE
WDOO	COVER SHEET	IFT	18.11.22
WD0 I	SITE PLAN	IFT	18.11.22
WD02	FLOOR PLAN AND ROOF PLAN	IFT	18.11.22
WD03	ELEVATIONS	IFT	18.11.22
WD04	SECTIONS	IFT	18.11.22
WD05	ELECTRICAL & LIGHTING LAYOUT	IFT	18.11.22
WD06	INTERNAL ELEVATIONS	IFT	18.11.22
WD07	KITCHEN	IFT	18.11.22



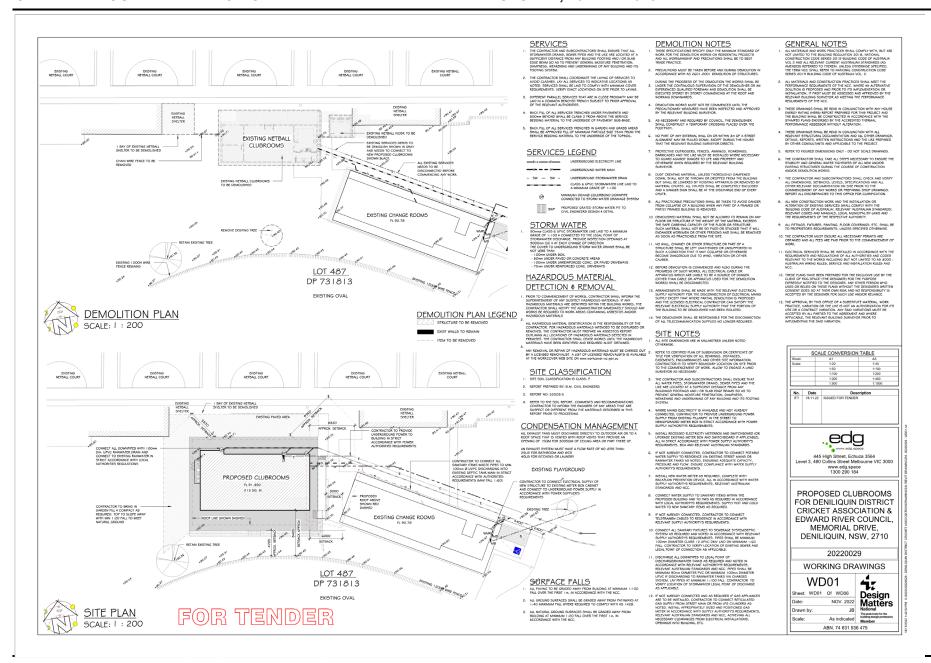
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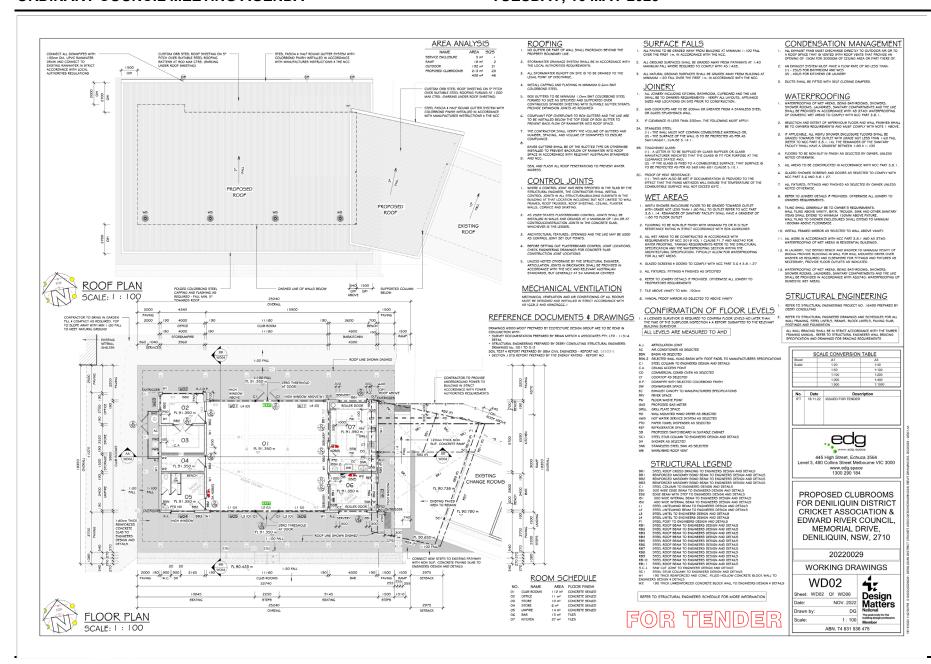
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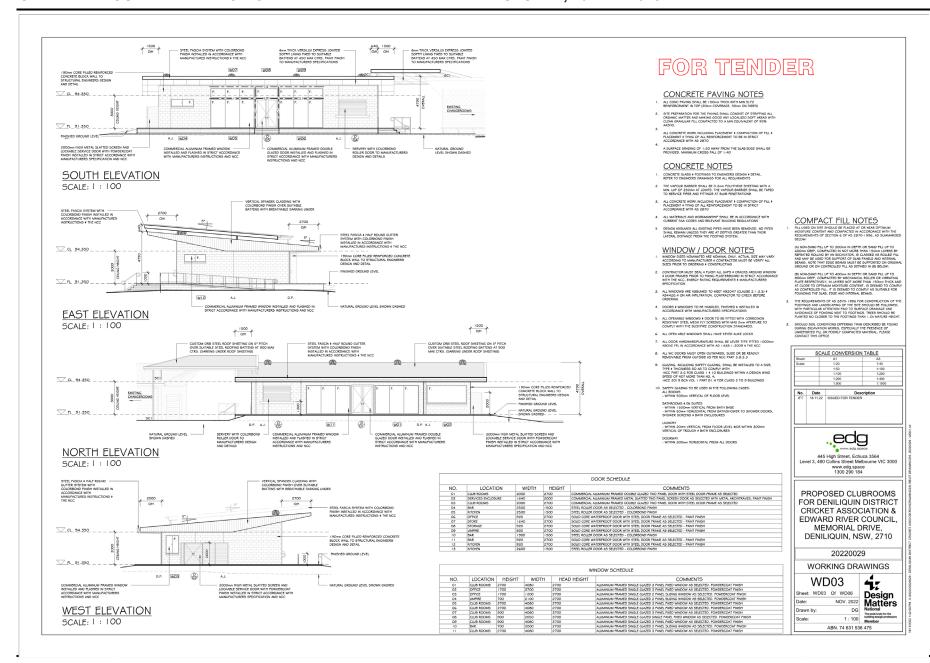
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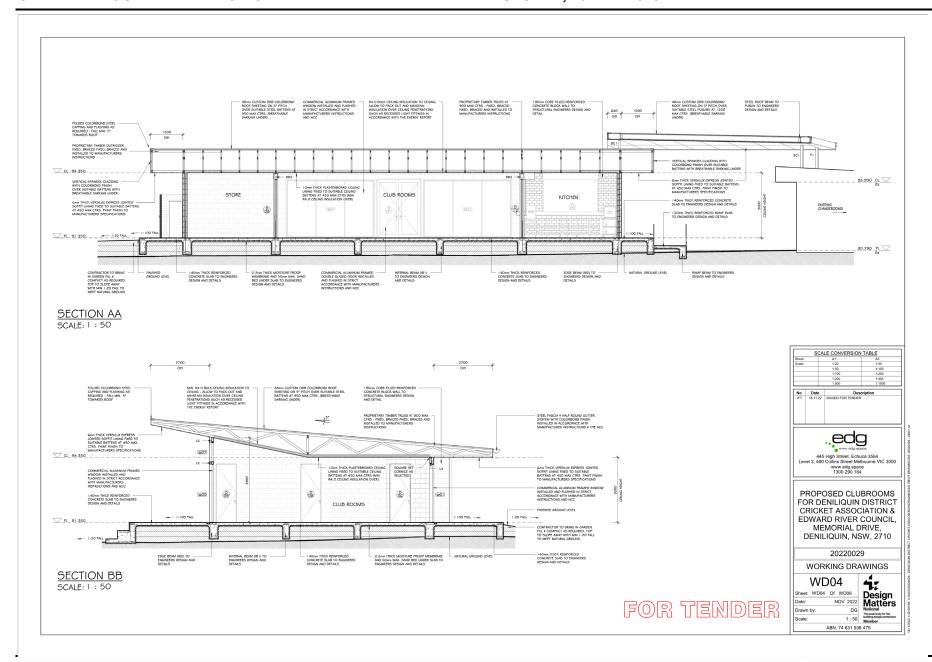
PROPOSED CLUBROOMS FOR
DENILIQUIN DISTRICT CRICKET ASSOCIATION
\$ EDWARD RIVER COUNCIL

LOT 487 DP731813 MEMORIAL DRIVE DENILIQUIN NSW 2710









Attachment 3 - SOEE



FORM 7

Statement of Environmental Effects for Minor Impact Developments

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

In accordance with Schedule 1 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000 a development application must be accompanied by a Statement of Environmental Effects.

QUALIFIER

This Statement of Environmental Effects template has been produced to assist applicants identify the environmental impacts of a development and the steps to be taken to protect the environment or lessen expected harm. The template is suitable for minor impact development. It may be necessary for Council to request additional information depending on the nature of the impacts of a proposal. Larger scale developments should be accompanied by a detailed and specific Statement of Environmental Effects.

1. Applicant Details	
Applicant Name	Brad Todd
Postal Address Your reply will be posted to this address	po Box 426 Deniliquin
Phone	0408174853 Email bradtodd Whotmail.com

2. Property Details	s (of the site to be develop	ped)	
Street Number	-	Street	Memorial Drive
Town	Deniliquin	Site Area m ²	356646 - m2
Lot/DPs numbers	Lot 4-87 L	DP731813	

3. Proposal details

Describe your proposal in detail, including:

- the physical description of building and any proposed buildings
- dimensions of building including height, proposed materials, nominated colour scheme, nature of use
- signage, disabled access and facilities, driveway access points, parking

Demolish existing building. Construct new clubrooms

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4. Site details			
What is the area of the site?	35h9		
What is the land zone?	REI		
Describe the site - Provide information on physical feat access, existing services/infrastructure	tures of the site such as shap	e, slope, vegeta	tion, waterways,
Sports ground. Flat	- land with t	Sovest ar	nd
river nearby.			
Describe the use of lands adjoining the site. Will the pr Consider issues such as noise, privacy, overland flows	roposal impact on adjoining pr s of storm water and other am	operty? enity impacts.	
Gdf cowse and state	e forest		
5. Present and Previous Uses	MAINTEN TO THE		
What is the present use of the site and when did this u	use commence? Did this use	receive developr	nent consent?
Spudsground			
List the previous use(s) of the site			
		□ Voc	ПМо
Are you relying on existing use rights?		Yes	□ No
Have any potentially contaminating activities been under	ertaken on the property?	Yes	No No
If yes, please identify:			
6. Existing Structures			14 41 7
List existing structures on the land			
Sportsfields, netball (outs, clubroom	m 5	
List any structures to be demolished as part of the pro-	oposal		
Existing clubroom			
Existing clubroom 7. Subdivision			
		Yes	⊠∕No
7. Subdivision		Yes	⊠∕No

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8. Planning Policies / Controls					
Does the proposal seek a variation to the provisions contained in the following	Yes	No	N/A		
controls?					
Deniliquin LEP 2013	_	П			
Conargo LEP 2013					
Deniliquin DCP 2016					
Other relevant SEPP / EPI Standards					
9. Context and Setting					
	Yes	No	N/A		
Will the Development be visually prominent in the surrounding area?	Ø				
Will the Development be consistent with the existing streetscape or Council Policy?	Ø				
Will the development be out of character with the surrounding area?					
Comment					
10. Access and Traffic					
	Yes	No	N/A		
Is legal and practical access available to the site?	Q				
Are additional access points to road network required?					
Has vehicle manoeuvring and onsite parking been addressed in the design?					
Will the development increase local traffic movements/volumes?					
If yes, please specify how much:	*				
11. Utilities and Services					
Water supply - Please provide details of existing and any proposed arrangements					
Connect to existing					
Sewer - Please provide details of existing and any proposed arrangements			加生物		
Connect to existing					
Storm Water connection / disposal - Please provide details of existing and any pro-	oposed arrang	gements			
Connect to existing					
Septic Tank / Effluent disposal - Please provide details of existing and any proposed arrangements					
nla					
Other					

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12. Threatened Species	and Biodiversity Considerations		
	critical habitat or as part of a critical habitat?	Yes	√ No
	If yes, you need to submit a Species Impact Sta	tement to ac	ccompany your applicati
Is the development likely	to significantly affect threatened species populations or or their habitat?	☐ Yes	□.No
	If yes, you need to submit a Species Impact Sta	tement to ac	ccompany your applicati
Does the proposal include	e land clearing of native vegetation?	☐ Yes	⊠ No
		If	no, proceed to Section
Does your proposal requi the Biodiversity Values M Regulation 2017?	re land clearing of vegetation within an area identified on ap as defined under the Biodiversity Conservation	☐ Yes	□N ₀
Does your proposal excee accordance with part 7.4	ed the Biodiversity Offset Scheme Thresholds in of the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016?	☐ Yes	⊠No
If yes to EITHER of	the above 2 questions, please attach a Biodiversity Dev in accordance with part 6.12 of t	elopment As	ssessment Report (BDA
If no to BOT	H of the above 2 questions, please attach a "test of signi	ficance" also	o known as the 5 part te
	in accordance with section 7.3 of t	he Biodivers	sity Conservation Act 20
13. Environmental Impa			
Is your proposal likely to construction works)	result in air, noise or water pollution? (Including during	Yes	√ No
If yes, please describe the	e source of pollution and what measures will be implement	ed to control	l pollution
Air (Dust, Odour)			
Noise			
Water			,
Is the development likely	y to result in any form of sediment run- off?	Yes	™No
	hat erosion prevention and sediment control measures you	propose to	implement
Is the land flood prope?		Yes	□No
Is the land flood prone?		100	
If yes, describe the prop	osed finished floor levels of habitable rooms		
Is the land classed as b	ushfire prone?	Yes	□No
RAI Risk Assessme	al is for the construction of a dwelling or dwelling additions nt in accordance with NSW RFS Planning requirements a igher risk BAL 40 or BAL FZ, you will need to consult with	nd provide to	Council. If you determine
Do you propose to clear proposal?	any vegetation and/or trees (Non-Native) as part of your	Yes	No
the state of the s			
If yes, please provide de	tails		
If yes, please provide de	tails		

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14. Aboriginal Cultural Heritage		
Is the proposed site of the development in close proximity to Aboriginal cultural heritage (ACH) indicators (such as the Edward River or sites that are registered within the Aboriginal Heritage Information Management System (AHIMS) which may include culturally modified trees and known burial)?	☐ Yes	☑ No

If yes, you must submit evidence that they have carried out due diligence in determining that the actions will not harm Aboriginal objects.

Attention is drawn to the *Due Diligence Code of Practice for the Protection of Aboriginal Objects in NSW* (the Code) and in particular the generic Due Diligence process on pages 10 – 14 of the Code. Anyone who exercises due diligence in determining that their actions will not harm Aboriginal objects has a defence against prosecution for the strict liability offence if they later harm an object. Further information on the code is available at the OEH website: www.environment.nsw.gov.au/resources/cultureheritage/ddcop/10798ddcop.pdf

As a minimum the applicant is required to undertake a Due Diligence assessment in accordance with the Code to identify:

- · Whether or not Aboriginal objects are, or are likely to be, present in the proposed development area, and
- To determine whether or not the proposed activities are likely to harm Aboriginal objects (if present)

To determine whether further assessment in the form of an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment (ACHA) and/or an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit (AHIP) application is required.

Briefly summarise below the findings of your Due Diligence assessment – detail your site inspection, results from your AHIMS basic search and any other relevant information sourced
15. Presumptive Title

If yes, please advise / provide evidence if you have presumptive title (own to the middle thread of the river).

This information can be obtained from Crown Lands – Phone 1300 886 235.

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No.

☐ Yes

Is your development proposal located on the riverbank?

16. Operational and Management De	etails			
NOTE This section does not relate to residential industrial or tourism developments	al development and is generally	only app	olicable to	o commercial, industrial, rural
Describe in detail the proposed busine	ess/activity			
Hours of operation		/		
Monday to Friday		AM	to	PM
Saturday		/AM	to	PM
Sunday	/	AM	to	PM
Extended hours Total number of staff members		AM	to	PM
Maximum number of staff members on	duty at any one time			
Maximum number of clients/customers				
Maximum number of clients/customers				
Expected vehicle types associated with	h the proposal			
Number of car parking spaces provide	led /			
Location of car parking spaces provide	ed /			
Describe arrangements transport, load vehicles and frequency of truck mover	ding, and unloading of goods (ir ments)	cluding 6	expected	frequency of deliveries, size of
List machinery associated with the pro-	pposed business / activity			
List the type and quantity of raw mater	rials, finished products and was	te materi	als	
Describe how waste will be disposed				
Identify any processes or materials the	nat may be potentially hazardo	us and id	dentify m	nanagement

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12.8. EDWARD RIVER COUNCIL RISK APPETITE STATEMENTS

Author: Project Manager HR & Corporate

Authoriser: Director Corporate Services

RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopt the updated Risk Appetite Statements as the first phase of a review of the Edward River Council Enterprise Risk Management Framework.

BACKGROUND

Councils are required to regularly review their risk management arrangements and processes to ensure that they remain current and relevant. These risk management arrangements provide a framework that allows decisions to be made with an understanding of Council's risk environment and to facilitate the taking of risks and capitalising on opportunities, within council's risk appetite, in order to assist Council in meeting its strategic objectives and commitments as outlined in the Delivery Program.

Edward River Council has a risk management framework which include the following key elements:

- Risk Appetite Statements (RAS)
- Risk Management Policy
- o Risk Management Plan and Procedures

Each new council sets their appetite for risk and updates the Risk Appetite Statements accordingly to give direction to the organisation.

In Feb 2023 Councillors were involved in a workshop to review and update the risk appetite statements to reflect the risk appetite of the current Council. These statements have been reviewed and endorsed by the Audit Risk and Improvement Committee at its meeting in March 2023.

The update of the Risk Appetite Statements (RAS) initiate the first phase of a planned review of councils enterprise risk management framework. Future phases of this work are included in the proposed Operational Plan and budget for delivery in 2023-24 financial year.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

The Risk Appetite Statements define the amount of risk Council is willing to accept in pursuit of its strategic goals and will form the basis of Council's approach to managing risk and taking opportunities in day to day operational activities as well as strategic decision making.

It is important to note that Risk Appetite Statements are not a substitute for, but a pillar of, Council's risk management framework and activities.

The organisation of council is required to manage risk in a manner consistent with Council's appetite for risk. Risk Appetite Statements assist the organisation in determining whether proposals and outcomes are consistent with the Council's appetite for risk or where further action, decision making and/or escalation is necessary.

The Risk Appetite Statements have been reviewed and developed in a workshop facilitated by Council's insurer with the Councillors in February 2023 and have been endorsed by the Audit Risk and Improvement Committee in March 2023.

Table 1 below provides a summary of Edward River Council's risk appetite positions across its identified risk categories. Each category has one coloured cell, which represents the Primary

Appetite position and one 'greyed' cell, which represents the Secondary Appetite position for those categories with an identified secondary appetite. These are further defined as follows:

Primary Appetite - indicates a general appetite for taking, retaining or accepting risk for the given risk category.

Secondary Appetite - indicates an 'appetite-by-exception' position for taking, retaining or accepting risk in specific circumstances. It is not necessary for all risk categories to have a Secondary Appetite position.

Table 1: Summary of Council's Risk Appetite positions

Category of Risk	Avoid	Resistant	Accept	Receptive
Financial	Primary		Secondary	
People			Primary	
WH&S	Primary	Secondary		
Service Delivery			Primary	Secondary
Business Continuity		Secondary	Primary	
Legislative Compliance & Regulation	Primary	Secondary		
Legal & Contract	Primary		Secondary	
Natural Environment		Primary	Secondary	
Reputation			Primary	Secondary
Technology	Secondary		Primary	
Property and Assets			Primary	
Projects		Secondary		Primary

Overall, Council has agreed on a balanced approach to its risk appetite. Council's approach to risk appetite is to minimise our exposure to risks to our workforce safety and wellbeing, our long term financial sustainability, legislative compliance and regulation and contractual and legal obligations, whilst accepting an increased degree of risk in pursuit of our key strategic directives that align to service delivery, asset management, workforce, technology and business continuity.

The key challenges in achieving this balance are to ensure:

- ethical and effective governance practices including responsible stewardship of resources including workforce, finances and assets
- realisation of opportunities and allowing definition and consolidation of organisational foundations, whilst at the same time encouraging growth, transformation and innovation while avoiding unnecessary negative impacts
- avoidance of a risk averse culture which stifles innovation rather than supports it through the correct assessment and management of risks

It should be noted that the RAS is an overarching and broad document to guide the activities of Council. It is anticipated that Council will at times undertake activities that inherently carry greater risks, and the organisation's risk management plans outline the specific requirements for identifying and effectively managing these risks at a project or operational level.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Risk appetite statements increase the transparency of the decision making process by enabling Councillors and Council's officers to better understand the council's position on risk. It allows both Councillors and the workforce to better identify opportunities for further risk taking or identify areas where unacceptable risk taking is occurring.

At a broader level, risk management is a fundamental component of decision making in all Council activities. All decisions made by Council and its Officers need to consider the risks involved in taking those decisions and the impact those decisions will have on the achievement of Council's objectives.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

- 5. Accountable leadership and responsive administration
- 5.1 Collaborative and Engaged
- 5.2 Financially sustainable
- 5.3 Professional Workplace culture

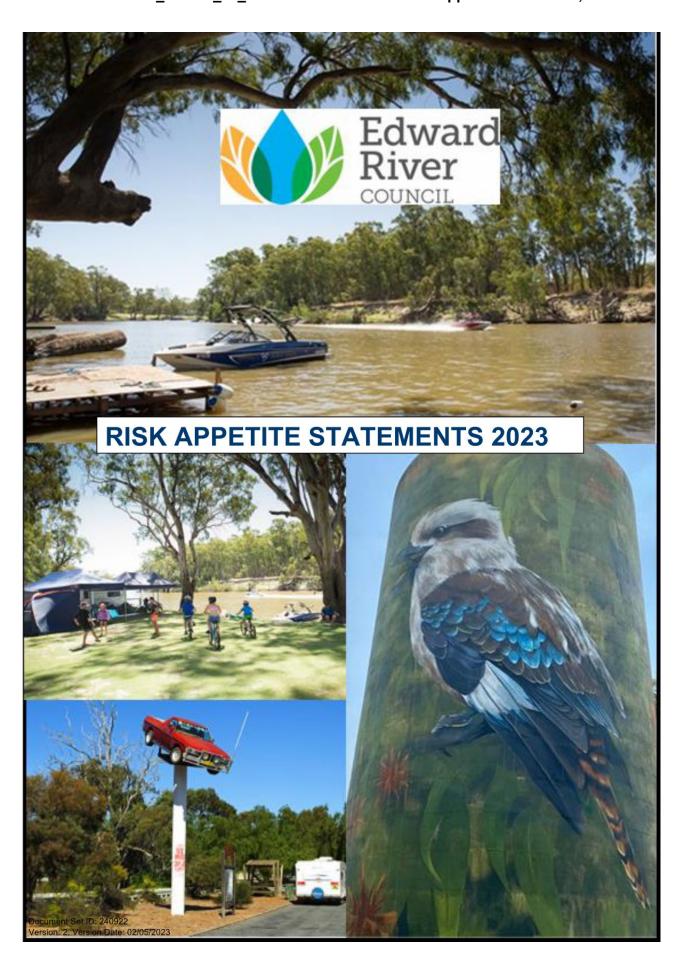
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Council finances are an area of significant risk for Council, which is appropriately reflected in the Risk Appetite Statement. There are no additional financial implications from the development and implementation of the Risk Appetite Statement and Risk Management Framework in this financial year, however further review and updating of Council's Enterprise Risk Management Framework is proposed for delivery in the 23-24 Operational Plan and budget.

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

ATTACHMENTS





RISK APPETITE STATEMENTS

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Risk Appetite is an articulation of an organisation's willingness to take, retain or accept risk and, because it operates at strategic and operational levels, it is an integral part of any risk management capability. In order to influence strategies and objectives it should be considered and reviewed during Strategic Planning. Additionally, risk appetites are a key influence, along with the cost/benefit of mitigation considerations, when determining the Target Risk Ratings of specific risks. Understanding and applying effective risk appetite considerations is highly beneficial in managing risk

Edward River Council has articulated its appetite for taking, retaining or accepting risk through qualitative Risk Appetite Statements that are based on nominated risk categories. Council has chosen to identify its risks within twelve risk categories that now contain primary and secondary positions of risk appetites.

Through a workshop exercise involving Councillor's and members of Council's Executive Leadership Team, risk appetite levels have been determined for each of Council's risk categories. The risk appetite levels produced are based on an ordinal scale of four levels: Avoid Resistant; Accept; and Receptive. In this order, the levels provide an indication of an increasing willingness to take on, retain or accept risk, where Avoid and Resistant are considered more conservative, and Accept and Receptive are considered less conservative.

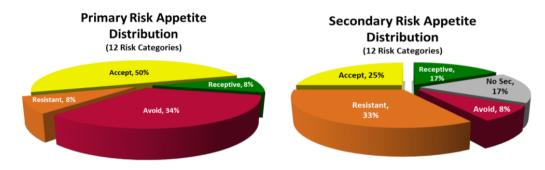
Edward River Council has a primary risk appetite position that is considered marginally less conservative. There is one risk category with a primary risk appetite of Receptive (8%) and six risk categories with a primary risk appetite of Accept (50%). On the more conservative end of the scale there is one risk category with a risk appetite level of Resistant (8%) and four risk categories with risk appetite levels of Avoid (34%). Ten of the twelve risk categories have a secondary risk appetite distributed across all of the risk appetite levels. The two risk categories without a secondary risk appetite position are: People, and Property & Assets.

Of the ten risk categories with a secondary risk appetite position, three of them (Business Continuity, Technology and Projects) become more conservative in the secondary positions, whereas the remaining seven become less conservative.

The distribution of primary and secondary risk appetite positions for Edward River Council is indicative of a less conservative overall appetite towards taking, retaining or accepting risk. The distributions of primary and secondary levels of risk appetite for Council are illustrated in Diagram 1.

It should be noted that Risk Appetite Statements provide guidance only on Council's appetite for risk with regard to certain risk categories. There are many variable that should be considered in decision making, and the organisation's appetite for taking, retaining or accepting risk is only one of them.

Diagram 1 – Edward River Council Primary and Secondary Risk Appetite Distributions



An important caveat to well-articulated qualitative Risk Appetite Statements is that they are, by their nature, not readily measurable (quantitative). In order to fully operationalise the concept of risk appetite, the development of several representative risk tolerance metrics for each risk category is required. These tolerances will provide an adjustable and ongoing ability to measure whether Council continues to operate within its stated risk appetites.

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RISK APPETITE SUMMARY

The Risk Appetite Statements for Edward River Council are based on the amount of risk that the Council is willing to take, retain or accept in pursuit of its objectives over the life of the current Operational Plan. The Council has a strategic focus on multiple areas, and many different and varied operations are carried out to support the Local Government Area. As such, appetites for risk can vary across these different operations and strategic focus areas. Therefore, Council's Risk Appetite Statements have been developed against each of Council's Risk Categories. These Statements use a four-level ordinal scale to indicate the amount of risk Council is willing to take, retain or accept for each category. Diagram 2 illustrates the four-level ordinal scale, with a definition for each. Diagram 2: Risk Appetite Levels and Definitions

AVOID	RESISTANT	ACCEPT	RECEPTIVE
(little-to-no appetite)	(small appetite)	(medium appetite)	(larger appetite)
Avoidance of adverse exposure to risks even when outcome benefits are higher	A general preference for safer options with only small amounts of adverse exposure	Options selected based on outcome delivery with a reasonable degree of protection	Engagement with risks based more on outcome benefits than potential exposure

Table 1, provides a summary of Edward River Council's risk appetite positions across its identified risk categories. Each category has one coloured cell, which represents the Primary Appetite position and one 'greyed' cell, which represents the Secondary Appetite position for those categories with an identified secondary appetite. These positions are defined as follows:

Primary Appetite: indicates a general appetite for taking, retaining or accepting risk for the given risk category.

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Legal & Contract	Primary		Secondary	
Natural Environment		Primary	Secondary	
Reputation			Primary	Secondary
Technology	Secondary		Primary	
Property and Assets			Primary	
Projects		Secondary		Primary

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RISK APPETITE STATEMENTS

The tables below contain the primary and secondary Risk Appetite Statements for each risk category of Edward River Council. These statements are qualitative in nature and designed to provide an indication of Council's general position when deciding to take, retain or accept risk, in pursuit of its strategic objectives.

Note: The effectiveness of Risk Appetite Statements will be improved through the development of quantifiable Risk Tolerances from representative metrics for each risk category.



Financial		
	Level	Risk Appetite Statement
© O o Financial	Avoid	Regarding its Financial activities, Council prefers to Avoid adverse exposures as much as is practicable in order to achieve its objectives. Council recognises that in certain circumstances it may need to Accept small amounts of exposure and is willing to do so where there remains a reasonable degree of protection.

People		
	Level	Risk Appetite Statement
People	Accept	To achieve its objectives, Council will <i>Accept</i> some risk relating to its People (including staff and the broader community) where there is opportunity for positive outcome delivery with a reasonable degree of protection. Council does not feel the need for a secondary risk appetite position for this risk category

Work Health & Safety		
	Level	Risk Appetite Statement
<u>^i</u>	Avoid	In the pursuit of its objectives, Council seeks to <i>Avoid</i> adverse exposure to risks with regard to the Work Health & Safety of its employees, and any other people contracted to work for Council. Council's preferred position is for safer options with only small amounts of adverse exposure. In certain circumstances, when considered appropriate, Council will adopt a slightly less conservative <i>Resistant</i> position to Work Health & Safety risks where
WH&S		there are safe options with only small amounts of adverse exposure.

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Service Delivery		
		Risk Appetite Statement
Service Delivery	Accept	With regard to Service Delivery decisions and activities, Council is willing to <i>Accept</i> a medium level of risk in order to achieve its objectives. Council will endeavour to select options based on outcome delivery, whilst maintaining a reasonable degree of protection. In some circumstances Council may be more <i>Receptive</i> to risk and focus more on outcome benefits.

Business Continuity			
	Level	Risk Appetite Statement	
Business Continuity	Accept	In the pursuit of its objectives, Council is willing to <i>Accept</i> some risk in regard to Business Continuity . Council has a medium appetite for risk and seeks positive outcome delivery with a reasonable degree of protection. In certain circumstances, and for specific critical services, Council will adopt a more conservative <i>Resistant</i> position to Business Continuity risks where safer options with smaller exposures are warranted.	

Legislative Compliance & Regulation			
	Level	Risk Appetite Statement	
Legislative Compliance & Regulation	Avoid	In the pursuit of its objectives, Council will seek to <i>Avoid</i> risk and adverse exposures in regard to Legislative Compliance & Regulation . In certain circumstances, when considered appropriate, Council will adopt a less conservative <i>Resistant</i> position to Legislative Compliance & Regulation risks where there are safe options with only small exposures.	

Legal & Contract		
	Level	Risk Appetite Statement
Legal & Contract	Avoid	In the pursuit of its objectives, Council will seek to <i>Avoid</i> risk and adverse exposures in regard to Legislative Compliance & Regulation . Council is, however, cognisant of the fact that in certain circumstances it will be prudent to <i>Accept</i> risk exposures so long as there remains a reasonable degree of protection.

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Natural Environment		
	Level	Risk Appetite Statement
Natural Environment	Resistant	With regard to decisions and activities directly affecting the Natural Environment , Council has a smaller risk appetite and is <i>Resistant</i> to risk in the pursuit of its objectives. Council prefers safer options with only small amounts of adverse exposure. Council is, however, cognisant of the fact that in certain circumstances it will be prudent to <i>Accept</i> risk exposures so long as there remains a reasonable degree of protection.

Reputation		
	Level	Risk Appetite Statement
₹	Accept	With regard to its Reputation , Council is willing to Accept a medium level of risk in order to achieve its objectives. Council will endeavour to select options based on outcome delivery, whilst maintaining a reasonable degree of protection.
Reputation		However, in some circumstances Council may be more <i>Receptive</i> to risk and focus more on outcome benefits.

Technolog	у	
	Level	Risk Appetite Statement
Technology	Accept	With regard to its Technology , Council is willing to <i>Accept</i> a medium level of risk in order to achieve its objectives. Council will endeavour to select options based on outcome delivery, whilst maintaining a reasonable degree of protection. A However, in circumstances regarding cyber security, Council will <i>Avoid</i> risk as much as is practicable.

Pro	perty &	Assets	
		Level	Risk Appetite Statement





Accept

With regard to its **Property & Assets**, Council is willing to *Accept* a medium level of risk in order to achieve its objectives. Council will endeavour to select options based on outcome delivery, whilst maintaining a reasonable degree of protection.

Council does not feel the need for a secondary risk appetite position for this risk category.

Projects		
	Level	Risk Appetite Statement
Projects	Receptive	With regard to the initiation, planning and management of Projects , Council is Receptive to risk in order to achieve its objectives. Council will balance the outcome benefits of projects with any potential exposures in its decision making processes. In certain circumstances, when considered appropriate, Council will adopt a more conservative Resistant position to Projects where safer options with smaller exposures are warranted.

CONCLUSION

The Risk Appetites expressed in this document will provide guidance to decision-makers as to where Council's general position is with regard to the level of risk it is willing to take, retain or accept in pursuit of its strategies. The statements should be considered and reviewed during strategic planning and can be used as an influence when determining whether to increase or decrease control activity on specific risks, or whether to pursue opportunities. Additionally, it is better practice to review the Risk Appetite Statements thoroughly at least on a semi-annual basis and also every time there is a substantial shift in Edward River Council's operating environment.

If more robust guidance is required, then Council should implement **quantifiable risk tolerances** for each of its risk categories. These tolerances will provide guidance on whether the risk appetite levels are set appropriately as well as provide indicative measures of whether Council is operating within its expressed appetite level for taking risks.

The development of Risk Appetite Statements will help Council to continue an upward trajectory towards risk management maturity, and ultimately facilitate a capability for robust, repeatable and consistent quality decision-making.

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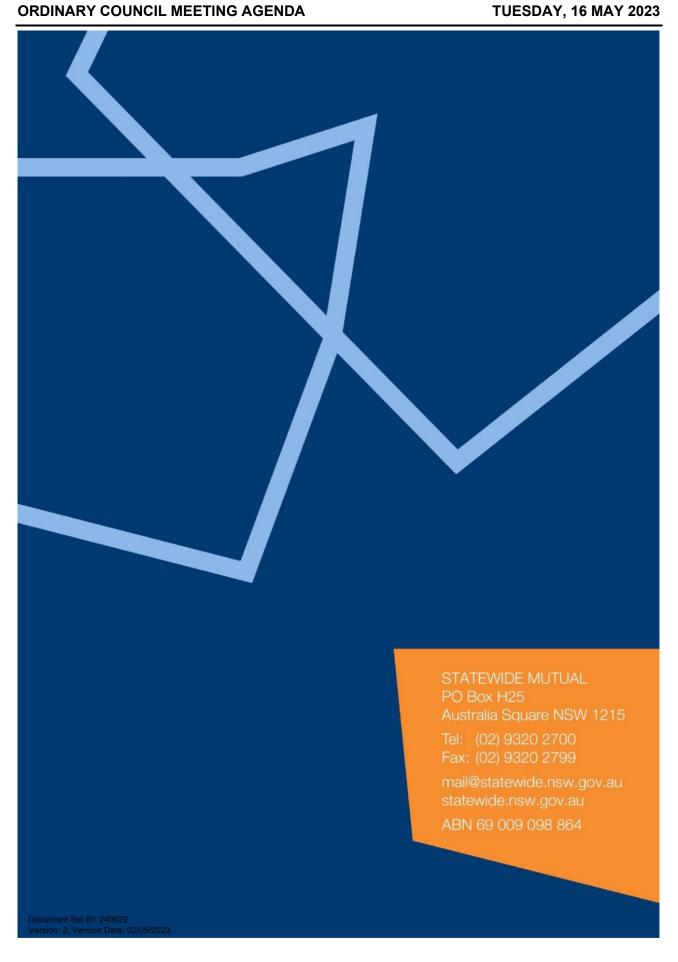
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12.9. QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW STATEMENT - MARCH 2023

Author: Acting Finance Coordinator
Authoriser: Acting Chief Financial Officer

RECOMMENDATION

That Council

- Review the 31 March 2023 financial review of the 2022-23 Operational Plan as adopted at the Council Meeting in June 2022
- Adopt the budget variations as detailed in this report noting the overall impacts of proposed adjustments on Council's budgeted operating result for 2022-23 being a surplus of \$5,533,667, and after removing Capital Grants a surplus of \$181,270.

BACKGROUND

The Quarterly Budget Review Statement (QBRS) is prepared and provided by Council's Responsible Accounting Officer to comply with Regulation 203 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 to inform Council and the community of Council's estimated financial position or the 2022-2023 financial year, reviewed as at 31 March 2023.

- The QBRS must show, by reference to the estimated income and expenditure that is set out in the operational plan adopted by council for the relevant year, a revised estimate of income and expenditure for that year. It also requires the budget review statement to include a report by the responsible accounting officer as to whether they consider the review indicates council to be in a satisfactory financial position (as compared to its original budget) and if not, to include recommendations for remedial action.
- This report contains an overview of the proposed budget variations for the General Fund, Water Fund and Sewerage Fund. The Quarterly Budget Review Statement (QBRS) as outlined by the Office of Local Government in circular 10-32, is contained at Attachment 1 for Council's consideration and authorisation.
- Legislative requirements together with the implementation of a formal reporting mechanism will ensure that councils have a robust and transparent budget reporting framework

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

A review of Council's income, operating expenditure and capital expenditure has been undertaken and Council's financial position is considered satisfactory.

The Quarterly Budget Review Statement links to the budget process and the Council decision relating to the budget adoption in June 2022, providing detailed information regarding:

- Movements in the operational budget
- Movements in the capital budget
- Council's projected cash position at 30 June 2023
- Contracts entered during the period with a value over \$50,000
- Consultancy and legal expenses year to date.
- Key performance indicators

Variations Other than by QBRS

The Local Government (General) Regulation 2005, sub-Clause 211(3) states that all approvals of expenditure and votes lapse at the end of the financial year, except for works, services, goods and materials or facilities already started or contracted to be carried out or to be provided before the end of the year concerned.

Operating Budget

The Attachment 1 "Quarterly Budget Review Statement - March 2023" details the changes between the Adopted budget, Revised budget, and Projected year end result. 83.93% of projected income has been recognised and 86.93% of the projected operational expenditure has been spent as of the end of March 2023.

All Rates income has been recognised however not all is yet to be received as it is due in instalments. Our income other than Rates will be spread evenly across the remainder of the year, The Financial Assistance Grant (FAGS) had a higher prepayment in April 2022, so instalments for this will be down. There is an expectation the federal government will continue to pay the next prepayment of the Financial Assistance Grant (75%) in June 2023. Capital Income will be spread across the year as milestone requirements are met.

Notable transaction(s) in the March 2023 quarter include:

- Received \$449,737 for 3rd quarter payment of Financial Assistance Grant
- Received \$300,000 for Edward River Skate Park
- Received \$751,908 for Stronger Country Communities Round 5 Grant (Peppin Heritage Centre and Town Hall
- Received \$447,158 for Stronger Country Communities Round 2 Grant (Revitalise Town Hall)
- Received \$500,000 for Flood recovery funding
- Received \$2,914,961 for Regional & Local Roads Recovery program

The Rates, Annual Charges & Interest Outstanding ratio is currently at 5.25% and is now well below the state benchmark of 10%, and our target which is 7.50%.

The review has identified that operational variations for the March 2023 quarter include:

Funded changes

- Increase income and expenses for NSW Community Building Partnership grant for Swim Centre
 - Shade Structure (Nil impact)
- Increase income and expenses for Electric Vehicle Destination Charging Grants for Electric Vehicle
 - charging stations (Nil impact)

Other changes

- Increase Audit fees for the additional required to cover the 2021-22 Audit (40k)
- Increase Councillor training expenses to cover additional required (60k)
- Increase Councillor travel expenses to cover attendance at future conferences (10k)
- Increase expenses to cover additional personal protective equipment required for staff (10k)
- Increase expenses for Deniliquin Business Chamber sponsorship (5k)

- Increase expenses for Deniliquin Art Show sponsorship (3k)
- Decrease expenses for Organisation redesign work for delays in timelines (85k)
- Decrease expenses for recruitment costs due to positions not expected to be filled in current financial year (30k)
- Increase in investment income due to increasing interest rates (380k)
- Increase consultant fees for expression of interest in major grant investment (16k)

Capital Budget

The 2022-23 capital budget funded and adopted by Council was \$11.63 million, an additional carried forward amount of \$9.04 million from 2021-22 was added, in September there were adjustments of \$7.60 million and in December 2022 there was a reduction of \$1.50 million. With the reduction included from this quarter of \$6.13 million, in March 2023, the total capital works program for 2022-23 is \$20.65 million.

The following changes have been made to the Capital Budget in the December 2022 Quarterly Budget Review Statement;

Increase in the capital works program

- Stormwater and Drainage (190k)
- Swim Centre Shade Structure (20k)
- McLean Beach amenities (168k)
- Roads to Recovery (325k)
- Resheeting program (150k)
- Electric Vehicle charging stations (12k)

Reduction in the capital works program

- Plant replacement (-922k)
- Airport runway (-5,500k)
- Edward River Village to adjust for the GST accounting change, expenditure in prior years and carry forward into 2023-24 (-940)

As of 31 March 2023, 61.16% (\$11.5 million) of the projected capital works budget has been spent. The total remaining capital works budget as at 31 March 2023 is \$7.3 million (38.84%), having done a thorough review of the ability to complete works for the remainder of the year since the impacts of flooding are still being dealt with.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

The Quarterly Budget Review Statement provides fair and reasonable information to Councillors in respect to the budget to allow Councillors to appropriately discharge their fiscal management responsibilities to the community.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

- 5. Accountable leadership and responsive administration
- 5.1 Collaborative and Engaged
- 5.2 Financially sustainable

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Should the proposed variations be approved, Council's budgeted position for the 2022-23 financial year will have a surplus of \$5,533,667, and after removing Capital Grants a surplus of \$181,270.

Please note, the adopted budget in June 2022, has been updated to reflect a change in classification of grants from capital to operating of \$1,210,000. This only impacts the operating result excluding capital grants and now results in a surplus of \$629,000 (previously it was a deficit of \$580k).

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

The preparation of a quarterly budget review statement is required under Clause 203(1) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 - Quarterly_Budget_Review_Statement_March_2023_10.05.23



Report by Responsible Accounting Officer Budget Review Statement for Edward River Council for the quarter ending 31 March 2023

The following statement is made in accordance with Clause 203(2) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2005:

It is my opinion that the Quarterly Budget Review Statement for Edward River Councilfor the quarter ended 31 March 2023 indicates that Council's projected financial position at 30/6/23 will be satisfactory at year end, having regard to the projected estimates of income and expenditure and the original budgeted income and expenditure.

In summary, operational budget movements for the Quarter are as follows:

Opening Operational Budget - As Adopted by Council		\$'000 739
Add:		
March 2023 Qtr Variations		404
Add:		
Carry Forwards		(224)
September 2022 Qtr Budget Review		3,115
December 2022 Qtr Movements		1,500
Amended Operational Budget		5,533
DocuSigned by:		
Alistair Cochrane	Date:	10/05/2023

Alistair Cochrane

Signed:

Responsible Accounting Officer



March Quarterly Budget Review Income Statement by Entity

Consolidated Council Operating Result

Description	Original		Approved	l Changes		Revised	Recommended	Projected	Actual YTD	Ref
	Budget	Carry Overs	QBRS - Sept	QBRS - Dec	QBRS - Mar	Budget	changes for	Year End Result	March	Notes
							Council			
							Resolution			
Income										
Rates & Annual Charges	13,952,153	0	0	o	0	13,952,153	0	13,952,153	14,101,221	
User Charges & Fees	3,861,290	0	7,250	o	0	3,868,540	0	3,868,540	3,526,065	
Interest & Investment Revenue	321,636	0	0	o	0	321,636	380,767	702,403	601,935	11
Other Revenues	512,074	0	54,551	0	0	566,625	0	566,625	872,441	
Grants & Contributions - Operating	9,289,727	0	573,070	1,062,875	0	10,925,672	0	10,925,672	8,432,949	
Capital Grants & Contributions	110,000	0	3,709,688	1,500,000	0	5,319,688	32,710	5,352,398	3,405,956	1,2
Profit / Loss	250,000	0	227,144	o	0	477,144	0	477,144	422,028	
Total Income	28,296,881	0	4,571,703	2,562,875	0	35,431,459	413,477	35,844,936	31,362,594	
Expense										
Employee Benefits & On-Costs	10,028,541	0	168,271	0	0	10,196,812	-20,000	10,176,812	8,480,691	6,10
Borrowing Costs	229,687	0	0	0	0	229,687	0	229,687	0	
Materials & Contracts	6,370,900	205,025	1,289,248	1,062,875	0	8,928,048	29,000	8,957,048	10,775,162	3,4,5,7,8,9
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Depreciation, Amortisation & Impairment	10,262,081	0	0	0	0	10,262,081	0	10,262,081		
Other Expenses	666,600	19,040	0	o	0	685,640	0	685,640	587,956	
Internals	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	64,728	
			4 457 540	4 000 000						
Total Expense	27,557,809		1,457,519	1,062,875	0	30,302,268				
Surplus/(Deficit)	739,072	-224,065	3,114,185	1,500,000	0	5,129,191	404,477	5,533,667	2,905,907	

Surplus/(Deficit) before Capital items 629,072 -224,065 -595,503 0 0 -190,497 371,767 181,270	-500,049
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Budget Variations being recommended include the following material items for the Consolidated Council	Cash Movement	Ref Note
Increase in capital grants for Electirc Vehicle Charging Station from Electric Vehicle Destination Charging Grants	12,710	1
Increase in capital grants for Swim Centre Shade structure from NSW Community Building Partnership grant	20,000	2
Increase Audit fees to cover the additional works required for the 2021-22 audit completed this financial year	-40,000	3
Increase Councillor training expense to cover required training undertaken this financial year	-40,000	4
Increase Councillor travel expenses for upcoming conference attendance	-10,000	5
Increase personal protective equipment required for staff	-10,000	6
Increase expenses for Deniliquin Business Chamber sponsorship	-5,000	7
Increase expenses for Deniliquin Arts Show sponsorship	-3,000	8
Decrease expenses for Organisation redesign work foe delays in timelines	85,000	9
Decrease expenses for recruitment costs due to positions not expected to be filled in current financial year	30,000	10
Increase Investment income due to increased interest rating environement	380,767	11
Increase consultant fees to expression of interes in major grant investment	-16,000	12

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March Quarterly Budget Review Capital Statement

Consolidated Council Capital Expenditure

Description	Original		Approved	l Changes		Revised	Recommended	Projected	Actual YTD	Ref
	Budget	Carry Overs	QBRS - Sept	QBRS - Dec	QBRS - Mar	Budget	changes for	Year End Result	March	Notes
							Council			
							Resolution			
New Assets										
IT equipment	o	25,432	0	0	0	25,432	0	25,432	22,833	
Land & buildings	105,000	3,353,902	4,465,000	-574,407	0	7,349,494	-771,881	6,577,613	4,081,643	4,5
Library resources	0	o	50,000	0	0	50,000	0	50,000	30,326	
Other Assets/Infrastructure	0	137,591	0	0	0	137,591	12,710	150,301	52,960	9
Roads, bridges, footpaths, K&G, Drainage	0	o	0	0	0	0	0	0	22,000	
Stronger Communities Projects	0	22,639	0	0	0	22,639	0	22,639	4,950	
Total New Assets	105,000	3,539,563	4,515,000	-574,407	0	7,585,156	-759,171	6,825,984	4,214,713	
Renewal Assets (replacements)										
Land & buildings	540,000	388,909	0	-70,000	0	858,909	0	858,909	543,870	
Library resources	0	184,795	0	0	0	184,795	0	184,795	11,504	
Other Assets/Infrastructure	695,000	2,202,158	2,762,372	2,293,140	0	7,952,670	-5,480,000	2,472,670	638,465	3,6,7
Plant & equipment	1,748,000	o	221,000	-578,000	0	1,391,000	-921,999	469,001	142,267	1
Roads, bridges, footpaths, K&G, Drainage	5,228,000	2,058,803	838,781	-2,186,580	0	5,939,005	1,030,080	6,969,085	5,322,261	2,8
Sewer Infrastructure	650,000	203,267	0	-90,000	0	763,267	0	763,267	195,658	
Software	0	54,751	-0	0	0	54,751	0	54,751	27,175	
Stronger Communities Projects	0	o	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,440	
Water Infrastructure	1,927,000	409,929	0	-288,000	0	2,048,929	0	2,048,929	392,854	
Total Renewal Assets (replacements)	10,788,000	5,502,612	3,822,153	-919,440	0	19,193,325	-5,371,919	13,821,407	7,277,494	
Total Capital Program	10,893,000	9,042,175	8,337,153	-1,493,847	0	26,778,481	-6,131,090	20,647,391	11,492,207	
Council Loan Program										
Loan Borrowings (New loan funding)	О	o	0	-1,900,000	0	-1,900,000	0	-1,900,000	0	

Budget Variations being recommended include the following material items for the Consolidated Council	Cash Movement	Ref Note
Decrease Plant replacement until review of major plant utilisation and ownership completed	921,999	1



Return budget for stormwater and levees to be completed by June 2023	-190,000	2	
Increase expenditure for grant funded works on Swim Centre Shade Structure	-20,000	3	
Return budget for McLean Beach amenities to be completed by June 2023	-168,407	4	
Reduce Edward River Village capital budget from review to bring it in line with GST accounting treatment	940,288	5	
Reduce current budget for Airport runway project in line with commencement in June 2023	5,500,000	6	
Return budget for Roads to recovery project to now be completed in current financial year	-325,000	7	
Return budget for resheeting program due to being able to include some as part of the flood recovery	-150,000	8	
Increase expenditure for Electric Vehicle Charging Station grant	-12,710	9	

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Cash & Investments Budget Review Statement for Edward River Council for the quarter ending 31 March 2023

				App	prove	d C	hanges										
	Adopted Budget 22/23 F \$'000		Carry Forwards \$'000	Se	Sept 22 \$'000s				Other than by QBRS \$'000s Note	Revised Budget 22/23 \$'000	for this Mar Qtr		Resul		A	Actual YTD figures \$'000	
Unrestricted	\$ 10,944	1 \$	-					\$	-	\$ 10,944			\$	10,944	\$	20,017	
Externally Restricted																	
Developer Contributions - General	\$ 39	9 \$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 39	\$	-	\$	39	\$	39	
Specific Purpose Unexpended Grants	\$ 5,724	1 \$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 5,724	\$	-	\$	5,724	\$	4,573	
Merger Funding	\$ 1,280) \$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 1,280	\$	-	\$	1,280	\$	418	
Water Supplies	\$ 6,858	3 \$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 6,858	\$	-	\$	6,858	\$	6,554	
Sewerage Services	\$ 6,580) \$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 6,580	\$	-	\$	6,580	\$	5,558	
Domestic Waste Management	\$ 1,300) \$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 1,300	\$	-	\$	1,300	\$	1,300	
EPA Waste	\$ 36	5 \$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 36	\$	-	\$	36	\$	36	
Conargo Milestones/Interpretative	\$ 37	7 \$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 37	\$	-	\$	37	\$	16	
Regional Arts	\$ 3	3 \$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 3	\$	-	\$	3	\$	3	
Deniliquin Band Committee	\$ 20) \$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 20	\$	-	\$	20	\$	25	
Conargo Oval M&R	\$ 20) \$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 20	\$	-	\$	20	\$	20	
Deniliquin Community Gardens	\$ 3	3 \$	-	-\$	3			\$	_	\$ 	\$	_	\$	-	\$	3	
Total Externally Restricted	\$ 21,900) \$	-	-\$	3	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 21,897	\$	-	\$	21,897	\$	18,545	



Cash & Investments Budget Review Statement for Edward River Council for the quarter ending 31 March 2023

					Α	pprove	d C	hanges														
	P	dopted								Other		Revised	V	ariations		rojected						
		•		-		Budget		Carry					than by			Budget		for this	`	Year End		
		22/23 \$'000	F			•		Dec 22 \$'000	QBRS		22/23		Mar Qtr		Resu			figures \$'000				
Internally Bostvieted		\$ 000		\$'000		\$'000s		\$ 000		\$'000s Note		\$'000		\$'000 Note		\$'000		\$ 000				
Internally Restricted Plant Replacement	ے .	1 600	۲		\$		۲		4		\$	1,699	\$		\$	1 600	۲	1 700				
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Infrastructure Replacement			\$	_	-\$	110	\$			300	\$	2,190	\$	-	\$	2,190	\$	1,780				
Employees Leave	- 1	693	\$	-	\$	-	\$	- \$		-	\$	693	\$	-	\$	693	\$	693				
Deposits, Retentions and Bonds		323	\$	-	\$	-	\$	- 5		-	\$	323	\$	-	\$	323	\$	323				
Airport Industrial Land	\$	20	\$	-	\$	-	\$	- \$	\$	-	\$	20	\$	-	\$	20	\$	20				
Asset Management	\$	14	\$	-	\$	-	\$	- 5	\$	-	\$	14	\$	-	\$	14	\$	14				
Airport Runway Development	\$	187	\$	-	\$	-	\$	- 5	\$	-	\$	187	\$	-	\$	187	\$	187				
Blighty Power Upgrade	\$	70	\$	-	\$	-	\$	- \$	\$	-	\$	70	\$	-	\$	70	\$	70				
Building Maintenance	\$	50	\$	-	\$	-	\$	- 5	\$	-	\$	50	\$	-	\$	50	\$	50				
Cemetery Upgrade	\$	9	\$	_	\$	-	\$	- 5	\$	-	\$	9	\$	-	\$	9	\$	9				
Depot office & gates upgrade	\$	41	\$	_	\$	_	\$	- 5	\$	-	\$	41	\$	-	\$	41	\$	41				
Dog Trail		3	\$	_	\$	_	\$	- 5	\$	_	\$	3	\$	_	\$	3	\$	3				
Election Reserve		12	\$	_	Ś	_	\$		\$	_	\$	12	Ś	_	\$	12	Ś	12				
Fencing Conargo		7	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_ (\$	_	\$	7	Ś	_	Ś	7	\$	7				
Gravel Pits		14	\$		\$	_	\$	_ <	\$	_	\$	14	ς .	_	\$	14	¢	14				
Human Resources		18	\$		\$	_	\$		\$	_	\$	18	\$	_	\$	18	۲	18				
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Internal Audit		6	\$	-	\$	-	\$		\$	-	\$	6	\$	-	\$	6	\$	6				
Land Development		385	\$	-	\$	-	\$	- 5	>	-	\$	385	\$	-	\$	385	\$	385				
Landscaping Plan		90	\$	-	\$	-	\$	- 5	5	-	\$	90	\$	-	\$	90	\$	90				
Recreation Reserves/Villages (Landscaping Plans)	\$	1,113	\$	-	\$	-	\$	- 5	\$	-	\$	1,113	\$	-	\$	1,113	\$	1,113				



Cash & Investments Budget Review Statement for Edward River Council for the quarter ending 31 March 2023

Total Cash & Investments	\$	41,282	\$		-\$	113	\$	-	-\$	300	<u>\$</u>	41,499	<u>\$</u>	55		<u>\$</u>	41,554	\$	46,134
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Total Internally Restricted	\$	8,438	\$		<u>-\$</u>	110	Ś		<u>-\$</u>	300 \$ -	Ś	8,658	\$	55	\$ 2	÷	8,713	\$	7,572
HR Training		-	~		\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	-	\$	100		1 \$	100	\$	_
Deniliquin Town Hall and Civic Precinct Redevelopment		413	\$	_	Ś		\$	_	\$	_	\$	413	\$	_		\$	413	\$	_
Saleyards Upgrades		_	\$	_	\$	110	\$	_	\$	_	\$	110	\$	_		\$	110	\$	_
North Depot Redevelopment		138	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	138	\$	_		\$	138	\$	125
Edward River Village	\$	217	\$	-	\$	520	\$	_	\$	_	\$	737	\$	_		\$	737	\$	520
Conargo and Pretty Pine Landfills	\$	23	\$	-	\$	_	\$	_	\$	-	\$	23	\$	_		\$	23	\$	-
Website Development	\$	2	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	2	\$	-		\$	2	\$	2
Water Supply Network	\$	57	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	57	\$	-		\$	57	\$	57
Waste Facilities	\$	63	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	63	\$	-		\$	63	\$	63
Town Planning Plan, Surveys & Studies	\$	103	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	103	\$	-		\$	103	\$	103
Tourism/Industry Promotion	\$	13	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	13	\$	-		\$	13	\$	13
Shire Entrance Signs	\$	5	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	5	\$	-		\$	5	\$	5
Wanganella Community Hall	\$	5	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	5	\$	-		\$	5	\$	5
Risk Management	\$	45	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	45	\$	55	:	2 \$	100	\$	45
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		22/23	Fo	rwards	S	ept 22		Dec 22		QBRS		22/23		Mar Qtr			Result		figures
		Budget		Carry						than by		Budget		for this			Year End		tual YTD
	Α	dopted			- 4	- р	-			Other		Revised	Va	ariations		,	Projected		
					Αı	prove	d C	hanges											



Cash & Investments Budget Review Statement for Edward River Council for the quarter ending 31 March 2023

_		Approved	Changes					
Adopted				Other	Revised	Variations	Projected	
Budget	Carry			than by	Budget	for this	Year End	Actual YTD
22/23	Forwards	Sept 22	Dec 22	QBRS	22/23	Mar Qtr	Result	figures
\$'000	\$'000	\$'000s	\$'000	\$'000s Note	\$'000	\$'000 Note	\$'000	\$'000
Budget Va	riations beir	ng recomme	ended includ	e the following mat	terial items fo	r the Consolidated	Cash	Ref Note
			c	Council			Movement	
Create Reser	ve for HR Tra	ining from	subsidies rec	eived above budget	in this financi	al year	100,000	1

Allocate additional work, health and safety rebate to Risk Management

55,000

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March Quarterly Budget Review Statement Contracts and Consultancy

Description	Original		Approved	l Changes		Revised	Recommended	Projected	Actual YTD	Ref
	Budget	Carry Overs	QBRS - Sept	QBRS - Dec	QBRS - Mar	Budget	changes for	Year End Result	March	Notes
							Council			
							Resolution			
Consultants	359,243	127,644	552,192	0	0	1,039,079	0	1,039,079	1,008,804	
Legal	25,500	0	3,640	0	0	29,140	0	29,140	33,959	
Total	384,743	127,644	555,833	0	0	1,068,219	0	1,068,219	1,042,763	

Definition of a consultant:

A consultant is a person or organisation engaged under contract on a temporary basis to provide recommendations or high level specialist or professional advice to assist decision making by management.

Generally it is the advisory nature of the work that differentiates a consultant from other contractors.

Comments:

Consultants - Backfill for Manager Finance and other accounting positions (416k), Financial Sustainability Review (106k), South West Arts (\$56K), Edward River Village marketing (56k), Civic Place Redvelopment (23k), Asset Management (40k), Tourism (22k), Communications (81k) and other smaller projects

Legals - Sale of Saleyards Road, Ochre Health lease review, Deniliquin Regional Sports Fee, Purchase 22 Edwardes Street, Employment Matters, and Edward River Village contract work



Contracts Budget Review Statement for Edward River Council for the quarter ending 31 March 2023

		Contract	Start	Duration	Budgeted
Contractor	Contract detail & purpose	Value	Date	of Contract	(Y/N)
South West Pipe Relining Pty Ltd	C2022 - 03 Sewer Relining Program 2022/23	495,000	Apr-23	8 weeks	Υ
Bell Environmental	Sewer Pump Station Refurbishments	151,919	Mar-23	12 weeks	Υ
EMT Pty Ltd	Contract: 10051361 - Deniliquin Raw Water Pump Station Upgrade	878,058	Apr-23	8 weeks	Υ

- 1. Minimum reporting level is 1% of estimated income from continuing operations of Council or \$50,000 whatever is the lesser.
- 2. Contracts listed are those entered into during the quarter being reported and exclude contractors on Council's Preferred Supplier list.
- 3. Contracts for employment are not required to be included.



Quarterly Budget Review KPI Statement for Consolidated Council

Consolidated Council Key Performance Indicator Forecasts

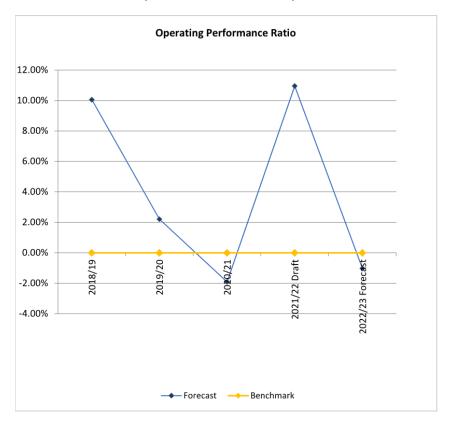
КРІ	Original	Approved Changes				Revised	Recommended	Projected	Actual YTD
	Budget	Carry Overs	QBRS - Sept	QBRS - Dec	QBRS - Mar	Budget	changes for	Year End Result	March
							Council		
							Resolution		
Operating Performance Ratio									
Forecast	2.23%	-0.79%	-2.09%	0.02%	0.00%	-0.63%	1.28%	0.65%	-2.52%
Benchmark (> 0%)	0.00%					0.00%		0.00%	0.00%
Own Source Operating Revenue Ratio									
Forecast	66.78%	0.00%	-8.41%	-4.22%	0.00%	54.15%	0.44%	54.59%	61.86%
Benchmark (>60%)	60.00%					60.00%		60.00%	60.00%
Infrastructure Renewals Ratio									
Forecast	129.44%	66.02%	45.86%	-11.03%	0.00%	230.29%	-64.45%	165.83%	109.36%
Benchmark (> 100%)	100.00%					100.00%		100.00%	100.00%

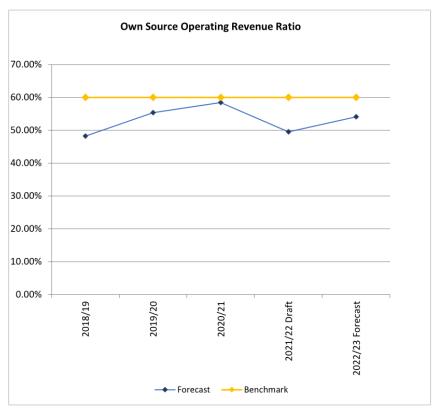
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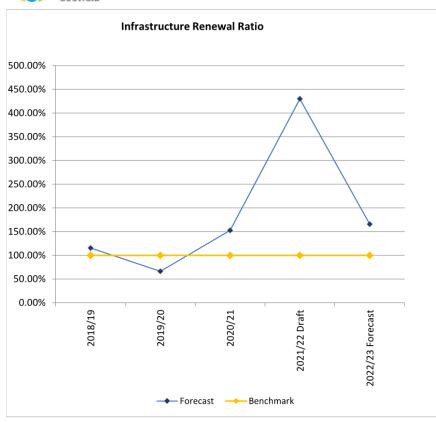


Consolidated Council Key Performance Indicator Graphs









12.10. INVESTMENT & RESERVES REPORT - APRIL 2023

Author: Acting Senior Financial Accountant

Authoriser: Acting Chief Financial Officer

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- 1. Note and receive the April 2023 report on Investments totalling \$43,981,422 inclusive of cash at bank for day-to-day operations.
- 2. Note that actual interest earned in the month of April 2023 was \$78,690.
- 3. Note that total interest earned for the year to 30 April 2023 is \$686,766.
- 4. Note the Certificate of the Responsible Accounting Officer and adopt the Investment Report.

BACKGROUND

The purpose of this report is to update Council on the investment of surplus funds and performance of Council's investment portfolio for the month to 30 April 2023 as required by Regulation No 264 (Part 19) of the Local Government Act 1993.

As at 30 April 2023, Council had a total of \$43,981,422 in invested funds. Interest earned from investments during the month of April 2023 was \$78,690.

Included in this report are the following items:

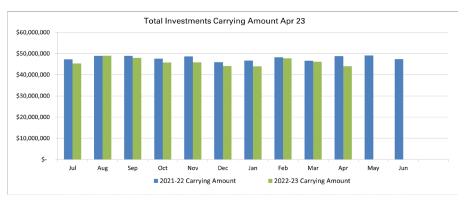
- Council's Investments as at 30 April 2023
- Restrictions Applying to Investment Funds
- Investment Portfolio Performance
- Investment Commentary
- Monthly Report from Imperium Markets
- Certification by the Responsible Accounting Officer

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

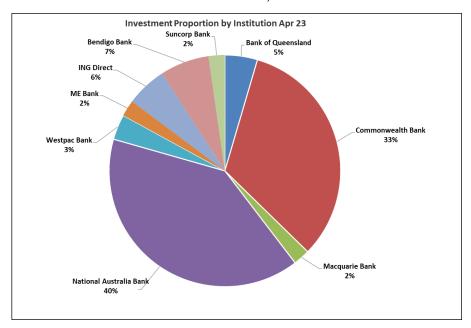
Council's Investments as at 30 April 2023

As at 30 April 2023, Council had a total of \$43,981,422 in term deposits and cash at bank exclusive of unpresented receipts or cheques.

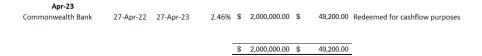
The total investments balance has remained within the \$43M - \$49M range for the past 12 months, with seasonal fluctuations from month to month in line with Council's cashflow requirements.



Council's funds were invested with A1+, A1 and A2 rated Authorised Deposit Institutions (ADI's).



One Term Deposit matured during the month from the Commonwealth Bank and was reinvested with ING Direct and Bendigo Bank.



Summary of cash at bank from day-to-day operations:

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Cash Summary		Comment
Opening cash book balance	\$ 3,919,723	
Plus receipts	\$ 2,766,697	Grants, Investments, charges and rates debtors receipts
Less payments	\$ 2,992,843	Capex and Opex payments
Cash book balance as at 30 April 2023	\$ 3,693,577	- -
Statement Summary		
Opening statement balance	\$ 4,124,198	
Plus receipts	\$ 3,203,373	Grants, Investments, charges and rates debtors receipts
Less payments	\$ 3,360,163	Capex and Opex payments
Bank statement balance as at 30 April 2023	\$ 3,967,408	-
plus Unpresented receipts	\$ 70,137	Receipts not yet presented at bank
less Unpresented payments	\$ 338,188	payments not yet presented at bank
Reconciliation balance as at 30 April 2023	\$ 3,693,577	

Restrictions Applying to Investment Funds

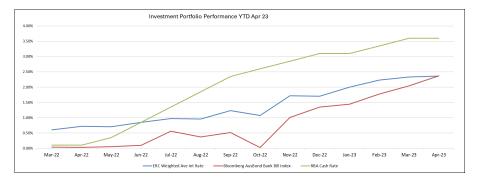
Internal Restrictions		
Infrastructure replacement	\$	1,779,826
Plant replacement reserve	\$	1,798,670
Recreation reserves/villages	\$	1,113,000
Other internal reserves	\$	750,971
Employee entitlements	\$	692,727
Land Development Fund	\$	385,000
Airport Development	\$	207,447
Deposits, retentions and bonds	\$	322,752
Edward River Village	\$	520,000
Cressy Street Revitalisation	\$	-
Deniliquin Town Hall and Civic Precinct Redevelopment	\$	-
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Total Internal Restrictions	\$ \$	7,570,394
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The following restrictions applied to the cash and investments balance:

Fund Name	Bank a	nd Investments	Percentage
General	\$	31,775,734	72.25%
Water	\$	6,620,713	15.05%
Sewer	\$	5,584,975	12.70%
Total Funds	\$	43,981,422	100.00%

Investment Portfolio Performance

Total interest earned from investments during the month of April 2023 was \$78,690, compared to the original monthly budget of \$22,436.



As at 30 April 2023, Council's weighted average interest rate was 2.36%, which was -0.01% below the Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bill Index implied one-year return of 2.37%. Total interest earned for the year to 30 April 2023 was \$686,766 compared to the budget of \$224,361 and previous year total of \$233,212.

Monthly Investment Review from Imperium Markets

Council engaged Imperium Markets Pty Ltd to provide ongoing investment advisory services from May 2021 as per recommendation from Audit Risk and Improvement Committee (resolution ARIC/2021/7). As part of this service, Imperium provides, among other services, a monthly investment review report for Council which council uses to inform investment decisions. A copy of

the report is attached in this report as **Attachment 2 - Investment Review April 2023 - Imperium Markets.** Council continues to obtain financial benefits through accessing better rates through the Imperium Investment platform as well as efficiency savings in the investment process.

Investment Commentary

As at 30 April 2023, all investments were within the defined Investment Policy limits. Council's investment portfolio consisted of term deposits (88%) and cash at bank/ on call (12%).

The Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA) elected to not raise the official cash rate in April with the cash rate still at 3.60%. The deposit market has factored in the rate movements in recent months. The higher rates provide opportunities for Council to obtain progressively higher rates on investments as the current ones mature.

To mitigate the re-investment risk of current recession fears, Council is following on the advice from Imperium Markets, to invest in term deposits with maturities 1 year or longer, taking into consideration council's cashflow needs. This will allow council to take advantage of the relatively higher returns currently on the market for these investments as compared to short term ones.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Investments have been made in accordance with Council's investment policy which was adopted on 19 April 2022.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

- 5. Accountable leadership and responsive administration
- 5.2 Financially sustainable

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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

40%	A1+ rated institutions
25%	A1 rated institutions
15%	A2 rated institutions
\$250,000	A3 and unrated authorized deposit taking institutions

The overall portfolio credit framework limits applicable to any credit rating category are as follows:

100%	Commonwealth/ State/TCorp/M Funds
100%	A1+ rated institutions
60%	A1 rated institutions
35%	A2 rated institutions
5%	A3 Unrated authorized deposit taking institutions

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Local Government Act 1993	625 How may councils invest?
	(1) A council may invest money that is not, for the time being, required by the council for any other purpose.
	(2) Money may be invested only in a form of investment notified by order of the Minister published in the Gazette.
	Editorial note—
	See Gazettes No 152 of 24.11.2000, p 12041; No 94 of 29.7.2005, p 3977; No 97 of 15.8.2008, p 7638 and No 160 of 24.12.2008, p 13140.
	(3) An order of the Minister notifying a form of investment for the purposes of this section must not be made without the approval of the Treasurer.
	(4) The acquisition, in accordance with section 358, of a controlling interest in a corporation or an entity within the meaning of that section is not an investment for the purposes of this section.
Local Government (General) Regulation 2005	?212 Reports on council investments
	(1) The responsible accounting officer of a council—
	(a) must provide the council with a written report (setting out details of all money that the council has invested under section 625 of the Act) to be presented—
	i) if only one ordinary meeting of the council is held in a month, at that meeting, or
	(ii) if more than one such meeting is held in a month, at whichever of those meetings the council by resolution determines, and
	(b) must include in the report a certificate as to whether or not the investment has been made in accordance with the Act, the regulations and the council's investment policies.

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	(4) The acquisition, in accordance with section 358, of a controlling interest in a corporation or an entity within the meaning of that section is not an investment for the purposes of this section.
	(2) The report must be made up to the last day of the month immediately preceding the meeting.
	Note—
	Section 625 of the Act specifies the way in which a council may invest its surplus funds.

Certification – Responsible Accounting Officer

I hereby certify that the investments listed in the Investment Report Attachment have been made in accordance with Section 625 of the Local Government Act 1993, clause 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 and Council's Investment Policy.

Alistair Cochrane

Responsible Accounting Officer

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 - Investment Register as at 30 April 2023

Schedule of Investments									
				This Report is at date		30-April-2023			
Description	Account No.	Rating at EOM (S&P)	Date Invested	Maturity Date	Days	Rate	Face Value Amount	% of Portfolio	Estimated Interest
Westpac Business Cheque Plus Account	032-870 16-6545	A1+	N/a	N/a	365	0.00%	1,552,669	3.53%	Monthly
Westpac Business Cash Reserve	032-870 17-9231	A1+	N/a	N/a	365	0.05%	0	0.00%	Monthly
Westpac 31 Day Notice Account	032-870 23-2696	A1+	N/a	N/a	365	3.95%	1,666	0.00%	Monthly
Commonwealth Bank General Fund	062-533 00000010	A1+	N/a	N/a	365	3.40%	2,395,376	5.45%	Monthly
Commonwealth Bank Business On Line Saver	062-533 10151117	A1+	N/a	N/a	365	3.65%	1,512,349	3.44%	Monthly
Macquarie Bank - Rates	3005-79778	A1	N/a	N/a	365	0.00%	18,056	0.04%	Monthly
Macquarie Bank - Water	2643-18940	A1	N/a	N/a	365	0.00%	1305	0.00%	Monthly
Total Oncall/ CMT Accounts							5,481,422	12.46%	,
Term Deposits									
National Australia Bank	20-036-8248	A1+	10-Jun-21	13-Jun-23	733	0.60%	2,000,000	4.55%	24,098.63
National Australia Bank	20-049-8755	A1+	10-Jun-21	11-Jun-24	1097	0.75%	3,000,000	6.82%	67,623,29
National Australia Bank	50-665-2647	A1+	24-May-21	24-May-24	1096	0.75%	2,500,000	5.68%	56.301.37
National Australia Bank	35-071-3705	A1+	25-Jun-21	29-Jun-23	734	0.65%	2,000,000	4.55%	26,142,47
National Australia Bank	75-932-6942	A1+	29-Jun-21	29-Jun-23	730	0.65%	2,500,000	5.68%	32,500.00
National Australia Bank	81-520-8937	A1+	06-Sep-21	06-Sep-23	730	0.65%	3,000,000	6.82%	39,000.00
National Australia Bank	75-932-6944	A1+	08-Dec-22	08-Dec-23	365	4.32%	1,500,000	3.41%	64,800.00
National Australia Bank	0	A1+	10-Nov-22	10-Nov-23	365	4.55%	1,000,000	2.27%	45,500.00
Commonwealth Bank	CDA 37543602	A1+	18-Feb-22	18-Feb-24	730	1.65%	1,500,000	3.41%	49.500.00
Commonwealth Bank	CDA 37543602	A1+	09-Sep-21	08-Sep-23	729	0.57%	3.000,000	6.82%	34,153.15
Commonwealth Bank	CDA 37543602	A1+	26-Jul-22	25-Jul-23	364	4.16%	1,500,000	3.41%	62,229,04
Commonwealth Bank	CDA 37543602	A1+	05-Sep-22	05-Sep-23	365	4.16%	1,500,000	3.41%	62,400.00
Commonwealth Bank	CDA 37543602	A1+	28-Nov-22	28-Nov-23	365	4.40%	1,000,000	2.27%	44,000.00
Commonwealth Bank	83-703-9114	A1+	04-Oct-22	04-Oct-23	365	4.45%	2,000,000	4.55%	89,000.00
Suncorp Bank	0	A1+	28-Nov-22	28-Nov-23	365	4.48%	1,000,000	2.27%	44,800.00
Macquarie Bank	CN055243	A1	14-Nov-22	14-Nov-23	365	4.36%	1,000,000	2.27%	43,600.00
Total A1+ Deposits	011000240		141101 22	14 1404 20	000	4.0070	30,000,000	68.21%	40,000.00
Bendigo Bank	105-306-781	A2	14-Sep-21	14-Sep-23	730	0.55%	2,000,000	4.55%	22.000.00
Bendigo Bank	0	A2	22-Mar-23	26-Mar-24	370	4.65%	1,000,000	2.27%	47.136.99
ING Direct	0	A2	22-Feb-23	22-Feb-24	365	4.95%	1,500,000	3.41%	74,250.00
ING Direct	0	A2	22-Mar-23	25-Mar-25	734	4.50%	1,000,000	2.27%	90,493.15
Bank of Queensland	509836	A2	28-Jun-22	28-Jun-23	365	4.00%	1,000,000	2.27%	40,000.00
Bank of Queensland	623109	A2	10-Nov-22	11-Nov-24	732	4.70%	1,000,000	2.27%	94.257.53
ME Bank	342679	A2	04-Aug-22	08-Aug-23	369	3.81%	1,000,000	2.27%	38.517.53
Total A2 Deposits	542075	AL.	57-rug-22	00-Aug-20	000	0.0170	8,500,000	19.33%	30,017.33
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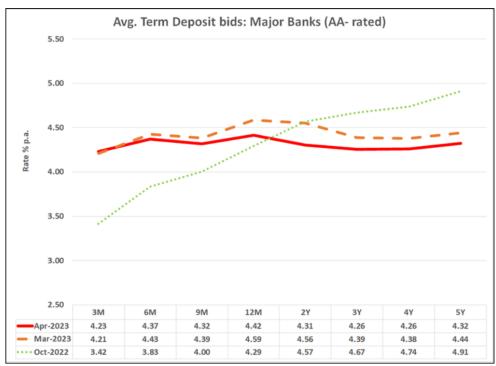




Market Update Summary

Financial markets were aided in April following early signs of inflation peaking across several developed economies. Markets continue to adjust their forecasts regarding future interest rate expectations accordingly, with the peak of the interest rate cycle potentially month(s) away, as per the rhetoric from several global central banks. Domestically, the RBA paused in April but decided to lift rates in May to 3.85%, commenting "some further tightening of monetary policy may be required" reinforcing a continuing commitment to do what is necessary to return inflation to target and a bias that still higher interest rates might be required to return inflation to target.

Despite the aggressive rate hikes, over the past few months, the deposit market has already factored in the current rate hike cycle. Deposit rates in the long-end (12m-5yr tenors) from the major banks (rated AA-) fell around 10-20bp on average during April (compared to March), with the market starting to price in the possibility that we may have reached the peak of the interest rate cycle:



Source: Imperium Markets

'New' investments close to or above 4½ - 4½% p.a. is currently available if Council can place the majority of its surplus funds for terms of 12 months to 3 years. With recessionary fears being priced in coming years, investors may take an 'insurance policy' against future rate cuts by investing across 3-5 year fixed deposits and locking in rates above or close to 4½% p.a. (small allocation only), although this is primarily being offered by the lower rated ("BBB") ADIs.

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Council's Portfolio & Compliance

Asset Allocation

The portfolio is mainly directed to fixed term deposits (~88%), with the remainder of the portfolio (~12%) being held in various overnight cash accounts.

Senior FRNs remain relatively attractive as spreads have widened over the past year – new issuances should now be considered again on a case by case scenario. In the interim, fixed deposits for 12 months to 3 years remains appealing following the spike in medium-to longer-term yields during the rate hike cycle.

With recessionary fears being priced in coming years, investors can choose to allocate some longer-term surplus funds and undertake an insurance policy against any potential future rate cuts by investing across 3-5 year fixed deposits, locking in and targeting yields close to or above 4½% p.a. (mainly available from the regional banks).



Term to Maturity

The portfolio remains highly liquid with around 83% maturing within 12 months. The weighted average duration of the deposit portfolio is around 7 months and so the majority of the portfolio will turnover and be reinvested at higher prevailing rates over the next two quarters.

Where liquidity permits, we recommend continuing investing surplus funds in the 1-2 year horizons to increase the overall returns of the portfolio given extra yield on offer. Where there is (counterparty) capacity to invest in attractive medium-longer term investments, we recommend this be allocated to medium-term fixed deposits (refer to respective sections below).

Compliant	Horizon	Invested (\$)	Invested (%)	Min. Limit (%)	Max. Limit (%)	Available (\$)
✓	0 – 90 days	\$14,481,542	32.93%	15%	100%	\$29,500,000
✓	91 – 365 days	\$22,000,000	50.02%	0%	100%	\$21,981,542
✓	1 – 2 years	\$7,500,000	17.05%	0%	70%	\$23,287,079
✓	2 – 5 years	\$0	0.00%	0%	50%	\$21,990,771
		\$43,981,542	100.00%			

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Counterparty

As at the end of the month, Council did not have an overweight position to any single ADI – all are within compliance of the Policy limits. We note limits with NAB (AA-) is very close to capacity. Overall, the portfolio is lightly diversified across the investment grade credit spectrum, with no exposure to the unrated ADIs.

Compliant	Issuer	Rating^	Invested (\$)	Invested (%)	Max. Limit (%)	Available (\$)
✓	CBA	AA-	\$14,407,725	32.76%	40.00%	\$3,184,892
✓	NAB	AA-	\$17,500,000	39.79%	40.00%	\$92,617
✓	Westpac	AA-	\$1,554,456	3.53%	40.00%	\$16,038,161
✓	Macquarie Bank	A+	\$1,019,362	2.32%	25.00%	\$9,976,024
✓	Suncorp	A+	\$1,000,000	2.27%	25.00%	\$9,995,386
✓	ING	Α	\$2,500,000	5.68%	25.00%	\$8,495,386
✓	BOQ	BBB+	\$3,000,000	6.82%	15.00%	\$3,597,231
✓	Bendigo-Adelaide	BBB+	\$3,000,000	6.82%	15.00%	\$3,597,231
			\$43,981,542	100.00%		

[^]Applying long-term ratings only.

In July 2022, ANZ (AA-) announced it was putting a bid to buy Suncorp's banking division for ~\$3.9bn. Should that takeover be formalised, Suncorp-Metway's (A+) current credit rating is likely to be upgraded to ANZ's (AA-), although this still requires approval from the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC), with the outcome flagged for ruling in June 2023.

We remain supportive of the regional and unrated ADI sector (and have been even throughout the post-GFC period). They continue to remain solid, incorporate strong balance sheets, while exhibiting high levels of capital – typically, much higher compared to the higher rated ADIs. Some unrated ADIs have up to 25-40% more capital than the domestic major banks, and well above the Basel III requirements.

Overall, the lower rated ADIs (BBB and unrated) are generally now in a better financial position then they have been historically (see the Capital Ratio figure below). The financial regulator, APRA has noted that the Common Equity Tier 1 capital of Australian banks now exceeds a quarter of a trillion dollars. It has increased by \$110 billion, or more than 70%, over the past eight years. Over the same time, banks' assets have grown by 44%. Some of the extra capital is supporting growth in the banking system itself but clearly, there has been a strengthening in overall resilience and leverage in the system is lower.

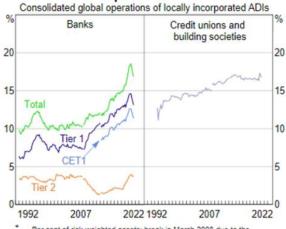
We believe that deposit investments with the lower rated ADIs should be considered going forward, particularly when they offer 'above market' specials. Not only would it diversify the investment portfolio and reduce credit risk, it would also improve the portfolio's overall returns. The lower rated entities are generally deemed to be the more 'ethical' ADIs compared to the higher rated ADIs.

In the current environment of high regulation and scrutiny, all domestic (and international) ADIs continue to carry high levels of capital. There is minimal (if any) probability of any ADI defaulting on their deposits going forward – this was stress tested during the GFC and the pandemic period. **APRA's mandate** is to "protect depositors" and provide "financial stability".

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Per cent of risk-weighted assets; break in March 2008 due to the introduction of Basel II for most ADIs; break in March 2013 due to the introduction of Basel III for all ADIs.

Credit Quality

The portfolio remains diversified from a credit ratings perspective. The entire long term portfolio is spread amongst the investment grade spectrum. All aggregate ratings categories were within the Policy limits at month-end:

Compliant	Credit Rating^	Invested (\$)	Invested (%)	Max. Limit (%)	Available (\$)
✓	AA Category	\$33,462,180	76%	100%	\$10,519,362
✓	A Category	\$4,519,362	10%	60%	\$21,869,563
✓	BBB Category	\$6,000,000	14%	35%	\$9,393,540
✓	Unrated Category	\$0	0%	5%	\$2,199,077
		\$43,981,542	100.00%		

[^] Applying long-term ratings only.

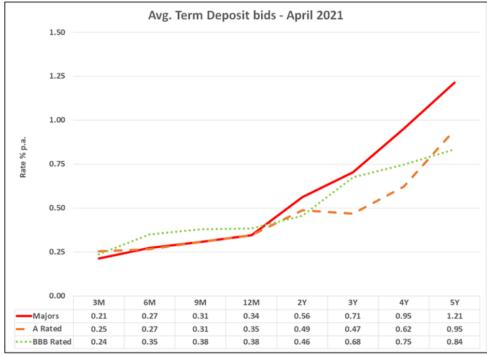
Pre-pandemic (March 2020), a 'normal' marketplace meant the lower rated ADIs (i.e. BBB category) were offering higher rates on term deposits compared to the higher rated ADIs (i.e. A or AA rated). But due to the cheap funding available provided by the RBA via their Term Funding Facility (TFF) since mid-20201, allowing the ADIs to borrow as low as 0.10% p.a. fixed for 3 years, those lower rated ADIs (BBB rated) did not require deposit funding from the wholesale deposit from the likes of Council. Given the higher rated banks had more capacity to lend (as they have a greater pool of mortgage borrowers), they subsequently were offering higher deposit rates. In fact, some of the lower rated banks were not even offering deposit rates at all. As a result, most investors placed a higher proportion of their deposit investments with the higher rated (A or AA) ADIs over the past three years.

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¹ The RBA's Term Funding Facility (TFF) allowed the ADI to borrow as low as 0.10% fixed for 3 years: https://www.rba.gov.au/mktoperations/term-funding-facility/overview.html



Term Deposit Rates - During Pandemic (April 2021)



Source: Imperium Markets

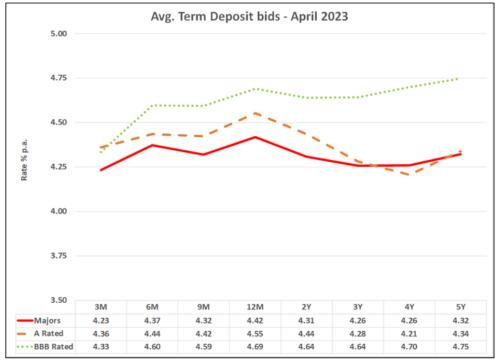
The abnormal marketplace experienced during the pandemic is starting to reverse as the competition for deposits increases. We are now starting to see some of the lower rated ADIs ("BBB" rated) offering slightly higher rates compared to the higher rated banks ("A" or "AA" rated) on different parts of the curve (i.e. pre-pandemic environment). Some of this has been attributed to lags in adjusting their deposit rates as some banks (mainly the lower rated ADIs) simply set their rates for the week.

Going forward, Council should have a larger opportunity to invest a higher proportion of its surplus funds with the lower rated institutions (up to Policy limits), from which the majority are not lending to the Fossil Fuel industry. We are slowly seeing this trend emerge, as has been the case over the past month again:

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Term Deposit Rates - Currently (April 2023)



Source: Imperium Markets



Performance

Council's performance (excluding cash holdings) for the month ending April 2023 is summarised as follows:

Performance (Actual)	1 month	3 months	6 months	FYTD	1 year
Official Cash Rate	0.29%	0.85%	1.61%	2.30%	2.40%
AusBond Bank Bill Index	0.30%	0.83%	1.60%	2.28%	2.37%
Council's T/D Portfolio^	0.20%	0.54%	1.02%	1.41%	1.54%
Outperformance	-0.11%	-0.29%	-0.59%	-0.88%	-0.83%

[^]Total portfolio performance excludes Council's cash account holdings. Overall returns would be lower if cash was included.

Performance (Annualised)	1 month	3 months	6 months	FYTD	1 year
Official Cash Rate	3.60%	3.52%	3.27%	2.77%	2.40%
AusBond Bank Bill Index	3.77%	3.45%	3.26%	2.75%	2.37%
Council's T/D Portfolio^	2.41%	2.23%	2.06%	1.69%	1.54%
Outperformance	-1.36%	-1.22%	-1.20%	-1.06%	-0.83%

[^]Total portfolio performance excludes Council's cash account holdings. Overall returns would be lower if cash was included.

For the month of April, the portfolio (excluding cash) provided a return of +0.20% (actual) or +2.41% p.a. (annualised), underperforming the benchmark AusBond Bank Bill Index return of +0.30% (actual) or +3.77% p.a. (annualised). This relative 'underperformance' has been due to the unexpected aggressive rate hikes undertaken by the RBA. Whilst this 'underperformance' may continue in the short-term, we do anticipate this to be temporary given the high level of turnover.

Going forward, Council's ongoing strategy in placing across 12-24 months terms is likely to earn up to ¼-½% p.a. higher compared to shorter tenors in a normal market environment. There is a growing belief that a recession is not too far away and so locking in rates above 4-4½% p.a. across 2-3 year tenors may provide some income protection against a potentially lower rate environment.

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Council's Term Deposit Portfolio & Recommendation

As at the end of April 2023, Council's deposit portfolio was yielding 2.34% p.a. (down 1bp from the previous month), with a weighted average duration of around 209 days (~7 months).

Over a longer-term cycle, investors are rewarded if they can continue to maintain a slightly longer average duration. In a 'normal' marketplace, yields at the long-end are generally offered at a slight premium over shorter tenors.

At the time of writing, we see value in:

ADI	LT Credit Rating	Term	T/D Rate
P&N Bank	BBB	5 years	4.95% p.a.
P&N Bank	BBB	4 years	4.85% p.a.
AMP Bank	BBB	2-3 years	4.85% p.a.^
P&N Bank	BBB	3 years	4.80% p.a.
P&N Bank	BBB	2 years	4.70% p.a.
Hume Bank	BBB+	2 years	4.70% p.a.
BoQ	BBB+	2 years	4.65% p.a.
ING	А	2 years	4.40% p.a.
Suncorp	A+	2 years	4.40% p.a.
Westpac	AA-	2 years	4.39% p.a.
NAB	AA-	2 years	4.35% p.a.

[^]Contact us to get an additional 20bp rebated commission. Aggregate limits temporarily lifted to \$10m (from \$5m).

The above deposits are suitable for investors looking to maintain diversification and lock-in a slight premium compared to purely investing short-term. For terms under 12 months, we believe the strongest value is currently being offered by the following ADIs (dependent on daily funding requirements):

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ADI	LT Credit Rating	Term	T/D Rate
AMP Bank	BBB	11-12 months	4.90% p.a.^
Hume Bank	BBB+	12 months	4.80% p.a.
P&N Bank	BBB	12 months	4.80% p.a.
BoQ	BBB+	12 months	4.65% p.a.
BoQ	BBB+	6 & 9 months	4.60% p.a.
NAB	AA-	6-12 months	4.55% p.a.
Westpac	AA-	12 months	4.51% p.a.
ING	Α	12 months	4.50% p.a.
Suncorp	A+	12 months	4.48% p.a.
Suncorp	A+	3 months	4.46% p.a.

[^]Contact us to get an additional 20bp rebated commission. Aggregate limits temporarily lifted to \$10m (from \$5m).

If Council does not require high levels of liquidity and can stagger its investments across the longer term horizons (1-5 years), it will be rewarded over a longer-term cycle if it can roll for an average min. term of 12 months to 3 years (this is where we current value), yielding, on average, up to ¼-½% p.a. higher compared to those investors that entirely invest in short-dated (under 6 months) deposits.

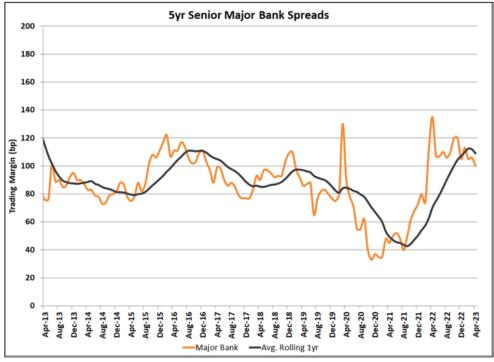
With recessionary fears being priced in coming years, Council should consider allocating some longer-term surplus funds and undertake an insurance policy by investing across 3-5 year fixed deposits and locking in rates close to or above 4½ p.a. This will provide some income protection if central banks decide to cut rates in future years, and assuming inflation has peaked and is under control.

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Senior FRNs Review

Over April, amongst the senior major bank FRNs, physical credit securities tightened by around 6-8bp at the long-end of the curve. Major bank senior securities remain fairly attractive again in a rising rate environment (5 year margins above the +100bp level):



Source: IBS Capital

There was a lack of primary issuances again over the month apart from BoQ's (AAA rated) covered FRN at +120bp at month-end. Amongst the "A" rated sector, the securities were marked around 5bp tighter at the 3-5 year part of the curve, whilst the "BBB" rated sector was marked around 15bp tighter (3yrs).

Credit securities are looking much more attractive given the widening of spreads over the past year. FRNs will continue to play a role in investor's portfolios mainly on the basis of their liquidity and the ability to roll down the curve and gross up returns over ensuing years (in a relatively stable credit environment).



Senior FRNs (ADIs)	30/04/2023	31/03/2023
"AA" rated – 5yrs	+100bp	+106bp
"AA" rated – 3yrs	+75bp	+83bp
"A" rated – 5yrs	+115bp	+120bp
"A" rated – 3yrs	+90bp	+95bp
"BBB" rated – 3yrs	+135bp	+150bp

Source: IBS Capital

We now generally recommend switches ('benchmark' issues only) into new primary issues, out of the following senior FRNs that are maturing:

- > On or before mid-2025 for the "AA" rated ADIs (domestic major banks);
- > On or before mid-2024 for the "A" rated ADIs; and
- Within 6-9 months for the "BBB" rated ADIs (consider case by case).

Investors holding onto the above senior FRNs ('benchmark' issues only) in their last few years are now generally holding sub-optimal investments and are not maximising returns by foregoing realised capital gains. In the current challenging economic environment, any boost in overall returns should be locked in when it is advantageous to do so, particularly as switch opportunities become available.

Primary (new) FRNs are now looking more appealing and should be considered on a case by case scenario.

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Senior Fixed Bonds - ADIs (Secondary Market)

As global inflationary pressures remain, this has seen a significant lift in longer-term bond yields over the past year (valuations fell) as markets have reacted sharply.

This has resulted in some opportunities in the secondary market. We currently see value in the following fixed bond lines, with the majority now being marked at a significant discount to par (please note supply in the secondary market may be limited on any day):

ISIN	Issuer	Rating	Capital Structure	Maturity Date	~Remain. Term (yrs)	Fixed Coupon	Indicative Yield
AU3CB0255776	ING	AAA	Covered	07/09/2023	0.36	3.00%	3.97%
AU3CB0258465	Westpac	AA-	Senior	16/11/2023	0.56	3.25%	4.10%
AU3CB0265403	Suncorp	A+	Senior	30/07/2024	1.27	1.85%	4.32%
AU3CB0263275	Westpac	AA-	Senior	16/08/2024	1.31	2.25%	4.10%
AU3CB0265718	ING	AAA	Covered	20/08/2024	1.32	1.45%	4.20%
AU3CB0266179	ANZ	AA-	Senior	29/08/2024	1.36	1.55%	4.10%
AU3CB0266377	Bendigo	BBB+	Senior	06/09/2024	1.39	1.70%	4.41%
AU3CB0268027	BoQ	BBB+	Senior	30/10/2024	1.52	2.00%	4.49%
AU3CB0269710	ANZ	AA-	Senior	16/01/2025	1.73	1.65%	4.08%
AU3CB0269892	NAB	AA-	Senior	21/01/2025	1.74	1.65%	4.03%
AU3CB0270387	Macquarie	A+	Senior	12/02/2025	1.81	1.70%	4.37%
AU3CB0287415	Westpac	AA-	Senior	17/03/2025	1.90	2.70%	4.08%
AU3CB0291508	Westpac	AA-	Senior	11/08/2025	2.32	3.90%	4.11%
AU3CB0291672	CBA	AA-	Senior	18/08/2025	2.32	4.20%	4.03%
AU3CB0280030	BoQ	BBB+	Senior	06/05/2026	3.03	1.40%	4.62%
AU3CB0282358	ING	AAA	Covered	19/08/2026	3.33	1.10%	4.31%
AU3CB0284149	BoQ	BBB+	Senior	27/10/2026	3.52	2.10%	4.66%
AU3CB0286037	Westpac	AA-	Senior	25/01/2027	3.77	2.40%	4.21%

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Economic Commentary

International Market

Financial markets were aided in April following early signs of inflation peaking across several developed economies. Across equity markets, the S&P 500 Index gained +1.46%, whilst the NASDAQ added +0.04%. Europe's main indices also gained, led by UK's FTSE (+3.13%), France's CAC (+2.31%) and Germany's DAX (+1.88%).

US CPI showed welcome, but not overwhelming, progress. Headline CPI rose less than expected, up +0.1% m/m and +5.0% y/y, down from +6.0% previously, the first monthly decline since November 2020. Core inflation, however, was in line with expectations at +0.4% m/m and +5.6% y/y.

The US unemployment rate fell 0.1% to 3.5% (3.6% expected) and average hourly earnings rose by an as expected +0.3% to be +4.2% up on a year ago down from +4.6% and +4.3% expected.

Strong Canada jobs report showed employment up +34.7k against +5k expected and the unemployment rate remained steady at 5.0%, rather than the consensus for a rise to 5.1%. The Bank of Canada held rates for the second consecutive meeting as expected.

UK employment growth was strong at 169k vs. 50k expected, while the unemployment rate ticked up 0.1% higher to 3.8%. BoE pricing now has a 90% chance of a 25bp rate hike in May (up from a 79% previously).

UK April CPI was a shocker, headline CPI only falling from +10.3% to +10.1% against +9.8% expected and the core measure unchanged at +6.2% against expectations for a fall to +6.0%.

The RBNZ raised rates by 50bp to 5.25%, against a strong market consensus for a smaller 25bp hike.

The International Monetary Fund (IMF) downgraded global growth forecasts made three months ago by 0.1% to +2.8% for 2023 and +3.0% for next year, following the +3.4% lift last year. The IMF noted "the risks are weighted heavily to the downside, in part because of the financial turmoil of the last month and a half".

Chinese activity data showed GDP rebounded more quickly than expected. Q1 GDP growth beat expectations by +0.2% at +2.2% q/q vs. +2.0% expected. Strength was seen by the consumer with retail sales +10.6% y/y vs. +7.5% expected.

The MSCI World ex-Aus Index rose +1.62% for the month of April:

Index	1m	3m	1yr	3yr	5yr	10yr
S&P 500 Index	+1.46%	+2.28%	+0.91%	+12.70%	+9.50%	+10.07%
MSCI World ex-AUS	+1.62%	+2.07%	+1.66%	+11.39%	+6.45%	+6.99%
S&P ASX 200 Accum. Index	+1.85%	-0.80%	+2.83%	+13.99%	+8.26%	+7.90%

Source: S&P, MSCI

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Domestic Market

The RBA decided to leave interest rates unchanged at 3.60% in April, while it assesses the outlook for the economy and the impact of previous substantial interest rate increases.

In addition, the bias to tighten further was softened with prior phrasing of further tightening will be required replaced with further tightening may well be needed. This suggests that the RBA has downgraded its forecasts for growth and/or inflation from the February Statement on Monetary Policy when a cash rate of 3.75% was seen as being required to achieve the return of inflation to 3% by mid-2025.

RBA Governor Lowe commented that "the decision to hold rates steady this month does not imply that interest rate increases are over" and that "at our next meeting, we will again review the setting of monetary policy with the benefit of an updated set of forecasts and scenarios".

Core trimmed mean Q1 CPI came in 0.2% less than market expectations at $\pm 1.2\%$ q/q and $\pm 6.6\%$ y/y (consensus $\pm 1.4\%$ / $\pm 6.7\%$). Headline inflation was a fraction above consensus at $\pm 1.4\%$ q/q and $\pm 7.0\%$ y/y, (consensus $\pm 1.3\%$ / $\pm 6.9\%$). Overall, the inflation figures confirmed the widely held expectation that Australian inflation peaked late last year (Q4 2022), something now becoming clearly evident in goods price pressures, a trend in place in other parts of the world as supply chain disruptions heal and freight rates fall

Employment grew +53.0k m/m in March, more than double the consensus of +20k. The unemployment rate held steady at 3.5%, where it has been since July 2022 and it remains around its lowest levels since the 1970s. The participation rate lifted by around 0.1% to 66.74% from 66.65%.

Australian dwelling prices rose +0.6% m/m in March. That is the first nationwide increase since April 2022 and comes after declines moderated to just +0.1% in February. Meanwhile dwelling approvals rose +4.0% m/m in February (consensus +10.0%), following the sharp -27.1% fall seen in February.

The February trade surplus was \$13.8bn (consensus \$11.2bn) from \$11.3bn, largely driven by a big fall in imports (-9.1% m/m or -\$4.3bn).

The Australian dollar lost -1.52%, finishing the month at US66.10 cents (from US67.12 cents the previous month).

Credit Market

The global credit indices remained relatively flat over April. They are now back to their levels in early 2022 (prior to the rate hike cycle from most central banks):

Index	April 2023	March 2023
CDX North American 5yr CDS	79bp	78bp
iTraxx Europe 5yr CDS	86bp	88bp
iTraxx Australia 5yr CDS	91bp	92bp

Source: Markit

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Fixed Interest Review

Benchmark Index Returns

Index	April 2023	March 2023
Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bill Index (0+YR)	+0.30%	+0.28%
Bloomberg AusBond Composite Bond Index (0+YR)	+0.19%	+3.16%
Bloomberg AusBond Credit FRN Index (0+YR)	+0.46%	+0.26%
Bloomberg AusBond Credit Index (0+YR)	+0.45%	+1.85%
Bloomberg AusBond Treasury Index (0+YR)	+0.01%	+3.53%
Bloomberg AusBond Inflation Gov't Index (0+YR)	+0.32%	+4.16%

Source: Bloomberg

Other Key Rates

Index	April 2023	March 2023
RBA Official Cash Rate	3.60%	3.60%
90 Day (3 month) BBSW Rate	3.68%	3.72%
3yr Australian Government Bonds	3.00%	2.94%
10yr Australian Government Bonds	3.34%	3.30%
US Fed Funds Rate	4.75%-5.00%	4.75%-5.00%
2yr US Treasury Bonds	4.04%	4.06%
10yr US Treasury Bonds	3.44%	3.48%

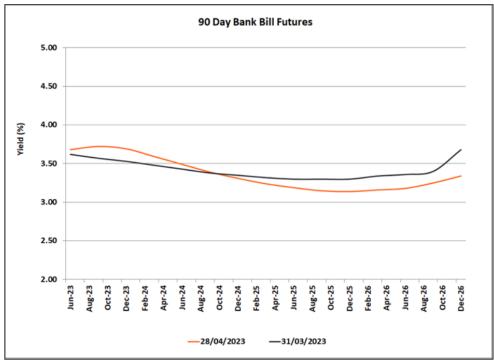
Source: RBA, AFMA, US Department of Treasury

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90 Day Bill Futures

Bill futures fell at the long-end of the curve in April, following the lower than expected inflation figures released at month-end. The markets continue to factor in the possibility of a global recession over the next few years, highlighted by the drop in the futures pricing in early 2024:



Source: ASX



Fixed Interest Outlook

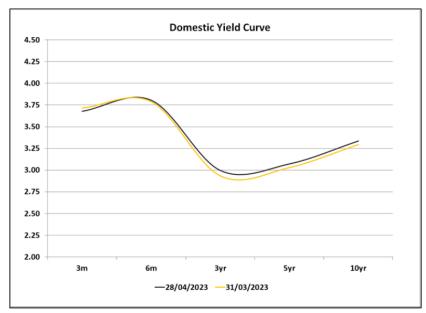
US money market rates ascribe more than an 80% probability to the Fed lifting the Funds rate by 0.25% to 5.00-5.25% on May 3 following the stronger than expected employment numbers.

Domestically, after announcing official interest rates would remain unchanged in April, the RBA's bias to tighten further was softened with prior phrasing of further tightening will be required replaced with further tightening may well be needed. With this pause, 3.60% may potentially mark the peak of interest rates for Australia this cycle as we envisage considerably slower growth in the second half of 2023, moderating inflation and an increase in the unemployment rate. But the RBA continues to suggest they will be agile and act depending on the economic data that is presented to them.

With the RBA having paused in April, the latest CPI data suggests the RBA remains on balance and is likely to pause again in May, waiting on further information on wages (WPI on 17th May and the Minimum Wage Decision) to assess whether the aim of returning inflation to 3% by mid-2025 remains plausible.

What would cause the Board to raise interest rates further? This would likely require in the near term, a significant inflation or wages shock, something that cannot be ruled out as the RBA has been quite reactive to surprises in this sense in recent months, though it also seems to have been comfortable with the prospect of a minimum wage increase as large as 7% being announced in the next few months. Medium term, further rate rises would likely require an accumulation of evidence that inflation was not tracking back towards the 2-3% target. The risk continues to be to the upside in the near term with the RBA to remain reactive to the data flow, especially around inflation and wages.

Over the month, yields remained relatively flat at the long-end of the curve:

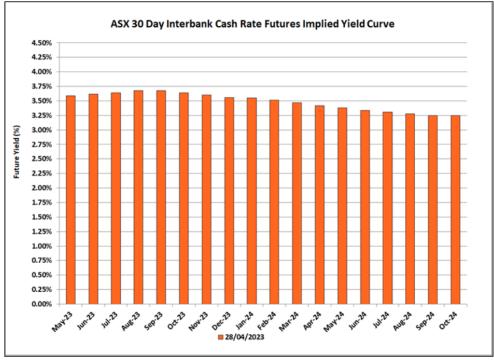


Source: AFMA, ASX, RBA

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With the RBA keeping rates on hold in April and a slightly softer inflation reading than anticipated, the market has changed its view to the next move bring a rate cut, against the RBA's rhetoric that rates may still need to move higher should inflation remain persistently high over the medium term.



Source: ASX

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12.11. DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY REPORT APRIL 2023

Author: Manager Development Services

Authoriser: Director Infrastructure

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive and note the April 2023 Development Services Activity Report

BACKGROUND

Included in Attachment 1 is the Development Services Report for April 2023. The report includes details of the following delivery functions;

- Development Applications received,
- S68 LGA Applications received
- Development Applications by type
- Processing times for applications
- Value and number of applications
- Planning Certificate and Drainage Diagram Applications and processing times
- Progress Inspections Details
- Swimming Pool inspections
- · Animal control activities, and
- Ranger enforcement activities.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

The report details the delivery of regulatory and operational services of the Development Services team . There are no specific issues/matters for discussion arising from this report.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

There are no strategic implications arising from this report.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

- 1. Shaping the Future
- 1.2 Quality Built Environment

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

The Regulatory functions of the Development Services Team is governed by the following statutory legislation;

Environmental Planning & Assessment Act, Local Government Act, Swimming Pools Act, Public Health Act, Companion Animals Act

ATTACHMENTS

1. Monthly Report

Attachment 1 - 4 Environment Report April 2023



Development	Activity				
Applications	received – April 2023				
Application	Property Description	Proposal	Date Received	Date Approved	Status
DA2023/0023	Lot 312 DP 1271442, 29-31	Inground Swimming Pool	6/4/23	19/4/23	Approved
DA2023/0024	Lot 2 DP 778062, 39 Hogans Lane, Deniliquin	4.95 MW Solar Farm	11/4/23	-	On Exhibition until 8/5/23
DA2023/0025	Lot 33 DP 756301 & Lot 1 DP 11292, 822 Moonee Swamp Road, Deniliquin	Cafe	12/4/23	-	Under assessment
DA2023/0026	Lot E DP402718, 205 Henry Street, Deniliquin	Residential Shed	18/4/23	-	Under assessment
CC2023/0019	Lot 3 DP 233426, 283 Cressy Street, Deniliquin	Alterations and Additions	18/4/23	-	Under assessment
CC2023/0020	Lot 210 DP 1178069, 257 Barham Road, Deniliquin	Storage Shed	18/4/23	-	Under assessment
DA2023/0027	Lot 34 DP 756298, 399 Devon Road, Morago	Farm Shed	19/4/23	-	Under assessment
MOD2023/0003	Lot 525 DP 116931, 47-53 Burton Street, Deniliquin	Modification to DA 48/18 – Alter from 2 stages to 1 stage	20/4/23	-	Under assessment
DA2023/0028	Lot 12 DP 1141126, 608-616 Henry Street, Deniliquin	Relocatable Dwelling	24/4/23	-	Under assessment



DA2023/0029	Lot 62 DP 756305, 345 Campbells Road, Mayrung	150ML Storage Dam	26/4/23	-	Under assessment			
DA2023/0030 CC2023/0021	Lot 1 DP 741860, 80 Wellington Street, Deniliquin	Alterations and Additions	28/4/23	-	Under assessment			
	Complying Development Certificates							
-	-	-	-	-	-			
S68 Applications								
LG2023/0020	Lot 210 DP 1178069, 257 Barham Road, Deniliquin	Water supply & sewerage work & stormwater drainage work	18/4/23	-	Under assessment			
LG2023/0021	Lot 1 DP 1132408, 1 butler Street (Site 448), Deniliquin	Flyover	20/4/23	-	Under assessment			
LG2023/0022	Lot 10 DP 1062710, 164 Henry Street, Deniliquin	Connect to LPS	20/4/23	-	Under assessment			
LG2023/0023	Subdivision details not provided	Relocatable dwelling / Water supply & sewerage work & stormwater drainage work	21/4/23	-	Under assessment			
LG2023/0024	Lot 1 DP 741860, 80 Wellington Street, Deniliquin	Water supply & sewerage work & stormwater drainage work	28/4/23	-	Under assessment			



	Development Applications by Type for April 2023							
Development Type	Subdivision	No of lots resulting						
Number	1	5	0	5	0	0		
Totals 2023	8	14	5	13	3	7		

	Processing Times for April 2023						
Application Type	* Mean Gross Days	** Mean Net Days					
DA	23	23					
Mod (S4.55) of DA & DA/CC	6	6					
CDC	-	-					
СС	26	26					
S68 Applications	-	-					

^{*} Mean gross days = Total days from lodgment to determination ** Mean Net Days = Total days less Stop the Clock days



	Value and Number of Applications Determined 2022 and 2023									
Month	DA 2022	DA 2023	CDC 2022	CDC 2023	CC 2022	CC 2023	LG 2022	LG 2023	Value 2022	Value 2023
January	3	4	2	0	1	3	2	4	\$870,000	\$148,890
February	14	8	1	1	9	5	2	7	\$6,541,633	\$1,631,720
March	13	6	0	1	8	5	5	7	\$1,968,289	\$4,340,700
April	8	4	0	0	2	3	0	0	\$1,891,000	\$194,595
May	9		1		6		6		\$3,376,895	
June	13		0		8		3		\$277,646	
July	3		0		3		2		\$369,101	
August	10		1		4		6		\$660,693	
September	7		0		1		3		\$894,000	
October	11		0		8		4		\$2,206,916	
November	10		0		9		7		\$2,002,070	
December	8								\$3,894,506	
TOTALS	109	22	5	2	59	16	40	18	\$24,952,749.00	\$6,316,205.00

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

Section 10.7 Certificates/Sewerage Drainage Diagrams					
Planning certificates	30				
Sewerage drainage diagrams	21				
Average processing time	1 day				
Maximum time for processing	5 days				



Inspecti	Inspections for April												
Site	Footing / Pier	Slab	Frame	Hot & Cold	Wet Area	Sewer / Septic	Storm Water	Final	Food Van	Trade Waste Site Visit	Meetings	Murrumbidgee Council	Total
9	5	6	6	4	3	2	4	3	0	0	23	0	65

Swimmin	g Pool Inspection Program			
Month	1st Inspection	2 nd Inspection	3 rd Inspection	TOTAL 2023
April	2	3	-	29

Animal Control /Ranger Activities Ranger's Report – April 2023 Companion Animals

Seized / Surrendered	Released to Owner prior to impounded	In Pound	Released to Owner after impounded	Re- Homed	Euthanised	Stolen or escaped	Still In Pound	Declared Dangerous Menacing	Micro Chipped	Registered	Fines Issued
32	6	26	3	2	21	0	0	0	1	4	2

Note: The figures contained in this report relate to animal control activities carried out in the current month being reported on. Rehoming/Return to owner etc may occur in a subsequent month and are therefore not captured in this reporting period.

Clean Up		Parking		Impoundment		
Notices Sent	Illegal Dumping	Patrols	Fines	Vehicles	Live Stock	Euthanised
0	1 x fine	10	0	0	0	0



Dog Attacks		
Date	Details	Outcome
26.4.23	Dog jumped fence and bit another dog.	No vet treatment required. Fines issued to owner.

12.12. RESOLUTIONS OF COUNCIL

Author: Executive Assistant

Authoriser: Chief Executive Officer

RECOMMENDATION

That Council note the information in the Resolutions of Council as at 8 May 2023.

BACKGROUND

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

Total of open resolutions from the 2020 Financial Year onward - 1
Total Resolutions of Council for the 2022/2023 Financial Year - 189
Total Closed Resolutions of Council for the 2022/2023 Financial Year - 186

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

- 5. Accountable leadership and responsive administration
- 5.1 Collaborative and Engaged

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

N/A

LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS

N/A

ATTACHMENTS

Council meeting resolutions as at 8 May 2023

Attachment 1 - Council meeting resolutions at 8 May 2023

5 May 2023	Extraordinary Council Meeting	Responsibility	Status	Expected Date of Completion
2023/0505/10.1	Submission regarding DA2023/0024 – 4.95MW Solar Farm That Council makes a submission regarding DA2023/0024, being the proposed development of a solar farm along Hogans Lane, noting its concerns based on the unsuitability of the site, lack of consultation, lack of community benefit and impact on Council infrastructure.	Director Infrastructure	Completed	Completed
2023/0505/10.2	Letter to NSW State Government on Proposed Removal of ESL Subsidy That Council write to the Minister for Local Government, the Hon. Ron Hoenig, MP, the Minister for Emergency Services, The Hon. Jihad Dib, MP, and carbon copy Mrs Helen Dalton, MP, Member for Murray, expressing its dissatisfaction with the proposed removal of the Emergency Services Levy (ESL) subsidy, using the preferred template issued by Local Government NSW (LGNSW) to all NSW Councils for this purpose.	Acting Chief Financial Officer	Signed by Mayor.	Completed.
18 April 2023	Ordinary Council Meeting	Responsibility	Status	Expected Date of Completion
2023/0418/11.3	Rotary Park Users Group Meeting 5 April 2023 That Council note the minutes from the Rotary Park Users Group meeting of 5 April 2023 with minor changes to action items.	Director Infrastructure	Completed	Completed
2023/0418/12.1	Financial Sustainability Review Draft Report That Council 1. Note the Report and findings of the Financial Sustainability Review and strategies to achieve a financially sustainable Council. 2. Adopt the Financial Sustainability Review report and recommendations and action plan contained within the report. 3. Adopt the draft Long Term Financial Plan for public exhibition alongside the draft 2023-24 draft Operational Plan and Budget	Director Corporate Services	Completed	Completed

2023/0418/12.2	 2023-24 Operational Plan and Budget That Council: Endorse the attached draft 2023-24 Operational Plan and Budget (including Fees and Charges) for public exhibition, Notes the public exhibition period will run for at least 28 days and will invite members of the community to make a submission on the draft documents, Notes that a community engagement program will be implemented during the exhibition period to enable community consultation and discussion on the draft documents, Notes that all submissions received during the public exhibition period will be considered during finalisation of the 2023-24 Operational Plan and Budget prior to its formal adoption before 30 June 2023. 	Director Corporate Services	Completed	Completed
2023/0418/12.3	Proposed Sale of Part of April Street That Council proceeds with the sale, by way of an expression of interest process, of the former Crown road reserve located off April Street, adjacent to Lot 1 DP251852 and Lot 2 Section 122 DP758782.	Manager Engineering and Assets	Underway	August 2023
2023/0418/12.5	Australian Local Government Association – National General Assembly 2023 That Council 1. Approves the attendance of the Mayor and the Chief Executive Officer at the Australian Local Government Association 2023 National General Assembly 13 to 16 June 2023 at the National Convention Centre in Canberra. 2. Approves the attendance of up to 3 other Councillors in line with the Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy.	Chief Executive Officer	Underway	Completed
2023/0418/12.6	Edward River Council Arts & Culture Advisory Committee Terms of Reference That Council adopt the draft Terms of Reference for the Edward River Council Arts & Culture Advisory Committee with an amendment to include a representative from Play on the Plains and Art Life.	Manager Community and Economic Development	Completed	Completed

2023/0418/12.7	The Long Paddock	Manager	Completed	Completed
	That Council:	Community and	·	
	 Note the Minutes of the Officers' Forum. 	Economic		
	Dissolve the s355 committee arrangement for the	ne Long Development		
	Paddock Tourism Route of Edward River Coun-			
	the Committee was not reconfirmed after the co			
	nor was it dissolved).	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		
	3. Support in principle the formation of a members	ship-based		
	committee with an incorporated association gov			
	model for the purpose of marketing and promot			
	Paddock Touring Route, noting proposed mem			
	include a council representative and community			
	representative for each member Council and th	at community		
	representatives should be appointed via an ope			
	transparent process.			
	4. Notes that Councillor Burge is the Edward Rive	r Councillor		
	delegate.			
	Support in principle the establishment of a bank	account for		
	the deposit of current Long Paddock Committee			
	evidence of incorporation is provided and that C			
	transfer the remaining Long Paddock Touring R			
	that account.			
	6. Notes the recommendation by the Committee to	waive the		
	2021/22 financial contribution from member cou	ıncils.		
	7. Notes the intention to maintain membership fee	s for the new		
	incorporated association at \$7,000 per member	council, and		
	notes that Edward River Council's contribution	will reduce to		
	\$7k per annum which is comparable to Hay and	l Murray River		
	Councils' contributions.			
	Notes Edward River Council's limited ability to s	support the		
	transition work described above, given current i	resourcing		
	constraints, and that it is recommended that this	s work will be		
	assigned to the project officer (currently an emp	oloyee of Hay		
	Shire Council) to undertake in the interim until a	ın external		
	contractor can be hired.			

	 Notes that the sculpture and other Long Paddock Touring Route assets that reside in the Edward River Council LGA are considered assets of council, and will require appropriate management in accordance with asset management principles and processes. Notes that performance measures and return on investment in the Long Paddock Touring Route for Edward River Council are largely anecdotal, however, continued participation is recommended to an extent that is within current Council's resourcing (staffing and proposed future budget allocations). 			
21 March 2023	Ordinary Council Meeting	Responsibility	Status	Expected Date of Completion
2023/0321/12.2	ERC Community Grants – Request for Variation – Deniliquin Boat Club That Council: 1. Notifies the Deniliquin Boat Club that it does not accept its request for variation on the basis that it is in breach of sections 3.1, 3.2 and 3.6(b) of its Community Grant Agreement, 2. Seeks remedy of the breach by requesting the Deniliquin Boat Club either deliver an event in accordance with the Community Grant Agreement by 1 December 2023 or reimburses Council within 30 days.	Manager Economic Development & Tourism	Notified via email 22 March 2023. Deniliquin Boat Club requested banking details 5 April 2023.	21 April 2023 Completed
21 February 2023	Ordinary Council Meeting	Responsibility	Status	Expected Date of Completion
2023/0221/9	Mayoral Minute – National Reconciliation Week That Council: 3. Support the National Reconciliation Week walk in Deniliquin, incorporating "the flats" as part of the walk. 4. Provide operational support for use of Waring Gardens, and any traffic control required	Chief Executive Officer	Letter of support drafted. National Reconciliation Week will be held 27 May to 3 June 2023.	3 June 2023

	 5. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer, to allocate \$250 from Council's Quick Response Grants as requested, and authorise appropriate operational support for the initiative as needed, and 6. Write to Mr Fawns, expressing Council's support for the idea via this resolution. Cr Marc Petersen offered to provide an additional \$500 from his Councillor payment. 			
2023/0221/12.2	Deniliquin Kolety Lagoons Landcare Group – Fishing Challenge Request That Council: 1. Note the request from the organisers of the Edward Kolety Fishing Challenge for additional support for the event, and 2. Provides support up to a value of \$2,500 for the event due to infrastructure that has been impacted by recent flooding.	Director Infrastructure	Correspondence sent to Deniliquin Kolety Lagoons Landcare Group advising of Council resolution.	April 2023 Completed
20 December 2022	Ordinary Council Meeting	Responsibility	Status	Expected Date of Completion
2022/1220/12.2	Appointment of NSW Electoral Commission for 2024 Election That Council: 1.Pursuant to sections 296AA, 296(2) and (3) of the Local Government Act 1993, enter into an election arrangement by way of contract for the Electoral Commissioner to administer the ordinary election for Council scheduled for September 2024 2.Ensures that the contract includes the administration of council polls (if any) or constitutional referenda (if any) of the Council conducted as part of the September 2024 elections		Awaiting on contract documentation.	June 2023 Completed

	4. Include the costs associated with the council's elections in the 2024/25 operational budget and plan			
2022/1220/13.2	Notice of Motion – Flood Plans and Mitigation Works That Council:	Director Infrastructure		May 2023
	 Agree to hold a community meeting prior to end of March 2023, providing an overview of Council's flood plans and mitigation works that are currently in place, and discussing potential options for North Deniliquin, following the November 2022 floods. 		1.Meeting held March 2023.	
	 Requests the Chief Executive Officer to invite an appropriate panel of expert staff to answer questions and provide information to the community on what could potentially be developed into the future. 		2.WMA Water engaged to provide expert advice.	
	 Provides a further report to a Councillor briefing, prior to June 2023, outlining a potential project for flood mitigation to be advocated to the state government for funding. 		3.Underway	June 2024
18 October 2022		Responsibility	Status	Expected Date of Completion
2022/1018/12.5	Town Hall Land That Council:	Manager Development	Process commenced.	Open
	1. Commence the process to consolidate Lot 1 in DP1173376, Lots X and Y in DP410447, Lot 9 in DP662508, Lot 6 in DP667946 and Lot 6 in DP668426, and		Application made to Crown Lands. Awaiting	June 2023 Completed
	 Apply to Crown Lands to undertake a boundary adjustment for Lot 7 Sec 21 DP758913, being the Town Hall land parcel, to allow for the new foyer entrance to the Town Hall. 		favourable outcome regarding application	

16 August 2022		Responsibility	Status	Expected Date of Completion
2022/2806/11.9	100 Years of Learn to Swim Signage – McLean Beach That Council:	Manager Community &	Installation and unveiling	5 May 2023
	1.Approve and fund the installation of interpretive signage at Mclean Beach to commemorate 100 years of the Deniliquin Learn to Swim program, as an opportunity to showcase the history of Mclean Beach.	Economic Development	scheduled Friday 5 May 2023	Completed
	2.Allocate \$5000 from the 2022/23 'Our Rivers, Our Region' grant funding to purchase the signage.			
15 July 2021	Resolution	Responsibility	Status	Expected Date of Completion
2021/96	 Saleyards Strategic Plan That Council: Council defer decision to divest and close the cattle yards and not adopt strategic plan for 12 months. Form a user group to assist Council and the new lease holder to improve the facility. Council investigate the scaling down to three runs to a 300 head of cattle capacity in 12 months. Council initiate a complete WHS report on the three cattle runs. Provides a report with a recommendation on the outcome of the expression of interest process by November 2021. Includes the development of the Saleyards in its advocacy strategy and investigates funding opportunities to assist with future development of the sales. Includes the development of the saleyards in Council's long term financial plan, and 	Director Infrastructure	1.Noted 2.Completed 3.Underway 4.WHS report received. 5.Tender in currently being advertised. 6.Underway as part of review of Advocacy Strategy 7.Included in scenarios for 23/24 LTFP.	1.Completed 2.Completed 3.June 2023 4.Completed 5.June 2023 6.Completed 7.Completed

	Prepares a management plan for the ongoing operation of the sale yards facility.		8.To be prepared as part of the commencement of new lease.	8.August 2023
20 August 2020	Resolution	Responsibility	Status	Expected Date of Completion
2020/164	North Deniliquin Levee Upgrade Feasibility Report That Council: 1. Adopt the North Deniliquin Levee Upgrade Feasibility Report, contained as Attachment 1 to this report, and; 2. Apply to Office of Environment and Heritage for funding of the works detailed in the North Deniliquin Levee Upgrade Feasibility Report		Underway Waiting on funding details. Feasibility being finalised. To briefing September.	Waiting on funding applications to open. Completed

12.13. MAYOR, COUNCILLOR, CEO MEETINGS APRIL 2023

Author: Executive Assistant

Authoriser: Chief Executive Officer

RECOMMENDATION

That Council

- 1. Note the Mayor, Councillor and Chief Executive Officer meetings attended on behalf of Council during the month of April 2023.
- 2. Continue to advise the Chief Executive Officer's Executive Assistant of their meeting diaries and activities attendance.

BACKGROUND

The report details meetings undertaken on behalf of Council by the Mayor, Councillors and the Chief Executive Officer during April 2023

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

Date	Participants	Meeting
4 April 2023	Mayor, Cr Burge, Cr Fogarty	2022 Flood Evening & Future Planning - Davidson Street
5 April 2023	Cr Burge	Rotary Park Users Group Meeting
5 April 2023	Mayor, Cr Moore	Rotary Art Show - selection Acquisitive Prize
6 April 2023	Deputy Mayor, Cr Moore, Cr Burge, Cr Fogarty	Rotary Art Show Opening
8 April 2023	Cr Moore	Art Out Artisan and Vintage Market
8 April 2023	Cr Moore	Naponda Easter Market
17 April 2023	Mayor, Cr Burge, Chief Executive Officer	Health Advisory Committee Meeting
18 April 2023	Mayor	U3A Deniliquin - NSW State Conference - Opening
21 April 2023	Chief Executive Officer	RAMJO General Managers Forum
24 April 2023	Mayor, Chief Executive Officer	Deniliquin RSL Sub-branch ANZAC Eve Dinner
25 April 2023	Mayor, Cr Fawns, Cr Burge, Chief Executive Officer	ANZAC Day Dawn Service
25 April 2023	Cr Burge	ANZAC Day Service - Cemetery

Date	Participants	Meeting
25 April 2023	Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Chief Executive Officer	ANZAC Day Service - Wanganella 9am
25 April 2023	Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Cr Fawns, Cr Burge, Chief Executive Officer	3
26 April 2023	Mayor, Cr Fawns, Cr Clapham, Chief Executive Officer	Aboriginal Liaison Committee Meeting
26 April 2023	Mayor, Cr Burge, Cr Fawns, Cr Moore, Chief Executive Officer	Visioning Workshop - Deniliquin Town Hall
26 April 2023	Mayor, Cr Petersen (remotely), Chief Executive Officer	Memorial Park User Group Meeting

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

- 5. Accountable leadership and responsive administration
- 5.1 Collaborative and Engaged
- 13. NOTICES OF MOTIONS
- 14. QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE
- 15. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS
- **16. CLOSE OF MEETING**