

SHIRE OF MENZIES AGENDA



**30 November
2017**

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Agenda for the Ordinary Council Meeting to be held on Thursday
30 November 2017 commencing at 1pm in the Council Chambers.

**SHIRE OF MENZIES
NOTICE OF ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL**

Dear Council Member,

The next Ordinary Meeting of the Shire of Menzies will be held on 30 November 2017 in the Shire of Menzies council chambers commencing at 1pm.

Rhonda Evans
Chief Executive Officer

24 November 2017

DISCLAIMER

No responsibility whatsoever is implied or accepted by the shire of Menzies for any act or omission or statement or intimation occurring during this meeting.

It is strongly advised that persons do not act on what is heard at this meeting and should only rely on written confirmation of Council's decision, which will be provided within fourteen (14) days of this meeting.

FINANCIAL INTEREST

A financial interest occurs where a Councillor, or person with whom the Councillor is closely associated, has direct or indirect financial interest in the matter. That is, the person stands to make a financial gain or loss from the decision, either now or at some time in the future.

An indirect financial interest includes a reference to a financial relationship between that person and another person who requires a Local Government decision in relation to the matter.

Councillors should declare an interest:

- a) In a written notice given to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) before the meeting: or
- b) At the meeting, immediately before the matter is discussed.

A member who has declared an interest must not:

- Preside at the part of the meeting relating to the matter: or
- Participate in, or be present during the discussion of decision making procedure relating to the matter unless the member is allowed to do so under Section 5.68 or 5.69 of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

Councillor Attendance at Shire of Menzies Council Meeting 2017

Council Meeting Date	Leave of Absence	Apologies	Electronic Attendance	Absent
23 February 2017		Cr D Hansen		
30 March 2017	Cr D Hansen	Cr J Dwyer Cr I Baird	Cr J Mazza	
27 April 2017		Cr D Hansen Cr J Lee	Cr J Mazza	
25 May 2017				
29 June 2017			Cr D Hansen Cr I Baird	
27 July 2017		Cr D Hansen		Cr K Mader
31 August 2017		Cr D Hansen		
30 September 2017			Cr D Hansen Cr I Baird	
26 October 2017				
30 November 2017				
14 December 2017				

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 - 9.1 **Confirmation of Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Friday 10 November 2017.**

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Friday 10 November 2017 be confirmed as a true and correct record.
 - 9.2 **Receival of the Minutes Goldfields Tourism Network Association Inc Board Meeting 13 October 2017**

That the minutes of the Goldfields Tourism Network Association Inc Board Meeting held on Friday 13 October 2017 be received by Council.
- 10 **PETITIONS / DEPUTATIONS / PRESENTATIONS**
- 11 **ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PRESIDING MEMBER WITHOUT DISCUSSION**
 - 11.1 **PRESIDENTS REPORT**

(To be tabled at the Council Meeting)



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GVROC Council Meeting

Friday 13 October 2017
In-Person Meeting
City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder Councillors Conference Room,
commencing at 9.00am

MINUTES

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GOLDFIELDS VOLUNTARY REGIONAL ORGANISATION OF COUNCILS (GVROC)

**An in-person meeting of the GVROC Council to be held Friday 13 October 2017
commencing at 9.00am**

MINUTES

1. OPENING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss business related to the activities of the Goldfields Voluntary Regional Organisation of Councils

Cr Cullen opened the meeting at 9.00am welcoming all in attendance.

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Pursuant to the Code of Conduct, Councillors and CEOs must declare to the Chairman any potential conflict of interest they may have in a matter before the Goldfields Voluntary Regional Organisation of Councils as soon as they become aware of it. Councillors, CEOs and Deputies may be directly or indirectly associated with some recommendations of the Goldfields Voluntary Regional Organisation of Councils. If you are affected by these recommendations, please excuse yourself from the meeting and do not participate in deliberations.

3. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE, APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

3.1 Attendance

Cr Mal Cullen (Chair)	President, Shire of Coolgardie
Cr Tracey Rathbone	Deputy President, Shire of Coolgardie
Mr James Trail	CEO, Shire of Coolgardie
Cr Jacqui Best	President, Shire of Dundas
Cr Laurene Bonza	Councillor, Shire of Dundas
Cr Victoria Brown	President, Shire of Esperance
Cr Beverley Stewart	Councillor, Shire of Esperance
Cr Basil Parker	Councillor, Shire of Esperance
Mr Matthew Scott	CEO, Shire of Esperance
Mayor John Bowler (left the meeting at 9.28am and returned at 10.33am)	Mayor, City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder
Cr Rex Welden	Councillor, Shire of Laverton
Mr Pascoe Durtanovich	A/CEO, Shire of Laverton
Mr Jim Epis	CEO, Shire of Leonora
Cr Jill Dwyer (left the meeting at 10.53am)	President, Shire of Menzies
Ms Rhonda Evans	CEO, Shire of Menzies
Mr Chris Paget (via Teleconference)	CEO, Shire of Ngaanyatjarraku
Cr Keith Dunlop	President, Shire Ravensthorpe
Cr Ian Goldfinch	Councillor, Shire of Ravensthorpe
Mr Ian Fitzgerald	CEO, Shire of Ravensthorpe
Cr Graham Harris	Deputy President, Shire of Wiluna
Mr Warren Olsen	A/DCEO, Shire of Wiluna

Mr Bruce Wittber, Joint Executive Officer

3.2 Apologies

Mr Doug Stead, CEO Shire of Dundas
 Mr John Walker, CEO City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder
 Cr Pat Hill, President Shire of Laverton
 Cr Peter Craig, President Shire of Leonora
 Cr Jamie Mazza, Councillor Shire of Menzies
 Cr Damian McLean, President Shire of Ngaanyatjarraku
 Cr Jim Quadrio, President Shire of Wiluna
 Mr Colin Bastow, A/CEO Shire of Wiluna

Ms Helen Westcott Joint Executive Officer

3.3 Guests

Mr John O'Sullivan Manager Assets & Procurement City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder
 Mr Zach Relph, Kalgoorlie Miner

3.4 WALGA Representatives

Nil

3.5 Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries

Nil

4. GUEST SPEAKERS/PRESENTATIONS

Nil

5. MINUTES OF MEETINGS**5.1 Minutes of a Meeting of the Goldfields Voluntary Regional Organisation of Councils (GVROC) Council held Friday 25 August 2017 (Attachment)**

Minutes of the GVROC Council Meeting held Friday 25 August 2017 are presented for adoption.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the GVROC Council Meeting held Friday 25 August 2017 be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

RESOLUTION: **Moved: Cr Harris** **Seconded: Cr Rathbone**

That the Minutes of the GVROC Council Meeting held Friday 25 August 2017 be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

CARRIED

5.2 Business Arising from Meetings of the Goldfields Voluntary Regional Organisation of Councils (GVROC) – October 2017 Status Report (Attachment)

There were a number of issues within the Status Report that need to be reviewed to assess whether the issue has now been finalised or further action required. The details of these issues are outlined below:

A copy of the October 2017 Status Report forms an attachment to this agenda.

5.2.1 GVROC Meeting 21 April 2017 Item 5.5 - Business Arising from Meetings of the Goldfields Voluntary Regional Organisation of Councils (GVROC) - GVROC Status Report for April 2017

RESOLUTION: *Moved: Mr Fitzgerald* *Seconded: Cr Harris*

That the GVROC Status Report, as presented, be received with the following actions to be undertaken in response to discussion on the Status Report:

1. *That GVROC extend an invitation to the Directors General of the Departments of Planning and Minerals and Petroleum to attend the GVROC Council Meeting scheduled to be held in Perth on Wednesday 2 August 2017;*
2. *That a report on the impact of charter vs Regulated Transport be completed for consideration by the GVROC Council at the meeting scheduled to be held in Kalgoorlie on Friday 30 June 2017; and*
3. *That GVROC extend an invitation to a representative from Camp Kulin to attend the GVROC Council Meeting scheduled to be held in Perth on Wednesday 2 August 2017.*

CARRIED

Current Status

Parts 1 and 3 of the above resolution were actioned however part 2 relating to a *report on the impact of charter vs Regulated Transport* is outstanding. This in part results from the fact that at the June GVROC Council Meeting it was agreed that the GVROC CEOs Group Meeting held Friday 14 July 2017 would be devoted to working through the review of the Local Government Act/regulatory amendments.

In addition the Legislative Assembly Economics and Industry Standing Committee is currently holding an "Inquiry into regional airfares in Western Australia". It may be prudent to wait for the outcome of this Inquiry before further considering this matter.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the report be noted and no further action be taken on Part 2 of the resolution however the Executive Officer monitor any report that is delivered by the Legislative Assembly Economics and Industry Standing Committee following its "Inquiry into regional airfares in Western Australia" and report back to the GVROC on any relevant recommendations.

RESOLUTION: *Moved: Cr Goldfinch* *Seconded: Cr Harris*

That the report be noted and no further action be taken on Part 2 of the resolution however the Executive Officer monitor any report that is delivered by the Legislative Assembly Economics and Industry Standing Committee following its "Inquiry into regional airfares in Western Australia" and report back to the GVROC on any relevant recommendations.

CARRIED

5.2.2 GVROC Meeting 30 June 2017 Item 10.3 - Establishment of a Working Party by GVROC to Address Law and Order Issues across the Goldfields Esperance Region

RESOLUTION: *Moved: Cr Harris* *Seconded: Cr Dwyer*

That:

1. *The regular GVROC Council and CEOs Group Meetings are the appropriate forum where the issue of law and order should be discussed and that each meeting agenda have a standing agenda item on the matter of law and order;*
2. *An action within the GVROC Strategic Plan includes a strategy relating to law and order issues; and*
3. *Interested Member Councils work with the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder in arranging a delegation of indigenous leaders from within their respective communities to travel to Ceduna to see how the cashless card operates. In arranging the trip, participating Councils will:*
 - a) *Through their CEOs coordinate the invitations to indigenous leaders to travel to Ceduna and ensure that their delegates are available to travel to Ceduna once an itinerary has been finalised; and*
 - b) *Fund the cost of travel and accommodation of the trip.*

CARRIED

Current Status

Part 1 of the resolution has been actioned in that there is now a standing item on the agenda at each GVROC Council Meeting to address law and order issues. Part 2 is also being actioned.

Given the recent decision by the Federal Government to introduce the "cashless welfare card" into Kalgoorlie and the Goldfields it is questionable whether part 3 of the resolution is now relevant.

RECOMMENDATION:

The report be noted and no further action be taken.

RESOLUTION: **Moved: Cr Dwyer** **Seconded: Cr Best**

The report be noted and no further action be taken.

CARRIED

5.2.3 GVROC Meeting 30 June 2017 Item 10.4 – Goldfields Biosecurity Workshop

RESOLUTION: *Moved: Cr Rathbone* *Seconded: Cr Harris*

1. *That GVROC extend an invitation to the Minister for Agriculture or her representative to attend the GVROC Council Meeting on Wednesday 2 August 2017, in Perth, or such other meeting if she is unable to attend the Perth meeting, to discuss the State Government's position around biosecurity in the Goldfields region so that GVROC is aware of the details before it determines a position.*
2. *That the issue of biodiversity and natural resource management be included in the GVROC Strategic Plan.*

CARRIED

Current Status

Part 2 of the above resolution has been actioned.

An invitation to the Minister for Primary Industries (as it is now known) has yet to be extended but given the recent involvement of GVROC in the Wild Dogs Forum and the letter to the Minister from the Chair of GVROC it may be appropriate to now follow up with an invitation to meet with the GVROC.

Would the GVROC Meeting in Esperance be a suitable meeting for the Minister to be invited to attend?

RECOMMENDATION:

The report be noted and an invitation be extended to the Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development to attend the GVROC Meeting in Esperance in February 2018.

RESOLUTION: **Moved: Cr Brown** **Seconded: Cr Dwyer**

The report be noted and an invitation be extended to the Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development to attend the GVROC Meeting in Esperance in February 2018.

CARRIED

5.2.4 GVROC Meeting 30 June 2017 Item 14.1 – Closure of the Goldfields Arts Centre

RESOLUTION: *Moved: Cr Rathbone* *Seconded: Cr Quadrio*

1. *That GVROC support the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder in its efforts to secure the future of the Goldfields Art Centre.*
2. *That GVROC calls on the State Government to establish a regional equivalent of the Perth Theatre Trust thereby ensure equitable access for residents in rural and regional Western Australia to arts and culture events.*

CARRIED

Current Status

It is noted that the Hon David Templeman Minister for Local Government; Heritage; Culture and the Arts and Hon Alannah MacTiernan MLC Minister for Regional Development; Agriculture and Food; Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development, Jobs and Trade jointly announced on 17 September 2017 that the Goldfields Arts Centre will continue to operate following a new arrangement having been negotiated between the State Government and the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder.

The Executive Officer is not sure whether this has addressed the City's concerns or whether there is a further matter to consider around "a regional equivalent of the Perth Theatre Trust"

The matter is listed for consideration of any further action that may be required.

Noted

The Executive Officer also made comment on the following items in the Status Report – October 2017:

Disposal of GVROC's Portable Stage

The EO has been in discussion with the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder and the Expression of Interest will be developed to enable acceptance of the tender at either the GVROC Council Meeting in December 2017 or February 2018.

Proposed Digital Strategy for Goldfields Esperance Region

The Executive Officer advised that he has been in discussions with Goldfields Esperance RDA Executive Officer who is keen to see GVROC develop a new project proposal for the use of the funds potentially involving innovation across the region.

WANDDRA

A letter has been drafted, for the Chair to sign, to the Minister for Emergency Services Hon Fran Logan MLA, seeking for him to meet with the GVROC to discuss the concerns.

5.3 Matters for Noting

Nil

9.28am Mayor Bowler left the meeting

9.28am Mr John O'Sullivan Manager Assets & Procurement City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder joined the meeting

6. GOLDFIELDS VOLUNTARY REGIONAL ORGANISATION OF COUNCILS FINANCE

6.1 Financial Statements for 31 August 2017 (Attachment) and Accounts for Payment

From Executive Officer

Background:

Presenting the unaudited financial statement for the period 1 July 2017 to 31 August 2017 and the accounts approved for payment for the period 27 July 2017 to 30 September 2017.

Financial Statement:

The Executive Officer provides the following comment:

- Account 501 - Members Subscriptions – all members' annual subscriptions have been paid.
- Account 502 – Members Subscriptions Goldfields District Display – all members' annual subscriptions have been paid.
- Account 512 - Project General Contributions - all members' annual subscriptions have been paid.
- Accounts 1512, 1513, 1514 and 1515 – Executive Officer Services – payment for Executive Officer Services and expenses incurred such as travel and accommodation. The account includes payment for Executive Officer Services until the 31 July 2017.
- Account 1555 – Council Expenses – Meeting Food and Beverage - included in this account is expenditure for the GVROC Meeting held during Local Government Week and GVROC Dinner expenses for the dinner during Local Government Week 2017 that will be recouped from member Councils.
- Account 1848 – DLG Asset Management Business Case – reimbursement payments paid to the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder on a quarterly basis.

It should also be noted that since the 1 July 2017 the financial records have been transferred to Xero Accounting to enable the GVROC financial records to be compatible with the need to complete the taxable payments annual report in August 2018.

Accounts Paid:

Cheque/ EFT	Date	Payee	Details	Amount incl GST
Chq 20	280717	City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder	GERCG Asset Management Project Quarter 4 Reimbursement	73,220.60
EFT	040817	BHW Consulting	Reimbursement GVROC Dinner LG Week 2017	5,139.95
EFT	230817	BHW Consulting	Professional Services May and June 2017, Reimbursement of Accommodation and Travel Expenses	9,415.61
EFT	290817	WA Local Government Association	Catering Local Government Week Meeting 2 August 2017	1,197.00
EFT	290817	Up to Date Accounting	Accounting Services July 2017	554.40
EFT	300817	BHW Consulting	Professional Services July 2017, Reimbursement of Accommodation, Travel Expenses and Dinner	8,538.80

Expenses to be reimbursed						
EFT	140917	Goldfields Locksmiths	Maintenance Equipment Pool	Regional		92.50
EFT	140917	Goldfields Tourism	Contribution to District Display Royal Show			25,630.00
EFT	260917	Up to Date Accounting	Accounting Services 2017	August		897.60
EFT	290917	City of Kalgoorlie- Boulder	GERCG Asset Management Project Quarter Reimbursement	1		33,952.25
						TOTAL \$158,638.71

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Statement of Financial Position for the period 1 July 2017 to 31 August 2017 as attached, be received and accounts for payment for the period 27 July 2017 to 30 September 2017 totalling \$158,638.71 be endorsed.

RESOLUTION: Moved: Cr Rathbone Seconded: Cr Harris

That the Statement of Financial Position for the period 1 July 2017 to 31 August 2017 as attached, be received and accounts for payment for the period 27 July 2017 to 30 September 2017 totalling \$158,638.71 be endorsed.

CARRIED

At this point the meeting moved to Agenda Item 9.2 however the discussion and outcome is recorded in numeric sequence

7. GOLDFIELDS RECORDS STORAGE FACILITY

7.1 Goldfields Records Storage Facility Report – 30 September 2017

Reporting Officer: Coby Halpin, Executive Manager Council Businesses and Property
City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder (CKB)
Yvette Hargreaves, Manager Goldfields Records Storage Facility
Helen Westcott, Executive Officer

Disclosure of Interest: No interest to disclose

Date: 5 October 2017

Attachments: Financial Statement to 30 September 2017

Background:

This report seeks GVROC feedback on the financial and statistical performance of Goldfields Records Storage. The report also provides details of current financial and operating issues associated with the facility for GVROC comment.

The report details the financial and operational performance of Goldfields Records Storage when compared to both the current and last year's budgets. The report provides an overview of issues and highlights from the facility in the past quarter.

Financial

Income*			Expenditure		
LYTD	YTD	Budget	LYTD	YTD	Budget
\$22,156	\$19,877	\$16,239	\$46,524	\$43,562	\$44,159

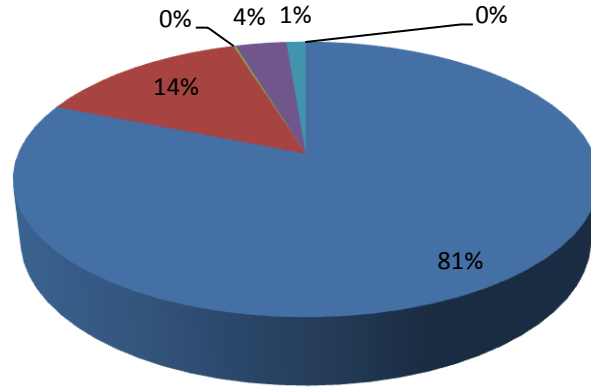
*Income – GVROC contribution subtracted

Financial Comment

- Please note due to the implementation of the new Charts of Accounts at CKB these figures may be subject to small changes once the new system has been finalised.
- The net operating position (year to date compared to budget) of Goldfields Records Storage has improved by \$4,235 and is made up of income being \$3,638 higher than budget and operating expenditure being less than budget by \$597.
- Income primarily above budget due to higher than anticipated destruction.
- Expenses are tracking on budget.

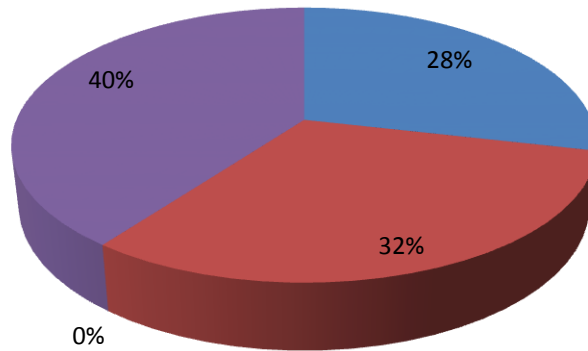
GRS Expenditure September 2017

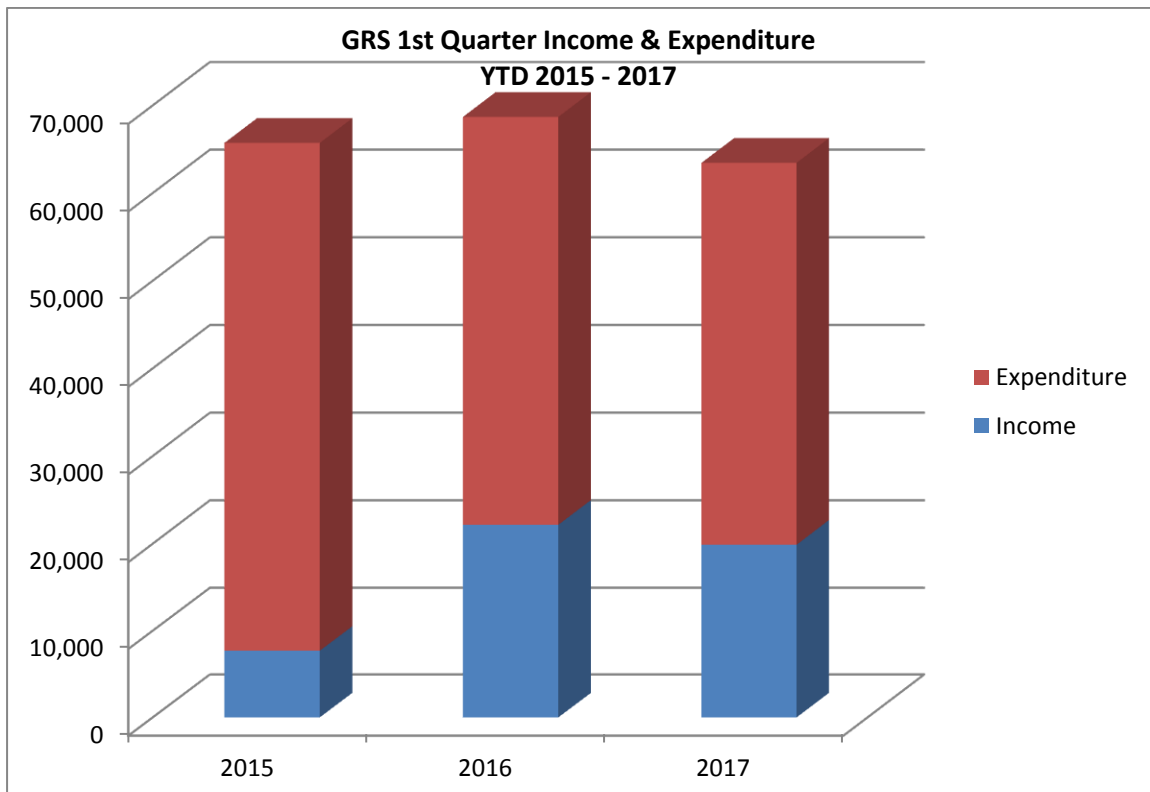
- 1407012 Employee Costs
- 96030102 Occupancy Costs
- 96030112 Operations
- 96030122 Advertising
- 1407072 Vehicle Operating Costs
- 96030132 Admin Support (CKB)



GRS Income September 2017

- Storage
- Destruction
- Records Advice/Services
- Other





- This chart does not include income from GVROC Member contributions.
- Income for 2016/17 improved from previous year due to destruction and storage increase.

Operational Update

- August sales promotion didn't achieve its goals of new clients with no new clients gained
- Goldfields Record Storage has seen a steady increase in destruction services this financial year
- Storage is still a work in progress but is on the rise.

Issues

Nil

Statistics GVROC

- **City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder**
 - Storage (Boxes) 1220
 - Destruction (Boxes) 965
 - Records Management (hours) 0
 - Phone Contact – Informal Yes
- **Shire of Esperance**
 - Storage (Boxes) 100
 - Destruction (Boxes) 0
 - Records Management (hours) 0
 - Phone Contact – Informal No
- **Shire of Dundas**
 - Storage (Boxes) 53
 - Destruction (Boxes) 24
 - Records Management (hours) 0
 - Phone Contact – Informal Yes

- **Shire of Ravensthorpe**
 - Storage (Boxes) 90
 - Destruction (Boxes) 13
 - Records Management (hours) 0
 - Phone Contact – Informal Yes
- **Shire of Menzies**
 - Storage (Boxes) 7
 - Destruction (Boxes) 0
 - Records Management (hours) 0
 - Phone Contact – Informal No
- **Shire of Leonora**
 - Storage (Boxes) 62
 - Destruction (Boxes) 21
 - Records Management (hours) 0
 - Phone Contact – Informal No
- **Shire of Coolgardie**
 - Storage (Boxes) 215
 - Destruction (Boxes) 100
 - Records Management (hours) 0
 - Phone Contact – Informal Yes
- **Shire of Laverton**
 - Storage (Boxes) 0
 - Destruction (Boxes) 0
 - Records Management (hours) 0
 - Phone Contact – Informal No
- **Shire of Wiluna**
 - Storage (Boxes) 0
 - Destruction (Boxes) 0
 - Records Management (hours) 0
 - Phone Contact – Informal No
- **Shire of Ngaanyatjarraku**
 - Storage (Boxes) 0
 - Destruction (Boxes) 0
 - Records Management (hours) 0
 - Phone Contact – Informal No

Statistics General – Overall

	Current Report	Previous Report
Storage	3178	3312
Destruction (boxes)	677	196
Destruction (Bins)	92	29
Records Advice	5.5	0
Box sales	183	299
Access	25	47
New Boxes In	215	230
Permanent Out	52	0

Marketing

- Manager of GRS sent out a survey to all GVROC contacts regarding Records Management compliance/knowledge to develop a strategy going forward with site visits. Once all surveys are returned a time schedule will be set for the visits.
- GRS website is up and running. GVROC Councils will be encouraged to add the link to their website.

- Daily Facebook posts are getting lots of likes. GVROC councils will be encouraged to like pages so they can be added to the posts

Consultation: Nil

Voting Requirement: Simple majority

RECOMMENDATION:

That GVROC receive the Goldfields Records Storage Management Report and Financial Statement for the period ended 30 September 2017.

RESOLUTION: Moved: Cr Rathbone Seconded: Cr Dwyer

That GVROC Council:

1. receive the Goldfields Records Storage Management Report and Financial Statement for the period ended 30 September 2017; and
2. request the CEOs Group to consider the development of a business case to determine the future direction for the Goldfields Records Storage Facility, including the possibility of establishing a regional subsidiary to manage the facility.

CARRIED

8. GOLDFIELDS VOLUNTARY REGIONAL ORGANISATION OF COUNCILS - LAW AND ORDER**8.1 Aboriginal Justice Program – Shire of Leonora (Attachment)**

Reporting Officer: Jim Epis, CEO Shire of Leonora
Bruce Wittber, Joint Executive Officer

Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Date: 4 October 2017

Attachments: Letter to Attorney General Hon John Quigley MLA

Background:

At the meeting on 25 August 2017 GVROC resolved as follows:

RESOLUTION: Moved: Cr Craig Seconded: Cr Hill

That GVROC write to the State's Attorney General, Hon John Quigley MLA, seeking the re-opening of an office for the Aboriginal Justice Program within the Goldfields Esperance region.

CARRIED

Executive Officer Comment:

Correspondence has been forwarded to the Attorney General Hon John Quigley MLA.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the matter be noted.

RESOLUTION: Moved: Cr Rathbone Seconded: Cr Stewart

That the matter be noted.

CARRIED

9. GOLDFIELDS VOLUNTARY REGIONAL ORGANISATION OF COUNCILS BUSINESS

9.1 Review of Local Government Act 1995

Reporting Officer: Bruce Wittber, Joint Executive Officer

Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Date: 4 October 2017

Attachments: Nil

Background:

As the GVROC is aware the Minister for Local Government has announced a review of the Local Government Act and Regulations. The process will be in two (2) stages (phases).

The Minister has advised of the following issues that he is tabling for consideration:

Phase 1- Modernising Local Government

2017 consultation, 2018 legislation tabled

- Improving behaviour and relationships
- Making information available online
- Restoring public confidence
- Regional Subsidiaries
- Reducing red tape

Phase 2: 'Services for the community'

2018 consultation, 2019 legislation tabled

- Increasing Participation in Local Government Elections
- Strengthening public confidence in local government elections
- Increasing community participation
- Enabling Local Government Enterprises
- Improving financial management
- Reducing red tape

The Minister's office has advised that there may be some flexibility as to what issues are to be considered in phase 1 or phase 2.

Following the Minister's decision to commence the review the WA Local Government Association (WALGA) determined to consult with the sector on all potential Act amendment issues during this consultation process.

To assist with this process WALGA produced a Discussion Paper that was structured around each section of the Act. The Discussion Paper draws on a number of resources upon which WALGA's proposals for Act amendment are based. These resources represent long-standing positions on Act amendments that were developed by the Sector and Sector representatives.

Following the release of the WALGA Discussion Paper the GVROC CEOs reviewed the details and presented the recommendations to the GVROC Meeting on 2 August 2017 and 25 August 2017.

The GVROC Meeting on 25 August 2017 reviewed all the positions that had been developed together with some additional matters and resolved as follows:

RESOLUTION: *Moved: Cr Rathbone* *Seconded: Cr Best*

That the GVROC position on each item considered in the review of the Local Government Act 1995 be developed into a formal submission for endorsement at the next GVROC Meeting on Friday 13 October 2017.

CARRIED

As it is felt important to understand the background and context of the GVROC Position, in respect to each item, in presenting a draft of the formal submission, the details of the WALGA Discussion Paper have been included along with the GVROC CEOs position and formal GVROC resolution.

In formulating the GVROC submission it is noted that there are several matters that were either included in the discussion Paper or raised independently that had a formal position determined. These will be noted later in this agenda item.

Department of Local Government

There was general discussion on the review of the Local Government Act and the opinion expressed by the GVROC CEOs of the need for a “parallel” review of the role and functions of the Department of Local Government.

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the GVROC CEOs position of the need for a review of the role and functions of the Department of Local Government as part of the review of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

CARRIED

GVROC Position (1)

1. Support a comprehensive review of the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries given the extent of proposed legislative changes

Part 1 – Introductory Matters

Local and Statewide Public Notice: Sections 1.7 and 1.8

The Association welcomes the opportunity to modernise the requirements of giving public notice of particular matters, as prescribed in the Local Government Act. The Minister for Local Government has indicated an intention to deal with this in Phase 1 of the Review process, by making information available online. It is already common practice within the Local Government sector to place statutory public notices on official websites, despite there being no legislated requirement to do so.

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs support WALGA position

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the GVROC CEOs position on Local and Statewide Public Notice: Sections 1.7 and 1.8.

CARRIED

GVROC Position (2)

1. Support the WALGA position with an amendment to include the flexibility for Local Government to utilise all available and appropriate means to advertise matters.

Part 2 – Constitution of Local Government

Method of Election of Mayor/President: Section 2.11

Position Statement	Local Governments should determine whether their Mayor or President will be elected by the Council or elected by the community.
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State Council Resolution	March 2012 – 24.2/2012
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Tony Brown advised that the State Government's position was to have popularly elected mayors.

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs were of the view that it should be mandatory to have popularly elected mayors for Cities with all other elections to be at the discretion of the individual Council with a simplified process for changing the method of electing the mayor/president "going both ways".

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the GVROC CEOs position on the Method of Election of Mayor/President: Section 2.11.

CARRIED

GVROC Position (3)

1. Support the WALGA position with an amendment that Cities have popularly elected Mayors, and that the process for alteration to the method for election of Mayor/President be simplified.

Elected Member Training: New Proposal

Position Statement

WALGA opposes legislative change that would:

1. Require candidates to undertake training prior to nominating for election;
2. Incentivise Elected Member training through the fees and allowances framework; or
3. Mandate Elected Member training.

Further, if mandatory training becomes inevitable, WALGA will seek to ensure that it:

- a) Only applies to first time Elected Members;
- b) Utilises the Elected Member Skill Set as the appropriate content for mandatory training;
- c) Applies appropriate Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL);
- d) Requires training to be completed within the first 12 months of office; and
- e) Applies a penalty for non-completion of a reduction in fees and allowances payable.

State Council Resolution

December 2015 – 119.7/2015
October 2008 – 399.4/2008

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs were of the opinion, though not unanimously, that WALGA should maintain its current position but other means of training could be considered, for example a standardised mandatory induction process for newly elected Councillors.

GVROC CEOs were of the opinion that part 2 of the current policy should be deleted.

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Mayor Bowler

Seconded: Cr Mazza

That GVROC does not support mandatory training but encourage elected members to undertake appropriate training.

CARRIED 8/1

GVROC Position (4)

1. Support WALGA position and encourage elected members to undertake appropriate training.

Stand Down when Contesting State or Federal Election: New Proposal

Amend the Act to require an Elected Member to stand down when contesting a State or Federal election, applying from the issue of Writs. The options to consider include:

- that an Elected Member stand down from any decision making role and not attend Council and Committee meetings; or
- that an Elected Member stand down from all aspects of their role as a Councillor and not be able to perform the role as specified in Section 2.10 of the Local Government Act.

Background

The East Metropolitan Zone has identified that, under the *Local Government Act 1995*, there is no requirement for an Elected Member to either stand down or take leave of absence if they are a candidate for a State or Federal election. If elected to Parliament the Elected Member is immediately ineligible to continue as an Elected Member. Currently it is up to an individual Elected Member to determine if they wish to take a leave of absence. In some cases Elected Members have voluntarily resigned.

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs were of the opinion that Council Members seeking election for State or Federal Parliament should stand down with the issue of the writ.

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the GVROC CEOs position on requiring elected members to stand down when contesting State or Federal Elections.

CARRIED

GVROC Position (5)

1. Support WALGA position.

Part 3 – Functions of Local Government

Notification of Affected Owners: Section 3.51

Position Statement

Section 3.51 of the *Local Government Act 1995* concerning “Affected owners to be notified of certain proposals” should be amended to achieve the following effects:

- to limit definition of “person having an interest” to those persons immediately adjoining the proposed road works (i.e. similar principle to town planning consultation); and
- to specify that only significant, defined categories of proposed road works require local public notice under Section 3.51 (3) (a).

State Council Resolution

February 2009 – 480.1/2009

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs agree with the position statement.

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the GVROC CEOs position with regard to Notification of Affected Owners: Section 3.51.

CARRIED

GVROC Position (6)

1. Support WALGA position

Control of Certain Unvested Facilities: Section 3.53

The Local Government Act 1995 includes a provision, under Section 3.53, that is carried forward from Section 300 of the former Local Government Act 1960. Section 300 stated:

300. A council has the care, control, and management of public places, streets, ways, bridges, culverts, fords, ferries, jetties, and drains, which are within the district, or, which although not within the district, are by this Act placed under the care, control, and management, of the council, or are to be regarded as being within the district, except where and to the extent that under an Act, another authority has that care, control, and management.

Section 3.53 refers to infrastructure as an 'otherwise unvested facility', and is defined to mean: "a thoroughfare, bridge, jetty, drain, or watercourse belonging to the Crown, the responsibility for controlling or managing which is not vested in any person other than under this section."

Section 3.53 places responsibility for an otherwise unvested facility on the Local Government in whose district the facility is located. Lack of ongoing maintenance and accreting age has resulted in much infrastructure falling into a dilapidated state. This, together with the uncertain provenance of many of these facilities, particularly bridges, is reported as placing an unwarranted and unfunded burden on a number of Local Governments.

It is recommended Section 3.53 of the Act be deleted and that responsibility for facilities located on Crown Land return to the State as the appropriate land manager.

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs agree with the WALGA recommendation.

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the GVROC CEOs position with regard to the WALGA recommendation on Control of Certain Unvested Facilities: Section 3.53.

CARRIED

GVROC Position (7)

1. Support WALGA position.

Regional Local Governments: Part 3, Division 4

Position Statement The compliance obligations of Regional Local Governments should be reviewed.

Background Currently, Regional Local Governments are treated by the *Local Government Act 1995* for the purposes of compliance, as if they were a Local Government.

The Association believes that this places an overly large compliance burden on Regional Local Governments. The large compliance burden reduces potential cost savings that aggregated service delivery may achieve through increased efficiency and acts as a disincentive for Local Governments to establish Regional Local Governments.

State Council Resolution January 2012 – 9.1/2012

Council Controlled Organisations: Part 3, Division 4

Position Statement The *Local Government Act 1995* should be amended to enable Local Governments to establish Council Controlled Organisations (CCO).

Background The CCO model is available to Local Governments in New Zealand where they are used for a variety of purposes. The model allows one or more Local Governments to establish a wholly Local Government owned commercial organisation. The Association has developed the amendments required for the CCO model to be implemented in Western Australia.

State Council Resolution October 2010 – 107.5/2010
October 2010 – 114.5/2010

NOTE: Council Controlled Organisations has also been referred to as 'Local Government Enterprises' in the past i.e. WALGA's Systemic Sustainability Study 2008.

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs agree with the position statement.

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the GVROC CEOs position with regard to the WALGA recommendation on Council Controlled Organisations: Part 3, Division 4.

CARRIED

GVROC Position (8)

1. Support WALGA position on Regional Local Governments and Council Controlled Organisations

Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996

Tender Threshold: Regulation 11(1)

Position Statement WALGA supports an increase in the tender threshold to align with the State Government tender threshold (\$250 000).

Background The tender threshold should be increased to allow Local Governments responsiveness when procuring relatively low value good and services.

State Council Resolution July 2015 – 74.4/2015
September 2014 – 88.4/2014

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs agree with the position statement.

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the GVROC CEOs position with regard to the WALGA recommendation on Tender Threshold: Regulation 11(1).

CARRIED

GVROC Position (9)

1. Support WALGA position

Dispositions of Property: Regulation 30(3)

That Regulation 30(3) be amended to delete the financial limitation (\$75,000) on a disposition used to purchase other property in the course of acquiring goods and services.

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs support WALGA's position.

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the GVROC CEOs position with regard to the WALGA position on Dispositions of Property: Regulation 30(3).

CARRIED

GVROC Position (10)

1. Support WALGA position

Local Government (Regional Subsidiaries) Regulations 2017

Regional Subsidiaries

Position Statement	That WALGA advocate for legislative and regulatory amendments to enable Regional Subsidiaries to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Borrow in their own right; 2. Enter into land transactions; and, 3. Undertake commercial activities.
Background	<p>The <i>Local Government Act 1995</i> was amended in late 2016 to enable Local Governments to establish regional subsidiaries, and this represents a significant advocacy achievement for the Local Government sector;</p> <p>The <i>Local Government (Regional Subsidiaries) Regulations 2017</i>, which were enacted in early 2017, contain significant restrictions that limit the flexibility and will reduce the benefits of the regional subsidiary model;</p> <p>In particular, the regulations prevent regional subsidiaries from borrowing from any organisation other than a constituent Local Government, entering into a land transaction, and commencing a trading undertaking; and,</p> <p>This item recommends legislative and/or regulatory amendments to remove these restrictions that unnecessarily prevent regional subsidiaries from becoming an effective and efficient collaborative service delivery mechanism.</p>
State Council Resolution	March 2017 – 5.1/2017

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs agree with the position statement.

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the GVROC CEOs position with regard to the WALGA recommendation on Regional Subsidiaries.

CARRIED

GVROC Position (11)

1. Support WALGA position

Part 4 – Elections and Other Polls

Conduct of Postal Elections: Sections 4.20 and 4.61

Position Statement	The <i>Local Government Act 1995</i> should be amended to allow the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) and Local Governments to conduct postal elections.
Background	Currently, the WAEC has a legislatively enshrined monopoly on the conduct of postal elections that has not been tested by the market.
State Council Resolution	March 2012 – 24.2/2012

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs are of the view that the Act be amended to allow WA Electoral Commission, Australian Electoral Commission individual local government and other private organisations to conduct postal elections.

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the GVROC CEOs position with regard to the Conduct of Postal Elections: Sections 4.20 and 4.61.

CARRIED

GVROC Position (12)

1. Support WALGA position with the addition of allowing other private organisations to conduct elections.

Voluntary Voting: Section 4.65

Position Statement	Voting in Local Government elections should remain voluntary.
State Council Resolution	427.5/2008 – October 2008

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs were of the opinion, though not unanimously, that local government elections should include compulsory voting-

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the retention of non-compulsory voting in local government elections.

CARRIED

GVROC Position (13)

3. Support WALGA position

On-Line Voting

WALGA has received requests from three (3) Zones to explore the possibility of introducing on-line voting in Local Government elections.

A State Council Item for Noting was prepared in May 2017 advising that WALGA staff will liaise with the WAEC regarding the use of the iVote system and also seek feedback from the Local Government sector on online voting and other opportunities to increase voter turnout. The Minister for Local Government has indicated that online voting is likely to be considered in the context of increasing elector participation.

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs were of the opinion that if compulsory voting was introduced the method adopted should be the same as used by the State Government.

The GVROC CEOs also expressed a concern around the integrity of on-line voting and the availability/accessibility of internet access for some electors.

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC does not support mandatory postal elections but does support postal voting at the discretion of each individual local government.

CARRIED

GVROC Position (14)

1. Support a position that local governments have the option for postal voting

Part 5 - Administration

Electors' General Meeting: Section 5.27

Position Statement	Section 5.27 of the <i>Local Government Act 1995</i> should be amended so that Electors' General Meetings are not compulsory.
Background	There is adequate provision in the Local Government Act for the public to participate in Local Government matters and access information by attending meetings, participating in public question time, lodging petitions, and requesting special electors' meetings. <i>NOTE: The current Local Government Amendment (Auditing) Bill 2017 proposes that a Local Government's Annual Report is to be placed on its official website within 10 days of being received.</i>
State Council Resolution	February 2011 – 09.1/2011

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs agree with the position statement.

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the GVROC CEOs position with regard to Electors' General Meeting: Section 5.27.

CARRIED

GVROC Position (15)

1. Support WALGA position

Special Electors' Meeting: Section 5.28

That Section 5.28(1)(a) be amended:

- so that the prescribed number of electors required to request a meeting increase from 100 (or 5% of electors) to 500 (or 5% of electors), whichever is fewer; and
- to preclude the calling of Electors' Special Meeting on the same issue within a 12 month period, unless Council determines otherwise.

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs were of the view that the ability to call Special Elector Meetings was unnecessary and should be removed from the Act.

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the GVROC CEOs position with regard to Special Electors' Meeting: Section 5.28.

CARRIED**GVROC Position (16)**

1. NOT support WALGA position
2. Support a position for deletion of this Clause

Senior Employees: Section 5.37(2)

That Section 5.37(2) be deleted to remove any inference or ambiguity as to the role of Council in the performance of the Chief Executive Officer's function under Section 5.41(g) regarding the appointment of other employees (with consequential amendment to Section 5.41(g) accordingly).

Senior Employees (other than the CEO) Employment Issues**GVROC Position (17)**

Position yet to be formulated

CEO Employment Issues

Consideration of issues related to CEO employment.

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs noted that s5.36 of the Act allowed for a CEO to be appointed by simple majority but then an absolute majority was required to approve the contract. This appeared to be an anomaly and should be resolved.

GVROC Meeting 25 August 2017 Comment:

WALGA commented that there was some indication that the Minister may wish that the Public Sector Commissioner has a role in CEO recruitment and performance review.

The meeting commented that each local government was an autonomous body and should be able to make their own decisions in relation to the recruitment, performance and dismissal of a CEO.

RESOLUTION:**Moved: Cr Rathbone****Seconded: Cr Dwyer**

That GVROC is of the view that local governments should retain their autonomy in relation to recruitment, annual performance review and dismissal of CEOs and does not support the involvement of the Public Sector Commissioner with regard to recruitment, annual performance review and dismissal of a CEO.

CARRIED**GVROC Position (18)**

1. Support a position whereby local governments should retain their autonomy in relation to recruitment, annual performance review and dismissal of CEOs
2. NOT support the involvement of the Public Sector Commissioner with regard to recruitment, annual performance review and dismissal of a CEO.

Annual Review of Certain Employees Performance: Section 5.38

Section 5.41(g) of the Act allocates the function of responsibility for all employees, including management supervision, to the Chief Executive Officer. Section 5.38 therefore creates unnecessary ambiguity; unnecessary in terms of the certainty that Section 5.41(g) already provides. It is recommended that Section 5.38 either be deleted, or amended so that there is only a specific statutory requirement for Council to conduct an annual Chief Executive Officer performance review.

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs support

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the GVROC CEOs position with regard to Annual Review of Certain Employees Performance: Section 5.38.

CARRIED

GVROC Position (19)

1. Support WALGA position

Gifts and Contributions to Travel: Sections 5.82 and 5.83

The current Gift Provisions in the Local Government Act are very confusing and overly prescriptive. The Department of Local Government and Communities have established a Gift Working Group to look at completely reviewing the gift provisions for changes following the March 2017 State Election. WALGA is a participant in this working group. WALGA representatives have been advocating for the following:

- There be one section for declaring gifts. Delete declarations for Travel.
- Gift provisions only for Elected Members and CEO's. Other staff fall under Codes of Conduct from the CEO to the staff.
- Gifts only to be declared if above \$500.00.
- There will not be any category of notifiable gifts or prohibited gifts.
- Gifts only to be declared in respect to an Elected Member or CEO carrying out their role.
- No need to declare gifts received in a genuine personal capacity.
- Exemptions for ALGA, WALGA and LG Professionals (already achieved).
- Exemption for electoral gifts received that relate to the State and Commonwealth Electoral Acts. So Elected Members who are standing for State or Federal Parliament will only need to comply with the State or Federal electoral act and not declare it as a Local Government gift.

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs support.

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the GVROC CEOs position with regard to Gifts and Contributions to Travel: Sections 5.82 and 5.83.

CARRIED

GVROC Position (20)

1. Support WALGA position

Vexatious and Frivolous Complainants: New Provision

It is recommended that a statutory provision be considered, permitting a Local Government to declare a person a vexatious or frivolous complainant. Section 5.110(3a) of the Act was recently introduced in relation to the Local Government Standards Panel ruling on vexatious and frivolous Rules of Conduct Regulations breach allegations:

“...a standards panel can at any stage of its proceedings refuse to deal with a complaint if the standards panel is satisfied that the complaint is frivolous, trivial, vexatious, misconceived or without substance.”

Given the extensive cost and diversion of administrative resources currently associated with vexatious and frivolous complainants across the Local Government sector, it is recommended that a more general mechanism, based on the principles associated with the introduction of Section 5.110(3A), be investigated.

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs support.

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the GVROC CEOs position with regard to a new provision on Vexatious and Frivolous Complainants.

CARRIED

GVROC Position (21)

1. Support WALGA position

Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996

Revoking or Changing Decisions: Regulation 10

Regulation 10 provides a mechanism for the revocation or change to a previous decision of Council. It does not however, contain any provision clarifying that the provisions do not apply to Council decisions that have already been implemented. This regulatory deficiency is currently managed administratively, but warrants an appropriate amendment to assist clarify the rights of a Councillor to seek a revocation or change.

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs support.

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the GVROC CEOs position with regard to Revoking or Changing Decisions: Regulation 10.

CARRIED

GVROC Position (22)

1. Support WALGA position

Minutes, contents of: Regulation 11

Regulation 11 contains a potential anomaly in that the content requirements relating to Minutes of a Council or Committee meeting do not make reference to the reports and information that formed the basis of the Agenda to that meeting. Despite it being a common practice that Agenda reports and information are included in most Minutes, this is not universally the case, and it is recommended that an amendment be considered as an aid to community understanding of the decision-making process of the Council.

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs are of the view that the regulation should be deleted.

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the GVROC CEOs position with regard to Minutes, contents of: Regulation 11.

CARRIED**GVROC Position (23)**

1. NOT Support WALGA position
2. Support a position for deletion of Clause

Repayment of Advance Annual Payments: New Regulation

The Local Government Legislation Amendment Act 2016 introduced Section 5.102AB, which provides that Regulations may be made relating to the recovery of advance payments of annual allowances or annual fees made to a person who subsequently ceases to hold office during the period to which the payment relates:

5.102AB. Repayment of advance annual payments if recipient ceases to hold office

(2) *Regulations may be made —*

(a) requiring the repayment to a local government, to the extent determined in accordance with the regulations, of an advance payment of an annual allowance or annual fee in the circumstances to which this section applies; and

(b) providing for a local government to recover any amount repayable if it is not repaid.

Regulations enabling the recovery of advance annual payments have yet to be made and it is recommended this matter be prioritised.

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs support.

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the GVROC CEOs position with regard to Repayment of Advance Annual Payments: New Regulation.

CARRIED**GVROC Position (24)**

1. Support WALGA position

Local Government (Rules of Conduct) Regulations 2007

Position Statement	WALGA supports: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Official Conduct legislation to govern the behaviour of Elected Members; 2. An efficient and effective independent Standards Panel process; 3. An ability for the Standards Panel to dismiss vexatious and frivolous complaints; and, 4. Confidentiality for all parties being a key component of the entire process. <p><i>NOTE: Point 3 achieved under the Local Government Legislation Amendment Act 2016</i></p>
State Council Resolution	March 2016 – 10.1/2016 July 2012 – 55.3/2012 December 2008 – 454.6/2008

GVROC CEO Comment:
GVROC CEOs support.

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the GVROC CEOs position with regard to Local Government (Rules of Conduct) Regulations 2007.

CARRIED

GVROC Position (25)

1. Support WALGA position

Part 6 – Financial Management

Imposition of Fees and Charges: Section 6.16

Position Statement That a review be undertaken to remove fees and charges from legislation and Councils be empowered to set fees and charges for Local Government services

Background Local Governments are able to impose fees and charges on users of specific, often incidental, services. Examples include dog registration fees, fees for building approvals and swimming pool entrance fees.

In some cases, Local Governments will recoup the entire cost of providing a service. In other cases, user charges may be set below cost recovery to encourage a particular activity with identified community benefit, such as sporting ground user fees or swimming pool entry fees.

Currently, fees and charges are determined according to three methods:

1. By legislation
2. With an upper limit set by legislation
3. By the Local Government.

Fees determined by State Government legislation are of particular concern to Local Governments and represent significant revenue leakage because of:

- Lack of indexation
- Lack of regular review (fees may remain at the same nominal levels for decades)
- Lack of transparent methodology in setting the fees (fees do not appear to be set regarding appropriate costs recovery levels).

Examples of fees and charges of this nature include dog registrations fees, town planning fees and building permits. Since Local Governments do not have direct control over the determination of fees set by legislation, this revenue leakage is recovered from rate revenue. This means all ratepayers end up subsidising the activities of some ratepayers.

When fees and charges are restricted by legislation, rather than being set at cost recovery levels, this sends inappropriate signals to users of Local Government services, particularly when the consumption of those services is discretionary. When legislative

limits allow consumers to pay below 'true cost' levels for a discretionary service, this will lead to overprovision and a misallocation of resources.

Under the principle of 'general competence' there is no reason why Local Governments should not be empowered to make decisions regarding the setting of fees and charges for specific services.

Additionally, it is recommended that Section 6.16 be amended so that it only relates to statutory application fees and charges and not consumer items, facility entrance fees, ad hoc minor fees and charges etc. The exhaustive listing of relatively minor fee and charge items, together with technical requirement to give public notice of any change after the adoption of the annual budget, is both inefficient and costly.

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs are of the view that Councils be empowered to set fees and charges for all local government services including those set by other legislation such as Dog Act.

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the GVROC CEOs position with regard to Imposition of Fees and Charges: Section 6.16.

CARRIED

GVROC Position (26)

1. Support WALGA position with the addition that all (including relating to other legislation) fees and charges levied by a local government be set by the local government

Power to Borrow: Section 6.20

Section 6.20(2) requires, where a power to borrow is proposed to be exercised and details of the proposal are not included in the annual budget, that the Local Government must give one month's public notice of the proposal (unless an exemption applies). There is no associated requirement to request or consider written submission prior to exercising the power to borrow, as is usually associated with giving public notice. Section 6.20(2) simply stops the exercise of power to borrow for one month, and it is recommended it be deleted.

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs support.

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the GVROC CEOs position with regard to Power to Borrow: Section 6.20.

CARRIED

GVROC Position (27)

1. Support WALGA position

Restrictions on Borrowings: Section 6.21

Position Statement Section 6.21 of the *Local Government Act 1995* should be amended to allow Local Governments to use freehold land, in addition to its general fund, as security when borrowing.

Background Borrowing restrictions in the *Local Government Act 1995* act as a disincentive for investment in community infrastructure. Section 6.21(2) states that a Local Government can only use its 'general funds' as security for borrowings to upgrade community

infrastructure, and is restricted from using its assets to secure its borrowings. This provision severely restricts the borrowing capacity of Local Governments and reduces the scale of borrowing that can be undertaken to the detriment of the community.

This is particularly relevant since the Global Financial Crisis. Treasury now requires member Local Governments to show as contingent liabilities in their balance sheet their proportion of contingent liabilities of the Regional Local Government of which they are a member. Given that the cost of provision of an Alternative Waste Disposal System is anything up to \$100 million, the share of contingent liabilities for any Local Government is significant. Even under a 'Build-Own-Operate' financing method, the unpaid (future) payments to a contractor must be recognised in the balance sheet of the Regional Local Government as a contingent liability.

This alone is likely to prevent some Local Governments from borrowing funds to finance its own work as the value of contingent liabilities are taken into account by Treasury for borrowing purposes.

State Council Resolution January 2012 – 8.1/2012

GVROC CEO Comment:
GVROC CEOs support.

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the GVROC CEOs position with regard to Restrictions on Borrowings: Section 6.21.

CARRIED

GVROC Position (28)

1. Support WALGA position

Rating Exemptions – Charitable Purposes: Section 6.26(2)(g)

Position Statement

WALGA's policy position regarding charitable purposes is as follows:

1. Amend the Local Government Act to clarify that Independent Living Units should only be exempt from rates where they qualify under the Commonwealth Aged Care Act 1997;
2. Either
 1. amend the charitable organisations section of the Local Government Act 1995 to eliminate exemptions for commercial (non-charitable) business activities of charitable organisations;

or

2. establish a compensatory fund for Local Governments, similar to the pensioner discount provisions, if the State Government believes charitable organisations remain exempt from payment of Local Government rates.

Background

Exemptions under this section of the Act have extended beyond the original intention and now provide rating exemptions for non-charitable purposes, which increase the rate burden to other ratepayers. There may be an argument for exemptions to be

granted by State or Federal legislation. Examples include exemptions granted by the Commonwealth *Aged Care Act 1997* and group housing for the physically and intellectually disabled which is supported under a government scheme such as a Commonwealth-State Housing Agreement or Commonwealth-State Disability Agreement.

State Council Resolution December 2015 – 118.7/2015
 January 2012 – 5.1/2012

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs are of the opinion that there should be no exemptions from local government rates and any exemption should be left to individual Councils to decide.

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the GVROC CEOs position with regard to Rating Exemptions – Charitable Purposes: Section 6.26(2)(g).

CARRIED

GVROC Position (29)

1. NOT support WALGA position
2. Support a position that any rate exemptions should be at the discretion of each local government.

Differential General Rates: Section 6.33

This section outlines the characteristics that Local Governments may take into account when imposing differential general rates. It is recommended the issue of time-based differential rating should be examined, to address some Local Governments view that vacant land should be developed in a timely manner.

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs are of the opinion that there should be a complete review of the differential rating provisions within the Local Government Act.

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the GVROC CEOs position with regard to Differential General Rates: Section 6.33.

CARRIED

GVROC Position (30)

1. Support WALGA position providing any review includes a complete review of the differential rating system

Service of Rates Notice: Section 6.41

That Section 6.41 be amended to:

- permit the rates notice to be issued to electronically; and
- introduce flexibility to offer regular rate payments (i.e. fortnightly, monthly etc) without requirement to issue individual instalment notice.

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs support

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the GVROC CEOs position with regard to Service of Rates Notice: Section 6.41.

CARRIED

GVROC Position (31)

1. Support WALGA

Rates or Service Charges Recoverable in Court: Section 6.56

That Section 6.56 be amended to clarify that all debt recovery action costs incurred by a Local Government in pursuing recovery of unpaid rates and services charges be recoverable and not be limited by reference to the 'cost of proceedings'.

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs are of the opinion that this section should be deleted.

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the GVROC CEOs position with regard to Rates or Service Charges Recoverable in Court: Section 6.56.

CARRIED

GVROC Position (32)

1. NOT support WALGA position
2. Support deletion of this Clause

Meeting Comment:

It was noted that GVROC had made comment on a number of rating issues but it was generally felt that there should be a complete review of all rating provisions of the Local Government Act as part of the review of the Local Government Act.

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996**Exemption from AASB 124: Regulation 4**

Regulation 4 of the Financial Management Regulations provides a mechanism for an exemption from the Australian Accounting Standards (AAS). Regulation 16 is an example of the use of this mechanism, relieving Local Governments from the requirement to value land under roads.

A Zone has requested that an exemption be allowed from the implementation of AASB 124 'Related Party Transactions' due to the current provisions in the Act on declarations of interest at meetings and in Primary and Annual returns. This is regarded as providing appropriate material declaration and disclosure of interests associated with function of Local Government.

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs support.

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the GVROC CEOs position with regard to Exemption from AASB 124: Regulation 4.

CARRIED

GVROC Position (33)

1. Support WALGA position

Part 7 – Audit

The Local Government Amendment (Auditing) Bill 2017, before Parliament at the time of writing, will substantially replace much of Part 7 to provide for the auditing of Local Governments by the Auditor General.

New legislation will allow the Auditor General to contract out some or all of the financial audits but all audits will be done under the supervision of the Auditor General and Office of the Auditor General.

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs noted the Local Government Amendment (Auditing) Bill 2017 currently before Parliament - consider more details are required on what performance audits will entail.

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the GVROC CEOs position with regard to Audit and the role of the Auditor General with respect to performance audits.

CARRIED

GVROC Position (34)

1. Note the work in progress in regard to Part 7 – Audit

Part 8 – Scrutiny of the Affairs of Local Government**Stand Down Provision: New Proposal****Position Statement**

WALGA supports, in principle, a proposal for an individual elected member to be 'stood down' from their role when they are under investigation; have been charged; or when their continued presence prevents Council from properly discharging its functions or affects the Council's reputation, subject to further policy development work being undertaken.

Further policy development of the Stand Down Provisions must involve specific consideration of the following issues of concern to the Sector:

- That ... the established principles of natural justice and procedural fairness are embodied in all aspects of the proposed Stand Down Provisions; and
- That activities associated with the term 'disruptive behaviour', presented as reason to stand down a defined Elected Member on the basis their continued presence may make a Council unworkable, are thoroughly examined and clearly identified to ensure there is awareness, consistency and opportunity for avoidance.

Background

In 2008 a discussion paper was circulated seeking feedback regarding legislative amendments to suspend an individual Elected Member, as follows:

- An elected member to have the ability to stand down where they are being investigated or have been charged;
- An elected member to be forcibly stood down

where they are being investigated or have been charged and whose continued presence prevents Council from properly discharging its functions and affects its reputation and integrity or where it is in the public interest;

- The Standards Panel to make the stand down decision;
- Such matters to be referred to the Standards Panel only by a Council (absolute majority), a statutory agency or the Department;
- Three to six months stand down periods with six month extensions;
- The elected member to remain entitled to meeting fees and allowances; and
- Inclusion of an offence for providing false information leading to a stand down.

State Council Resolution August 2008 – 400.4/2008

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs are of the opinion that this proposal should not be supported as it has the capacity to be used for political purposes. The concept should be used with great caution.

GVROC Meeting 25 August 2017 Comment:

It was felt during discussion that a Council should have role in seeking the removal of a person from the Council. This may take the form of the Council, by absolute majority, referring the matter to the Standards Panel for determination on the understanding that the Standards Panel had the capacity to make a prompt decision.

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC supports the Stand Down Provision as outlined in the WALGA Position Statement on the understanding that the Council will have some role in seeking the removal of a person from the Council.

CARRIED

GVROC Position (35)

1. Support WALGA position on the understanding that the Council will have some role in seeking the stand down of a person from the Council

Part 9 – Miscellaneous Provisions

Onus of Proof in Vehicle Offences may be Shifted: Section 9.13(6)

Amend Section 9.13 by introducing the definition of ‘responsible person’ and enable Local Governments to administer and apply effective provisions associated with vehicle related offences

Background:

This proposal from the North Metropolitan Zone emerged due to an increase in cases when progressing the prosecution of vehicle related offences in court (at the request of the vehicle owner) only to have the charges dismissed by the Magistrate when the owner of the vehicle states that he does not recall who was driving his vehicle at the time of the offence. Magistrates have then ruled that this was sufficient to establish ‘proof to the contrary’, as currently identified in the Section 9.13(6) of the Local Government Act 1995, and as a result dismiss the charges.

The *Litter Act 1979* was amended in 2012 to introduce the definition of ‘responsible person’ (as in the *Road Traffic Act 1974*) so that a ‘responsible person’ is taken to have committed an offence where it cannot be established who the driver of the vehicle was at the time of the alleged offence. This also

removes the ability for the responsible person to be absolved of any responsibility for the offence if they fail to identify the driver.

It is suggested that a similar amendment be made to Section 9.13 of the Act in order to ensure that there is consistent enforcement in regards to vehicle related offences.

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs are of the opinion that this whole part of the Act should be reviewed including the Miscellaneous Provisions Act and if there is anything “useful” should be in the LG Act.

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC is of the view that the Miscellaneous Provisions Act should be repealed and any relevant matter that is required be included in the Local Government Act or regulations.

CARRIED

GVROC Position (36)

1. Not support WALGA position
2. Support deletion of this Part

Schedule 2.1 – Creating, Changing Boundaries and Abolishing Districts

Poll Provisions: New Proposal

Position Statement Schedule 2.1 of the *Local Government Act 1995* should be amended so that the electors of a Local Government affected by any boundary change or amalgamation proposal are entitled to petition the Minister for a binding poll.

State Council Resolution December 2014 – 108.5/2014

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs are of the opinion that there would be no need for polls of local governments.

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the GVROC CEOs position with regard to Creating, Changing Boundaries and Abolishing Districts.

CARRIED

GVROC Position (37)

1. Not support WALGA position
2. Support a position for deletion of the poll approach on matters of boundary change or amalgamation.

Number of Electors: Clause 2.1(1)(d)

That Schedule 2.1 Clause 2(1)(d) be amended so that the prescribed number of electors required to put forward a proposal for change increase from 250 (or 5% of electors) to 500 (or 5% of electors) whichever is fewer.

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs are of the opinion that this should be deleted.

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the GVROC CEOs position with regard to Number of Electors: Clause 2.1(1)(d).

CARRIED**GVROC Position (38)**

1. Not support WALGA position
2. Support a position for deletion of this Clause

Schedule 2.2 – Provisions about Names, Wards and Representation
Who may make Submission: Clause 3(1)

That Schedule 2.2 Clause 3(1) be amended so that the prescribed number of electors required to put forward a submission increase from 250 (or 5% of electors) to 500 (or 5% of electors) whichever is fewer.

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs are of the opinion that this should be deleted.

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the GVROC CEOs position with regard to Schedule 2.2 – Provisions about Names, Wards and Representation.

CARRIED**GVROC Position (39)**

1. Not support WALGA position
2. Support a position for deletion of this Clause

Schedule 4.1 – How to Count Votes and Ascertain Result of Election
Method of Voting

Position Statement	Elections should be conducted utilising the first-past-the-post (FPTP) method of voting.
Background	The FPTP method is simple, allows an expression of the electorate's wishes and does not encourage tickets and alliances to be formed to allocate preferences.
State Council Resolution	427.5/2008 – October 2008

This State Council resolution influenced amendment to Schedule 4.1 in 2009 that returned Local Government elections to a first past the post system from the preferential proportional representation. The resolution is reiterated here as an indication of the sector's ongoing preference for this vote counting system.

GVROC CEO Comment:

GVROC CEOs are of the opinion that this position statement is not supported as if compulsory voting is introduced the same system as State Government uses in determining results should be used.

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That recognising GVROC does not support compulsory voting in local government elections GVROC is of the view that the same system of vote counting used in State Government elections should be used to determine the results of local government elections.

CARRIED**GVROC Position (40)**

1. NOT support compulsory voting in local government elections and use the same system of vote counting used in State Government elections to determine the results of local government elections

Shire of Menzies Comment Rating of Mining Camps

Rhonda Evans raised the issue of rating of mining camps, noting that some are rated and whilst others are not. There needs to be consistency in how this issue is treated.

CONSENSUS RESOLUTION:

That GVROC support the need for consistency and simplification in the rating of mining camps.

CARRIED**GVROC Position (41)**

1. Support the need for consistency and simplification in the rating of mining camps.

Matters Requiring a GVROC Position**Senior Employees**

In preparing this submission it was noted that there was one matter has not been determined during the review WALGA Discussion Paper at the GVROC Meeting on 25 August 2017 (GVROC Position 17) and some inconsistent comment in relation rating issues (GVROC Positions 29-32).

In relation to GVROC Position 17 the matter deals with Senior Employees. Whilst there was a position determined for the CEO role it was felt that the GVROC may wish to have a position on Senior Employees other than the CEO. Discussion Paper comment below in italics.

Senior Employees: Section 5.37(2)

That Section 5.37(2) be deleted to remove any inference or ambiguity as to the role of Council in the performance of the Chief Executive Officer's function under Section 5.41(g) regarding the appointment of other employees (with consequential amendment to Section 5.41(g) accordingly).

RESOLUTION POSITION: 17: Moved: Cr Rathbone Seconded: Cr Harris

That the GVROC Position be to seek the deletion of section 5.37(2) of the Act to remove any inference or ambiguity as to the role of Council in the performance of the Chief Executive Officer's function under Section 5.41(g) regarding the appointment of other employees (with consequential amendment to Section 5.41(g) accordingly).

CARRIED**GVROC Positions 29-32.**

In relation to GVROC Positions 29-32 there was a GVROC Meeting Comment as follows:

Meeting Comment:

It was noted that GVROC had made comment on a number of rating issues but it was generally felt that there should be a complete review of all rating provisions of the Local Government Act as part of the review of the Local Government Act.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the GVROC Positions 29-32 be replaced with a position that all rating provisions in the Local Government Act be the subject of a complete review.

RESOLUTION POSITION: 29-32 Moved: Cr Best Seconded: Cr Rathbone

That the GVROC Positions 29-32 be replaced with a position that all rating provisions in the Local Government Act be the subject of a complete review.

CARRIED

Following consideration of the WALGA Discussion Paper there were several other matters raised for which no position was determined.

These include the following:

Decision Making: Simple/Absolute Majority

The GVROC Meeting on 25 August included a GVROC Comment:

GVROC Comment:

GVROC CEOs are of the opinion that there should be a review of the type of resolutions that require simple and absolute decisions in the Act.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the GVROC Position is to support a review of those decisions requiring simple/absolute majority.

RESOLUTION POSITION: 42 Moved: Cr Stewart Seconded: Cr Rathbone

That the GVROC Position is to support a review of those decisions requiring simple/absolute majority.

CARRIED

Financial Management Regulations

The GVROC Meeting on 25 August included a GVROC Comment:

Matthew Scott commented that he believed the financial management regulations should be reviewed.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the GVROC Position is to seek a review of the financial management regulations.

RESOLUTION POSITION: 43 Moved: Cr Harris Seconded: Cr Best

That the GVROC Position is to seek a review of the financial management regulations.

CARRIED

Confidentiality Issue in the Act

The GVROC Meeting on 25 August included a GVROC Comment:

Matthew Scott raised the issue of Act being quite specific of when you can close the meeting – believes the matter should be reviewed.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the GVROC Position is to seek a review of matters for which a meeting may be closed.

RESOLUTION POSITION 44: Moved: Cr Harris Seconded: Cr Rathbone

That the GVROC Position is to seek a review of matters for which a meeting may be closed.

CARRIED

Standards Panel

The GVROC Meeting on 25 August included a GVROC Comment:

Ian Fitzgerald raised the issue of the performance of the Standards Panel and suggested that this is a matter that should also be reviewed during the review of the Local Government Act.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the GVROC Position is to seek a review of the performance of the Standards Panel as part of the review of the Local Government Act.

RESOLUTION POSITION 45: Moved: Cr Rathbone Seconded: Cr Best

That the GVROC Position is to seek a review of the performance of the Standards Panel as part of the review of the Local Government Act.

CARRIED

RECOMMENDATION:

That all GVROC Positions outlined in the submission included in these meeting papers, as amended, be submitted to the WA Local Government Association in response to the request for comment on the review of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

RESOLUTION: Moved: Cr Harris Seconded: Cr Best

That all GVROC Positions outlined in the submission included in these meeting papers, as amended, be submitted to the WA Local Government Association in response to the request for comment on the review of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

CARRIED

9.2 Asset Management Improvement Project Report (Attachment)

Reporting Officer: John O'Sullivan, Manager Assets and Procurement
City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder
Bruce Wittber, Executive Officer

Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Date: 5 October 2107

Attachments: Management of Assets Acquittal Report

Background:

As Member Councils are aware, the then Department of Local Government and Communities (Department) wrote to GVROC in late May 2016 regarding the GERCG asset management project. The letter, with a report prepared by the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder as lead agency for the project was considered by the GVROC Council when it met on Friday 1 July 2016. At this time GVROC resolved as shown below:

RESOLUTION: *Moved: Mayor Bowler* *Seconded: Cr Williams*

That:

1. *GVROC seeks a commitment from its Member Councils to successfully complete the asset management project funded by the Department of Local Government and Communities through the Royalties for Regions Program;*
2. *The Executive Officer write to the Department of Local Government and Communities to seek a further extension of time for completion of the GVROC asset management project, with a request that the extension be until 30 November 2016; and*
3. *Subject to the granting of a further extension of time for the GVROC asset management project, GVROC consider engaging additional support to assist in the completion of the asset management project.*

CARRIED

The matter was again considered at the GVROC Council Meeting held Wednesday 3 August 2016 at which time GVROC further resolved:

RESOLUTION: *Moved: Mr Epis* *Seconded: Mr Fitzgerald*

That GVROC write to the Department of Local Government and Communities confirming the commitment of all Member Councils to fulfil their obligations in completing the objectives of the asset management project funded through Royalties for Regions.

CARRIED

Whilst ideally the project should have been completed in November 2016 however for a range of reasons this was not practical and following discussions with the Department in relation to an extension of time for completion of the project the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder, on behalf of Member Councils, signed the variation to the FAA providing for a 12 month extension for the asset management project, which must now be completed by 30 September 2017.

Executive Officer Comment:

Since the last report the project has been progressing well and in keeping with the extension approved by the Department a formal Acquittal Report (attached) has been prepared by the Executive Officer and John O'Sullivan from the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder. The Acquittal Report was submitted to the Department on 4 October 2017.

Included in the report were three recommendations as follows:

1. That review of Asset Management practices and regular Asset Management Working Group meeting is continued on a voluntary basis across the group.
2. That valuation services be procured regionally through the GVROC to allow standardised reporting and economy of scale.
3. That the GVROC consider a regional model of shared service for Asset Management resources with the day to day management of the Assets carried out locally with the higher level reporting functions asset management plans, asset data etc carried out in centers where the expertise is available should be considered. The GVROC may want to consider sharing the cost of the staff available in the group already after the current funding program expires. This is currently only for the Kalgoorlie based asset staff but consideration should be given to including the Esperance staff in any future regional Asset Management model.

It would seem appropriate for the GVROC to note the Acquittal Report and recommendations and refer the recommendations to the GVROC CEOs for consideration and advice.

It would also be appropriate to recognise the considerable efforts in undertaking this project by John O'Sullivan and to express appreciation to the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder for its support in managing the project.

Consultation: Nil

Voting Requirement: Simple majority

This matter was dealt with after agenda item 6.1 but is recorded in numeric sequence

Meeting Discussion:

The Chair welcomed John O'Sullivan to the meeting and invited him to make comment on the Asset Management Improvement Project Report

John comment that the project has made progress in a lot of areas relating to asset management but it was unfortunate that the Department of Local Government created some confusion within Councils by having consultants seeking the same or similar information from Councils at the same time as the GVROC project was running.

The main purpose of the project was to increase capacity and this has improved across the group. Local Government's financial plans are now tying in with the asset management plan

John gave a warning that Councils needed to take care not to "create a data monster".

RECOMMENDATION:

That GVROC:

1. Receive the GERCG Management of Assets Acquittal Report;
2. Refer the Acquittal Report and recommendations to the GVROC CEOs Group; and
3. Note and recognise the considerable efforts in undertaking this project by John O'Sullivan, Manager Assets and Procurement, City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder and express appreciation to the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder for its support in managing the project.

RESOLUTION: Moved: Cr Rathbone Seconded: Cr Stewart

That GVROC:

1. **Receive the GERCG Management of Assets Acquittal Report;**
2. **Refer the Acquittal Report and recommendations to the GVROC CEOs Group; and**
3. **Note and recognise the considerable efforts in undertaking this project by John O'Sullivan, Manager Assets and Procurement, City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder and express appreciation to the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder for its support in managing the project.**

CARRIED

9.3 Wild Dog Forum (Attachments)

Reporting Officer: Cr Mal Cullen, Chair GVROC
Bruce Wittber, Executive Officer

Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Date: 5 October 2017

Attachments: Minister's Forum – Wild Dog Management WA Event Flyer
WA Wild Dog Action Plan 2016-2021
Letter to Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development

Background:

In late August 2017 the Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development Hon Alannah MacTiernan advised that a Wild Dog Forum would be held on Friday 15 September.

Following discussion between the Executive Officer and the Minister's Office an invitation for five GVROC representatives to attend the forum was extended. Following this intervention the GVROC Chair Cr Cullen was invited to attend as was the GVROC Executive Officer.

Cr Cullen emailed all Member Councils on 10 September seeking their input that can be incorporated into any discussion at the Forum. The Shire of Esperance also sought a "seat at the table" for Cr Basil Parker and as Cr Cullen found he was unable to attend arrangements were made for Cr Parker to attend in his place. The GVROC Executive Officer Helen Westcott also attended.

Executive Officer Comment:

Following the Wild Dog Forum on 15 September, Cr Cullen forwarded to the Minister a letter (attached) relating to the GVROC concerns.

In considering this matter GVROC may wish to receive a report from Cr Parker on his attendance at the Forum.

It is also noted that Ian Fitzgerald CEO Shire of Ravensthorpe has also had discussions with Karyn Tuckett from the Southern Biosecurity Group.

Consultation: Nil

Voting Requirement: Simple majority

Meeting Comment:

The Chair advised that Cr Basil Parker had attended the Wild Dog Forum on the 15 September 2017 in his place. The Forum was also attended by the Executive Officer Helen Westcott.

The Chair invited Cr Parker to make a few comments.

Cr Parker advised that there were about 100 people in attendance. In the morning there was a panel session chaired by the Minister followed by an open forum after lunch.

Cr Parker was of the opinion that the big issue that came out of the Forum was that the best solution to the dog problem is a fence.

Minister was also asked about reforming wild dog alliance.

In conclusion Cr Parker said that he had been impressed with the Minister and felt more confident about the possible outcomes.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the report on the Wild Dog Forum be noted and the correspondence forwarded by the GVROC Chair to the Minister for Primary Industry and Regional Development, Hon Alannah MacTiernan be endorsed.

RESOLUTION: Moved: Cr Harris Seconded: Cr Best

1. That the report on the Wild Dog Forum be noted and the correspondence forwarded by the GVROC Chair to the Minister for Primary Industry and Regional Development, Hon Alannah MacTiernan be endorsed;
2. That the issue of wild dogs be included in the invitation to the Minister to attend the Esperance GVROC Meeting.
3. That all Biosecurity groups across the GVROC area be invited to attend the Esperance GVROC Meeting for discussion on biosecurity issues in general.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION: Moved: Cr Dwyer Seconded: Cr Best

That the meeting adjourn for morning tea at 10.08am.

CARRIED

10.33am Meeting resumed with Mayor Bowler having returned to the meeting

9.4 Review of GVROC Memorandum of Understanding (Attachment)

Reporting Officer: Bruce Wittber, Executive Officer

Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Date: 5 October 2017

Attachments: GVROC MOU for Period July 2015 to October 2017

Background:

The current GVROC Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) expires in October 2017 after the local government elections.

In relation to the adoption of the current MOU it was resolved at the GVROC Meeting on 4 May 2015 as follows:

RESOLUTION: *Moved: Cr Hill* *Seconded: Cr Dwyer*

That the Goldfields Voluntary Regional Organisation of Councils Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) be:

- 1. Re-signed without amendment; and*
- 2. Reviewed every two years after the local government elections, with the next review of the MOU to be undertaken in October 2017.*

CARRIED

Executive Officer Comment:

Prior to the adoption of the current MOU the GVROC CEOs were requested to review the MOU and present a report to the next GVROC Meeting.

It is suggested that the same process be used for the review of the current MOU with a request that the GVROC Strategic Plan be taken into consideration during the review.

Consultation: Nil

Voting Requirement: Simple majority

RECOMMENDATION:

That the GVROC CEOs review the GVROC MOU with a report to be prepared for consideration at the next in-person meeting of the GVROC Council and in undertaking the review take into consideration the GVROC Strategic Plan.

RESOLUTION: *Moved: Cr Rathbone* *Seconded: Cr Stewart*

That the GVROC CEOs review the GVROC MOU with a report to be prepared for consideration at the next in-person meeting of the GVROC Council and in undertaking the review take into consideration the GVROC Strategic Plan.

CARRIED

10.53am Cr Dwyer left the meeting

9.5 Implementation of GVROC Strategic Plan (Attachment)

Reporting Officer: Bruce Wittber, Executive Officer

Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Date: 6 October 2017

Attachments: GVROC Strategic Plan 2017-2021

Background:

The GVROC at its Meeting on 30 June 2017 considered a recommendation from the GVROC CEOs Group on a number of strategic actions to be undertaken in 2017/2018 and resolved as follows:

RESOLUTION: *Moved: Cr Rathbone* *Seconded: Cr Harris*

The GVROC adopt the following strategic actions for the 2017/2018 year:

- *Objective 1*
 - *Provide a strong clear voice for GVROC Member Councils through the development of a list of lobby/advocacy issues – it is suggested that the GVROC Council develop a list of issues that it wishes to focus its lobbying/advocacy efforts on over the next 12 months. It is proposed to include in the lobbying a full review of the legislative environment in which local government operates particularly including the Local Government Act;*
 - *Include in each GVROC Agenda and CEOs Group Agenda a standalone item on law and order issues;*
 - *Maintain a watching brief on biodiversity and natural resource management issues within the GVROC area;*
- *Objective 2*
 - *Advocate for investment in regional infrastructure by seeking details of regional funding opportunities (both Commonwealth and State) and in particular the State Government regional investment plan;*
- *Objective 3*
 - *Enhance the role of local government and the GVROC in the region by continuing the development of the CEOs Group including the way it operates and assists in providing governance advice to the GVROC Council;*
- *Objective 4*
 - *Identify and develop innovative technologies through the development of a regional digital strategy;*
 - *Maintain a watching brief on emerging technologies (as an example the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder outlined the collaborative approach being undertaken in relation to shifting IT Vision Synergy platform to cloud);*
- *Objective 5*
 - *Assist in the development of shared service opportunities with the main emphasis on the completion of the review of the Goldfields Records Storage facility;*
 - *Review the impact of current proposed legislation relating to performance and financial audits of GVROC Member Councils to determine whether there is capacity to share services to ensure compliance.*

CARRIED

Executive Officer Comment:

It is noted that a number of strategic actions have been completed however the Executive Officer is seeking guidance from the GVROC Council as to the format and frequency of a progress report on the Strategic Plan.

It would seem appropriate that in order to keep the GVROC Council informed as well monitoring the Strategic Plan that a progress report be presented to each GVROC Meeting as a standing agenda item.

Consultation: Nil

Voting Requirement: Simple majority

Meeting Comment:

Cr Rathbone suggested that in order to link the Strategic Plan to matters considered by the GVROC as agenda items it would be appropriate to link the objectives in the Strategic Plan through a comment in the agenda.

It was also suggested that financial implications could be listed in the agenda item in a similar way.

Cr Harris raised the potential benefit of engaging a “lobbyist” to promote various GVROC issues.

RECOMMENDATION:

That each GVROC Agenda have as a standing agenda item submitting a progress report on the implementation of the GVROC Strategic Plan 2017-2021.

RESOLUTION: **Moved: Cr Rathbone** **Seconded: Cr Harris**

1. That the GVROC include in each agenda item a statement relating to financial implications and strategic plan relationship.
2. That the GVROC consider engaging, on a project by project basis, the services of a lobbyist to progress GVROC’s strategic objectives.
3. That a progress report on the implementation of the GVROC Strategic Plan 2017-2021 be submitted to a GVROC Council Meeting on a quarterly basis.

CARRIED

10. WESTERN AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION (WALGA) BUSINESS

Zone delegates to consider the Matters for Decision contained in the WA Local Government Association State Council Agenda and put forward resolutions to Zone Representatives on State Council

Cr Cullen as the State Councillor reported on the last meeting of the WALGA State Council as follows:

As the Goldfields - Esperance representative on WALGA State Council, I attended the meeting in Perth on 7 September 2017, the meeting this month was held in the North Metro Zone and State Councillors were given a chartered tour of the Mindarie Regional Council facilities including the Mindarie Landfill site and recent subdivision developments in Stirling and Wanneroo City zones. It was extremely informative to hear about the changes to the way City landfill facilities are adapting toward Zero waste into landfill into the future, and highlights some of the issues we are facing dealing with future waste in our Shire.

11. LATE ITEMS as notified, introduced by decision of the Meeting

11.1 ABC and SBS Digital Transmission

A number of Member Councils who have retransmitted ABC digital television have now lost the service. This is a direct result of the ABC moving their services to another transponder on the D1 satellite platform and changing the modulation standard.

This situation now requires these councils to upgrade their hardware to continue to receive the ABC digital services.

In addition SBS digital TV will make the same change in November. The SBS change will impact on many more councils than the ABC change

An extract from an email to Queensland rural Councils from the ABC reads in part as follows:

The ABC recently changed its satellite distribution arrangements with Optus. This distribution arrangement is specifically for the ABC to ensure that the network of television transmission towers that Broadcast Australia operates on its behalf have an appropriate content input for transmission at each site. This distribution signal can change at any time without notice.

For those viewers who are unable to access television from the network of transmission towers that are operated for the ABC by Broadcast Australia, the ABC has established a direct-to-home satellite television services, called the Viewer Access Satellite Television (VAST) Service.

However, the ABC understands that some local communities have made their own arrangements to retransmit the ABC's television services. The ABC is not aware of the input arrangements for these self-help transmission facilities, as these are the responsibility of the self-help licensee and their own service providers. The ABC understands that the VAST service is used for the input at many sites for the ABC's services or the services of the commercial broadcasters.

If self-help licensees want to convert their inputs to use the VAST service, the ABC understands that broadcast quality VAST receivers are available that would be suitable for use in obtaining an ABC signal for retransmission.

Please be aware that it is the responsibility of the self-help licensee to continue to hold all appropriate licences and permissions to retransmit the ABC's services. See <http://www.abc.net.au/reception/services/selfhelp.htm> for more information. However, if self-help licensees would prefer to access the ABC's satellite distribution service to provide the input for their retransmission, below are the details of the ABC's new distribution service, as at 3 October 2017.

RESOLUTION: **Moved: Cr Rathbone** **Seconded: Cr Best**

That the GVROC write to the Federal Minister for Communications, Hon Mitch Fifield expressing GVROC's extreme disappointment at:

- (a) the failure of the ABC to advise, prior to the event, those local governments that retransmit ABC digital television, of the pending loss of ABC services as a result of the ABC moving their services to another transponder on the D1 satellite platform and changing the modulation standard; and**
- (b) the need for affected local governments to meet the costs of ABC service upgrades, to enable the community to continue to receive ABC services.**

CARRIED

11.2 Cashless Welfare Card - Senate Hearing 12 October 2017

The Chair Cr Cullen and Mayor Bowler provided a report on the inquiry being held by the Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee into the Social Services Legislation Amendment (Cashless Debit Card) Bill 2017 and the public hearing in Kalgoorlie on Thursday 12 October 2017.

12. FUTURE MEETINGS/FUNCTIONS

- Friday 1 December 2017 – an in-person meeting of the GVROC Council to consider the WALGA State Council agenda for the State Council meeting to be held Wednesday 6 December 2017 (in Kalgoorlie unless otherwise determined).

The Executive Officer advised that the Department of Local Government has asked if the Meeting could be held in Kalgoorlie to coincide with the holding of Local Government Act Review Workshops on Thursday 30 November 2017.

The Executive Officer also indicated that the meeting would be addressed by the Auditor General.

The GVROC CEO requested that the President and CEO of LG Pro be invited to attend the next GVROC Meeting.

- Friday 8 December 2017 an in-person meeting of the GVROC CEOs Group (in Kalgoorlie unless otherwise determined); and
- Friday 2 February 2018 – an in-person meeting of the GVROC Council in Esperance.

13. CLOSURE OF MEETING

13.1 Farewell to Retiring Delegates

The GVROC Chair Cr Cullen drew the meeting's attention to the pending retirement of Cr Beverley Stewart (Esperance) and Cr Jacquie Best (Dundas).

Cr Cullen pointed out that Cr Stewart had been a delegate to GVROC since its inception and had also been involved in the Goldfields Esperance Country Zone of WALGA before that. She had also served as a Deputy State Councillor.

Cr Cullen also commented that Cr Best had been a delegate to GVROC since she became President of the Shire of Dundas in 2009.

Both Councillors had been active in attending the GVROC Meetings and as such had played an important role in many of the GVROC activities.

Cr Cullen expressed the appreciation of the GVROC to both Councillors and thanked them for their service and contribution and wished them well for the future.

Cr Stewart and Cr Best responded

RESOLUTION: **Moved: Cr Brown** **Seconded: Mayor Bowler**
That the GVROC move a formal vote of thanks to Cr Beverley Stewart and Cr Jacquie Best.
CARRIED WITH ACCLAMATION

Mayor Bowler also indicated that a number of Councillors, who are GVROC delegates, were seeking re-election at the Local Government Elections on Saturday 21 October 2017. He extended the best wishes of the GVROC for their election.

13.2 Closure of Meeting

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 11.28am

DECLARATION

These minutes were confirmed by the Goldfields Voluntary Regional Organisation of Councils at the meeting held 1 December 2017

Signed _____
Person presiding at the meeting at which these minutes were confirmed

12. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

12.1 HEALTH BUILDING AND TOWN PLANNING

12.1.1 Health and Building Report for the month of October 2017

LOCATION:	Shire of Menzies
APPLICANT:	N/A
DOCUMENT REF:	ADM384
DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST:	The author has no interest to disclose
DATE:	25 October 2017
AUTHOR:	David Hadden, Environmental Health Officer
ATTACHMENTS	Nil

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION:

That Council receive the report of the Environmental Health Officer for the month of October 2017 for information.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS: Simple Majority

IN BRIEF:

This report is for the information of Council, and relates to matters addressed by the Environmental Health Officer for the month of October 2017.

RELEVANT TO STRATEGIC PLAN:

14.3 Active Civic Leadership Achieved

- Regularly Monitor and Report on the Shire's Activities, Budgets, Plans and Performance

STATUTORY AUTHORITY:

Building Act 2011
Public Health Act 2016

POLICY IMPLICATIONS: Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS : Nil

RISK ASSESSMENTS :

OP 97 - Council unable to fill the position of Authorised Officer under the Public Health Act 2016

BACKGROUND:

The Shire contracts the services of an Environmental Health Officer (EHO) for two days per month. The Officer is available for consultation at all times, and attends the administration office once per month to meet with the Chief Executive Officer.

The following is a brief report of the monthly activities.

COMMENT:

Health

Completed Councils 2016/2017 Waste Census and forwarded to the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation.

Carried out inspection of the property at lot 571 Suiter Street to determine if caravan continues to be occupied.

Liaised with Works Supervisor in preparation for a compliance inspection at the Menzies Tip and waste water disposal ponds. An inspector from the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation carried out the inspection on 26 October 2017.

Building/Planning

Processed one septic system application for Roxbury Trading (Menzies Battery) to replace an existing septic system on site.

Received enquiries from a new land owner enquiring about being able to build a natural cob home.

"Cob is an ancient earth building technique of mixing earth, sand, gravel or pebbles and straw with a little water. It requires minimal construction skills and may be the world's most common building material. Cob walls are built without formwork by placing lumps of the cob mix by hand to make massive walls, typically 450–600mm thick, built up in layers.

Each layer needs to dry out sufficiently to support the next. It lends itself to making free-flowing sculptural forms.

This high thermal mass material has some insulation value. Cob building depends upon wall thickness for its structural and environmental performance. Cob is fireproof and can be used to make stoves, fireplaces and chimneys. Cob walls require firm footings to avoid movement and cracking and to keep the base of the walls dry. They need to be whitewashed (lime and water) for weather protection

Cob wall construction has occurred for many years and in many countries.

The land owner has been advised that the cob walls will require an engineering certification as for Rammed Earth when making a building application.

Received an enquiry from local landowner regarding requirements for approval of a tiny home in Menzies.

Tiny homes are quite popular in some countries at present and will not present any issues with approval if compliant with the requirements of the Building Code of Australia for Class 1 buildings (dwellings) as there no size limitation specified in the BCA for Class 1 dwellings.

12.1.2 Tender Planning Strategy and Review of Town Planning Scheme

LOCATION:	N/A
APPLICANT:	N/A
DOCUMENT REF:	EDM 245
DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST:	The Author has no interest to disclose
DATE:	22 November 2017
AUTHOR:	Rhonda Evans, Chief Executive Officer
ATTACHMENT:	12.1.2-1 Previous Agenda Item 12.1.2-2 Scope of Works 12.1.2-3 Summary Analysis (<i>Confidential</i>)

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION:

That Council

1. Adopt Risk OP98 as follows
Risk Category - Capacity to Deliver Services
Responsible Directorate - Regulatory
Risk - Local Planning Scheme not reviewed in Statutory Period
2. Accept the quote from Urbis Pty Ltd for \$70,000 for the preparation of a Local Planning Strategy, and a Local Planning Scheme for the Shire of Menzies as detailed in the Scope document.
3. Review the budget allocation for job S10004 during the annual budget review.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS:

Absolute Majority

IN BRIEF:

The Shire of Menzies Town Planning Scheme No 1 was gazetted on 13 June 2003. The Planning and Development Act 2005 (the Act) requires all local governments to review its town planning scheme every five years.

As a precursor to the Local Planning Scheme Review, the Shire is required under the Planning and Development (Local Planning Scheme) Regulations 2015 to prepare a Local Planning Strategy.

RELEVANT TO STRATEGIC PLAN:

14.1 Sustainable local economy encouraged

- A strong local economy, diversified through encouraging commercial growth, which provides jobs and services.
- A local economy that has close working partnerships with mining companies and other industries.
- A local economy accessing the commercial options and services in place, for timely development.

- The prevention of fire risk throughout the community.
- The significant natural features of the shire for tourism.

14.2 Strong sense of community maintained

- Our community will be cohesive, inclusive and interactive, where people feel safe, are welcomed and can live comfortably.
- Our community will value each other, building relationships and networks to interact, socialise and for recreation.
- Our community will have access to all necessary service requirements.
- The Shire to review disability access throughout the Shire of Menzies.
- The Shire to acquire appropriate resources to assist with developing the services and facilities required by the community.

14.3 Active civic leadership achieved

- Regularly review plans with community consultation on significant decisions affecting the shire.
- Where possible, support opportunities to build the capacity of the community within the Shire of Menzies.
- Continue to engage with our community, to advocate on behalf of our community, to be accountable and to manage within our governance and legislative framework.
- Continue to participate in regional activities to the benefit of our community.

14.4 Heritage & Natural assets conserved

- Our natural environment will be protected and preserved for future generations.
- Our built environment will be managed to sustain our growing needs, while protecting and restoring buildings of historical value.
- Heritage and cultural places and items will be protected.
- A strengthening of our cultural and heritage awareness and values.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY:

Planning and Development Act 2005 – prepare and review a Town Planning Scheme
Planning and Development (Local Planning Scheme) Regulations 2015 – prepare a Strategy

POLICY IMPLICATIONS: Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Budget allocation against job S10004 Town Planning Consultancy has allocated \$50,000 for this purpose for the year ending 30 June 2018. Additional funds will be allocated during the annual budget review to be presented to Council at the February 2018 meeting. Further funds required in the financial year ending 30 June 2019 to complete the project.

RISK ASSESSMENTS:

OP 98 – Town Planning Scheme not reviewed, and does not properly reflect the needs of the Shire.

BACKGROUND:

During 2014 and 2015 the Shire prepared a Local Planning Strategy and an Omnibus Amendment to Town Planning Scheme No 1. These documents, while received by Council, were not gazetted, and due to amendments to legislation have now lapsed.

In July 2017, Council resolved to advertise to undertake a Local Planning Strategy, and prepare a new Local Planning Scheme for the entire area within the Shire of Menzies.

COMMENT:

In October 2017, a request for quotation for the Preparation of a Local Planning Strategy and a Local Planning Scheme was called. The date for close of submissions was 20 November 2017.

Eight submissions were received. One of the eight did not meet initial compliance standards. Seven applications were then reviewed.

The evaluation criteria were;

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| 1. Skills and Expertise | 15% |
| 2. Understanding of the Task | 15% |
| 3. Demonstrated Experience in Completing Similar Projects | 29% |
| 4. Price | 41% |

The rankings were as follows:

Applicant Reference	Criteria 1 (5)	Criteria 2 (5)	Criteria 3 (10)	Criteria 4 (14)	Total without Cost	Total with Cost	Total Ranking (1-10)
A	5	5	5	12	15	27	2
B	5	5	2	8	12	20	7
C	4	5	6	7	15	22	5
D	3	5	6	10	14	24	3
E	3	5	6	8	14	22	5
F	4	5	8	7	17	24	3
G	5	5	8	10	18	28	1

The preferred applicant from the ranking shown, and detailed in attachment 3 is client G, who is Urbis Pty Ltd of West Perth.

12.5.2 Local Planning Strategy and Review of Town Planning Scheme

LOCATION:	N/A
APPLICANT:	N/A
DOCUMENT REF:	EDM 245/9598
DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST:	The Author has no interest to disclose
DATE:	21 July 2017
AUTHOR:	Rhonda Evans, Chief Executive Officer
ATTACHMENT:	12.5.2-1 Confidential-Letter from Department of Planning. 12.5.2-2 Advertisement of Resolution to prepare a Local Planning Scheme
COUNCIL RESOLUTION:	No.1237

Moved: Cr Mazza

Seconded: Cr Mader

That Council:

1. Local Planning Strategy

- a. *Under regulation 11(1) of the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015, resolve to prepare a Local Planning Strategy for its area of jurisdiction; and*
- b. *Authorises Shire officers to undertake the preparation of a Local Planning Strategy in accordance with the procedures set out in Clauses 11-16 of the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015;*
- c. *Informs the Western Australian Planning Commission of its intention to prepare a Local Planning Strategy.*

2. Review of Town Planning Scheme No. 1

- a. *Resolves to prepare a new Local Planning Scheme for the entire area within the Shire of Menzies, pursuant to Section 72(1)(a) and 88(3) of the Planning and Development Act 2005 and Regulation 19(1) of the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015.*
- b. *Gives notice of the resolution to prepare a new Local Planning Scheme by publishing a notice in a newspaper circulating in the Shire of Menzies, pursuant to Regulation 20(1)(a) of the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015.*
- c. *Gives notice of the resolution to prepare a new Local Planning Scheme to all adjoining local governments, each licensee under the Water Services Act 2012 likely to be affected, the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Parks and Wildlife and all relevant public authorities, pursuant to Regulation 20(1)(b) of the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015.*
- d. *Following advertising of the resolution to prepare a new Local Planning Scheme under Regulation 20 of the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015 authorises Shire officers to undertake the*

preparation of a new Local Planning Scheme in accordance with the procedures set out in the Planning and Development Act 2005 and the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015.

- e. *Informs the Western Australian Planning Commission of its resolution and publication of notice .*

3. Financial arrangements and appointment of consultant

- a. *Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to make financial arrangements and appointment of a consultant to undertake the work required for a local planning strategy and new local planning scheme.*
- b. *Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to coordinate the local planning strategy and new local planning scheme process and to arrange for meetings/workshops when required.*
- c. *Resolves that the decisions listed in A and B are subject to the making of successful financial arrangements and appointment of a consultant.*

4. Shire of Menzies Town planning Scheme No. 1 - Amendment no. 9 ('Omnibus Amendment')

- a. *Resolves not to proceed with Amendment 9 to the Shire of Menzies Town Planning Scheme No. 1 pursuant to Regulation 37(5) of the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015.*
- b. *Informs the Western Australian Planning Commission of the decision in D(1).*

Carried 6/0

Note: *Reason for change from Officer Recommendation: - Point 3c removed as the Project brief was not available.*

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

1. Local Planning Strategy

- a. Under regulation 11(1) of the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015*, resolve to prepare a Local Planning Strategy for its area of jurisdiction; and
- b. Authorises Shire officers to undertake the preparation of a Local Planning Strategy in accordance with the procedures set out in Clauses 11-16 of the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015*;
- c. Informs the Western Australian Planning Commission of its intention to prepare a Local Planning Strategy.

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- a. Resolves to prepare a new Local Planning Scheme for the entire area within the Shire of Menzies, pursuant to Section 72(1)(a) and 88(3) of the *Planning and Development Act 2005* and Regulation 19(1) of the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015*.

- b. Gives notice of the resolution to prepare a new Local Planning Scheme by publishing a notice in a newspaper circulating in the Shire of Menzies, pursuant to Regulation 20(1)(a) of the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015*.
- c. Gives notice of the resolution to prepare a new Local Planning Scheme to all adjoining local governments, each licensee under the *Water Services Act 2012* likely to be affected, the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Parks and Wildlife and all relevant public authorities, pursuant to Regulation 20(1)(b) of the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015*.
- d. Following advertising of the resolution to prepare a new Local Planning Scheme under Regulation 20 of the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015* authorises Shire officers to undertake the preparation of a new Local Planning Scheme in accordance with the procedures set out in the *Planning and Development Act 2005* and the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015*.
- e. Informs the Western Australian Planning Commission of its resolution and publication of notice.

3. Financial arrangements and appointment of consultant

- a. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to make financial arrangements and appointment of a consultant to undertake the work required for a local planning strategy and new local planning scheme.
- b. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to coordinate the local planning strategy and new local planning scheme process and to arrange for meetings/workshops when required.
- c. Notes the project brief for services required from consultant.
- d. Resolves that the decisions listed in A and B are subject to the making of successful financial arrangements and appointment of a consultant.

4. Shire of Menzies Town planning Scheme No. 1 - Amendment no. 9 ("Omnibus Amendment")

- a. Resolves not to proceed with Amendment 9 to the Shire of Menzies Town Planning Scheme No. 1 pursuant to Regulation 37(5) of the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015*.
- b. Informs the Western Australian Planning Commission of the decision in D(1).

VOTING REQUIREMENTS: Simple Majority

IN BRIEF:

The introduction of the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015* has resulted in a requirement for a local planning strategy and a review of the existing town planning scheme. The report recommends commencement of a local planning strategy and a review of the existing town planning scheme.

RELEVANT TO STRATEGIC PLAN:

14.1 Sustainable local economy encouraged

- A strong local economy, diversified through encouraging commercial growth, which provides jobs and services.
- A local economy that has close working partnerships with mining companies and other industries.
- A local economy accessing the commercial options and services in place, for timely development.
- The prevention of fire risk throughout the community.
- The significant natural features of the shire for tourism.
- The acquisition of appropriate resources to assist with economic and tourism planning and development.

14.2 Strong sense of community maintained

- Our community will be cohesive, inclusive and interactive, where people feel safe, are welcomed and can live comfortably.
- The Shire to acquire appropriate resources to assist with developing the services and facilities required by the community.

14.3 Active civic leadership achieved

- Regularly review plans with community consultation on significant decisions affecting the shire.
- Where possible, support opportunities to build the capacity of the community within the Shire of Menzies.

14.4 Heritage & Natural assets conserved

- A strengthening of our cultural and heritage awareness and values.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY:

Planning and Development Act 2005

Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

The assistance of a town planning consultant will be required to complete a local planning strategy and new local planning scheme as required by Regulations 2015.

The Department of Planning has provided a project brief to assist with a request for quotations and appointment of consultant.

It is the Shire's role to arrange for the appointment of consultant and financial matters. A budget allocation to cover the appointment of a consultant planner has been included in the current year budget.

RISK ASSESSMENTS:

Nil

BACKGROUND:

Under the provisions of the *Planning and Development Act 2005 and Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015* (Regulations 2015) a local government must prepare a local planning strategy and existing local planning schemes are to be reviewed within six months of the five year anniversary of the date the scheme is approved.

The Shire of Menzies has no local planning strategy and its Town Planning Scheme No. 1 (gazetted on 13 June 2003) is out of date as the Regulations 2015 created a new template for local planning schemes which is significantly different from that used in Town Planning Scheme No. 1. The introduction of the Regulations 2015 has also resulted that large sections of Town Planning Scheme No. 1 have been replaced by the 'deemed provisions' now automatically 'read into' the scheme which means that the text of the current scheme contains provisions that have effectively been replaced emphasizing that an update is required.

A local planning strategy is a document that is prepared to guide the management of land use planning and development over a ten to fifteen year period, to balance the needs and expectations of a community in a local government area. It sets out a vision for the local government, the general aims, intentions and desired outcomes for long-term growth and change, having regard to social, economic and environmental factors and contains a strategic plan that indicates a future land use plan to form the basis for a local planning scheme. An assessment of the capacity of infrastructure such as water, sewerage, electricity and roads is usually considered in a strategy as well as compliance matters and policies required under a local planning scheme. A local planning strategy may be prepared concurrently with a local planning scheme and must:

- set out the long-term planning directions for the local government; and
- apply any State or regional planning policy that is relevant to the strategy; and
- provide the rationale for any zoning or classification of land under the local planning scheme.

Section 88(3) of the Regulations 2015 states that a local government may resolve to prepare a new local planning scheme. Based on the outcomes of a local planning strategy, a local planning scheme as statutory document, sets out the way land is to be used and developed and with the 'deemed provisions' outlines procedures for making planning policies, identification of heritage places, structure and local development plans, requirements for development approval and matters to be considered when applications are received.

COMMENT:

The process of compiling a local planning strategy and a new local planning scheme involves strategic planning and long-term goals for the local government area and it is imperative that councillors are actively involved in the formulation of these plans.

On 25 July 2015, the Shire of Menzies informed the Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC) that at its Ordinary Council meeting on 28 March 2015, a draft Local Planning Strategy and an "Omnibus Amendment" described as Amendment 9 to the Shire of Menzies Town planning Scheme No. 1 have been adopted. The Shire requested approval from the WAPC to advertise the Amendment 9 and the draft Local Planning Strategy. On 25 August 2015, the Department of Planning advised in writing that the draft Local Planning Strategy is

incomplete for assessment and that Amendment 9 cannot be progressed as it is inconsistent with Regulations 2015 and that a review of the Shire's local planning scheme should be considered instead. The Department of Planning also advised the Shire that "public advertising of Amendment 9 be withhold and that the Council resolve not to continue with Amendment 9 given its inconsistency with Regulations 2015. The Department of Planning informed that no response has been received from the Shire in relation to the discontinuation of Amendment 9 and that the amendment is still 'alive' until a resolution is taken by the Council not to proceed with the amendment under clause 37(5) of Regulations 2015.

Consultation

Consultation has been undertaken with the Department of Planning in relation to the introduction of the Regulations 2015 and its impact on a local planning strategy and review of the Shire's Town Planning Scheme No. 1.

If the Council decides to undertake a local planning strategy and review of Town Planning Scheme No. 1, a local strategy planning process can commence and when a draft strategy is completed, a new local planning scheme can be drafted that will be reviewed by the WAPC and the Environmental Protection Authority. Once these agency comments are received and incorporated into the local planning scheme, a formal advertising period will occur simultaneously with the local planning strategy. Government agencies and the public will then be able to comment on the documents.

For both documents, Council's resolution and all the submissions will then be forwarded to the WAPC for its endorsement and the final approval by the Minister for Planning where applicable.

The Department of Planning has indicated that it is prepared to guide the Shire through this process including advice on work delivered.

Planning and Development Act 2005

**ADVERTISEMENT OF RESOLUTION TO PREPARE A
LOCAL PLANNING SCHEME**

Local Planning Scheme No. 24

Notice is hereby given that the Council of the local government of the Shire of Menzies on
..... passed the following Resolution:

That Council:

1. Resolves to prepare a new Local Planning Scheme for the entire area within the Shire of Menzies, pursuant to Section 72(1)(a) and 88(3) of the Planning and Development Act 2005 and Regulation 19(1) of the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015.

Dated this ..th day of 2017

Rhonda Evans
Chief Executive

SHIRE OF MENZIES



Scope of Works for the preparation of a Local Planning Strategy and a Local Planning Scheme

Scope of Works

November 2017

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. Background

The Shire of Menzies Town Planning Scheme No.1 was gazetted on 13 June 2003. The *Planning and Development Act 2005* ('the Act') requires all local governments to review their Local Planning Schemes ('Scheme') every five years. In accordance with the Act, the Shire of Menzies Council proposes to review its town planning scheme and prepare a Local Planning Scheme No. 2.

As a precursor to the Local Planning Scheme Review, the Shire is required under the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Scheme) Regulations 2015* to prepare a Local Planning Strategy ('Strategy') to:

- a) set out the long-term planning directions for the local government;
- b) apply any State or regional planning policy that is relevant to the strategy; and
- c) provide the rationale for any zoning or classification of land under the local planning scheme.

At this stage, the Shire does not have a Local Planning Strategy and therefore in accordance with the Regulations 2015, the Shire of Menzies Council also proposes to develop a Local Planning Strategy.

1.2. Purpose

The Shire of Menzies is seeking the services of a suitably qualified and experienced land use planning Consultant to prepare:

- a new Local Planning Strategy; and
- review the Shire's TPS No 1 and prepare a new Local Planning Scheme No. 2

The preparation and content of the Local Planning Strategy and Local Planning Scheme are to be in accordance with the requirements of the Act, *the Regulations 2015* and the Western Australian Planning Commission's *Local Planning Manual* (WAPC, 2010), other relevant planning legislation, policy and practices.

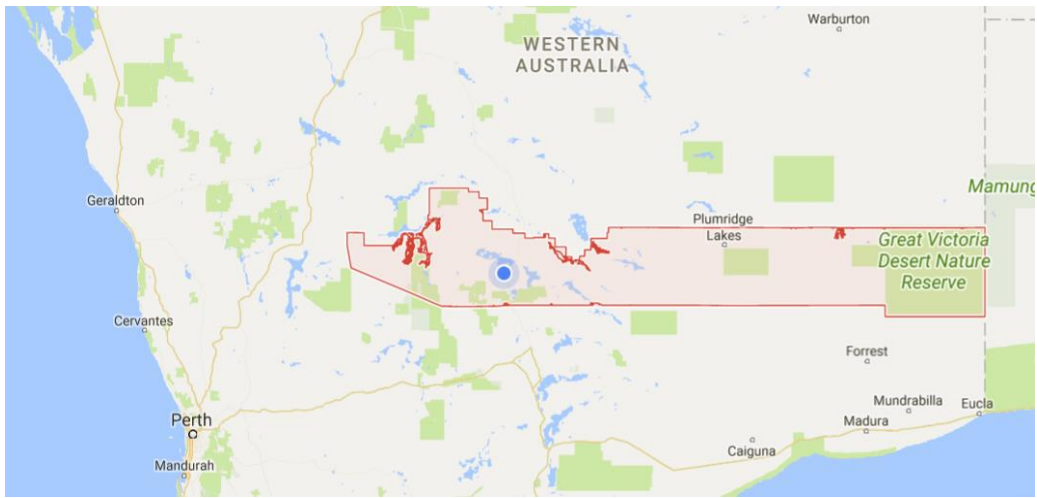


Figure 1. Location Plan

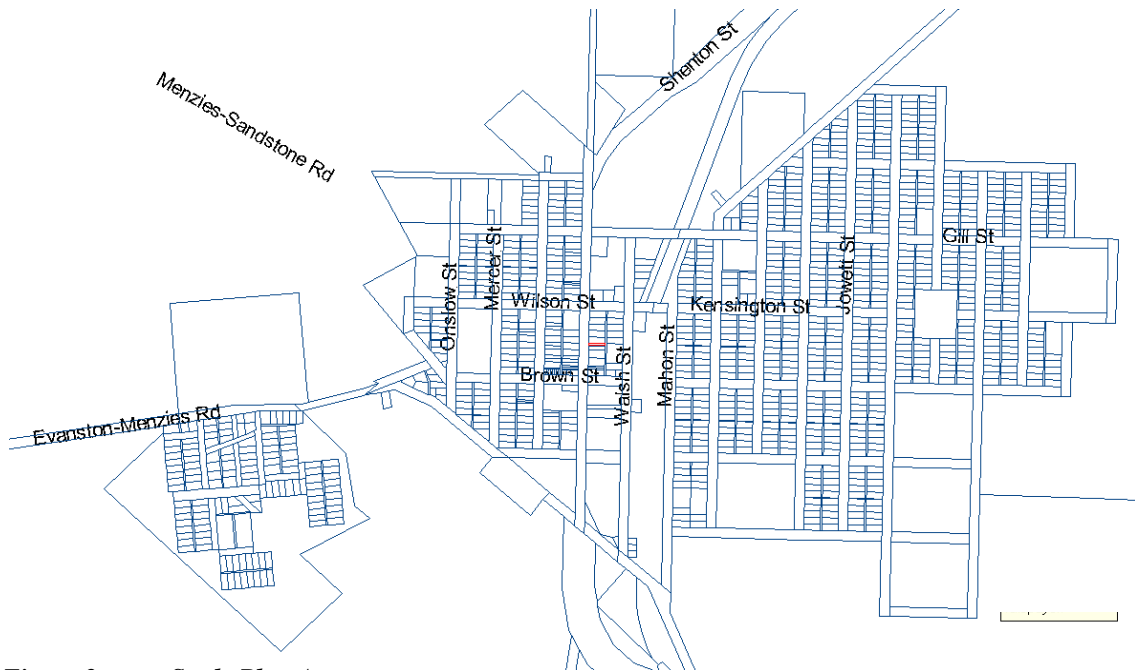


Figure 2. Study Plan Area

2. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Shire's existing Scheme is 15 years old and requires urgent review to reflect current planning legislation and requirements.

In addition, the Shire does not currently have a Local Planning Strategy and is required by legislation to prepare one.

This includes developing the Scheme in accordance with the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Scheme) Regulations 2015* to efficiently manage and control land use and development.

The preparation of a Strategy will guide the zonings and land use controls contained in the Scheme and is considered to be a visionary and living document, planning for the medium-long term future development of the Shire.

The Strategy and Scheme are to be prepared in accordance with the relevant legislation and policy as set out in the Act. This includes, but is not limited to the documents set out in **Table 1**. The relevant legislation is required to be complied with; and sets out guidelines and policies which are to be considered during the preparation of a Strategy and Scheme.

Table 1 - Legislation, Guidelines and Policy guiding the preparation of a Strategy and Scheme

Legislation	Guidelines	State Planning Policy and Strategy
Planning and Development Act 2005	Local Planning Manual	State Planning Strategy
Planning and Development (Local Planning Scheme) Regulations 2015		State Planning Policy (SPP) No. 1 - State Planning Framework
	Country Sewerage Policy	SPP No. 3 - Urban Growth and Settlement
	Better Urban Water Management	SPP 3.1 - Residential Design Codes
	Planning for Bushfire Protection Structure Plan Preparation Guidelines	SPP 3.7 – Planning in Bushfire Prone Areas
	Liveable Neighbourhoods	

2.1. Project Objectives

The preparation of a new Local Planning Strategy and Local Planning Scheme must respond and address the following objectives:

- Building capacity in regional communities – A Local Planning Strategy and a Local Planning Scheme will increase the opportunity for future land supply and extend land use opportunities across the Shire, including industrial, agricultural, residential, tourism, commercial and recreation uses. The creation of a Local Planning Strategy and a Local Planning Scheme are vital to allow the Shire to promote well planned and effective development.
- Improving services to regional communities – A Local Planning Strategy and a Local Planning Scheme will draw on extensive community consultation, preceding strategies and investigations, and consultation with all relevant government agencies to deliver a planning framework that addresses the services demanded by regional communities including infrastructure, community, health, aged care, recreational, educational, communications, transport, tourism and retail.
- Attaining sustainability - A Local Planning Strategy and a Local Planning Scheme will be prepared with due regard to the State and regional planning framework to deliver contemporary outcomes.
- Expanding opportunity - A Local Planning Strategy and a Local Planning Scheme will enable government policies and market demands to be incorporated into the planning framework for the Shire to facilitate employment and lifestyle opportunity.
- Growing prosperity - A Local Planning Strategy and a Local Planning Scheme is timely to address growth and to ensure that development is beneficial economically, socially and environmentally.
- Delivering consistency - A Local Planning Strategy and a Local Planning Scheme will be in a position to ensure land use permissibility and development control across the entire Shire district is administered on a consistent basis.
- Policy and Spatial Framework - A Local Planning Strategy and a Local Planning Scheme will provide an opportunity to facilitate and guide the Shire in a way that improves the quality of life for all residents, continues to evolve and develop the local economy, and supports a vibrant community.

2.2. *Project Overview*

A new Local Planning Strategy and a Local Planning Scheme will address the following (though not limited to) matters:

Planning and Development Framework (where applicable)

- Current Local Planning Scheme
- WAPC's Land Capacity Analysis reports
- WAPC's WA Tomorrow population forecasts
- Municipal heritage inventories
- Any expansion strategies, interim development orders
- Strategic Plan/ Strategic Community Plan
- Relevant State Planning Policies and Development Control Policies
- State Planning Framework - State Planning Strategy, Regional Strategies, Urban Water Management, Country Sewerage Policy, Residential Design Codes, Liveable Neighbourhoods, Local Planning Manual etc.

Land Use

- Central Regions Land Capacity Analysis – Shire of Menzies
- Land use needs and constraints - residential, industrial, commercial, rural, rural living etc.
- Land use pattern/plan for the area
- Tourism uses - i.e. caravan parks
- Education facilities, community facilities
- Public Open Space and recreation facilities
- Mining considerations
- Pastoral Land use

Movement Network

- Road classification
- Highway/Roads land use conflict issues (if any)
- Road realignment/upgrading requirements

Infrastructure

- Water provision Strengths, Weakness, Opportunities, Threats (SWOT) analysis
- Waste water provision SWOT
- Electricity provision SWOT

Environment

- Public Drinking Water Protection Areas
- Water courses
- Endangered flora and fauna
- Areas requiring protection/rehabilitation

3. METHODOLOGY

It is envisaged that the preparation of the new Local Planning Strategy and Local Planning Scheme would be undertaken in a staged approach as per below. It is proposed that each stage below would be completed and signed off by the Shire prior to the Consultant commencing the following stage.

3.1.1. **Stage 1 – Review and GAP Analysis;**

Review of the existing town planning scheme, the land capacity analysis reports and other relevant strategies and policies; and undertake a gap analysis on the existing local planning framework.

3.1.2. **Stage 2 Inception meeting; and Initial Consultation**

The Consultant will undertake preliminary consultation with key stakeholders and the community to inform the vision, goals, objectives and direction for the preparation of a new local planning strategy and a local planning scheme.

3.1.3. **Stage 3 Preparation of an initial draft Local Planning Strategy**

Following the information obtained through stage 1 and 2, the Consultant shall prepare an initial draft Local Planning Strategy for review by the Shire and DPLH (as relevant). The local government will review and provide feedback on the initial draft Local Planning Strategy to the consultant including, but not limited to feedback on Part A and B, mapping, strategies and actions.

3.1.4. **Stage 4 Preparation of the draft Local Planning Strategy and Local Planning Scheme**

Once stage 3 is finalised, the Consultant will prepare a draft Local Planning Strategy based on any feedback provided by the Shire and will prepare a Local Planning Scheme based on the following including: the direction/strategies/actions identified by the draft Local Planning Strategy; the documents in Table 1; and the symbology and mapping requirements in Appendix 1.

3.1.5. **Stage 5 – Public consultation**

On receipt of the WAPC's certification of the draft Strategy and consent to advertise; and on completion of examination of the scheme for advertising any required modifications (and confirmed by DPLH), the consultant is to facilitate the public advertisement of the strategy and scheme for 90 days concurrently, in the manner as stated in the regulations and any additional form of consultation required by the WAPC.

3.1.6. **Stage 6 - Finalisation of Scheme and Strategy**

Following the close of the formal public consultation period, the Consultant is to consider and report upon the submissions to the draft Scheme and Strategy and provide recommendations for any appropriate modifications arising from the submissions. The Submissions Report and statutory Schedule of Submissions will be submitted for consideration and adoption by Council¹.

3.1.7. Stage 7- Final approval and gazettal

The Strategy and Scheme are to be forwarded to the WAPC; and following receipt of the WAPC and/or Minister's advice, (and any required modifications that are to be undertaken by the Consultant) the Strategy and Scheme will be finalised for formal adoption by Council and the Minister, including final gazettal/endorsement.¹

¹ Endorsement, adoption and approval processes for Schemes and Strategies are to be in accordance with the requirements set out in the *Planning and Development Act 2005* and *the Regulations 2015*.

4. KEY DELIVERABLES, OUTCOMES AND MILESTONES

4.2 The Consultant is required to respond to and address the scope, outcomes and deliverables as set out in the following tables:

Table 2 – Scope & Milestones

Stage	Details	Timeframe
Stage 1 - Review and GAP Analysis	1.1 Following contract award within one week, the Consultant is to arrange a phone meeting with the Shire CEO to arrange and discuss preparation for the first site visit to the Shire of Menzies. This site visit is to occur within 3 weeks (of contract award) and will include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The inception meeting with the Shire (as per 2.1 below); Site visit of the Menzies townsite and other key areas in the Shire; (as per 2.2 below); and Undertaking the Initial Consultation (as per 2.3 below). 	Within one week of contract commencement
	1.2 Prior to the Site Visit, the Consultant is to review the existing town planning scheme, the Shire of Menzies Land Capacity Analysis Report and other relevant strategies and policies; and undertake a gap analysis on the existing local planning framework. The review shall examine (but is not limited to) the project scope as outlined in Section 2.2.	Within two weeks of contract commencement
	1.3 The Consultant is to provide a summary of the review/gap analysis to the Shire, 1 week before the Inception Meeting/ Site Visit.	
Stage 2 - Inception meeting, Site visits, and Initial consultation	2.1 Attend an inception in Menzies with the Shire of Menzies CEO and staff to determine and agree upon objectives, programme and deliverables. (Within seven weeks).	Within seven weeks of contract commencement
	2.2 Undertake site visits with the Shire of Menzies staff.	

	<p>2.3 Undertake initial consultation with Shire of Menzies staff, elected members, key stakeholders and the community to inform the direction of the preparation of the new local planning Strategy and Scheme, including to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facilitate and encourage effective communication between the community, stakeholders and the Principal and its appointed Consultant. • Obtain community and stakeholder input and feedback in relation to the new Local Planning Strategy and Scheme. 	
<p>Stage 3 - Preparation of an initial preliminary draft Local Planning Strategy</p>	<p>3.1 Following the information obtained through stages 1 and 2, the Consultant shall undertake additional preliminary consultation with relevant authorities to ensure that all relevant matters are accounted for including with DPLH, DBCA, DWER and DMIRS. Following this the Consultant shall prepare an initial preliminary draft Local Planning Strategy for review by the Shire and DPLH (as relevant). The initial draft Local Planning Strategy should include the proposed structure of both Parts A and B as set out in the WAPC’s Local Planning Manual. The local government will review and provide feedback to the consultant on the initial preliminary draft Local Planning Strategy to the Consultant including, but not limited to feedback on Part A and B, the mapping, strategies and actions.</p>	<p>Within 10 weeks of contract commencement</p>

Stage 4 - Preparation of the draft Local Planning Strategy and Local Planning Scheme; Council consideration and referral of the Scheme to the EPA	4.1	Once stage 3 is confirmed and completed, the Consultant will prepare a draft Local Planning Strategy based on any feedback provided by the Shire; and will prepare a Local Planning Scheme based on the direction/ strategies/actions identified by the draft Local Planning Strategy. The Consultant will prepare and submit a draft Local Planning Strategy and Local Planning Scheme to the Shire for review. If required, the Shire will provide feedback to the Consultant – for the Consultant to amend the draft documents accordingly and re-submit to the Shire. The Scheme and Strategy will then be submitted to the Council for their consideration – and the Consultant will prepare reports to Council to resolve to advertise the draft local planning strategy and local planning scheme. The Consultant will prepare separate reports for the local planning strategy and the local planning scheme. Once these documents are adopted for advertising, the Consultant will need to facilitate referral of the draft Scheme to the EPA, under Section 81 & 82 of the Act.	Within 14 weeks of contract commencement
	4.2	The Consultant will facilitate that 2 copies of the scheme be forwarded to the WAPC for examination; and request WAPC’s certification to advertise the draft Strategy and Scheme.	
	4.3	The Consultant will liaise informally with the Shire, the DPLH, and DBCA officers to clarify any component or issues relevant to the EPA.	
	4.4	The Consultant will also undertake any modifications to the draft Strategy and/or Scheme required by the WAPC.	
Stage 5 Public consultation	5.1	On receipt of the WAPC’s response, and on completion of any required modifications (and confirmed by DPLH), the consultant is to facilitate	Within 4 weeks of receiving the WAPC’s response

		the public advertisement of the draft Strategy and Scheme for 90 days concurrently, in the manner as stated in the regulations.	
	5.2	The Consultant is to conduct a workshop with Community, Stakeholders and Councillors (1 workshop) during public advertising period, locally in the Shire of Menzies	Within 1 month of start of public advertising
Stage 6 - Finalisation of Scheme and Strategy	6.1	<p>Following the close of the formal public consultation period, the Consultant is to consider and report upon the submissions to the draft Strategy and Scheme (as separate reports) and provide recommendations for any appropriate modifications arising from the submissions.</p> <p>The Consultant is to prepare separate reports for the local planning strategy and local planning scheme, including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Submissions Report; • The statutory Schedule of Submissions; and • The report to Council to resolve to support the strategy and scheme along with any modifications required to address issues raised in the submissions. <p>These reports will then be submitted for consideration and adoption by Council, following which the LG will forward these to WAPC for final assessment.</p>	Within 1 month of end of public advertising
Stage 7 Final approval and gazettal	7.1	Following receipt of the WAPC and/or Minister's consideration, the Consultant will undertake any required modifications to the Strategy and Scheme. The Strategy and Scheme will be finalised for final gazettal.	Within 4 weeks of receiving the WAPC's response

NB: The administrative time and costs associated with advertising and the reproduction of documents will be undertaken by the Shire of Menzies.

5. DELIVERABLES

Deliverable		Number and format of Copies
	Stage 1	
1.	Review and gap analysis Report	One (1) electronic copy Word and PDF
	Stage 2	
2.	Preliminary consultation outcomes report	One (1) electronic copy Word and PDF
	Stage 3	
3.	Preliminary draft Local Planning Strategy	One (1) electronic copy Word and PDF Mapping – GIS files and PDF
	Stage 4	
4.	Draft Local Planning Strategy Report to Council to advertise draft local planning strategy	One (1) electronic copy Word and PDF Mapping – GIS files and PDF
5.	Draft Local Planning Scheme Report to Council to resolve to advertise the draft local planning scheme	One (1) electronic copy Word and PDF Mapping – GIS files and PDF
	Stage 5	
	Community Consultation and workshops	One workshop in the Shire of Menzies
	Stage 6	
	Submissions Report and Schedule of Submissions - two separate reports for the Strategy and Scheme Report to Council to resolve to support the scheme and strategy along with any modifications required to address issues raised in submissions.	One (1) electronic copy Word and PDF
	Stage 7	
	Final Local Planning Strategy	One (1) electronic copy Word and PDF Mapping – GIS files and PDF
	Final Local Planning Scheme	One (1) electronic copy Word and PDF Mapping – GIS files and PDF

6. SELECTION CRITERIA

Quotes must provide the following details as supporting information

6.1. Skills and Expertise

Consultant(s) must provide information relevant to the skills and expertise of key personnel who will be involved with this project.

The following information should be provided for each key personnel:

- a. Qualifications;
- b. Professional or business associations;
- c. Length of service at the organisation;
- d. Industry experience – with a particular emphasis on projects of a similar nature. A detailed description should be provided of the scope of the project and the person's role and involvement and any additional relevant information of proposed personnel to be allocated to this project.

6.2. Understanding of the Task

Consultant(s) must demonstrate an appreciation of the requirements of this project and provide an outline of the project scope and their proposed approach. The scope of works will then be assessed in terms of its appropriateness and its ability to achieve the project objectives.

Consultant(s) shall provide a project timeline, which demonstrates their ability to meet the dates stipulated within the project brief.

6.3. Demonstrated Experience in Completing Similar Projects

Consultant(s) must provide a detailed description of similar work undertaken by the organisation for other clients. As a minimum the following information should be provided:

- a. A detailed description of the scope of work undertaken;
- b. Similarities between those projects and the project requirements of this tender;
- c. When the work was undertaken; and
- d. The project outcomes.

6.4. Price

The Consultant is to provide a fixed fee for the services described in this project brief. The following Price schedule will be used as a payment schedule. Payment will be made to the Consultant when each Stage has been completed to the satisfaction of the Shire of Menzies. The Consultant is not to proceed to the next Stage until the current stage has been successfully completed.

Stage		Cost
1.	Review and GAP Analysis	
	Disbursements	\$.....
	Other	\$.....
	Sub Total (Excl GST)	\$.....
	Sub Total (Incl GST)	\$.....
2.	Inception Meeting and Initial consultation	
	Disbursements	\$.....
	Other	\$.....
	Sub Total (Excl GST)	\$.....
	Sub Total (Incl GST)	\$.....
3.	Preparation of an initial preliminary draft Local Planning Strategy	
	Disbursements	\$.....
	Other	\$.....
	Sub Total (Excl GST)	\$.....
	Sub Total (Incl GST)	\$.....
4.	Preparation of the draft Local Planning Strategy and Local Planning Scheme	
	Disbursements	\$.....
	Other	\$.....
	Sub Total (Excl GST)	\$.....
	Sub Total (Incl GST)	\$.....
5.	Public consultation	
	Disbursements	\$.....
	Other	\$.....
	Sub Total (Excl GST)	\$.....
	Sub Total (Incl GST)	\$.....
6.	Finalisation of Scheme and Strategy	
	Disbursements	\$.....
	Other	\$.....
	Sub Total (Excl GST)	\$.....
	Sub Total (Incl GST)	\$.....
7.	Final approval and gazettal	
	Disbursements	\$.....
	Other	\$.....
	Sub Total (Excl GST)	\$.....
	Sub Total (Incl GST)	\$.....
Total (Excl GST)		\$.....
Total (Incl GST)		\$.....

The rates listed below shall also apply to any additional work agreed to by the Shire of Menzies not covered under the Scope of Services but relevant to complete the project and shall include but not be limited to, all normal business expenses, any phone calls, any travel in the metropolitan area, and provision of all reports and advice.

Description of Service: Central Regions Land Supply and Infrastructure Analysis			Tendered Rate \$ (inc. GST)
Role of Specified Personnel:	Name of Specified Personnel:	Hourly Rate	\$
		Daily Rate – (Based on an 8 Hour Day)	\$
		Weekly Rate (Based on a 40 Hour Week)	\$
Role of Specified Personnel:	Name of Specified Personnel:	Hourly Rate	\$
		Daily Rate – (Based on an 8 Hour Day)	\$
		Weekly Rate (Based on a 40 Hour Week)	\$
Role of Specified Personnel:	Name of Specified Personnel:	Hourly Rate	\$
		Daily Rate – (Based on an 8 Hour Day)	\$
		Weekly Rate (Based on a 40 Hour Week)	\$
Role of Specified Personnel:	Name of Specified Personnel:	Hourly Rate	\$
		Daily Rate – (Based on an 8 Hour Day)	\$
		Weekly Rate (Based on a 40 Hour Week)	\$

Appendix 1:

GIS Standards

Digital Mapping and Geographic Information

Digital mapping and geographic data provided for this project/study shall conform to standards of accuracy, specifications and style of presentation acceptable to the Shire. Detail as follows:

Cadastre

Cadastre supplied or used in the preparation of mapping shall be geodetically controlled and conform to Landgate accuracy specified for numerical (precision capture). That is, for the study area, all cadastral points connected to cadastral control shall be within the following accuracy limits:

Urban	0.05 - 0.2 metres
Rural	0.5 - 2.5 metres
Pastoral	2.5 - 10 metres.

Topographical Mapping

All large scale topographical mapping is to be produced to Landgate's 1:2000 topographical specifications unless otherwise stated. Detailed information to include definition of any existing road carriageways, building outlines, fence lines, drains, water features, power lines/poles, vegetation areas (unclassified), large trees/features and 1 metre contours. Any topographic data produced for medium and small scales should be in compliance with Landgate's specifications.

Digital data specifications in terms of data level, colour, style, font style and line weight shall be in accordance with Landgate's feature code specifications.

Project Mapping

Project or publication mapping produced at various scales and themes shall be provided in accordance with specifications, standards and style of presentation acceptable to the DPLH (acting for and on behalf of the Commission).

Mapping Systems

All mapping and geographic information shall be referenced to the **Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994 (GDA94)**.

Data Format

All data provided shall be supplied in arcview shape files or ARC Export formats.

Data Integrity

Geographic features must be one of the following types: Point, Line or Polygon.

LINES:

Must not be zero length.

Must be clean and not contain duplicate line work.

Must have nodes at X and T junctions.

POLYGONS:

Must be closed.

Must contain lines having the same level.

Must not contain zero length lines.

Must be free of >undershoots and overshoots=.

Must be clean and not contain duplicate line work

Metadata

Any data submitted back to the Shire must be accompanied by metadata as per ANZLIC standards.

All mapping and geographic information shall become the property of the Shire.

Symbology and colours

All symbology, colours and graphics used in both the local planning strategy and the local planning scheme shall conform to standards, specifications and style presentation acceptable to the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage, to be supplied to the successful Respondent, including as per the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Scheme) Regulations 2015*.

12.2 FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

12.2.1 Statement of Financial Activity for the Month of October 2017

LOCATION:	N/A
APPLICANT:	N/A
FILE REF:	EDM052
DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST:	The Author has no interest to disclose
DATE:	20 November 2017
AUTHOR:	Jeanette Taylor, Manager Finance & Administration
ATTACHMENT:	12.2.1-1 Monthly Financial Reports October 2017 12.2.1-2 Operating Statement by Nature and Type 12.2.1-3 Capital Income and Expenditure Statement

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION:

That Council

Receive the Statement of Financial Activity for the month ending 31 October 2017 tabled as attachment 12.2.1-1 presented at the meeting and note any material variances.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS:

Simple Majority

IN BRIEF:

Statutory Financial Reports submitted to Council for acceptance as a record of financial activity for the period to 31 October 2017.

RELEVANT TO STRATEGIC PLAN:

14.3 Active civic leadership achieved

- Regularly review plans with community consultation on significant decisions affecting the shire.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY:

Local Government Act 1995 Section 6.4

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996, 34

POLICY IMPLICATIONS: Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

As detailed within the attachments.

RISK ASSESSMENTS:

OP9 Budgets are inaccurately reported with differences in the Budget adopted by Council, and that exercised by Council administration.

OP16 Council's statutory reports provide inaccurate financial information

BACKGROUND:

The Financial Management Regulation 34 required each Local Government to prepare each month a statement of financial activity reporting on the sources and applications of funds, as set out in the annual budget under Regulation 22(1)(d), for that month with the following details:

- The annual budget estimates,
- The operating revenue, operating income and all other operating income and expenses,
- Any significant variations between year to date income and expenditure and the relevant budget provisions to the end of the relevant reporting period,
- Identify any significant areas where activity is not in accordance with budget estimates for the relevant reporting period,
- Include an operating statement, and
- Any other relevant supporting notes.

COMMENT:

This report contains annual budget estimates, actual amounts of expenditure and income to the end of the month. It shows the material differences between the budget and actual amounts where they are not associated to timing differences for the purpose of keeping Council informed of the current financial position.

Detailed statement of Capital Income and Expenditure by ledger account by program is provided for Council consideration.

Detailed statement of Operating Income and Expenditure by nature or type by program is provided for Council information.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

For the Period ended
31 October 2017



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- Capital by GL Account

Shire of Menzies
STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
BY NATURE OR TYPE
For the Period ended
31 October 2017

	Note	2017/2018 Budget \$	2017/2018 Actual \$
REVENUE			
Rates	5	2,809,112	3,051,837
Operating Grants, Subsidies and Contributions		1,717,444	417,752
Fees and Charges	6	171,620	109,386
Interest Earnings	3	184,600	108,214
Other Revenue		46,200	22,495
		4,928,976	3,709,684
EXPENSES			
Employee Costs		(1,615,058)	(478,937)
Materials and Contracts		(2,800,273)	(478,774)
Utility Charges		(56,160)	(18,990)
Depreciation	2	(2,076,951)	0
Insurance Expenses		(130,430)	(38,477)
Allocation to Capital		0	21,111
Other Expenditure		(332,400)	(72,380)
		(7,011,272)	(1,066,447)
		(2,082,296)	2,643,237
Non-Operating Grants, Subsidies and Contributions		3,609,875	614,354
Profit on Asset Disposals		10,750	0
Loss on Asset Disposals		(9,250)	0
NET RESULT		1,529,079	3,257,591
Other Comprehensive Income			
Changes on Revaluation of non-current assets			
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME		1,529,080	3,257,591

Shire of Menzies
STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
- Operating by Nature or Type L Account
For the Period ended
31 October 2017

	Note	2017/2018 Budget \$	2017/2018 Actual \$
REVENUE			
General Purpose Funding		3,889,706	3,361,314
Law, Order, Public Safety		6,400	0
Health		0	1,319
Housing		65,220	28,238
Community Amenities		6,600	7,870
Recreation and Culture		10,000	45
Transport		727,250	225,539
Economic Services		185,100	58,160
Other Property and Services		38,700	27,199
		<u>4,928,976</u>	<u>3,709,684</u>
EXPENSES EXCLUDING FINANCE COSTS			
Governance		(534,774)	(232,601)
General Purpose Funding		(133,975)	(56,361)
Law, Order, Public Safety		(45,180)	(15,004)
Health		(53,000)	(45,247)
Housing		(291,334)	(14,828)
Community Amenities		(202,910)	(53,503)
Recreation & Culture		(493,390)	(134,704)
Transport		(2,597,655)	(240,009)
Economic Services		(830,321)	(235,863)
Other Property and Services		(1,828,733)	(38,326)
		<u>(7,011,272)</u>	<u>(1,066,447)</u>
		(2,082,296)	2,643,237
NON-OPERATING GRANTS, SUBSIDIES AND CONTRIBUTIONS			
Recreation & Culture		261,000	0
Transport		3,333,875	614,354
Economic Services		15,000	0
		<u>3,609,875</u>	<u>614,354</u>
PROFIT/(LOSS) ON DISPOSAL OF ASSETS (Refer Note 4)			
Transport		1,500	0
		<u>1,500</u>	<u>0</u>
NET RESULT		1,529,080	3,257,591
Other Comprehensive Income			
Changes on Revaluation of non-current assets		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Other Comprehensive Income		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME		<u>1,529,080</u>	<u>3,257,591</u>

Shire of Menzies
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY
For the Period ended
31 October 2017

	Note	Budget	Budget YTD	Actual	Variance	
		\$	\$	\$	%	\$
REVENUES	1,2					
General Purpose Funding		1,135,594	378,531	309,477	18%	69,054
Law, Order, Public Safety		6,400	2,133	0	100%	2,133
Housing		65,220	21,740	28,238	-30%	(6,498)
Community Amenities		6,600	2,200	7,870	-258%	(5,670)
Recreation and Culture		10,000	3,333	45	99%	3,288
Transport		727,250	242,417	225,539	7%	16,878
Economic Services		185,100	61,700	58,160	6%	3,540
Other Property and Services		38,700	12,900	27,199	-111%	(14,299)
		<u>2,174,864</u>	<u>724,955</u>	<u>657,847</u>		
EXPENSES	1,2					
Governance		(534,774)	(178,258)	(232,601)	-30%	54,343
General Purpose Funding		(133,975)	(44,658)	(56,361)	-26%	11,702
Law, Order, Public Safety		(45,180)	(15,060)	(15,004)	0%	(56)
Health		(53,000)	(17,667)	(45,247)	-156%	27,580
Housing		(291,334)	(97,111)	(14,828)	85%	(82,283)
Community Amenities		(202,910)	(67,637)	(53,503)	21%	(14,133)
Recreation & Culture		(493,390)	(164,463)	(134,704)	18%	(29,759)
Transport		(2,597,655)	(865,885)	(240,009)	72%	(625,876)
Economic Services		(830,321)	(276,774)	(235,863)	15%	(40,911)
Other Property and Services		(1,828,733)	(609,578)	(38,326)	94%	(571,252)
		<u>(7,011,272)</u>	<u>(2,337,091)</u>	<u>(1,066,447)</u>		
Net Operating Result Excluding Rates		<u>(4,836,408)</u>	<u>(1,612,136)</u>	<u>(408,600)</u>		
Adjustments for Cash Budget Requirements:						
Non-Cash Expenditure and Revenue						
Initial Recognition of Assets due to change in Regulations						
(Profit)/Loss on Asset Disposals	4(b)	(1,500)	(500)	0		
Depreciation on Assets	2	2,076,951	692,317	0		
Capital Expenditure and Revenue						
Purchase Land Held for Resale	4(a)	0	0	0	No budget	0
Purchase Land and Buildings	4(a)	(1,061,000)	(353,667)	(56,406)	-84%	(297,261)
Purchase Infrastructure Assets - Roads	4(a)	(4,310,287)	(1,436,762)	(1,546,309)	8%	109,546
Purchase Infrastructure Assets - Parks	4(a)	(674,000)	(224,667)	(81,705)	-64%	(142,961)
Purchase Infrastructure Assets - Footpaths	4(a)	(50,000)	(16,667)	0	-100%	(16,667)
Purchase Plant and Equipment	4(a)	(262,000)	(87,333)	(100,705)	15%	13,371
Purchase Furniture and Equipment	4(a)	(100,000)	(33,333)	(30,836)	-7%	(2,497)
Proceeds from Disposal of Assets		81,000	27,000	96,386	257%	(69,386)
- Non Operating Grants and Subsidies		3,609,875	1,203,292	614,354	-49%	588,938
Transfers to Reserves (Restricted Assets)	7	(283,600)	(94,533)	(320,460)	239%	225,927
Transfers from Reserves (Restricted Assets)	7	247,000	82,333	0	-100%	82,333
ADD Estimated Surplus/(Deficit) July 1 B/Fwd		2,754,857	2,754,857	5,901,278		
Amount Raised from General Rates	5	2,809,112	2,809,112	3,051,837		
Net Current Assets - Surplus (Deficit)		<u>0</u>	<u>3,709,313</u>	<u>7,118,834</u>		

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STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

NET CURRENT ASSETS

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	Brought Forward	Movement	YTD
	Actual	Actual	Actual
	\$	\$	\$
Surplus Deficit Brought Forward	5,901,278	1,217,556	7,118,834
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and Cash Equivalents			
-Unrestricted Cash	5,477,846	(307,521)	5,170,325
-Restricted Cash - Reserves	4,617,827	320,460	4,938,287
Receivables		0	0
-Rates Outstanding	999,631	908,445	1,908,076
-Sundry Debtors	51,642	195,859	247,501
-Provision For Doubtful Debts	(115,170)	0	(115,170)
-Gst Receivable	79,217	176,384	255,601
-Accrued Income/Payments In Advance	34,427	40,048	74,475
Inventories			0
-Fuel, Oil & Materials on Hand	8,522	(463)	8,059
	<u>11,153,942</u>	<u>1,333,212</u>	<u>12,487,154</u>
LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and Other Payables			
-Sundry Creditors	(437,982)	268,076	(169,906)
-Accrued Salaries & Wages	(21,961)	21,961	(0)
-Income Received In Advance	(26,321)	0	(26,321)
-Gst Payable	(22,874)	(166,125)	(188,999)
-Payroll Creditors	(36,653)	(8,154)	(44,807)
-Accrued Expenses	(89,046)	89,046	0
Provisions			0
-Provision For Annual Leave	(105,969)	0	(105,969)
-Provision For Long Service Leave (Current)	(19,889)	0	(19,889)
	<u>(760,695)</u>	<u>204,805</u>	<u>(555,890)</u>
Unadjusted Net Current Assets	<u>10,393,247</u>	<u>1,538,016</u>	<u>11,931,263</u>
Less Reserves - restricted Cash	(4,617,827)	(320,460)	(4,938,287)
Add back Cash Backed Provision for Leave	125,858	0	125,858
Adjustment for Trust	0	0	0
Adjusted net current assets	<u>5,901,278</u>	<u>1,217,556</u>	<u>7,118,834</u>

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1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The significant accounting policies which have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report are:

(a) Basis of Accounting

This document has been prepared in accordance with applicable Australian Accounting Standards (as they apply to local government and not-for-profit entities), Australian Accounting Interpretations, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board, the Local Government Act 1995 and accompanying regulations.

Except for the statement of Financial Activity information, the document has also been prepared on the accrual basis and is based on historical costs, modified, where applicable, by the measurement at fair value of selected non-current assets, financial assets and liabilities.

(b) The Local Government Reporting Entity

All Funds through which the Council controls resources to carry on its functions have been included in the financial statements forming part of this budget.

In the process of reporting on the local government as a single unit, all transactions and balances between those funds (for example, loans and transfers between Funds) have been eliminated.

All monies held in the Trust Fund are excluded from the financial statements, but a separate statement of those monies appears at Note 16 to this document.

(c) Rounding Off Figures

All figures shown in this budget, other than a rate in the dollar, are rounded to the nearest dollar.

(d) Rates, Grants, Donations and Other Contributions

Rates, grants, donations and other contributions are recognised as revenues when the local government obtains control over the assets comprising the contributions.

Control over assets acquired from rates is obtained at the commencement of the rating period or, where earlier, upon receipt of the rates.

(e) Goods and Services Tax

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO).

Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to the ATO, is included with receivables or payables in the statement of financial position.

Cash flows are presented on a gross basis. The GST components of cash flows arising from investing or financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to the ATO, are presented as operating cash flows.

(f) Superannuation

The Council contributes to a number of superannuation funds on behalf of employees. All funds to which the Council contributes are defined contribution plans.

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1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(g) Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, cash at bank, deposits available on demand with banks, other short term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value and bank overdrafts.

Bank overdrafts are shown as short term borrowings in current liabilities on the statement of financial position.

(h) Trade and Other Receivables

Trade and other receivables include amounts due from ratepayers for unpaid rates and service charges and

Receivables expected to be collected within 12 months of the end of the reporting period are classified as current assets. All other receivables are classified as non-current assets.

Collectibility of trade and other receivables is reviewed on an ongoing basis. Debts that are known to be uncollectible are written off when identified. An allowance for doubtful debts is raised when there is objective evidence that they will not be collectible.

(i) Inventories

General

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs of completion and the estimated costs necessary to make the sale.

Land Held for Resale

Land purchased for development and/or resale is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost includes the cost of acquisition, development, borrowing costs and holding costs until completion of development. Finance costs and holding charges incurred after development is completed are expensed.

Gains and losses are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income at the time of signing an unconditional contract of sale if significant risks and rewards, and effective control over the land, are passed on to the buyer at this point.

Land held for resale is classified as current except where it is held as non-current based on Council's intention to release for sale.

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1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(j) Fixed Assets

Each class of fixed assets is carried at cost or fair value as indicated less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation or impairment losses.

Mandatory Requirement to Revalue Non-Current Assets

Effective from 1 July 2012, the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations were amended and the measurement of non-current assets at fair value became mandatory.

The amendments allow for a phasing in of fair value in relation to fixed assets over three years as follows:

- (a) for the financial year ending on 30 June 2016, the fair value of all of the assets of the local government that are plant and equipment; and
 - (b) for the financial year ending on 30 June 2017, the fair value of all of the assets of the local government -
 - (i) that are plant and equipment; and
 - (ii) that are -
 - (I) land and buildings; or
 - (II) infrastructure;
- and
- (c) for a financial year ending on or after 30 June 2018, the fair value of all of the assets of the local government.

Council has adopted the process of adopting Fair Value in accordance with the Regulations.

Land Under Control

In accordance with local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 16 (a), the Council is required to include as an asset (by 30 June 2013), Crown Land operated by the local government as a golf course, showground, racecourse or other sporting or recreational facility of State or regional significance.

Upon initial recognition, these assets were recorded at cost in accordance with AASB 116. They were then classified as Land and revalued along with other land in accordance with other policies detailed in this Note.

Whilst they were initially recorded at cost, fair value at the date of acquisition was deemed cost as per AASB 116.

Consequently, these assets were initially recognised at cost but revalued along with other items of Land and Buildings at 30 June 2013.

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1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(j) Fixed Assets (Continued)

Depreciation of Non-Current Assets

All non-current assets having a limited useful life are systematically depreciated over their useful lives in a manner which reflects the consumption of the future economic benefits embodied in those assets.

Assets are depreciated from the date of acquisition or, in respect of internally constructed assets, from the time the asset is completed and held ready for use.

Depreciation is recognised on a straight-line basis, using rates which are reviewed each reporting period. Major depreciation periods are:

Buildings	30 to 50 years
Furniture and Equipment	4 to 10 years
Plant and Equipment	5 to 15 years
Sealed roads and streets formation	not depreciated
pavement seal	50 years
- bituminous seals	20 years
- asphalt surfaces	25 years
Gravel roads formation	not depreciated
pavement gravel sheet	50 years 12 years
Formed roads (unsealed) formation	not depreciated
pavement	50 years
Footpaths - slab	40 years
Sewerage piping	100 years
Water supply piping & drainage systems	75 years

The assets residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at the end of each reporting period.

An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with with the carrying amount. These gains and losses are included in the statement of comprehensive income. When revalued assets are sold, amounts included in the revaluation surplus relating to that asset are transferred to retained earnings.

Capitalisation Threshold

Expenditure on items of equipment under \$5,000 is not capitalised. Rather, it is recorded on an asset inventory listing.

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1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(k) Impairment

In accordance with Australian Accounting Standards the Council's assets, other than inventories, are assessed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication they may be impaired.

Where such an indication exists, an impairment test is carried out on the asset by comparing the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use, to the asset's carrying amount.

Any excess of the asset's carrying amount over its recoverable amount is recognised immediately in profit or loss, unless the asset is carried at a revalued amount in accordance with another standard (eg AASB 116). Any impairment loss of a revalued asset is treated as a revaluation decrease in accordance with that other standard.

For non-cash generating assets such as roads, drains, public buildings and the like, value in use is represented by the depreciated replacement cost of the asset.

(l) Trade and Other Payables

Trade and other payables represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the Council prior to the end of the financial year that are unpaid and arise when the Council becomes obliged to make future payments in respect of the purchase of these goods and services.

The amounts are unsecured, are recognised as a current liability and are normally paid within 30 days of recognition.

(m) Employee Benefits

Provision is made for the Council's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to the end of the reporting period. Employee benefits that are expected to be settled within one year have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled. Employee benefits payable later than one year have been measured at the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made for those benefits. In determining the liability, consideration is given to the employee wage increases and the probability the employee may not satisfy vesting requirements. Those cash flows are discounted using market yields on national government bonds with terms to maturity matching the expected timing of cash flows.

(n) Borrowing Costs

Borrowing costs are recognised as an expense when incurred except where they are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of a qualifying asset. Where this is the case, they are capitalised as part of the cost of the particular asset.

(o) Provisions

Provisions are recognised when:

- a) the Council has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events;
- b) for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result; and
- c) that outflow can be reliably measured.

Provisions are measured using the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period.

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1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(p) Current and Non-Current Classification

In the determination of whether an asset or liability is current or non-current, consideration is given to the time when each asset or liability is expected to be settled. The asset or liability is classified as current if it is expected to be settled within the next 12 months, being the Council's operational cycle. In the case of liabilities where the Council does not have the unconditional right to defer settlement beyond 12 months, such as vested long service leave, the liability is classified as current even if not expected to be settled within the next 12 months. Inventories held for trading are classified as current even if not expected to be realised in the next 12 months except for land held for resale where it is held as non-current based on Council's intentions to release for sale.

(q) Comparative Figures

Where required, comparative figures have been adjusted to conform with changes in presentation of the current budget year.

(r) Budget Comparative Figures

Unless otherwise stated, the budget comparative figures shown in this budget document relate to the original budget estimate for the relevant item of disclosure.

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	2017/18 Budget	2017/18 Actual
REVENUES AND EXPENSES	\$	\$
Net Result from Ordinary		
Activities was arrived at after:		
(i) Charging as Expenses:		
2 Depreciation		
<u>By Class</u>		
Land and Buildings	407,858	0
Furniture and Equipment	11,230	0
Plant and Equipment	283,600	0
Roads	1,366,070	0
Footpaths	3,380	0
Parks and Ovals	35,185	0
Infrastructure Other	10,050	0
	<u>2,117,373</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>2,117,373</u>	<u>0</u>
(ii) Crediting as Revenues:		
3 Interest Earnings		
Investments		
- Reserve Funds	80,000	36,860
- Other Funds	50,000	21,665
Other Interest Revenue (<i>refer note 13</i>)	54,600	49,689
	<u>184,600</u>	<u>108,214</u>
	<u>184,600</u>	<u>108,214</u>

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REVENUES AND EXPENSES (Continued)

Statement of Objective

In order to discharge its responsibilities to the community, Council has developed a set of operational and financial objectives. These objectives have been established both on an overall basis and for each of its broad activities/programs.

COMMUNITY VISION

The Shire will endeavour to provide the community services and facilities to meet the needs of the members of the Community and enable them to enjoy a pleasant and healthy way of life.

Council operations as disclosed in this budget encompass the following service orientated activities/programs:

GOVERNANCE

Administration and operation of facilities and services to members of council. Other costs that relate to the task of assisting elected members and electors on matters which do not concern specific council services.

GENERAL PURPOSE FUNDING

Rates, general purpose government grants and interest revenue.

LAW, ORDER, PUBLIC SAFETY

Supervision of various local laws . Fire prevention and animal control.

HEALTH

Monitor and control health standards within the community, provide support and assistance for Emergency Services. Analytical services.

EDUCATION AND WELFARE

Support of educational facilities within the Shire and of any external resources necessary to assist with educational programs for all residents.

HOUSING

Provision and maintenance of staff housing.

COMMUNITY AMENITIES

Maintain refuse sites and Menzies and Kookynie. Provision of public toilets to both townsites.

RECREATION AND CULTURE

Provide a library and museum. Maintenance and operations of Town Hall, sports oval and other recreation facilities.

TRANSPORT

Construction and maintenance of roads, drainage works and traffic signs. Maintenance of airstrips at Menzies and Kookynie.

ECONOMIC SERVICES

Building Control, provision of power and water supplies. Supply and maintenance of television re-broadcast installation. Provision of radio communication. Maintenance of caravan park. Vermin

OTHER PROPERTY & SERVICES

Public works operations, plant repairs and operation costs. Cost of Administration.

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4(a) ACQUISITION OF ASSETS	2017/18 Budget \$	31-Oct-17 Actual \$
The following assets are budgeted to be acquired during the year:		
<u>By Program</u>		
Governance	80,000	30,410
General Purpose Funding	0	0
Law, Order, Public Safety	0	0
Health	0	0
Education and Welfare	0	0
Housing	116,000	36,491
Community Amenities	90,000	0
Recreation and Culture	887,000	81,878
Transport	4,709,287	1,651,473
Economic Services	545,000	15,282
Other Property and Services	30,000	426
	<u>6,457,287</u>	<u>1,815,961</u>
<u>By Class</u>		
Purchase Land Held for Resale	0	0
Purchase Land and Buildings	1,061,000	56,406
Purchase Infrastructure Assets - Roads	4,310,287	1,546,309
Purchase Infrastructure Assets - Parks	674,000	81,705
Purchase Infrastructure Assets - Footpaths	50,000	0
Purchase Plant and Equipment	262,000	100,705
Purchase Furniture and Equipment	100,000	30,836
	<u>6,457,287</u>	<u>1,815,961</u>

A detailed breakdown of acquisitions on an individual asset basis can be found in the supplementary information attached to this document as follows:

- Asset Acquisition Program

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4(b) DISPOSALS OF ASSETS

By Program	Net Book Value		Sale Proceeds		Profit(Loss)	
	2017/18	2017/18	2017/18	2017/18	2017/18	2017/18
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ACTUAL
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Other Property and Services						
P0201 Prado 2014	41,250		44,000	38,182	2,750	
Plant and Equipment						
P0108 Car Skid Steer Bobcat	21,250		12,000		(9,250)	
P0151 Water Cart	17,000		25,000	20,850	8,000	
P0163 Vacuum Tank	0			16,682		
P0184 Howard Porter Dog Trailer	0			19,439		
Minor Equipment	0			1,234		
	79,500	0	81,000	96,387	1,500	0

By Class	Net Book Value		Sale Proceeds		Profit(Loss)	
	2017/18	2017/18	2017/18	2017/18	2017/18	2017/18
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ACTUAL
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Light Vehicles						
P0201 Prado 2014	41,250		44,000	38,182	2,750	
Heavy Vehicles						
P0108 Car Skid Steer Bobcat	21,250		12,000		(9,250)	
P0151 Water Cart	17,000		25,000	20,850	8,000	
P0163 Vacuum Tank	0			16,682		
P0184 Howard Porter Dog Trailer	0			19,439		
Minor Equipment	0			1,234		
	79,500	0	81,000	96,387	1,500	0

Summary	2017/18	2017/18
	BUDGET	ACTUAL
	\$	\$
Profit on Asset Disposals	10,750	0
Loss on Asset Disposals	(9,250)	0
	1,500	0

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5. RATING INFORMATION - 2017/18 FINANCIAL YEAR

<u>RATE TYPE</u>	Rate in \$	Number of Properties	Rateable Value \$	2017/18 Actual Rate Revenue \$	2017/18 Actual Interim Rates \$	2017/18 Actual Back Rates \$	2017/18 Actual Total Revenue \$	2017/18 Budget \$
Differential Rates								
01 GRV Vacant	8.3400	3	15,652	1,305			1,305	1,305
02 GRV General	8.3200	30	2,497,152	207,763			207,763	207,763
09 UV Mining Lease	15.9700	221	11,665,114	1,862,919	129,188		1,992,107	1,862,919
13 UV Exploration Lease	14.7300	19	3,749,048	552,235			552,235	552,235
14 UV Prospecting	14.5100	63	433,233	62,862			62,862	62,862
12 UV Pastoral	8.0000	225	734,152	59,760	(1,028)		58,732	59,760
13 UV Other	8.0000	197	310,500	25,275	(435)		24,840	25,275
Sub-Totals		758	19,404,851	2,772,119	127,725	0	2,899,844	2,772,119
Minimum Rates	Minimum \$							
01 GRV Vacant	200	213	43,649	42,600			42,600	42,600
02 GRV General	311	8	8,813	2,488			2,488	2,488
09 UV Mining Lease	311	62	48,050	19,282			19,282	19,282
13 UV Exploration Lease	275	166	149,360	45,650			45,650	45,650
14 UV Prospecting	244	158	151,557	38,552			38,552	38,552
12 UV Pastoral	311	8	16,843	2,488			2,488	2,488
13 UV Other	311	3	6,700	933			933	933
Sub-Totals		618	424,972	151,993	0	0	151,993	151,993
Discounts							0	0
Total Amount of General Rates							3,051,837	2,924,112
Specified Area Rates							0	
Total Rates							3,051,837	2,924,112

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6. FEES & CHARGES REVENUE	2017/18 Budget \$	2017/18 Actual \$
Governance	0	0
General Purpose Funding	1,800	8,986
Law, Order, Public Safety	400	0
Health	0	0
Education and Welfare	0	1,319
Housing	65,220	28,238
Community Amenities	6,600	7,870
Recreation & Culture	0	0
Transport	0	0
Economic Services	97,600	58,008
Other Property & Services	0	4,965
	<u>171,620</u>	<u>109,386</u>

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7. RESERVES - CASH BACKED

	Actual 2018	Actual 2018	Actual 2018	Actual 2018	Budget 2018	Budget 2018	Budget 2018	Budget 2018	Actual 2017	Actual 2017	Actual 2017	Actual 2017
	Opening Balance	Transfer to	Transfer (from)	Closing Balance	Opening Balance	Transfer to	Transfer (from)	Closing Balance	Opening Balance	Transfer to	Transfer (from)	Closing Balance
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Leave reserve	192,460	1,488	0	193,949	187,871	0	0	187,871	187,871	4,589	0	192,460
Plant reserve	932,561	291,960	0	1,224,521	558,156	0	(147,235)	410,921	558,156	521,640	(147,235)	932,561
Building reserve	1,161,096	8,979	0	1,170,076	684,086	0	0	684,086	684,086	477,010	0	1,161,096
TV reserve	16,789	130	0	16,918	16,388	0	0	16,388	16,388	401	0	16,789
Main street reserve	131,578	1,018	0	132,596	193,331	0	(65,000)	128,331	193,331	3,247	(65,000)	131,578
Staff amenities reserve	70,915	548	0	71,464	69,225	0	0	69,225	69,225	1,690	0	70,915
Roads reserve	474,836	3,672	0	478,508	164,020	300,000	0	464,020	164,020	310,816	0	474,836
Caravan park reserve	316,747	2,450	0	319,197	309,195	0	0	309,195	309,195	7,552	0	316,747
Rates future claims reserve	47,576	368	0	47,944	46,442	0	0	46,442	46,442	1,134	0	47,576
Bitumen resealing reserve	379,618	2,936	0	382,553	203,607	170,012	0	373,619	203,607	176,011	0	379,618
Niagara Dam reserve	800,049	6,187	0	806,236	123,062	660,000	(10,000)	773,062	123,062	676,987	0	800,049
Waterpark reserve	93,601	724	0	94,325	111,011	0	0	111,011	111,011	2,591	(20,000)	93,602
	<u>4,617,827</u>	<u>320,460</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>4,938,287</u>	<u>2,666,394</u>	<u>1,130,012</u>	<u>(222,235)</u>	<u>3,574,171</u>	<u>2,666,394</u>	<u>2,183,668</u>	<u>(232,235)</u>	<u>4,617,827</u>

All of the reserve accounts are supported by money held in financial institutions

7. RESERVES - CASH BACKED

In accordance with council resolutions in relation to each reserve account, the purpose for which the reserves are set aside and their anticipated date of use are as follows:

Name of Reserve	Anticipated date of use	Purpose of the reserve
Leave reserve	Perpetual	To be used to fund annual and long service leave requirements.
Plant reserve	Perpetual	To be used for the purchase of major plant.
Building reserve	Perpetual	To be used for the acquisition of future buildings and renovation of existing buildings.
TV reserve	Perpetual	To be used to fund upgrades to the rebroadcasting equipment.
Main street reserve	Perpetual	To be used to fund major road works.
Staff amenities reserve	Perpetual	Established for the beautification of the main street.
Roads reserve	Perpetual	Established for the purpose of providing staff housing and amenities.
Caravan park reserve	Perpetual	Established for the purpose of providing of upgrading the caravan park.
Rates future claims reserve	Perpetual	Established for future rates claims.
Bitumen resealing reserve	Perpetual	Established to fund future resealing of roads.
Niagara Dam reserve	Perpetual	Established for ongoing upgrade of Niagara Dam valve workings and other maintenance.
Waterpark reserve	Perpetual	Established to provide a waterpark.

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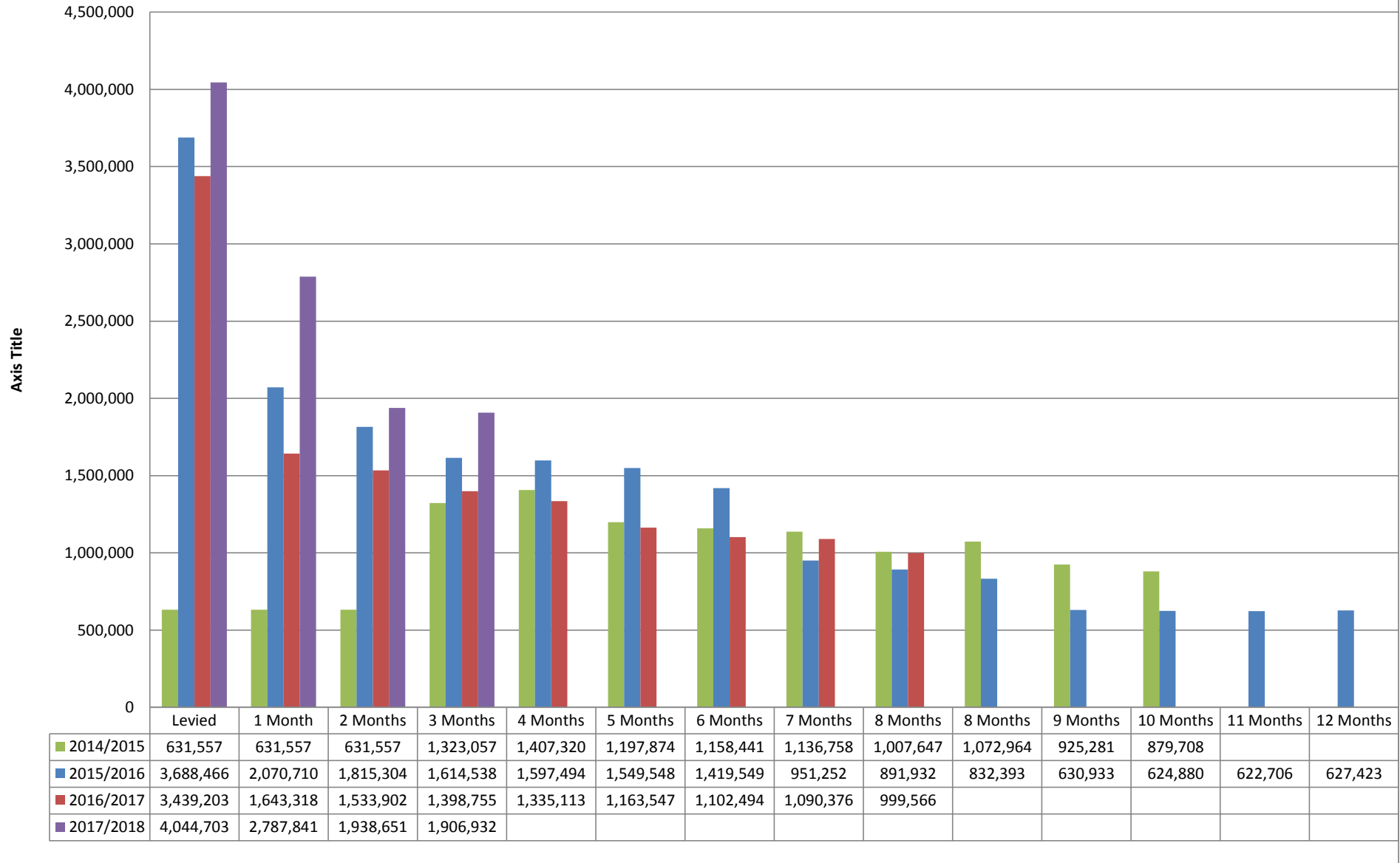
8. TRUST FUNDS

Funds held at balance date over which the District has no control and which are not included in the financial statements are as follows:

Detail	Balance 1-Jul-17 \$	Amounts Received \$	Amounts Paid (\$)	Balance 31-Oct-17 \$
Unidentified Deposits	0			0
Housing Bonds	1,680			1,680
Pet Bonds	200			200
Councillor Nomination Fees		640		640
				0
				0
	<u>1,880</u>			<u>2,520</u>

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Outstanding Rates and Charges

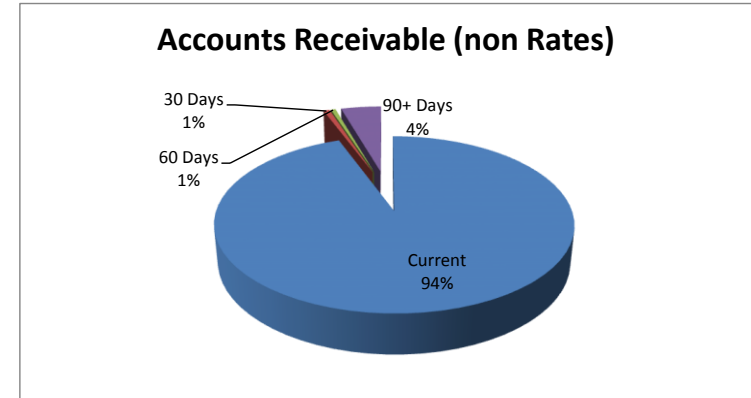
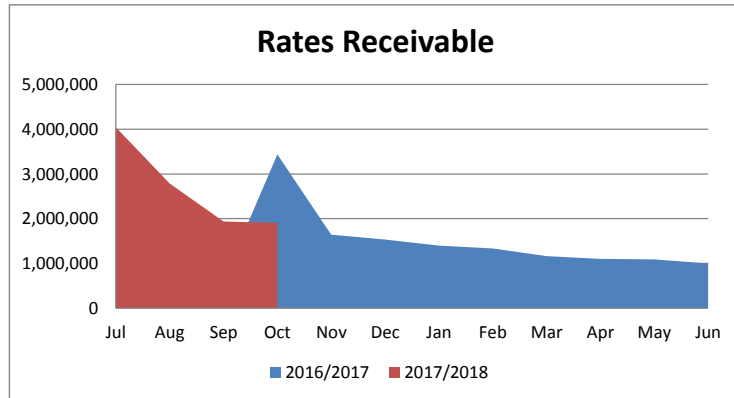


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	31/10/2017 YTD	30/06/2017
Receivables - Rates and other Rate Receivables Levied This Year	999,566	630,933
Discounts	-	-
Deferred	-	-
Less Collections to Date	2,144,471	2,495,036
Equals Current Outstanding	1,906,932	999,566
Net Rates Collectable	1,151,761	884,396
% collected	65.1%	84.3%
Provision for Doubtful Debts	(115,170)	(115,170)
Further doubtful debts	(640,000)	(420,000)

Receivables - General	Credit	Current	30 Days	60 Days	90+ Days	Total
Receivables - General	-	211,582	1,536	1,183	10,025	224,326
Total Receivables General Outstanding						224,326



*This report is purely rates billed. Rates outstanding per Net Current Assets includes Rates Pensioner Claims

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	Note	Budget	Budget YTD	Actual	Variance	Reasons for variances
		\$	\$	\$	%	\$
REVENUES	1,2					
General Purpose Funding		1,135,594	378,531	309,477	18%	69,054 Timing -budget spread evenly over 12 months, grants usually received quarterly
Law, Order, Public Safety		6,400	2,133	0	100%	2,133 Timing -budget spread evenly over 12 months
Housing		65,220	21,740	28,238	-30%	(6,498) Income from staff housing included in actuals but not budget
Community Amenities		6,600	2,200	7,870	-258%	(5,670) Timing -budget spread evenly over 12 months - Rubbish charges generated with rates
Recreation and Culture		10,000	3,333	45	99%	3,288 Timing -budget spread evenly over 12 months
Transport		727,250	242,417	225,539	7%	16,878 Timing -budget spread evenly over 12 months, grants usually received quarterly
Economic Services		185,100	61,700	58,160	6%	3,540
Other Property and Services		38,700	12,900	27,199	-111%	(14,299) Timing - budget dspread evenly over 12 months. Received early payment discounts
		<u>2,174,864</u>	<u>724,955</u>	<u>657,847</u>		
EXPENSES	1,2					
Governance		(534,774)	(178,258)	(232,601)	-30%	54,343 Timing - budget spread evenly over 12 months, Adim allocated to Governance \$52097 not in budget
General Purpose Funding		(133,975)	(44,658)	(56,361)	-26%	11,702 Timing - budget spread evenly over 12 months. Admin allocated \$20,839 not in budget
Law, Order, Public Safety		(45,180)	(15,060)	(15,004)	0%	(56)
Health		(53,000)	(17,667)	(45,247)	-156%	27,580 Timing - WA Country Health prior year expenses for provision of nurse charged in current year Timing, no depreciation calculated, Staff Housing reallocated to Admin \$11,316 (which is reallocated to Programs) not included in budget
Housing		(291,334)	(97,111)	(14,828)	85%	(82,283) Timing, no depreciation calculated
Community Amenities		(202,910)	(67,637)	(53,503)	21%	(14,133) Timing, no depreciation calculated
Recreation & Culture		(493,390)	(164,463)	(134,704)	18%	(29,759) Timing, no depreciation calculated
Transport		(2,597,655)	(865,885)	(240,009)	72%	(625,876) Timing, no depreciation calculated
Economic Services		(830,321)	(276,774)	(235,863)	15%	(40,911) Timing, no depreciation calculated
Other Property and Services		(1,828,733)	(609,578)	(38,326)	94%	(571,252) Budget does not allow for the reallocation of administration expenses to Programs
		<u>(7,011,272)</u>	<u>(2,337,091)</u>	<u>(1,066,447)</u>		
Net Operating Result Excluding Rates		<u>(4,836,408)</u>	<u>(1,612,136)</u>	<u>(408,600)</u>		
Adjustments for Cash Budget Requirements:						
Non-Cash Expenditure and Revenue						
Initial Recognition of Assets due to change in Regulations						
(Profit)/Loss on Asset Disposals	4(b)	(1,500)	(500)	0		
Depreciation on Assets	2	2,076,951	692,317	0		Depreciation to be calculated when 2016/17 Annuals audit has been finalised. Assets can then be rolled into 17/18 year
Capital Expenditure and Revenue						
Purchase Land and Buildings	4	(1,061,000)	(353,667)	(56,406)	-84%	(297,261) Timing - budget spread evenly over 12 months - Youth Centre
Purchase Infrastructure Assets - Roads	4	(4,310,287)	(1,436,762)	(1,546,309)	8%	109,546 Timing - budget spread evenly over 12 months
Purchase Infrastructure Assets - Parks	4	(674,000)	(224,667)	(81,705)	-64%	(142,961) Timing - budget spread evenly over 12 months
Purchase Infrastructure Assets - Footpaths	4	(50,000)	(16,667)	0	-100%	(16,667) Timing - budget spread evenly over 12 months
Purchase Plant and Equipment	4	(262,000)	(87,333)	(100,705)	15%	13,371 Timing - budget spread evenly over 12 months
Purchase Furniture and Equipment	4	(100,000)	(33,333)	(30,836)	-7%	(2,497) Timing - budget spread evenly over 12 months
Proceeds from Disposal of Assets	4(b)	81,000	27,000	96,386	257%	(69,386) Timing - budget spread evenly over 12 months - larger equipment disposed
- Non Operating Grants and Subsidies		3,609,875	1,203,292	614,354	-49%	588,938 Timing - budget spread evenly over 12 months
Transfers to Reserves (Restricted Assets)	6	(283,600)	(94,533)	(320,460)	239%	225,927 Timing - budget spread evenly over 12 months - budget transfers to reserves have been done Timing - transfers from reserves occur when funds are required for capital purchases. Transfer for purchase of works supervisor vehicle November 2017
Transfers from Reserves (Restricted Assets)	6	247,000	82,333	0	-100%	82,333
ADD Estimated Surplus/(Deficit) July 1 B/Fwd	7	2,754,857	2,754,857	5,901,278		
Amount Raised from General Rates		2,809,112	2,809,112	3,051,837		
Net Current Assets - Surplus (Deficit)	8	<u>0</u>	<u>3,709,313</u>	<u>7,118,834</u>		



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Budget variances between this report and the Statement of Comprehensive Income by Program in the Monthly Financials are due to adjustments made for the allocation of Administration and
Overheads

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General Purpose Funding	Current Budget	YTD Actual
Other General Purpose Funding		
Operating Revenue		
Operating Grants, Subsidies And Contributions	894,194	192,168
Interest Earnings	130,000	58,525
Subtotal Operating Revenue	1,024,194	250,693
TOTAL Other General Purpose Funding	1,024,194	250,693
Rate Revenue		
Operating Revenue		
Rates	2,809,112	3,051,837
Fees & Charges	56,400	8,986
Interest Earnings	-	49,689
Other Revenue	-	109
Subtotal Operating Revenue	2,865,512	3,110,621
Operating Expense		
Employee Costs	(100,575)	(30,271)
Materials & Contracts	(31,000)	(4,899)
Insurance Expenses	(2,400)	-
Other Expenditure	-	(352)
Reallocation Codes Expenditure	-	(3,150,717)
Reallocation Codes Income	-	3,129,879
Subtotal Operating Expense	(133,975)	(56,361)
TOTAL Rate Revenue	2,731,537	3,054,260
Total - Cost of General Purpose Funding	3,755,731	3,304,953

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Governance	Current Budget	YTD Actual
Governance - General		
Operating Expense		
Employee Costs	(220,824)	(83,995)
Materials & Contracts	(91,500)	(30,311)
Insurance Expenses	(5,000)	-
Subtotal Operating Expense	(317,324)	(114,306)
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TOTAL Governance - General	(317,324)	(114,306)
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Members Of Council		
Operating Expense		
Employee Costs	(500)	(37)
Materials & Contracts	(48,300)	(11,636)
Other Expenditure	(167,900)	(54,525)
Reallocation Codes Expenditure	(750)	(52,097)
Subtotal Operating Expense	(217,450)	(118,295)
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TOTAL Members Of Council	(217,450)	(118,295)
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Total - Cost of Governance	(534,774)	(232,601)

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Law, Order & Public Safety	Current Budget	YTD Actual
Other Law, Order & Public Safety		
Operating Expense		
Employee Costs	(6,500)	(398)
Materials & Contracts	(500)	(4,200)
Reallocation Codes Expenditure	(5,250)	(1,464)
Subtotal Operating Expense	(12,250)	(6,062)
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TOTAL Other Law, Order & Public Safety	(12,250)	(6,062)
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Animal Control		
Operating Revenue		
Fees & Charges	400	-
Subtotal Operating Revenue	400	-
Operating Expense		
Materials & Contracts	(20,500)	(2,910)
Depreciation On Non-Current Assets	(580)	-
Subtotal Operating Expense	(21,080)	(2,910)
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TOTAL Animal Control	(20,680)	(2,910)
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Fire Prevention		
Operating Revenue		
Operating Grants, Subsidies And Contributions	6,000	-
Subtotal Operating Revenue	6,000	-
Operating Expense		
Employee Costs	(700)	(1,126)
Materials & Contracts	(1,050)	-
Utilities	(200)	(31)
Depreciation On Non-Current Assets	(5,850)	-
Insurance Expenses	(3,000)	(1,068)
Reallocation Codes Expenditure	(1,050)	(3,808)
Subtotal Operating Expense	(11,850)	(6,032)
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TOTAL Fire Prevention	(5,850)	(6,032)
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Total - Cost of Law, Order & Public Safety	(38,780)	(15,004)

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Health	Current Budget	YTD Actual
Other Health		
Operating Revenue		
Fees & Charges	-	1,319
Subtotal Operating Revenue	-	1,319
Operating Expense		
Employee Costs	(3,200)	(64)
Materials & Contracts	(40,000)	(43,509)
Reallocation Codes Expenditure	(4,800)	(1,674)
Subtotal Operating Expense	(48,000)	(45,247)
TOTAL Other Health	(48,000)	(43,928)
Preventative Services - Pest Control		
Operating Expense		
Materials & Contracts	(5,000)	-
Subtotal Operating Expense	(5,000)	-
TOTAL Preventative Services - Pest Control	(5,000)	-
Total - Cost of Health	(53,000)	(43,928)

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Housing	Current Budget	YTD Actual
Other Housing		
Operating Revenue		
Fees & Charges	49,360	22,758
Subtotal Operating Revenue	49,360	22,758
Operating Expense		
Employee Costs	(13,100)	(1,147)
Materials & Contracts	(29,696)	(3,502)
Utilities	(2,750)	(1,112)
Depreciation On Non-Current Assets	(93,144)	-
Insurance Expenses	(3,040)	(1,352)
Reallocation Codes Expenditure	(19,650)	(1,996)
Subtotal Operating Expense	(161,380)	(9,110)
TOTAL Other Housing	(112,020)	13,648
Staff Housing		
Operating Revenue		
Fees & Charges	15,860	5,480
Subtotal Operating Revenue	15,860	5,480
Operating Expense		
Employee Costs	(10,800)	(586)
Materials & Contracts	(50,462)	(10,147)
Utilities	(9,700)	(2,656)
Depreciation On Non-Current Assets	(80,844)	-
Insurance Expenses	(2,370)	(1,974)
Reallocation Codes Expenditure	(16,200)	9,644
Subtotal Operating Expense	(170,376)	(5,719)
TOTAL Staff Housing	(154,516)	(239)
Total - Cost of Housing	(266,536)	13,409

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Community Amenities	Current Budget	YTD Actual
Other Community Amenities		
Operating Expense		
Employee Costs	(22,000)	(4,003)
Materials & Contracts	(2,600)	(683)
Depreciation On Non-Current Assets	(2,850)	-
Insurance Expenses	(240)	(85)
Reallocation Codes Expenditure	(33,000)	(5,969)
Subtotal Operating Expense	(60,690)	(10,739)
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TOTAL Other Community Amenities	(60,690)	(10,739)
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Town Planning & Regional Development		
Operating Expense		
Materials & Contracts	(50,000)	-
Subtotal Operating Expense	(50,000)	-
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TOTAL Town Planning & Regional Development	(50,000)	-
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Sewerage		
Operating Expense		
Employee Costs	(700)	(257)
Materials & Contracts	(6,100)	(383)
Insurance Expenses	(110)	-
Reallocation Codes Expenditure	(1,050)	(449)
Subtotal Operating Expense	(7,960)	(1,088)
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TOTAL Sewerage	(7,960)	(1,088)
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Sanitation - Household Refuse		
Operating Revenue		
Fees & Charges	6,600	7,870
Subtotal Operating Revenue	6,600	7,870
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Operating Expense		
Employee Costs	(22,000)	(10,788)
Materials & Contracts	(20,000)	(1,100)
Depreciation On Non-Current Assets	(6,100)	-
Insurance Expenses	(160)	(58)
Reallocation Codes Expenditure	(36,000)	(37,600)
Reallocation Codes Income	-	7,870
Subtotal Operating Expense	(84,260)	(41,675)
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TOTAL Sanitation - Household Refuse	(77,660)	(33,806)
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Total - Cost of Community Amenities	(196,310)	(45,634)
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Recreation & Culture	Current Budget	YTD Actual
Communities		
Operating Expense		
Employee Costs	(2,000)	-
Materials & Contracts	(6,500)	(7,655)
Other Expenditure	(164,500)	(10,565)
Reallocation Codes Expenditure	(3,000)	(10,419)
Subtotal Operating Expense	(176,000)	(28,639)
TOTAL Communities	(176,000)	(28,639)
Other Culture		
Operating Expense		
Employee Costs	(600)	-
Materials & Contracts	(500)	-
Utilities	(1,500)	-
Insurance Expenses	-	(514)
Reallocation Codes Expenditure	(900)	-
Subtotal Operating Expense	(3,500)	(514)
TOTAL Other Culture	(3,500)	(514)
Libraries		
Operating Expense		
Materials & Contracts	(2,500)	(325)
Reallocation Codes Expenditure	-	(1,042)
Subtotal Operating Expense	(2,500)	(1,367)
TOTAL Libraries	(2,500)	(1,367)
Television And Rebroadcasting		
Operating Expense		
Employee Costs	(700)	-
Materials & Contracts	(5,000)	(9,118)
Insurance Expenses	-	(18)
Reallocation Codes Expenditure	(1,050)	-
Subtotal Operating Expense	(6,750)	(9,137)
TOTAL Television And Rebroadcasting	(6,750)	(9,137)
Other Recreation & Sport		
Operating Revenue		
Operating Grants, Subsidies And Contributions	10,000	45
Subtotal Operating Revenue	10,000	45

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Recreation & Culture	Current Budget	YTD Actual
Other Recreation & Sport		
Operating Expense		
Employee Costs	(115,900)	(20,894)
Materials & Contracts	(54,200)	(4,781)
Utilities	(5,200)	(534)
Depreciation On Non-Current Assets	(20,080)	-
Insurance Expenses	(1,640)	(540)
Other Expenditure	-	(6,790)
Reallocation Codes Expenditure	(90,100)	(58,421)
Subtotal Operating Expense	(287,120)	(91,961)
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TOTAL Other Recreation & Sport	(277,120)	(91,915)
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Public Halls & Civic Centres		
Operating Expense		
Materials & Contracts	(12,000)	(3,087)
Depreciation On Non-Current Assets	(5,520)	-
Subtotal Operating Expense	(17,520)	(3,087)
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TOTAL Public Halls & Civic Centres	(17,520)	(3,087)
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Total - Cost of Recreation & Culture	(483,390)	(134,659)

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Transport	Current Budget	YTD Actual
Aerodromes		
Operating Expense		
Employee Costs	(2,000)	(249)
Materials & Contracts	(4,000)	-
Reallocation Codes Expenditure	(3,000)	(435)
Subtotal Operating Expense	(9,000)	(684)
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TOTAL Aerodromes	(9,000)	(684)
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Streets, Roads, & Bridges Maintenance		
Operating Revenue		
Operating Grants, Subsidies And Contributions	727,250	225,539
Subtotal Operating Revenue	727,250	225,539
Operating Expense		
Employee Costs	(105,700)	(37,376)
Materials & Contracts	(899,400)	(47,469)
Utilities	(9,000)	(1,732)
Depreciation On Non-Current Assets	(1,394,005)	-
Reallocation Codes Expenditure	(180,550)	(152,749)
Subtotal Operating Expense	(2,588,655)	(239,325)
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TOTAL Streets, Roads, & Bridges Maintenance	(1,861,405)	(13,786)
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Total - Cost of Transport	(1,870,405)	(14,470)

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Economic Services	Current Budget	YTD Actual
Caravan Park		
Operating Revenue		
Fees & Charges	65,000	41,534
Other Revenue	3,500	-
Subtotal Operating Revenue	68,500	41,534
Operating Expense		
Employee Costs	(34,000)	(16,317)
Materials & Contracts	(30,550)	(10,302)
Utilities	(10,900)	(8,146)
Insurance Expenses	(3,400)	(1,123)
Reallocation Codes Expenditure	(51,000)	(20,315)
Subtotal Operating Expense	(129,850)	(56,202)
TOTAL Caravan Park	(61,350)	(14,667)
Crc		
Operating Revenue		
Operating Grants, Subsidies And Contributions	80,000	-
Fees & Charges	-	45
Subtotal Operating Revenue	80,000	45
Operating Expense		
Employee Costs	(72,225)	(19,235)
Materials & Contracts	(3,475)	(1,448)
Utilities	(2,700)	(657)
Insurance Expenses	(1,600)	-
Subtotal Operating Expense	(80,000)	(21,339)
TOTAL Crc	-	(21,294)
Other Economic Services		
Operating Revenue		
Fees & Charges	3,100	695
Subtotal Operating Revenue	3,100	695
Operating Expense		
Employee Costs	(300)	-
Materials & Contracts	-	(1,424)
Depreciation On Non-Current Assets	(7,340)	-
Insurance Expenses	(1,300)	(480)
Reallocation Codes Expenditure	(450)	-
Subtotal Operating Expense	(9,390)	(1,904)
TOTAL Other Economic Services	(6,290)	(1,209)

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Economic Services	Current Budget	YTD Actual
Building Control		
Operating Revenue		
Fees & Charges	500	-
Subtotal Operating Revenue	500	-
Operating Expense		
Materials & Contracts	(12,000)	(7,890)
Reallocation Codes Expenditure	-	(5,210)
Subtotal Operating Expense	(12,000)	(13,099)
TOTAL Building Control	(11,500)	(13,099)
Tourism & Area Promotion		
Operating Revenue		
Fees & Charges	29,000	15,732
Other Revenue	4,000	152
Subtotal Operating Revenue	33,000	15,885
Operating Expense		
Employee Costs	(131,241)	(38,597)
Materials & Contracts	(295,500)	(61,113)
Utilities	(510)	(43)
Depreciation On Non-Current Assets	(137,810)	-
Insurance Expenses	(8,970)	(3,237)
Reallocation Codes Expenditure	(25,050)	(40,329)
Subtotal Operating Expense	(599,081)	(143,319)
TOTAL Tourism & Area Promotion	(566,081)	(127,434)
Total - Cost of Economic Services	(645,221)	(177,704)

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Other Property & Services	Current Budget	YTD Actual
Salaries & Wages		
Operating Expense		
Employee Costs	-	(13,641)
Subtotal Operating Expense	-	(13,641)
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TOTAL Salaries & Wages	-	(13,641)
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Administration		
Operating Revenue		
Other Revenue	7,700	22,234
Subtotal Operating Revenue	7,700	22,234
Operating Expense		
Employee Costs	(317,551)	(93,952)
Materials & Contracts	(255,200)	(97,459)
Utilities	(13,300)	(4,080)
Depreciation On Non-Current Assets	(106,480)	-
Insurance Expenses	(67,500)	(18,053)
Other Expenditure	-	(135)
Reallocation Codes Expenditure	(36,450)	191,445
Subtotal Operating Expense	(796,481)	(22,234)
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TOTAL Administration	(788,781)	-
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Plant Operation Costs		
Operating Revenue		
Other Revenue	25,500	-
Subtotal Operating Revenue	25,500	-
Operating Expense		
Employee Costs	(85,560)	(18,674)
Materials & Contracts	-	(61,996)
Depreciation On Non-Current Assets	(256,770)	-
Insurance Expenses	(28,000)	(5,813)
Reallocation Codes Expenditure	(128,340)	67,434
Subtotal Operating Expense	(498,670)	(19,048)
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TOTAL Plant Operation Costs	(473,170)	(19,048)
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Public Works Overheads		
Operating Revenue		
Other Revenue	5,500	-
Subtotal Operating Revenue	5,500	-

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Other Property & Services	Current Budget	YTD Actual
Public Works Overheads		
Operating Expense		
Employee Costs	(346,382)	(87,166)
Materials & Contracts	(78,000)	(51,427)
Utilities	(400)	-
Insurance Expenses	(1,700)	(4,164)
Other Expenditure	-	(14)
Reallocation Codes Expenditure	(107,100)	159,909
Subtotal Operating Expense	(533,582)	17,139
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TOTAL Public Works Overheads	(528,082)	17,139
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Private Works		
Operating Revenue		
Fees & Charges	-	4,965
Subtotal Operating Revenue	-	4,965
Operating Expense		
Employee Costs	-	(165)
Reallocation Codes Expenditure	-	(377)
Subtotal Operating Expense	-	(542)
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TOTAL Private Works	-	4,423
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Total - Cost of Other Property & Services	(1,790,033)	(11,127)
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TOTAL - Balance to Programme Schedule		2,643,237



**Shire of Menzies
2017-2018
Capital Jobs - linked to General Ledger Accounts
as at 31 October 2017**

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By Category

Buildings -

Job #	Job Description	Budget Expense	Total Actual Expense	Actual Expense	O/Stand Orders
C08001	Youth Centre (Building)	(450,000)	(7,805)	-	(7,805)
Sub Total - 08662		(450,000)	(7,805)	-	(7,805)
C09002	Capital - Lot 1 (37 - 39 Reid) St (Asset 209)	(63,000)	(10,306)	(10,306)	-
C09009	Capital - Lot 1089 (57) Walsh St (Asset 76)	(20,000)	(10,340)	(10,340)	-
C09012	Capital - Lot 91 (40) Mercer St (Asset 200)	(9,000)	(10,306)	(10,306)	-
C09019	39 Mercer Street (Building Capital)	(7,000)	(2,638)	(2,638)	-
C09020	25 Onslow Street (Building Capital)	(10,000)	-	-	-
C09021	36 Mercer Street (Building Capital)	(7,000)	(2,745)	(2,745)	-
Sub Total - 09162		(116,000)	(36,335)	(36,335)	-
C09001	Unit 1 / 29 Shenton Street (Building Capital)	-	(156)	(156)	-
Sub Total - 09262		-	(156)	(156)	-
C11100	Town Hall - Capital Upgrade	(80,000)	(13,816)	(11,065)	(2,751)
Sub Total - 11162		(80,000)	(13,816)	(11,065)	(2,751)
C11600	Butcher Shop And Tea Rooms (Capex Building)	(25,000)	(8,850)	(8,850)	-

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By Category

Buildings -

	Job #	Job Description	Budget Expense	Total Actual Expense	Actual Expense	O/Stand Orders
	Sub Total - 11650		(25,000)	(8,850)	(8,850)	-
	C12101	Depot Extension	(30,000)	(53)	-	(53)
	Sub Total - 12120		(30,000)	(53)	-	(53)
	C13100	Commercial Kitchen - Lady Shenton	(35,000)	-	-	-
	C13101	Airconditioner Replacement Program	(10,000)	-	-	-
	C13106	Goongarrie Cottage Maintenance	(50,000)	-	-	-
	Sub Total - 13267		(95,000)	-	-	-
	Buildings		(796,000)	(67,014)	(56,406)	(10,608)

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Furniture & Equipment -

By Category

Job #	Job Description	Budget Expense	Total Actual Expense	Actual Expense	O/Stand Orders
C04002	Software And Systems	(35,000)	(26,512)	-	(26,512)
Sub Total - 04250		(35,000)	(26,512)	-	(26,512)
C04001	Administration Communications Equipment	(45,000)	(30,410)	(30,410)	-
Sub Total - 04265		(45,000)	(30,410)	(30,410)	-
C11307	Collections - Furniture And Equipment	(15,000)	-	-	-
Sub Total - 11653		(15,000)	-	-	-
C11309	Library - Furniture And Equipment	(8,000)	-	-	-
Sub Total - 11654		(8,000)	-	-	-
C14000	Office Furniture (Not Capitalised)	(30,000)	(427)	(426)	(1)
Sub Total - 14595		(30,000)	(427)	(426)	(1)

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Furniture & Equipment	(133,000)	(57,349)	(30,836)	(26,512)
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Plant & Equipment -

By Category

Job #	Job Description	Budget Expense	Total Actual Expense	Actual Expense	O/Stand Orders	
C12102	Minor Plant & Equipment (Not Capitalised)	(12,000)	(9,324)	(9,324)	-	
Sub Total - 12325		(12,000)	(9,324)	(9,324)	-	
CP002	Vehicle Replacement Works Supervisor	(70,000)	(65,708)	(65,708)	-	
CP004	Garden Trailer With Ramps	(6,000)	(4,427)	(4,427)	-	
CP005	Skid Steer Loader	(56,000)	-	-	-	
CP006	Water Truck And Tank	(100,000)	-	-	-	
Sub Total - 12345		(232,000)	(70,135)	(70,135)	-	
C12300	Electronic Signage	(15,000)	(13,404)	(13,404)	-	
C12301	Banners And Signage	(15,000)	(16,273)	(7,842)	(8,431)	
C12302	Street Lighting - Villiage	(15,000)	-	-	-	
Sub Total - 12347		(45,000)	(29,677)	(21,246)	(8,431)	

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Plant & Equipment	(289,000)	(109,136)	(100,705)	(8,431)
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By Category

Roads -

Job #	Job Description	Budget Expense	Total Actual Expense	Actual Expense	O/Stand Orders
CR0002	Evanston- Menzies Road Crsf	(292,800)	-	-	-
Sub Total - 12101		(292,800)	-	-	-
CR0001	Menzies Northwest Road R2R	(778,000)	(814,332)	(779,326)	(35,006)
CR0012	Connie Sue R2R Remote Aboriginal Access Roads	(200,000)	-	-	-
Sub Total - 12104		(978,000)	(814,332)	(779,326)	(35,006)
CR0014	Menzies Nw Rd Black Spot	-	(25,758)	(43)	(25,715)
Sub Total - 12105		-	(25,758)	(43)	(25,715)
CR0009	Tjunjuntjarra Access Road	(219,335)	-	-	-
CR0010	Main Street Menzies Upgrade	-	(3,499)	(3,456)	(42)
CR0032	Town Site Reseal	(200,000)	-	-	-
Sub Total - 12106		(419,335)	(3,499)	(3,456)	(42)
CR0004	Evanston Menzies Road Rrg	(280,000)	(313,384)	(313,384)	-
CR0005	Yarri Road Rrg	(265,167)	(188,354)	(188,354)	-
CR0013	Menzies Northwest Rd Rrg	(382,985)	(254,178)	(254,178)	-
CR0040	Pinjin Road Rrg	(330,000)	-	-	-

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By Category

Roads -

	Job #	Job Description	Budget Expense	Total Actual Expense	Actual Expense	O/Stand Orders
		Sub Total - 12109	(1,258,152)	(755,915)	(755,915)	-
	WR0000	Wandrra Funding - Associated Costs (Wml)	(1,300,000)	(23,408)	(7,568)	(15,840)
		Sub Total - 12145	(1,300,000)	(23,408)	(7,568)	(15,840)
		Roads	(4,248,287)	(1,622,912)	(1,546,309)	(76,603)

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By Category

Footpaths -

	Job #	Job Description	Budget Expense	Total Actual Expense	Actual Expense	O/Stand Orders
	C12100	Bicycle Path Construction	(50,000)	(18,278)	-	(18,278)
	Sub Total - 12112		(50,000)	(18,278)	-	(18,278)
	Footpaths		(50,000)	(18,278)	-	(18,278)

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Other Infrastructure -

By Category

Job #	Job Description	Budget Expense	Total Actual Expense	Actual Expense	O/Stand Orders
C10700	Public Toilet - Construction	(90,000)	-	-	-
Sub Total - 10750		(90,000)	-	-	-
C11301	Playground Menzies Park	(30,000)	(4,576)	(4,576)	-
C11302	Splash Park Surrounds Upgrade	(20,000)	-	-	-
C11303	Softfall For Existing Playground	(94,000)	(52,663)	(52,663)	-
C11304	Tree Planting (Establishment)	(25,000)	-	-	-
C11305	Upgrade Town Dam (2)	(50,000)	-	-	-
C11306	Hardcourts - Resurface	(90,000)	-	-	-
Sub Total - 11351		(309,000)	(57,239)	(57,239)	-
C11400	Television And Radio Reboradcast (Capital Equipment)	-	(4,724)	(4,724)	-
Sub Total - 11401		-	(4,724)	(4,724)	-
CR0006	Shire House Crossovers	(30,000)	-	-	-
Sub Total - 12110		(30,000)	-	-	-
C12103	Bores To Support Road Works	(30,000)	(7,940)	(4,460)	(3,480)
C12104	Grid Replacement Program	(32,000)	-	-	-

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Other Infrastructure -

By Category

	Job #	Job Description	Budget Expense	Total Actual Expense	Actual Expense	O/Stand Orders
		Sub Total - 12140	(62,000)	(7,940)	(4,460)	(3,480)
	C13001	Tourism Information Bay Shenton / Brown	(35,000)	(152)	(152)	-
	C13002	Truck Bay Wilson And Shenton	(250,000)	(972)	(972)	-
	C13010	Niagara Dam - Other Infrastructure Capitalised	(40,000)	-	-	-
	C13200	Museum And Surrounds	(25,000)	(14,159)	(14,159)	-
		Sub Total - 13266	(350,000)	(15,282)	(15,282)	-
	C13800	Caravan Park - Solar Project	(100,000)	-	-	-
		Sub Total - 13820	(100,000)	-	-	-
		Other Infrastructure	(941,000)	(85,185)	(81,705)	(3,480)

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Total Reported Items - balance to Note 4	(6,457,287)	(1,815,961)
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12.2.2 Monthly Listing of Payments for the Month of October 2017

LOCATION:	N/A
APPLICANT:	N/A
FILE REF:	EDM 017
DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST:	The Author has no interest to disclose
DATE:	13 November 2017
AUTHOR:	Jeanette Taylor, Manager Finance and Administration
ATTACHMENT:	12.2.2-1 Payment Listings for October 2017

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION:

That Council receive the list of payments for the month of October 2017 totalling \$522,123.66 being:

- 1) No cheques were drawn.
- 2) Electronic Fund Transfer EFT2496 - EFT2574 payments in the Municipal Fund totalling \$475,766.28. There is no cancelled EFT.
- 3) Direct Debit payments from the Municipal Fund totalling \$46,357.38
- 4) Credit card payments for the statement period 29 August 2017 to 28 September 2017 (included in direct debits) totalling \$8,691.64

VOTING REQUIREMENTS:

Simple Majority

IN BRIEF:

The list of payments made for the month of October 2017 to be received by Council.

RELEVANT TO STRATEGIC PLAN:

14.3 Active civic leadership achieved

- Regularly review plans with community consultation on significant decisions affecting the shire.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY:

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 Regulation 13.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Policy 4.7 – Creditors – Preparation for Payment

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: Nil

RISK ASSESSMENTS:

OP7 Accounts payable amounts and disbursements are either inaccurately recorded or not recorded at all.

BACKGROUND:

Payments have been made by electronic funds transfer (EFT) and direct transfer from Council's Municipal bank account and duly authorised as required by Council Policy. There has been no cheque payments made this month. These payments have been made under authority delegated to the Chief Executive Officer and are not reported to Council.

COMMENT:

The EFT and Direct Debit payments that have been raised for the month of October 2017 are attached.

After payment, the balance of creditors will be \$101,721.23.

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Payments for the Month of December 2016
Cheques

Chq/EFT	Date	Name	Description	Amount
		No cheques have been drawn		
		Cheques		\$(0.00)
		EFT		\$475,766.28
		Direct Debit		\$46,357.38
		Total Payments		\$522,123.66
		Credit Card Payments (included in Direct Debit)		\$8,691.64

Shire of Menzies
Payments for the Month of October 2017
EFT

Chq/EFT	Date	Name	Description	Amount
EFT2496	10/10/2017	Canine Control	Ranger services for September 2017	\$1,600.50
EFT2497	10/10/2017	Moki International Pty Ltd	Visitor Centre - goods for resale - speakers, headphones, chargers	\$191.99
EFT2498	10/10/2017	Design Sense Graphics and Sense	Visitor Centre - goods for resale - T-shirts - Kapi Menzies design	\$1,188.00
EFT2499	10/10/2017	Child Support	Payroll deductions	\$129.79
EFT2500	10/10/2017	Price Consulting Group	CEO Performance Review	\$4,638.15
EFT2501	10/10/2017	Powerchill Electrical & Refrigeration	Butcher Shop & Tea Tooms - Instal meter and power	\$9,999.00
EFT2502	10/10/2017	Position Partners Pty Ltd	Topcon rl-sv2s rb laser level, tripod & lsb10 laser reciever	\$5,456.88
EFT2503	10/10/2017	Ponton Minerals Pty Ltd	Rates refund for assessment A3056 E39/01275 MINING TENEMENT	\$1,833.05
EFT2504	10/10/2017	Strategic Resource Management Pty Ltd	Rates refund for assessment A4532 E39/01536 MINING TENEMENT	\$533.24
EFT2505	10/10/2017	Strategic Know How	Lake Ballard Survey analysis - 233 surveys	\$891.00
EFT2506	10/10/2017	Australian Communications & Media Auth	4 Broadcasting/Retransmission licences renewed to 11/10/18	\$176.00
EFT2507	10/10/2017	Cabcharge Australia Limited	Taxi Charges - Training Keywords for Council & staff workers compensation	\$149.84
EFT2508	10/10/2017	Toll Ipec Pty Ltd	Freight on uniforms & computer server	\$201.52
EFT2509	10/10/2017	Cutting Edges Equipment Parts	10 grader blades	\$1,917.43
EFT2510	10/10/2017	Digitalrez Australia	RezExpert monthly access fee - Caravan Park software	\$76.94
EFT2511	10/10/2017	Cr Jillian Dwyer	Travel reimbursement - 27 September Niagara to Kalgoorlie to Niagara - meeting Eagle Petroleum	\$714.78
EFT2512	10/10/2017	Eagle Petroleum (W.A) Pty Ltd	deliver 6001 ltrs diesel to bulk tank, 40 ltrs unleaded from bowser	\$7,840.60
EFT2513	10/10/2017	Ecowater Services	Service biomax at Caravan Park	\$680.50
EFT2514	10/10/2017	Goldfields Locksmiths	3 x keys for Old Police Station	\$72.15
EFT2515	10/10/2017	Gold Road Resources	Rates refund for assessment A3553 E39/01364 MINING TENEMENT	\$3,208.37
EFT2516	10/10/2017	Menzies Hotel	Meals for auditors, Lunch for Scenic Bus tour	\$657.40
EFT2517	10/10/2017	Landgate	SLIP licensing 17/18	\$2,514.00
EFT2518	10/10/2017	Shire of Menzies Social Club	Payroll deductions	\$170.00
EFT2519	10/10/2017	Menzies Aboriginal Corporation	Hire of Bus and Driver - School Holiday Program - Kids & Co - 5 July 2017	\$464.40
EFT2520	10/10/2017	Netlogic Information Technology	Remote consulting for computers and software	\$1,387.50
EFT2521	10/10/2017	Pila Nguru Aboriginal Corporation	Contribution to Site to Site 17/18 part 1	\$9,061.52
EFT2522	10/10/2017	Paupiyala Tjarutja Aboriginal Corporation	School Holiday Program 3 July to 14 July 2017 - Tjuntjuntjara community	\$11,621.43
EFT2523	10/10/2017	R F Young	Contract maintenance grader from 24 - 30 September 2017	\$13,662.00
EFT2524	10/10/2017	Shire of Leonora	Use of Adventure Equipment over Golden Gift Weekend, Health & Building services 18 - 22 September 2017, Health & Building services 20 -24 March 2017	\$10,315.00
EFT2525	10/10/2017	WesTrac Pty Ltd	Belt for Cat 12M Road Grader	\$102.66
EFT2526	20/10/2017	Carroll & Richardson Flagworld Pty Ltd	Supply flagtrax & banners for main street	\$7,788.00
EFT2527	20/10/2017	Ellery Brookman Barristers and Solicitors	Legal Costs - Preparation of Lease	\$1,824.57
EFT2528	20/10/2017	Covs	Battery for Ford Ranger	\$121.70
EFT2529	20/10/2017	Moki International Pty Ltd	Visitor Centre - goods for resale - Braided Micro USB Syn Charge Cable	\$22.51
EFT2530	20/10/2017	Child Support	Payroll deductions	\$129.79
EFT2531	20/10/2017	Batteries N More	1 strike cradle kit for Toyota Landcruiser Dual Cab	\$294.95
EFT2532	20/10/2017	CoastMac Trailers	New 8x5 offroad trailer with gates and ramp	\$4,870.00
EFT2533	20/10/2017	Quadrio Earth Moving Pty Ltd	Quadrio Earthmoving - gravel resheeting Yarri Road 29/08/2017 - 11/09/2017	\$206,360.00
EFT2534	20/10/2017	Goldfields Auto Electrical	Install radios, spot lights & switches for Toyota Landcruiser Dual Cab	\$2,351.91
EFT2535	20/10/2017	Rumble Resources	Rates refund for assessment A4932 E69/03190 MINING TENEMENT	\$165.93
EFT2536	20/10/2017	IT Vision User Group Inc	IT Vision User Group Membership Fee 2017/2018	\$715.00
EFT2537	20/10/2017	WA Local Govt Association	Certificate III in Waste Management - Works Supervisor	\$4,500.00
EFT2538	20/10/2017	Beaurepairs	Spare tyre and rim for Toyota Landcruiser Dual Cab	\$405.34
EFT2539	20/10/2017	Blackwoods	Tools	\$386.13
EFT2540	20/10/2017	Air Liquide WA Pty Ltd	Monthly rental for 3 gas bottles in depot	\$95.61
EFT2541	20/10/2017	Bah Henneker & CO	Service 23 airconditioners in houses	\$2,970.00

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EFT

EFT2542	20/10/2017	Blackwoods	Plastic buckets and wall mount holder	\$339.47
EFT2543	20/10/2017	Bunnings	Assorted sidchrome tools & hardware	\$411.64
EFT2544	20/10/2017	Butler Settineri	Further interim audit fee year ended 30.6.17	\$7,722.72
EFT2545	20/10/2017	Cabcharge Australia Limited	Taxi fare during visits to ministers	\$45.40
EFT2546	20/10/2017	Toll Ipec Pty Ltd	Freight on Office National order	\$20.88
EFT2547	20/10/2017	Coyles Mower & Chainsaw Centre	Pull cord for mower	\$128.00
EFT2548	20/10/2017	Cybersecure	Back up service - October 2017. Out of contract - can be cancelled at any time.	\$129.00
EFT2549	20/10/2017	Flex Industries	Handle for ringfeeder - CAT 12M Road Grader	\$100.32
EFT2550	20/10/2017	Forman Bros	Pump out septic tank behind office	\$1,146.20
EFT2551	20/10/2017	Freerange Supplies	1 raider 650 laser rangefinder & dash cam	\$728.99
EFT2552	20/10/2017	Goldline Distributors	Consumables for office , caravan park & visitors centre . Catering supplies for council and small events	\$707.60
EFT2553	20/10/2017	Goldfields Locksmiths	Trilogy T2 Digital Locksets for male & female toilets at Caravan Park	\$2,948.98
EFT2554	20/10/2017	Goldfields Tourism Network Assoc Inc	Visitor Centre goods for resale - 25 x Golden Quest Discovery Trail Guidebooks	\$599.23
EFT2555	20/10/2017	Goldfields Toyota	Dash mat, bonnet protector & headlight protectors for Toyota Landcruiser Dual Cab	\$161.47
EFT2556	20/10/2017	Menzies Hotel	Provision of 23 lunches for tourists	\$287.50
EFT2557	20/10/2017	Hesperian Press	Visitor Centre goods for resale - assorted books	\$482.10
EFT2558	20/10/2017	Cr Ian Tucker	Travel reimbursement for Senate Hearing Kalgoorlie 12/10/17	\$184.26
EFT2559	20/10/2017	JR & A Hersey	Boots ,uniforms & workshop consumables	\$3,762.07
EFT2560	20/10/2017	Kmart	Coffee canisters & kitchen containers	\$56.00
EFT2561	20/10/2017	Landgate	Mining Tenements	\$84.70
EFT2562	20/10/2017	Marketforce	Advertise change of meeting time for September Ordinary Council Meeting & bereavement notice	\$164.33
EFT2563	20/10/2017	Shire of Menzies Social Club	Payroll deductions	\$150.00
EFT2564	20/10/2017	Menzies Aboriginal Corporation	September 2017 School Holiday Program	\$6,491.60
EFT2565	20/10/2017	Metrocount	New MetroCount VT 5900	\$4,070.00
EFT2566	20/10/2017	Netlogic Information Technology	Remote consulting for computers and software	\$1,200.00
EFT2567	20/10/2017	Office National	Stationery Order	\$407.65
EFT2568	20/10/2017	Public Libraries WA Inc	Public Library WA Membership	\$110.00
EFT2569	20/10/2017	R F Young	Contract maintenance grader 1 - 7 October 2017	\$13,662.00
EFT2570	20/10/2017	Moore Stephens	Preparation of Annuals for Year Ended 30 June 2017	\$11,853.60
EFT2571	20/10/2017	Wa Country Health Service - Goldfields	Provision of Registered Nurse at Menzies Health Centre for 5 weeks 28/8/17 to 1/10/17	\$5,658.20
EFT2572	20/10/2017	Paul Warner	Reimbursement for replaced stolen truck battery in Perth	\$225.01
EFT2573	20/10/2017	WML Consultants	Invoice 24094 Job 7330:1 Claim 9 RRG Project Grants . RAV Network Investigation	\$14,147.68
EFT2574	20/10/2017	WesTrac Pty Ltd	On site service for CAT 12M Grader, alternator for CAT Skid Steer (Bobcat)	\$1,683.01
EFT2575	20/10/2017	Wurth Australia	Nuts bolts and washers	\$120.47
DIRECT	12/10/2017	Payroll		\$35,730.97
DIRECT	26/10/2017	Payroll		\$35,588.15
				\$475,766.28

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Payments for the Month of October 2017
Direct Debit

Chq/EFT	Date	Name	Description	Amount
DD1514.1	10/10/2017	Wa Local Govt Superannuation Plan	Superannuation contributions	\$3,985.43
DD1514.2	10/10/2017	Kinetic Superannuation	Superannuation contributions	\$1,057.69
DD1514.3	10/10/2017	Wa Local Govt Superannuation Plan	Payroll deductions	\$1,729.62
DD1514.4	10/10/2017	Catholic Super	Superannuation contributions	\$757.89
DD1514.5	10/10/2017	Australian Super	Superannuation contributions	\$466.39
DD1514.6	10/10/2017	B T Finanacial Group Superannuation	Superannuation contributions	\$315.57
DD1514.7	10/10/2017	Commonwealth Essential Super	Superannuation contributions	\$122.28
DD1530.1	02/10/2017	Wright Express Australia Pty Ltd	Fuel for council cars & contract nurse	\$1,230.13
DD1530.2	02/10/2017	WESTNET	Internet for CRC September 2017	\$45.50
DD1532.1	03/10/2017	NAB	Credit card 29 August 2017 to 28 September 2017	\$8,691.64
DD1534.1	09/10/2017	Telstra	Office and CRC phones and Internet September 2017	\$4,559.67
DD1534.2	31/10/2017	Telstra	Satelite phone charges September 2017	\$369.79
DD1536.1	12/10/2017	Telstra	Mobiles & office data September 2017	\$625.71
DD1538.1	16/10/2017	Toyota Finance	Vehicle lease payment for October 2017	\$1,099.07
DD1540.1	17/10/2017	NAB	NAB connect Fee September 2017	\$45.49
DD1542.1	18/10/2017	Horizon Power	Street lighting 1/9/17 to 30/9/17	\$621.20
DD1546.1	24/10/2017	Wa Local Govt Superannuation Plan	Superannuation contributions	\$4,286.18
DD1546.2	24/10/2017	Kinetic Superannuation	Superannuation contributions	\$1,057.69
DD1546.3	24/10/2017	Wa Local Govt Superannuation Plan	Superannuation contributions	\$1,751.19
DD1546.4	24/10/2017	Catholic Super	Superannuation contributions	\$758.03
DD1546.5	24/10/2017	Australian Super	Superannuation contributions	\$430.34
DD1546.6	24/10/2017	Commonwealth Essential Super	Superannuation contributions	\$131.34
DD1551.1	24/10/2017	Australia Post	Stamps for resale September 17	\$276.75
DD1554.1	26/10/2017	Cr Jillian Dwyer	Members Fees - October 2017	\$3,364.49
DD1554.2	26/10/2017	Cr Ian Baird	Members Fees - October 2017	\$1,289.67
DD1554.3	26/10/2017	Cr Ian Tucker	Members Fees - October 2017	\$875.83
DD1554.4	26/10/2017	Cr Justin Lee	Members Fees - October 2017	\$875.83
DD1554.5	26/10/2017	Cr Debbie Hansen	Members Fees - October 2017	\$875.83
DD1554.6	26/10/2017	Jamie Mazza	Members Fees - October 2017	\$875.83
DD1554.7	26/10/2017	Cr Keith Mader	Members Fees - October 2017	\$875.83
DD1556.1	30/10/2017	Wright Express Australia Pty Ltd	Fuel for council cars & contract nurse	\$1,487.70
DD1556.2	30/10/2017	Water Corporation	Water Charges 9 Aug 17 to 12 Oct 17 - various buildings	\$1,022.63
DD1566.1	31/10/2017	NAB	Merchant Fees & Bank Fees - October 2017	\$399.15
				\$46,357.38

Shire of Menzies
Payments for the Month of October 2017
Credit Card

Date	Name	Description	Amount
22/09/2017	Adobe	Annual Subscription	\$263.87
22/09/2017	NAB	International Transaction Fee	\$7.92
30/08/2017	Ibis Styles	Accommodation for staff training - RAV	\$97.50
30/08/2017	Ibis Styles	Accommodation for staff training - RAV	\$282.63
30/08/2017	Daphne Florist	Flowers - B Love	\$135.00
06/09/2017	Atlas Linen	Drycleaning	\$36.40
08/09/2017	ATOM	Inside Australia download	\$61.60
12/09/2017	Booktopia	Books for sale	\$219.95
21/09/2017	Cubic Promote	Souvenirs for sale	\$397.00
22/09/2017	Harvey Norman	Linen for 29A Shenton Street	\$202.44
25/09/2017	Rydges	Youth development staff training	\$415.85
25/09/2017	Rydges	Youth development staff training	\$294.43
27/09/2017	Woolworths	Roadwise Grant catering - Grant \$400 Received June 2017	\$70.54
27/09/2017	Woolworths	Roadwise Grant catering- Grant \$400 Received June 2017	\$56.00
28/09/2017	Everett Butchers	Roadwise Grant catering- Grant \$400 Received June 2017	\$65.80
28/09/2017	NAB	Card Fee	\$9.00
Total CEO Credit Card			<u>\$2,615.93</u>
31/08/2017	Holiday Inn	Staff meals while on training	\$70.54
31/08/2017	Holiday Inn	Staff meals while on training	\$145.67
01/09/2017	Holiday Inn	Staff meals while on training	\$17.75
01/09/2017	Shire of Corrigin	Fleet Licencing 2/9/17 to 1/9/18	\$5,186.15
18/09/2017	Daphne Florist	Flowers for bereavement	\$65.00
21/09/2017	Daphne Florist	Flowers for bereavement	\$140.00
20/09/2017	Meteor-Stone	Limestone for seating and drainage - Playground	\$441.60
28/09/2017	NAB	Card fee	\$9.00
Total for MFA Credit Card			<u>\$6,075.71</u>
Direct Debit			<u>\$8,691.64</u>

12.2.3 Rating Concession for Mining Lease

LOCATION:	P28/1301
APPLICANT:	Roy Arthur, Pendragon WA Pty Ltd
DOCUMENT REF:	EDM 262
DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST:	The Author has no interest to disclose
DATE:	22 November 2017
AUTHOR:	Rhonda Evans, Chief Executive Officer
ATTACHMENT:	12.2.3-1 Rate Notice 12.2.3-2 Email – Request for Concession

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION:

That Council

1. Grant a rating concession of 100% against assessment 5489, for a portion of mining lease P28/01301 for the year ending 30 June 2018
2. Advise the ratepayer of assessment 5489 that the concession is for the year ending 30 June 2018, and a concession must be applied for each financial year.
3. Resolve to create a policy to set the minimum valuation for mining tenements to be deemed rateable.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS:

Absolute Majority

IN BRIEF:

Pendragon WA Pty Ltd has a rateable mining tenement located on the southern boundary of the Shire of Menzies, bordering with the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder. The valuation for the tenement is ten dollars as it is an extremely small parcel of land. Rates for the major portion of the tenement are being paid to the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder.

RELEVANT TO STRATEGIC PLAN:

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- Regularly review plans with community consultation on significant decisions affecting the shire.
- Continue to engage with our community, to advocate on behalf of our community, to be accountable and to manage within our governance and legislative framework.

14.4 Heritage & Natural assets conserved

- A strengthening of our cultural and heritage awareness and values.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY:

Local Government Act 1995 Section 6.47 - Concessions

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Council has no policy relating to this matter. Council may address the rating of tenements less than a prescribed area by policy.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

The financial loss to the Shire from this action will be \$237.32.

RISK ASSESSMENTS:

There is no risk assessment relating to this matter.

BACKGROUND:

Mining tenements often lay across local authority boundaries. When this occurs, the Valuer General provides separate values for the area of the lease for each. This process is a fair way of managing the situation, and each Shire rates according to the value of the property falling within their boundary.

COMMENT:

Mining tenement P28/01301 has an extremely small portion of the lease within the Menzies Shire (as shown on the attachment). The valuation provided for this is ten dollars.

It is the opinion of the author, and a minimum rateable valuation for leases which cross local authority boundaries should be set by policy. This will allow the valuations not to be taken up, and thus remove the need for affected tenement holders to apply for a concession each year.



SHIRE OF MENZIES

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RATE NOTICE / TAX INVOICE

NOTICE OF RATE AND VALUATION
 Notice is hereby given that the undermentioned land has been rated by the Council of the above mentioned municipality as shown hereon in accordance with the Local Government Act 1995. Appeal provisions are outlined on reverse side.

Interim Notice

1 JULY 2017 TO 30 JUNE 2018

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER R. Evans

ASSESSMENT NUMBER	A5489
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DUE DATE	25/10/2017
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FOR YEAR ENDED	30 June 2018
DATE ISSUED	21/09/2017
VALUATION	\$10.00 - UV
ZONING	
MINIMUM RATE	\$ 244.00
LATE PAYMENT INTEREST	11.0000

PLEASE SEE OVER/ATTACHED FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND DEFAULT CONSEQUENCES

Please Advise Council in writing of any amendments

Pendragon (WA) Pty Ltd
 Andrew Ian Pumphrey
 116 BURKE DRIVE
 ATTADALE WA 6156

PROPERTY ADDRESS **P28/01301 MINING TENEMENT**
 LOTS/LOCATIONS OR OTHER INFORMATION

DETAILS	RATE IN \$ OR CHARGE/SERVICE	CURRENT	GST	ARREARS	TOTAL
CHARGES OUTSTANDING FROM PREVIOUSLY ISSUED NOTICES ARE \$0.00 AS AT 20/09/2017					
INTERIM RATE ADJUSTMENTS WITH AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF 11.07.17					
-UV MINING PROSPECTING		\$237.32			\$237.32
REASON FOR INTERIM RATE : REVALUATION					
TOTAL INTERIM AMOUNT					\$237.32
TOTAL AMOUNT OUTSTANDING					\$237.32

PAYMENT OPTIONS	INSTALMENT AMOUNT	DUE DATE	AMOUNT DUE
OPTION 1 - PAY IN FULL	\$237.32	25.10.2017	\$237.32
OPTION 2 - PAY BY 4 INSTALMENTS	1ST INST \$88.07	25.10.2017	\$88.07
	2ND INST \$87.95	16.01.2018	
	3RD INST \$87.95	13.03.2018	
	4TH INST \$0.00		
OPTION COST \$26.65	TOTAL \$263.97		

PROPERTY OWNERS: Pendragon (WA) Pty Ltd Andrew Ian Pumphrey

Please detach and return with payment or leave intact if paying in person

ASSESSMENT NUMBER: A5489	<input type="checkbox"/> OPTION 1 DUE: 25.10.2017	\$237.32
OWNER NAME: Pendragon (WA) Pty Ltd	<input type="checkbox"/> OPTION 2 DUE: 25.10.2017	\$88.07
PROPERTY DETAILS: P28/01301 MINING TENEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OPTION 3 Total Amount Outstanding:	\$237.32

PAYMENT BY MAIL:

Make cheques payable to SHIRE OF MENZIES, and crossed "NOT NEGOTIABLE". Complete and mail the cheque and this payment slip to Shire of Menzies, PO Box 4, Menzies WA 6436. The top portion of the notice should be retained as your record. No receipt will be issued unless entire notice is sent with payment.

PAY IN PERSON:

Present this notice INTACT to the cashier at the Shire of Menzies, 124 Shenton Street Menzies WA 6436. Your payment must be received IN OUR OFFICE by 4pm on the due date to be considered on time.

From: Roy Arthur
To: [Rhonda Evans](#)
Subject: Land value \$10 - Rate bill of \$244
Date: Monday, October 9, 2017 4:22:35 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image003.png](#)
[image004.png](#)
[Menzies Rate Bill.pdf](#)

Dear Rhonda,

I understand from one of my business partners that you are very supportive of individuals trying to undertake business in the Shire of Menzies. My situation is that I have recently been granted a Prospecting Licence that for a very small proportion of 0.8Ha (or 0.4% of the area) falls within the Shire of Menzies, with the remaining 191.2Ha being in the Kalgoorlie Shire. I have received a Rates notice from the Shire of Menzies that shows the Landgate valuation of just \$10 for the area and I have confirmed this with their office, including the calculation method. Unfortunately the auto generation of the Rate bill against the \$10 land value has resulted in a bill of \$237.32 for the proportion of the current financial year. As you can see this is more than 20 times the land value of the property in the Menzies Shire, a truly amazing situation that for all intense and purposes could continue for the next five years for the life of the tenement.

I understand that the local authority has total digression to Rate such situations or not. I ask that you consider if the Rate assessment can be withdrawn by the Shire or that the area be assessed on the ~0.4% of the holding as a whole, which would equate to ~\$1. As you will be well aware I am also paying full rates on the land holding to the Shire of Kalgoorlie (which has the only road near the property) so it is untenable that I have to pay double Rates on the small holding. If the Shire of Menzies is unable to adjust the current Rate notice I will be left with the only option to pay the bill, immediately partially surrender the 0.8Ha section of the lease (removing the tiny tenure from the Shire of Menzies) via the DMP, and then submit the request for a refund of the majority of the rates paid to the Shire. This will require time, costs and paperwork on all sides and I'm hoping together we can avoid this situation.

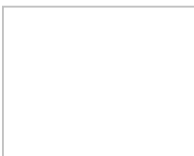
I have briefly discussed this Rate notice with the Menzies Shire rates officer and although she was very helpful it is totally understandable that she did not have digression to review the appropriateness of the notice or not.

Below is a map for the DMP Tengraph showing the small incursion of P28/1301 above the pink line being the Menzies-Kal Shire boundary. Attached in the Rates notice received.

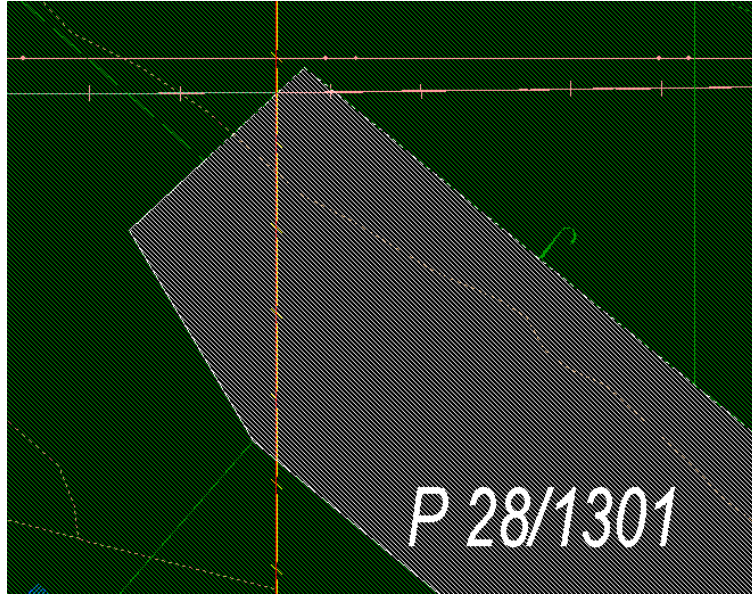
I look forward to your consideration of the matter above.

Kind regards

ROY ARTHUR - Director



PH 0427 773 151



12.3 WORKS AND SERVICES

12.3.1 Works Report for the Month of October 2017

LOCATION:	N/A
APPLICANT:	N/A
DOCUMENT REF:	EDM 058
DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST:	The Author has no interest to disclose
DATE:	22 November 2017
AUTHOR:	Rhonda Evans, Chief Executive Officer
ATTACHMENT:	N/A

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION:

That Council receive the Works Report for the Month of October 2017.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS:

Simple Majority

IN BRIEF:

Roadworks carried over from the previous Financial Year are now complete, and the New Year's maintenance program has commenced. Details for the status of works can be found in the comments section of this report.

RELEVANT TO STRATEGIC PLAN:

14.1 Sustainable local economy encouraged

- The prevention of fire risk throughout the community.
- The significant natural features of the shire for tourism.
- The acquisition of appropriate resources to assist with economic and tourism planning and development.

14.2 Strong sense of community maintained

- The Shire to acquire appropriate resources to assist with developing the services and facilities required by the community.

14.3 Active civic leadership achieved

- Regularly review plans with community consultation on significant decisions affecting the shire.
- Where possible, support opportunities to build the capacity of the community within the Shire of Menzies.
- Regularly monitor and report on the Shire's activities, budgets, plans and performance.

14.4 *Heritage & Natural assets conserved*

- Our natural environment will be protected and preserved for future generations.
- Our built environment will be managed to sustain our growing needs, while protecting and restoring buildings of historical value.
- Heritage and cultural places and items will be protected.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS: Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: Nil

RISK ASSESSMENTS:

No Risk Assessment has been undertaken relating to this item.

BACKGROUND:

The Shire manages the Works section with a permanent staff of a Works Supervisor, and 4.5 full time equivalent workers. Additional resources are contracted as required.

COMMENT:

October - November 2017

- Inspection of effluent ponds complete – no notices issued or action to be taken.
- Maintenance grading using contractor continuing on Cranky Jack Road
- Maintenance grading by Shire grader continues to roads west of Menzies town site
- Tjuntjuntjara re-sheeting almost complete
- Kerbing to Wilson Street west and Mercer Street north complete
- Drainage works Water Park

November – December 2017

- Tree Planting – Church yard – awaiting advanced trees
- Tree Planting – Caravan Park – awaiting tree stock
- Commence re-sheeting of Pinjin Road
- Complete Re-sheeting Tjuntjuntjara Access Road
- Hazard reduction Menzies and Kookynie town sites
- Playground fencing upgrade
- White posts on Riverina and Menzies North West Road
- Grids to be installed on Yarri and Mt Celia Road
- Drainage works between hardcourts and playground.

Claimed 90% of grant funding for State Road Grants.

12.4 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

12.4.1 Report Lady Shenton Building for the Month of October 2017

LOCATION:	Lady Shenton Building
APPLICANT:	N/A
DOCUMENT REF:	EDM 014
DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST:	The Author has no interest to disclose
DATE:	22 November 2017
AUTHOR:	Rhonda Evans, Chief Executive Officer
ATTACHMENT:	Nil

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION:

That Council receive the report of the activities in the Lady Shenton Building for the month of October 2017.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS:

Simple Majority

IN BRIEF:

The Menzies Community Resource Centre, Visitor Centre, Community Postal Agency and Caravan Park operate from the Lady Shenton Building on the corner of Brown and Shenton Street.

Visitor Centre Sales	Year to Date	\$15,930	Year to Date Prior Year	\$14,768
Caravan Park income	Year to Date	\$41,534	Year to Date Prior Year	\$36,060

RELEVANT TO STRATEGIC PLAN:

14.1 Sustainable local economy encouraged

- The significant natural features of the shire for tourism.
- The acquisition of appropriate resources to assist with economic and tourism planning and development.

14.2 Strong sense of community maintained

- Our community will value each other, building relationships and networks to interact, socialise and for recreation.
- Our community will have access to all necessary service requirements.
- The Shire to acquire appropriate resources to assist with developing the services and facilities required by the community.

14.3 Active civic leadership achieved

- Where possible, support opportunities to build the capacity of the community within the Shire of Menzies.
- Regularly monitor and report on the Shire's activities, budgets, plans and performance.
- Continue to engage with our community, to advocate on behalf of our community, to be accountable and to manage within our governance and legislative framework.
- Continue to participate in regional activities to the benefit of our community.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS: Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: Nil

RISK ASSESSMENTS:

No Risk Assessment has been undertaken relating to this item.

BACKGROUND:

The Lady Shenton building operates the CRC and Menzies Visitor Centre and administers the Menzies Caravan Park. The statistics are compiled each month by the operator for recording purposes.

COMMENT:

Community Resource Centre (CRC)

This month has seen 40 patrons at the CRC and a total of 90 copies of the Menzies Matters were printed in October 2017.

Art and photography classes held in the CRC until the end of the school term. Adele returned during early November to run two more sessions. A display of the work will be a feature in the Lady Shenton building during December.

Two morning teas have been held, and an extremely successful 'Starting Business' workshop.

The public access computers are once again operating following the discontinuance of the service due to the introduction of NBN.

Visitor Centre

October saw 705 visitors to The Visitor Centre. We continue to encourage customer feedback by way of the Lake Ballard Surveys. The Facebook continues to convey information to people online.

The Lake Ballard T-shirts have started to sell. Books are the most popular purchase for most clients. The new colourful Menzies T-shirts are selling well.

Community Postal Agency

We had a total of 226 Postal Customers for October 2017.

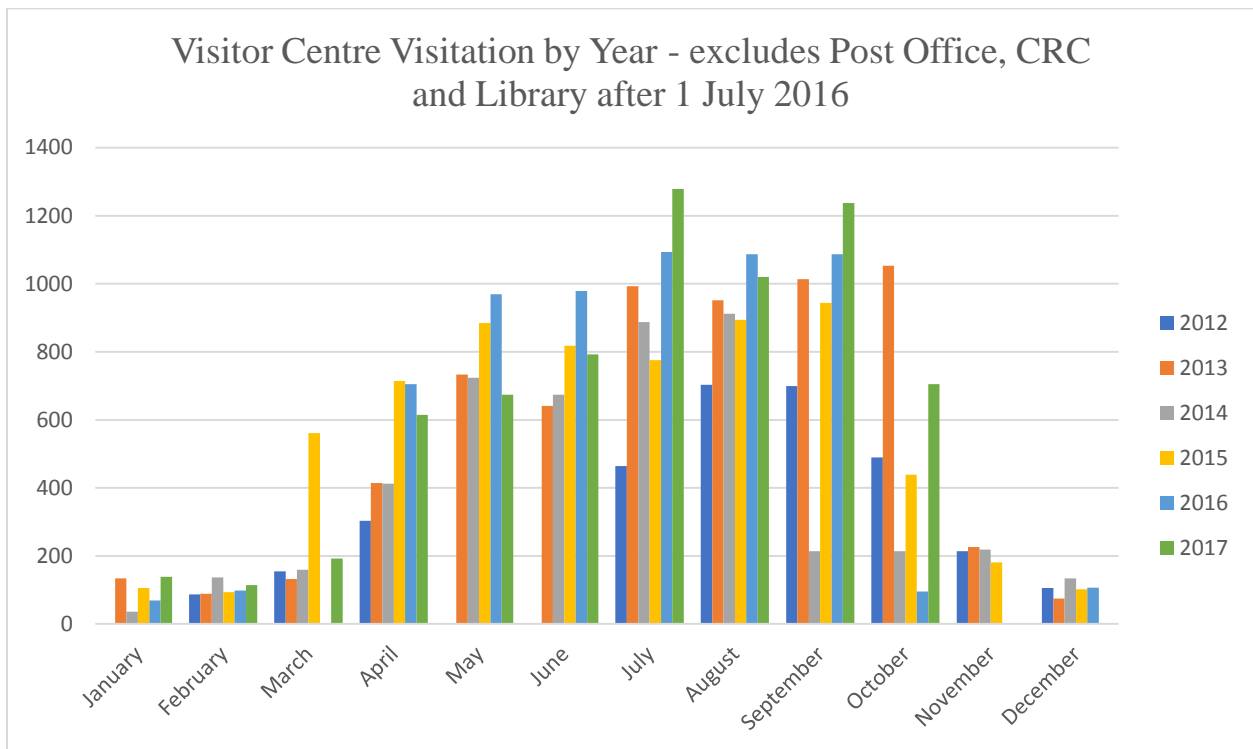
Caravan Park

A total of \$6,247 was taken for the month of October 2017.

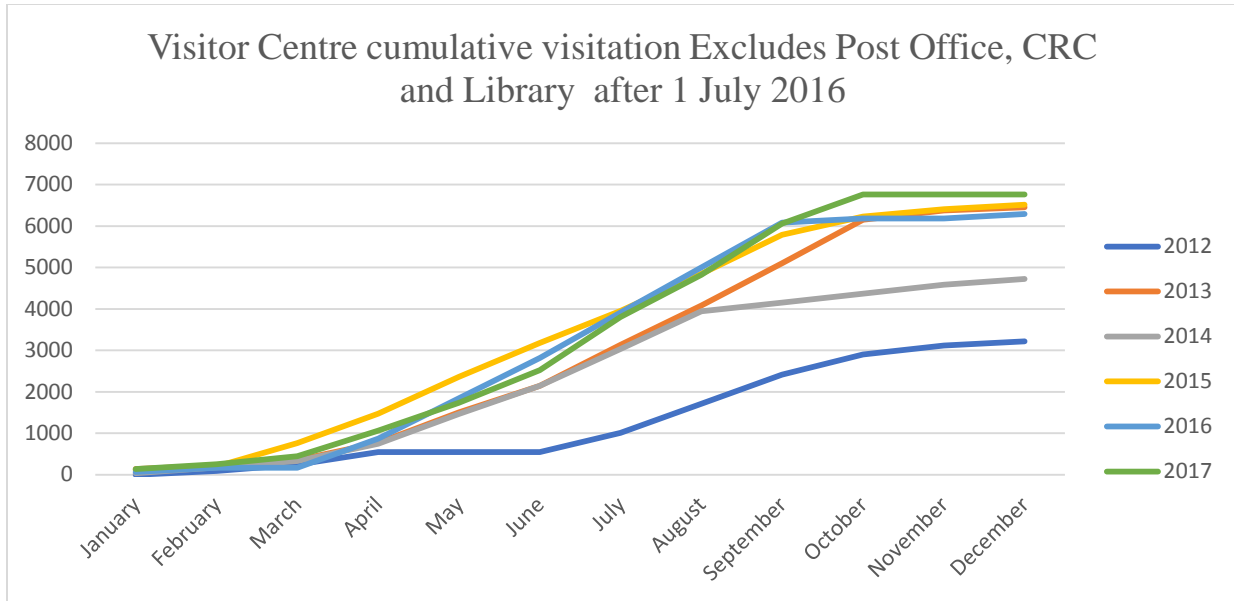
Statistics

An increased variety of statistics are now being provided. For the most part, I have concentrated on numbers rather than income, as the Caravan Park generates about 75% of the income from this facility.

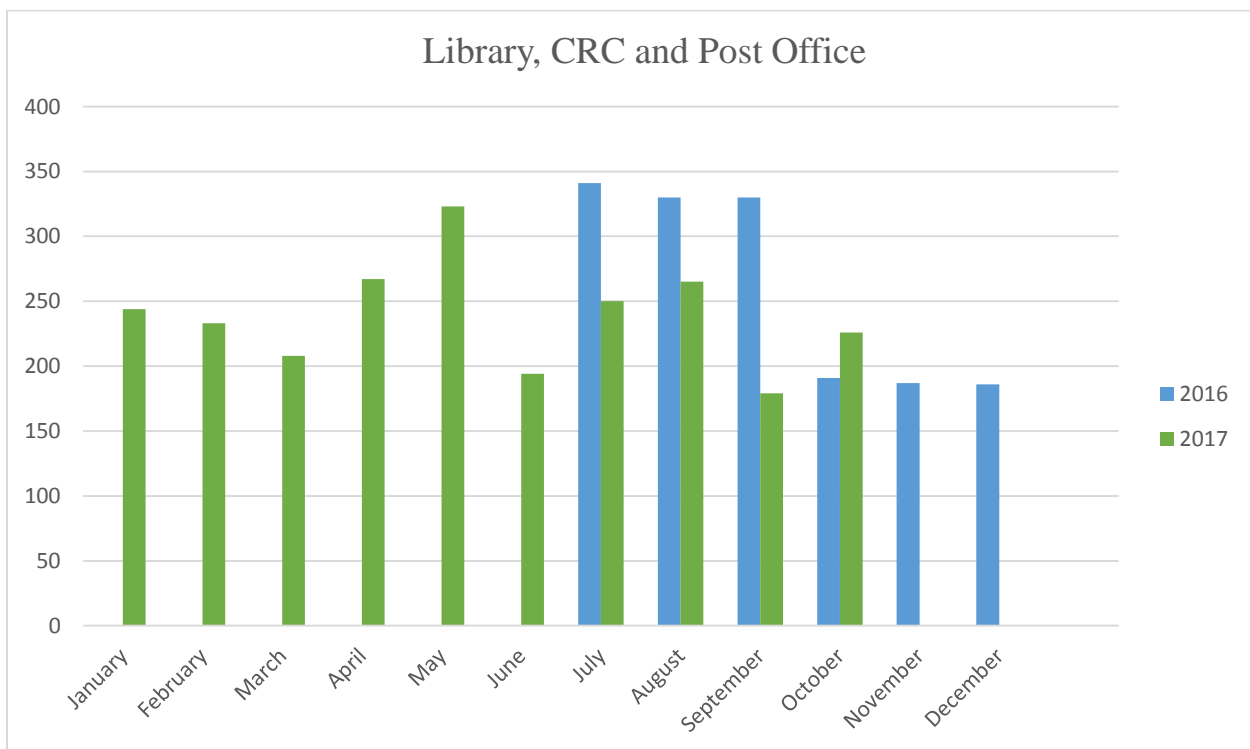
Client Statistics – Visitor Centre by Visitation by Year



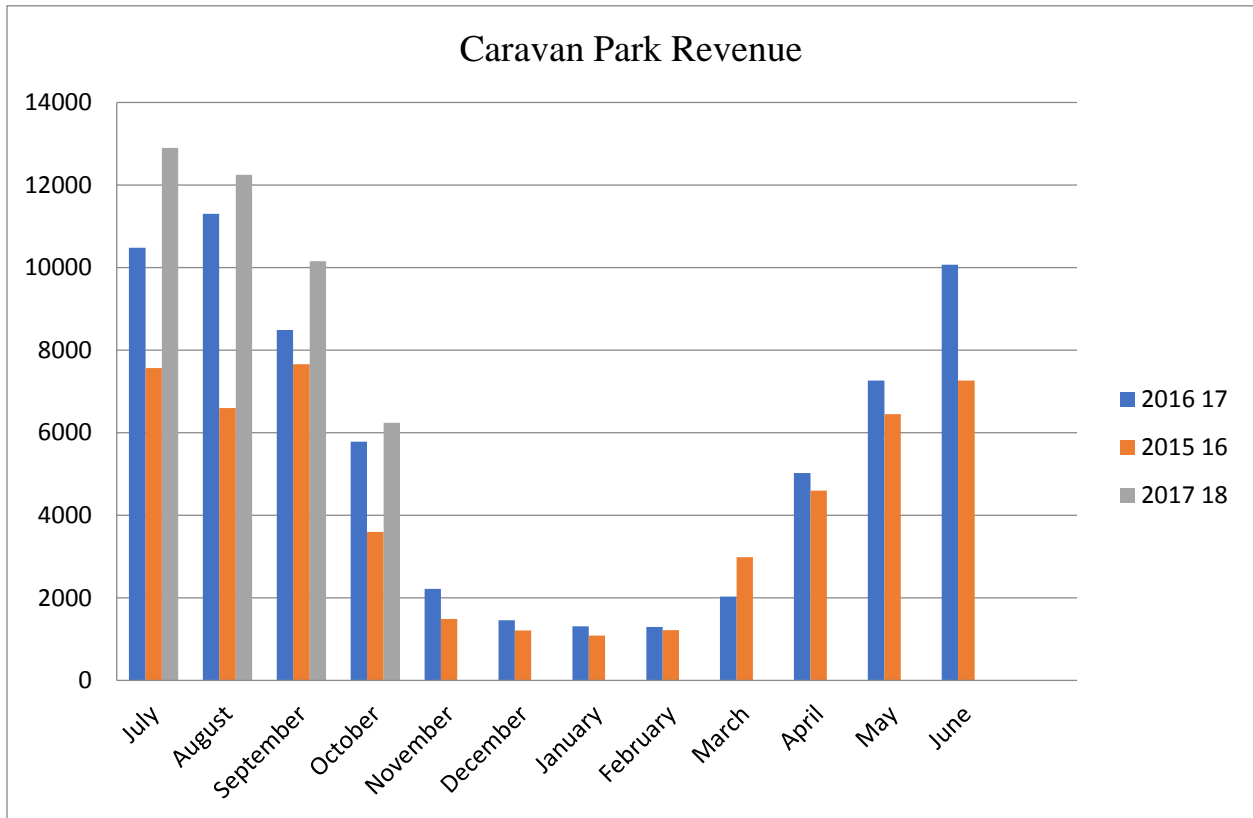
Client Statistics – Visitor Centre Cumulative Visitation



Revenue Statistics – Library, CRC and Post Office



Revenue Statistics – Caravan Park Revenue



12.5 MANAGEMENT AND POLICY

12.5.1 Actions performed under Delegation for the month of October 2017

LOCATION:	N/A
APPLICANT:	N/A
DOCUMENT REF:	EDM 058
DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST:	The Author has no interest to disclose
DATE:	20 November 2017
AUTHOR:	Deborah Whitehead, Executive Assistant
ATTACHMENT:	Nil

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION:

That Council receive the report of the actions performed under delegation for the month of October 2017 for information.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS:

Simple Majority

IN BRIEF:

To report back to Council actions performed under delegated authority for the period 1 October 2017 to 31 October 2017.

RELEVANT TO STRATEGIC PLAN:

Active civic leadership achieved

- Regularly monitor and report on the Shire's activities, budgets, plans and performance.
- Maintain sustainability through our leadership, our regional and government partnerships and ensure we make informed resource decisions for our community good.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS: Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: Nil

RISK ASSESSMENTS:

OP13 Governance – Council does not comply with statutory requirements

BACKGROUND:

To increase transparency this report has been prepared for Council and includes all actions performed under delegated authority for:-

- Bushfire
- Common Seal
- Planning Approvals
- Building Permits
- Health Approvals
- Ranger related Dog Issues

The following tables outline the actions performed within the organisation relative to delegated authority for the period 1 October 2017 to 31 October 2017.

Bushfire

No delegated decisions were undertaken by the Shire of Menzies pursuant to Bushfire matters for the period 1 October 2017 to 31 October 2017.

Common Seal

No delegated decisions were undertaken by the Shire of Menzies pursuant to the Common Seal for the period 1 October 2017 to 31 October 2017..

Planning Approvals

No delegated decisions were undertaken by the Shire of Menzies pursuant to Planning Approvals for the period 1 October 2017 to 31 October 2017.

Building Permits (including Septic Tank approvals)

The following delegated decisions were undertaken by the Shire of Menzies pursuant to Building Permits (*including Septic Tank approvals*) for the period 1 October 2017 to 31 October 2017.

<i>Date of decision</i>	<i>Decision ref:</i>	<i>Decision details</i>	<i>Applicant</i>	<i>Other affected person(s)</i>
16/10/2017	Septic System Application Menzies Battery	Approved No M17/02a	Roxbury Trading	N/A

Health Approvals

No delegated decisions were undertaken by the Shire of Menzies pursuant to Health Approvals for the period 1 October 2017 to 31 October 2017.

Ranger Related Dog Issues

No delegated decisions were undertaken by the Shire of Menzies pursuant to Ranger related Dog issues for the period 1 October 2017 to 31 October 2017.

12.5.2 Application for Support - Platelayers Cottages

LOCATION:	445-447 Walsh Street Menzies
APPLICANT:	Puzzle Consulting
DOCUMENT REF:	EDM 281
DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST:	The Author has no interest to disclose
DATE:	22 November 2017
AUTHOR:	Rhonda Evans, Chief Executive Officer
ATTACHMENT:	12.5.2-1 Heritage Register Documentation 12.5.2-2 Guidelines Building Better Regions 12.5.2-3 Menzies Heritage Precinct Project Cost Benefit 12.5.2-4 Operating Statement – Tourism Services

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION:

That Council

1. Support the Application by the Menzies Aboriginal Corporation to the Building Better Regions Fund (BBRF) for the restoration of the Heritage Listed Platelayers Cottages as a partner to the project.
2. Endorse the allocation of up to \$100,000 in the 2018/2019 budget for the purpose of contribution to the Menzies Aboriginal Corporation toward the restoration of the Cottages located at 445-447 Walsh Street Menzies subject to the following conditions:
 - Grant funding from Building Better Regions Fund (BBRF) for no less than \$250,000 be approved.
 - The contribution must be matched by ratio of two thirds/ one third with the contribution by the Menzies Aboriginal Corporation (MAC) (for every \$2 contributed by the MAC in cash or kind, Council will contribute \$1.)
 - Payments to be paid progressively, acquittal to be subject to successful acquittal progress payments by BBRF.
 - Acknowledgement of the Shire of Menzies contribution to be displayed for a period of no less than five years in a prominent position at the front of the buildings.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS:

Absolute Majority

IN BRIEF:

Puzzle Consulting on behalf of the Menzies Aboriginal Corporation have applied to Council to consider investing in the restoration of the Platelayers Cottages at the south end of Walsh Street Menzies.

The cottages are held by freehold title to the Menzies Aboriginal Corporation. The land is within a special purpose zone being for public purpose.

RELEVANT TO STRATEGIC PLAN:

14.1 Sustainable local economy encouraged

- A strong local economy, diversified through encouraging commercial growth, which provides jobs and services.
- A local economy that has close working partnerships with mining companies and other industries.
- A local economy accessing the commercial options and services in place, for timely development.
- The acquisition of appropriate resources to assist with economic and tourism planning and development.

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- Where possible, support opportunities to build the capacity of the community within the Shire of Menzies.
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- Continue to engage with our community, to advocate on behalf of our community, to be accountable and to manage within our governance and legislative framework.
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14.4 Heritage & Natural assets conserved

- Our built environment will be managed to sustain our growing needs, while protecting and restoring buildings of historical value.
- Heritage and cultural places and items will be protected.
- A strengthening of our cultural and heritage awareness and values.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY:

Local Government Act 1995 – Section 6.2 – Local Government of prepare annual budget.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

The allocation of a up to \$100,000 in the Annual Budget for the year ending 30 June 2019 under consideration. This represents 3% of estimated rate income for that year. In the budget for the year ending 30 June 2017, provision has been made for the following one-of infrastructure.

- C10700 Public Toilet – Truck Bay \$ 90,000
- C08001 Youth Centre Building \$249,000
- C11303 Softfall for Playground \$ 94,000

The requested allocation is a one-off with no foreseeable future life cost to Council.

RISK ASSESSMENTS:

A Risk Analysis for this project will be included in the application to the BBRF. Failure to meet this assessment will disqualify the application.

BACKGROUND:

External funding for this project has been sought by MAC on previous occasions without success. Grants for the restoration of buildings continues to be difficult to attract unless the project can show significant employment and economic benefit. The restoration of these buildings would meet these criteria.

In December 2015 Council created a proposal for the Menzies Heritage Precinct Project. The cottages were included within the precinct, but not included in the Shire's application for funding.

The purpose of the project was to refurbish a number of historic assets within the town. The preservation works combined with marketing and promotion to drive historic and cultural tourism.

The 'Heritage Park' Project to feature:

- 11 sites throughout the town site which will be preserved/restored and interpreted. These sites will be presented alongside newer buildings within the town, most of which were designed to be sympathetic to the heritage value of the town and many which have their own story;
- Refurbishment of the interiors of a number of historical buildings and the implementation of business development projects to contribute to the economic development of the town and ensure the buildings are continually used.

COMMENT:

The Shire of Menzies has a culture of contributions for projects where Council will not be the owner of the property subject to the contribution. A contribution to Paupiyala Tjarutja Aboriginal Corporation towards the purchase of a 5 Tonne Truck, and contribution to Menzies Aboriginal Corporation for the upgrade of the kitchen at their Walsh Street premises are two instances in recent years.

Council also has a significant sponsorship budget for external activities such as the Cyclclassic in Menzies and Site to Site at Tjuntjuntjara.

Unique heritage buildings are slowly deteriorating and if nothing is done soon will be lost forever. This represents an opportunity to invest in the development of the three railway cottages to offer a unique heritage experience and provide additional and much needed accommodation (unique to current offerings) in Menzies.

This project would capitalise on the increasing number of tourists coming through the town, particularly since the Inside Australia installation at Lake Ballard was completed. Through international media and through the reputation of the artist (Antony Gormley) the sculptures are becoming a must-see experience for many and the site is attracting tourists from all over the world. At the experience is promoted as being best at either sundown or sunrise many of this visiting would like to find accommodation close to the site of Lake Ballard. Menzies is the nearest town.

The development of this additional tourism product in our town is an opportunity to capture tourism dollars. MAC are seeking to secure federal funding through the Building Better Regions Fund, an extremely competitive program. With a total value of approximately \$500,000, MAC will need an additional partner on board in order to secure the necessary grant assessment score to be competitive. The Shire of Menzies support for this project is critical to an application being made.

Attached is a statement for the operation of the Shire's two tourism related services, the Visitor's Centre and the Caravan Park. This is budgeted to cost ratepayers in excess of \$500,000 for the current financial year. The attraction and retention of visitors for longer, and any businesses that assist in this must be of benefit to the Community as a whole.

It is estimated that the refurbished cottages would generate an additional \$1,000 in rates income per annum, and also require waste services. Each additional service required reduces the unit cost to Council to provide the service. Also attached are documents outlining the cost benefit of the tourism dollar to the community, and the criteria for the funding being sought from the Federal Government. It should be stressed that the recommendation for the contribution is contingent on a successful grant application.



REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES - ASSESSMENT DOCUMENTATION

11. ASSESSMENT OF CULTURAL HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE

The criteria adopted by the Heritage Council in November 1996 have been used to determine the cultural heritage significance of the place.

PRINCIPAL AUSTRALIAN HISTORIC THEME(S)

- 3.4.3 Mining
- 3.8.6 Building and maintaining railways
- 5.2 Organising workers and work places

HERITAGE COUNCIL OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA THEME(S)

- 106 Workers (incl. Aboriginal, convict)
- 110 Resource exploitation and depletion
- 202 Rail & light rail transport

11.1 AESTHETIC VALUE*

Menzies Railway Station Group, with its stone Station Building in Federation Arts & Crafts style, row of three stone Federation Bungalow style Platelayer's Cottages, and Station Master's House, is valued for the aesthetic characteristics of individual elements, and as a whole as a significant group. (Criteria 1.1 & 1.4)

Menzies Railway Station Group has a landmark setting in the Menzies town. It is a dominant element along the east boundary of the townsite and contributes to the townscape and character of Menzies. (Criterion 1.4)

* For consistency, all references to architectural style are taken from Apperly, R., Irving, R., Reynolds, P. *A Pictorial Guide to Identifying Australian Architecture. Styles and Terms from 1788 to the Present*, Angus and Robertson, North Ryde, 1989.

For consistency, all references to garden and landscape types and styles are taken from Ramsay, J. *Parks, Gardens and Special Trees: A Classification and Assessment Method for the Register of the National Estate*, Australian Government Publishing Service, Canberra, 1991, with additional reference to Richards, O. *Theoretical Framework for Designed Landscapes in WA*, unpublished report, 1997.

11.2 HISTORIC VALUE

Menzies Railway Station Group demonstrates infrastructure constructed to meet the transport and labour requirements of the goldfields during the 1890s gold rushes in Western Australia when large numbers of people, heavy machinery, ore and timber had to be moved to the fields by the most efficient means. The place illustrates the consolidation and improvement of efficiency and living conditions of the goldfields and surrounding districts brought by the railways. (Criterion 2.1 & 2.2)

The Station Master's House was constructed to a standard design for the occupation of the Menzies Station Master. The size of the place, with four main rooms, reflects the status of the Station Master's position, in contrast to the adjoining two-room Platelayer's Cottages, which were constructed for the members of the track maintenance gang. (Criterion 2.2)

Menzies Railway Station Group is associated with the Public Works Department and Chief Architect John Grainger, who designed the buildings. (Criterion 2.3)

Menzies Railway Station Group is associated with railway contractors Henry Teasedale Smith and Joseph Timms, trading as Smith & Timms who, as well as constructing the Kalgoorlie-Menzies line, were also involved in the construction of the Boyanup-Busselton, York-Greenhills, Kalgoorlie-Kanowna, Port Hedland-Marble Bar and Nannine-Meekatharra lines between 1894 and 1911. (Criterion 2.3)

11.3 SCIENTIFIC VALUE

11.4 SOCIAL VALUE

Menzies Railway Station Group is highly valued by the local and wider community as evidenced by the efforts of the Menzies Shire Council to prevent demolition of the Platelayer's Cottages in the 1970s. (Criterion 4.1)

Menzies Railway Station Group has a significant association with the local Indigenous population, by means of the high number of Indigenous people employed to work on the railway in the vicinity since WWII, and via the provision of Indigenous housing on site since the 1970s. (Criterion 4.1)

Menzies Railway Station Group contributes to the local community's sense of place as an identifiable built representation of the former significant railway presence in the town and a reminder of a way of life no longer practiced. (Criterion 4.2)

12. DEGREE OF SIGNIFICANCE

12.1 RARITY

Menzies Railway Station Group comprising Station Building, Station Master's House and three Platelayer's Cottages, is the most intact and substantial group of railway buildings remaining on the Kalgoorlie-Leonora railway line, and includes the only railway station building remaining on the line north of Kalgoorlie. (Criterion 5.1)

Menzies Railway Station Group is a rare remaining example of a group comprising the Station Building, Station Master's House and three Platelayer's

Cottages, demonstrating a way of life and functions no longer practiced. (Criterion 5.2)

12.2 REPRESENTATIVENESS

Menzies Railway Station Group is a good representative example of the type of station buildings and railway residences constructed on the goldfield lines in the 1890s. (Criterion 6.1)

12.3 CONDITION

Menzies Railway Station Group is in fair condition. There is evidence of recent restoration and painting works on both the interior and exterior and roofs of the three Platelayer's Cottages. The Station Master's House show evidence of cracking, previous repairs and fretting stone and mortar particularly on the walls around the north corner, and also general stone damage around the base perimeter of the walls, and the chimney. The Station Building shows evidence of intervention (repairs) to the stone walls, particularly on the platform walls in the vicinity of the luggage entrance.

12.4 INTEGRITY

Menzies Railway Station Group operated continuously as a railway facility into the 1970s. The Station Building provides the office and base operation for a local mining company, and the Station Master's House and Platelayer's Cottages provide accommodation support facilities for Menzies Aboriginal Corporation, all places thereby providing useful functions that have required little or no interventions to the original buildings. Although the train still operates on the line, *Menzies Railway Station Group* is no longer connected to the provision of railway services. It has a moderate degree of integrity.

12.5 AUTHENTICITY

The *Menzies Railway Station Group* has changed very little and retains a high degree of authenticity. Changes to the fabric include the painting of the roofs of the Platelayers Cottages (2003), and the removal of the bathroom from under the south corner verandah of the Station Master's House.

13. SUPPORTING EVIDENCE

The documentary evidence has been compiled by Irene Sauman, Historian. The physical evidence has been compiled by Laura Gray, Heritage and Conservation Consultant.

13.1 DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE

Menzies Railway Station Group is a collection of stone buildings constructed in 1898 comprising the Station Building, in Federation Arts and Crafts style, and three Platelayer's Cottages and Station Master's House in Federation Bungalow style. The place was built by railway contractors Smith & Timms, to plans prepared by the Public Works Department.¹

Following the discovery of the rich Coolgardie goldfields in 1892, prospectors began to venture into the surrounding areas. In 1894, gold was found by Leslie Robert Menzies in an area north of Goongarrie and the Lady Shenton and Florence mines were established. A mining camp, known as Menzies, developed in the vicinity of the mines as other prospectors flocked to the area.² The North Coolgardie goldfield was gazetted on 28 June 1895, and encompassed the towns of Menzies and Goongarrie.³ Menzies was declared a municipality on 30 August, and the North Coolgardie goldfield was gazetted a magisterial district on 20 September 1895.⁴ Ten mining companies had been floated in the area by late 1895 and an estimated 1,800 mining leases were taken out throughout the North Coolgardie field between March 1895 and September 1896.⁵

During construction of the Eastern Goldfield railway from Southern Cross to Coolgardie and Kalgoorlie in 1895-96, plans were already underway to extend the line to Menzies. Both Coolgardie and Kalgoorlie were vying to be the junction for this line and thus become the centre of the eastern goldfields.⁶ Another route, from Southern Cross, was proposed by Fremantle Chamber of Commerce, who issued a circular to explain their point of view, but Kalgoorlie was chosen as the start point.⁷ A contract for the line to Menzies was let to Smith & Timms on 17 August 1897.⁸

Henry Teasedale Smith had worked on railway construction for Millar brothers in Victoria. With Joseph Timms, he undertook the construction of the Boyanup-Busselton line for the WA Government in 1894. In 1897, they won the contracts for the Kalgoorlie-Menzies, York-Greenhills and Kalgoorlie-Kanowna lines. The partnership was terminated on 30 June 1900, but the pair returned to railway

¹ The identity of the builder has not been located in records of the period. The Platelayer's Cottages were Departmental Property (DP) 445, 446, 447 & 448 (not extant) south to north on Walsh Street. The Station Master's House was DP 449.

² Webb, Martyn & Audrey, *Golden Destiny: The centenary history of Kalgoorlie-Boulder and the Eastern Goldfields of Western Australia*, City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder, 1893, p. 178.

³ *West Australian Government Gazette*, 28 June 1895, p. 894.

⁴ *West Australian Government Gazette*, 30 August 1895, p. 1411 & 20 September 1895, p. 1495.

⁵ Rodgers, P. & B., *No Sign of the Times: A collection of stories of the Menzies District*, Shire of Menzies & Hesperian Press, 1992, pp. 1-10; *Coolgardie Miner*, 3 September 1896, p. 5.

⁶ Wilson, H. H., *The Golden Miles*, Rigby, 1977, pp. 173; Webb, M. & A., op cit, pp. 208-211, 288-293.

⁷ *West Australian*, 25 July 1896, p. 7.

⁸ Gunzberg, A. & Austin, J. *Rails Through the Bush*, Light Railway Research Society of Australia, Melbourne, 1997, p. 206; PWD, *Annual Report*, 1898, Railways Construction Branch, p. 61. Gunzberg gives contract letting date as 20 August & *Annual Report* has it as 17th, the latter date being used here.

contracting in 1907, first in South Australia and then back in WA. Smith and Timms built the major portion of the Port Hedland-Marble Bar line between 1909 and 1911, before lack of labour forced them to hand construction back to the Public Works Department, and in 1910 they completed the Nannine-Meekatharra line.⁹

Completion date for the Kalgoorlie-Menzies line contract was 1 December 1898, but as with other goldfield railway constructions, the contractors pushed to complete the line as early as possible so they could operate it until the handover date and reap a financial benefit. During this operating period, work on completing station facilities and ballasting of the line was carried out. Smith & Timms were authorised to charge 6d per ton per mile for the carriage of merchandise, but a petition from business people in Menzies resulted in permission for the fee to be raised to 9d on condition that the railway was completed at the earliest date possible.¹⁰ With the added incentive, work commenced in mid September 1897, and a thousand men were employed by the end of October. As each stop was reached, the line was opened for traffic with Cobb & Co coaches covering the rest of the route north.¹¹ At Menzies, there was debate about the location of the station yard, with arguments raised that it was too far south of the town centre, but petitions and deputations failed to have it relocated.¹² The line reached Menzies on 4 March 1898, and the contractors advertised the running of one train each way daily except Sundays.¹³ The contractor's station master, a Mr Cooper, operated from a tent while work on the station buildings commenced early in March 1898.¹⁴

The Kalgoorlie-Menzies line was officially opened by the Governor, Sir Gerard Smith, on 22 March 1898. Two trains brought hundreds of visitors and the official party to the event.¹⁵

All was bright, dazzling bizarre. Top hats and parasols mixed with Afghan camel men, schoolchildren in white, Druids in regalia, and helmeted firemen. The Mayor, Mr F. B. Schlam, and the local Member of Parliament, Mr H. Gregory (formerly Mayor of Menzies), gave a cordial official welcome, and the engine called "The Menzies" steamed through the official ribbon held by Mrs Schlam and Mrs Piesse (wife of the Commissioner of Public Works). A procession was formed comprising the town band, pioneers and others in drays and carts, three Cobb & Co coaches, the fire brigade with horse drawn pump, a piper and 60 men of the Caledonian Society, cyclists in great numbers, in the centre His Excellency the Governor in a special two horse trap, and 16 Afghans on their camels. It wound its way up Shenton Street, around the town and back to Shenton Street and the town hall. It all created a good deal of dust, which was the penalty for any procession, but nobody was worried about a bit of dust that day.¹⁶

The official report on the construction of the line appeared in the Public Works Department *Annual Report* of 1897-98:

⁹ Gunzberg, A. & Austin, J. op cit, pp. 229-230.

¹⁰ *North Coolgardie Herald*, 30 November 1897, p. 2, from Ian Elliot's research on Railway Buildings Menzies, 18 July 1994, HCWA place file 1553.

¹¹ *North Coolgardie Herald*, 5 & 26 October & 29 November 1897, p. 2, from Ian Elliot's research, op cit.

¹² *North Coolgardie Herald*, 15 December 1897, p. 3 & 16 December, p. 2; *Menzies Weekly Times*, 15 January 1898, p. 8 & 12 February 1898, p. 5, from Ian Elliot's research, op cit.

¹³ *Menzies Miner*, 12 March 1898, p. 11, from Ian Elliot's research, op cit.

¹⁴ *Menzies Miner*, 26 November 1898, p. 4, from Ian Elliot's research, op cit.

¹⁵ *The Coolgardie Miner*, 23 March 1898, p. 6.

¹⁶ *Kalgoorlie Miner*, 22 March 1958, p 6.

Kalgoorlie-Menzies Railway. - The contract for this railway, being a length of about 80¼ miles, was let on 17th August 1897, for a sum of £137,851 9s 5d. Work was commenced about the middle of September, and pushed on with such energy that, in spite of great difficulties and inconvenience, the whole of the clearing, earthworks, and the construction of culverts was completed, and the rails laid into Menzies, and line opened for traffic by the contractors during the first week in March, 1898.

This achievement, considering that the whole of the materials of construction had to be conveyed an average about 40 miles, that condensers had to be erected to supply water for the men and locomotives employed, stands, I think, unparalleled in the annals of railway construction in the Australian colonies...

The works along the line are generally light throughout, and very similar to those extant upon the other goldfields lines, and do not call for special mention. Stations have been provided at the mining centres of Paddington, Kurawa (Broad Arrow), Bardoc, Goongarrie and Menzies, and in addition to these, for the convenience of traffic working, four (4) wayside crossing places [sidings] have been put in....

The Station Buildings, Station-masters' Houses, Platelayer's Cottages, & c., are of stone, procured locally, and at Menzies a terminal station, of special design, has been erected.¹⁷

The list of facilities and work required at the terminal station at Menzies was impressive:

1 station house, special design (stone); 1 passenger platform, 450ft. long; 2,200ft. picket fencing; 12 wicket-gates; 1 stationmaster's house, 2nd class (stone); 1 woodshed and latrine; 1 goods shed, 200ft. long; 1 outside loading platform, 165ft. long; 1 horse and carriage loading platform; 1 lamp room and latrines; 1 office and store; 4 Platelayer's cottages (stone); 4 latrines; 1 engine shed, 4-stall; 2 outside engine-pits, 40ft. long; 1 carriage shed, 100ft. long; 1 coal store, 60ft. long; Turntable foundations and walls; Erecting turntable; 1 engine water tank (25,000 gallons); 5-ton crane foundations; Erecting 5-ton crane; Foundations for weighbridge; Erecting weighbridge; Sheep and cattle yards; Road approaches, as shown; Footpaths as shown.¹⁸

Not everyone was pleased with the railway buildings provided at Menzies, with at least one person critical of the high cost involved in their construction.

In their wildest dream, the people of Menzies never hoped for the magnificent railway buildings which an incompetent and extravagant department has bestowed upon them. The accommodation provided here is sufficient for a town of 20,000 inhabitants and is quite as extensive as that provided at Kalgoorlie and Coolgardie. Parcel and cloak rooms have been provided with unmindful extravagance and the latrines and lamp rooms are far too costly and extensive. Then there is the unnecessary separate platform for loading and unloading horses and carriages, a monument of departmental folly. In his defense, the Minister for Public Works states that it would have been almost inhuman to place workmen in iron and wood buildings, forgetting that his department had condemned the school children of Menzies to that very inhumanity.¹⁹

In June 1896, the *West Australian* had published an item criticising the provision of iron-clad cottages on the Northam-Southern Cross and South-Western lines,

¹⁷ PWD, *Annual Report*, 1898, Railway Construction Branch, p. 61.

¹⁸ Kalgoorlie-Menzies Railway specifications in 'WA Specification Book 2A: Railways, surveys, formation, bridges, platelaying and water, station buildings, fencing', SROWA AN260/CCE ACC 26202A, Item 9, Contracts 12 & 13. None of the original plans for Menzies have been located. Only Book 1 of the 3 Books of drawings for Kalgoorlie-Menzies Railway, 1897, have been located at SROWA (WAS 399 CONS 1649, Items 05572/1-3).

¹⁹ *Menzies Miner*, 24 December 1898, p. 8, from Ian Elliot's research, op cit.

which had elicited a response from Railway Commissioner Piesse that he would consider the provision of better quality housing for later contracts. Clearly, the Department was going to be criticised no matter what it did.²⁰

The specially designed Menzies Station Building comprised station master's office, clerks' office, parcels room, luggage room, luggage entrance, ticket office, public waiting room, and ladies waiting room and toilets.²¹ The Menzies Station Master's House, was a standard four room, 2nd class, station master's residence with the kitchen located in a corner of the verandah. It had verandahs on all four sides, which appears to have been a concession to the goldfields climate.²² The place was numbered Departmental Property (DP) 449.

The stone Platelayer's Cottages, which were constructed to the standard two-room design for the type, also had verandahs on all four sides instead of just to the front and rear. The cottages were numbered Departmental Property (DP) 445, 446, 447 and 448 (not extant), from south to north on the Walsh Street frontage of the railway station reserve.²³ They were occupied by the workers who maintained the rail track, or permanent way. The men were known as fettlers, platelayers, or permanent way (per way) men, and later as trackmen.

In February 1899, Station Master C. Barlow, goods clerk Moore, parcels clerk M. Duffy and head porter R. Kantah arrived, as the first Government staff to be stationed at Menzies.²⁴ As the railhead for the district, Menzies became the forwarding point for the North Coolgardie and Mount Margaret goldfields and places such as Lawlers and Lake Darlot in the East Murchison field.²⁵

The average quantity of goods and material sent out from Menzies each week is about 300 tons, including mining machinery and timber, as well as produce of all descriptions. To move this quantity requires some 230 horse and 70 camels, but the number of animals maintained for the trade is much larger than this.... The forwarding trade gives employment to 120 men and furnishes a weekly wage fund of £500. In addition, 20 men are employed in handling goods at the station yard.²⁶

The goods shed at Menzies, at 200 ft long by 43 ft 6 inches, had been designed to cater to the large amount of goods passing through the station yard.²⁷ The town of Menzies grew rapidly to include ten hotels, three banks, four churches, a police station, post and telegraph office employing 25 staff, 40-bed hospital, a school for 200 children and a Mechanic's Institute.²⁸ As well as mining, the surrounding district supported a pastoral industry, which had begun with the droving of cattle from the North West and South Australia to provide meat for the goldfields population.²⁹

20 *West Australian*, 8 & 10 June 1896, p. 5.

21 PWD Plan EEL 6372/3, 'Menzies Passenger Station House: shewing conversion of clerks' office and parcels room into refreshment room', 1903, SROWA, ACC 1781 CCE 6372.

22 PWD Plan 4735, Standard Drawing: Station Master's House (2nd class), wood. No files relating to the Station Master's House, Menzies have been located in PTA archives or SROWA.

23 WAGR, Menzies Progress Plan 124B, SROWA ACC 1642 /124B, 1899-1905. Numbering corresponds with present day 2 Walsh Street (445), 4 Walsh Street (446) and 6 Walsh Street (447)

24 *Menzies Miner*, 26 November 1898, p. 4 & 18 February 1899, p. 10, from Ian Elliot's research, op cit.

25 *The North Coolgardie Herald*, Special Mining Number, 24 April 1901, p. 9.

26 *The North Coolgardie Herald*, Special Mining Number, op cit.

27 WAGR, Menzies Progress Plan 124B, SROWA ACC 1642 /124B, 1899-1905.

28 Rodgers, P. & B., op cit, pp. 1-10.

29 Webb, Martyn & Audrey, op cit, pp. 780-781.

In February 1901, the Public Works Department began construction of the line from Menzies to Malcolm and Leonora. The new section of line was taken over by the Railways Department on 12 January 1903.³⁰ The importance of Menzies as a railhead and forwarding point ceased, but the place was given a new function as a refreshment stop. The clerks' office and parcels room in the Station Building were converted to refreshment rooms. The alterations were internal, with kitchen fittings and a stove installed in the clerk's office and removal of the shelving in the parcels room to make space for tables and chairs. The refreshment rooms were operating as licensed premises in 1925, but whether a licence had been issued when the place was first opened is not known.³¹

Menzies also ceased to provide facilities for trainmen when the Leonora line opened, the men instead ending their shift at Leonora or Malcolm. The trainmen had been occupying Platelayer's Cottage DP 448, which they vacated on 23 February 1903.³² Gold production, and railway activity in the goldfields, began to decline from 1903 but Menzies remained a viable township as the administrative centre of the district and a service centre for the pastoral industry. At Leonora, the ongoing success of the Sons of Gwalia mine meant that trains continued to run a daily schedule through Menzies.

The Platelayer's Cottages required additions to make them habitable by the families of the per way men. Requests were made for verandah flooring and enclosures at the rear for kitchens, bathrooms and extra bedrooms. The enclosures were generally sleeper floored, timber framed and iron clad structures, but hessian was also used for the walls when the Railways Department could not supply other building materials. In 1903, a spark from the stove ignited the hessian walls of the kitchen at DP 447, destroying the room and causing some damage to the verandah posts and rafters.³³

In 1904, Per Way Inspector Tom Brown, his wife and three children moved into DP 448. Mrs Brown was ill and the family required 'live-in help', so Brown requested the addition of two rooms. The Resident Engineer reported to the Chief Engineer that Brown's 'position requires that he should live differently from his men, and early advice of leave to build additions to his house would be esteemed a favour.' The Commissioner did not agree, so the Chief Engineer had some old sleepers and timber provided to 'knock up a room'. In 1911, during ganger J. Templeman's tenancy, the prefabricated goods shed office, which had not been installed in the goods shed, was erected as an extra room. The additional rental charge of sixpence a week was considered a good return on the structure.³⁴

For the most part, the tenants of the Platelayer's Cottages were members of the Menzies per way gang, but when not required for their occupation the places were let to other railway employees, such as a porter or locomotive depot worker or, occasionally, to a private tenant. There was a generally rapid turnover of tenants in most of the cottages, with few remaining in residence for more than a year or two.

³⁰ Gunzberg, A. & Austin, J. op cit, pp. 207.

³¹ PWD Plan EEL 6372/3, 'Menzies Passenger Station House', op cit; WAGR file, Menzies refreshment rooms, 1933-1973, SROWA, ACC 1240 Item R4574/38.

³² Railways Department property file for DP 448, 1903-1979, PTA Archives.

³³ Railways Department property file for DP 447, 1903-1957, PTA Archives.

³⁴ Railways Department property file for DP 448, op cit.

The turnover of station masters was only a little less rapid. Station master C. Barlow had been transferred to Kalgoorlie in 1899, less than a year after arriving. He was followed by F. Tracey (1899-1901), G. A. La Roche (1901-1907), P. L. Ross (1908), A. Seabourne (1910-1912), W. Walmsley (1914-1916), James A. Goldthorpe (1917-1922), James A. Scanlan (1923-1925), J. Horn (1927), and E. O'Callaghan (1928-1930).³⁵ Additions to the Station Master's House over the years comprised a bathroom and sleepout within the verandah.³⁶

In 1925, the 25,000 gallon water tank and stand was relocated from the loco depot on the south side of Crusoe Street to the north end of the station yard, and the following year half the goods shed was removed. In the 1930s, there was renewed activity in the goldfields due to men trying their luck during the Depression and a bounty provided by the Commonwealth Government to encourage gold production. A trainmen's barracks was provided at Menzies in 1935. The barracks were made up of a depot relocated from Kookynie and two permanent way camps moved from Gunga. The structures were located at the far north end of the station yard.³⁷

In the early 1930s, the licensee of the refreshment rooms was W. Collier, who was also licensee of the Railway Hotel, the only hotel still operating in Menzies at that time. The refreshment rooms were only open thirty minutes before and after a train stop. In 1933, the licensee of the refreshment rooms was F. G. Murphy, who traded after opening hours and was fined on several occasions for 'sly grog sales'. His lease was terminated in 1935.³⁸ The next lessee, Gordon Hack, was the owner of the Savoy Hotel in Perth and licensee of the Menzies Railway Hotel. He installed a refrigeration plant and renovated and painted the refreshment rooms. At Hacks instigation, electric light was installed at the station and all the railway dwellings. Power was provided from the Menzies Lighting Plant, which Hack also owned. Mrs J. M. Weaver took over the refreshment rooms in 1940, and she was followed by Mrs Kathleen Butcher in 1945.³⁹ Mrs Butcher lived in the Station Building.⁴⁰

From at least 1937 for a period of ten years or so there was no station master at Menzies, only a caretaker (name unknown). In 1947, Menzies was declared a booking station and the station master at Malcolm, G. Morey, was transferred to Menzies in May that year, despite protests from the residents of Malcolm.⁴¹

The trainmen's barracks were unused by the mid 1940s and in 1947, the kitchen was moved to Salmon Gums and the accommodation block was relocated to Yellowdine.⁴² In 1949, a diesel electric rail car was introduced on the Eastern Goldfields line, resulting in altered working of the line, and trainmen's barracks were again required at Menzies. This time, the trainmen were housed in the Station Building. The refreshment rooms were rearranged and renovated, the lamp room (not extant) was altered to provide ablution facilities, and the ladies waiting room was converted to a liquor store. The work was completed in May

35 *Wise's Post Office Directory*, 1899-1940.

36 Physical evidence.

37 WAGR file, Menzies trainmen's barracks, SROWA, AN262/1 ACC 1240 Item R2702/38.

38 WAGR file, Menzies refreshment rooms, 1933-1973, SROWA, ACC 1240 Item R4574/38.

39 WAGR file, Menzies refreshment rooms, Item R4574/38, op cit.

40 WAGR file, Departmental houses, 1940-1980, SROWA CONS 4771 WAS 1208 Item R6964.

41 WAGR file, Menzies opening as a booking office, SROWA AN262/3 ACC 1240 Item 19323/47.

42 WAGR file, Menzies trainmen's barracks, Item R2702/38, op cit.

1950. In 1955, a spare room was excised from the refreshment room lease to provide additional barracks accommodation and the lessee's rent was reduced accordingly.⁴³

In the 1950s, Greek and Italian migrants were employed as trackmen at Menzies. The maintenance gangs in the goldfields also included a considerable number of Aboriginal men, particularly after World War Two.⁴⁴

The station master was withdrawn from Menzies on 30 August 1964 and the service on the Kalgoorlie-Leonora line was reduced to one train each way weekly. The service was known as the 'Leonora Goods with coach attached' which was a goods train with passenger coach. Because the station and railway houses were isolated from the town, the Railways Department employed a caretaker, believing their presence would minimise the incidence of vandalism. Mrs. Kathleen Butcher, licensee of the refreshment rooms, was employed as siding caretaker from 9 October 1965, at a remuneration of \$8 a fortnight. The liquor licence was discontinued at the refreshment rooms around this time, and Mrs Butcher moved into the vacant Station Master's House. She continued to meet all trains and provide sandwiches and scones for travellers, but with the reduction of train services, the refreshment room trade was significantly reduced and in recognition of her long service, the Railways Department reduced Mrs Butcher's rent of the refreshment rooms to \$5 a year.⁴⁵

In 1968, work was completed on the new standard gauge track between Kalgoorlie and Fremantle to conform to the standard gauge Trans-Continental line. Discovery of nickel deposits in the northern goldfields districts made it necessary to also convert the Kalgoorlie-Leonora line to standard gauge. In July 1973, the narrow gauge line was closed to allow for the reconstruction. Most of the stations along the route were closed, with only four stations - Bardoc, Menzies, Kookynie and Malcolm - forming part of the new line. The official opening of the Kalgoorlie-Leonora standard gauge line took place on the weekend of the 13-16 September 1974.⁴⁶ The refreshment rooms at Menzies closed with the closure of the narrow gauge line and did not re-open. Kathleen Butcher was still acting as siding caretaker and residing at the Station Master's House in 1975.⁴⁷

Aboriginal employees made up most of the Menzies per way gang in the 1970s. In 1971, DP 445 was tenanted by Repairer Donaldson (5 occupants); DP 446 by Repairer Flynn (3 occupants); DP 447 by Repairer Lynch (5 occupants) and DP 448 by Ganger Lynch (11 occupants).⁴⁸

In 1972 Western Australian Government Railways undertook a housing review to ascertain existing railway housing conditions and future requirements. The Station Master's House was listed for retention and upgrading, but the four Platelayer's Cottages were to be replaced with transportable housing, which was

43 WAGR file, Menzies refreshment rooms, Item R4574/38, op cit & ACC 4774 Item CE 05280.

44 Railways Department property files for DP 445-448, PTA Archives.

45 WAGR file, Departmental houses, Item R6964, op cit & ACC 4774 Item CE 05280.

46 Whiteford, David, 'The demise of the narrow gauge in the Eastern Goldfields (WA)', in The Australian Railway Historical Society, Bulletin no. 455, September 1975, pp. 213-217.

47 Correspondence, 18 July 1975, WAGR file, Departmental houses, Item R6964, op cit.

48 WAGR file, Departmental houses, Item R6964, op cit.

to be located in the township.⁴⁹ The cottages were generally considered to be in poor condition and lacking facilities and were under threat of demolition. The Railways Department estimated that it would cost \$4,720 to bring DP 446 - which was typical - to a 'reasonably liveable standard' and were not prepared to undertake the cost. The Shire of Menzies wanted the cottages retained for historical reasons, and expressed their opposition to demolition in a letter to the Minister for Transport on 10 March 1975.⁵⁰ In July 1975, the Menzies Cultural Group (now Menzies Aboriginal Corporation) enquired as to the possibility of obtaining the cottages for Aboriginal housing.⁵¹ DP 445, 446 and 447 were purchased by the Menzies Cultural Society with lease of railway reserve land, while DP 448 remained tenanted by a trackman.⁵²

On 26 August 1979, DP 448 was gutted by fire. Eight-year-old Eugene Sullivan died in the blaze and five other people were injured. Police investigated the cause of the fire but the result of their investigation was not recorded in the Railways Department property file for the cottage. The remains of the building were removed from the railway reserve.⁵³

A staff of three was required for the per way gang, but better housing was needed. One transportable house was available in the town and it was considered that the Station Master's House could be upgraded for another trackman's residence. Attracting staff to the area, however, was proving difficult and in 1980, the Menzies permanent way gang was disbanded 'due to the inability to acquire staff for this location'.⁵⁴ The position of siding caretaker was discontinued and the Station Master's House were leased by the Menzies Cultural Society for the use of local families.

In March 1980, the Shire of Menzies leased the Station Building on a ten year lease at peppercorn rental. The Railways Department acknowledged that the 'historical significance of the stone building to your district is appreciated'. The Shire fenced the platform side of the site, installed gates at the entrance and boarded the windows to prevent vandalism, intending to restore the building. By 1988, no work on the place had been undertaken. Julia Mines N.L. (now Julia Corporation Limited) requested to sublease the building for use as an exploration and mine office for the Company's exploration programme in the district, which was instigated to provide gold ore for their treatment plant located at Goongarrie. A lease was approved and Julia Mines N.L. undertook restoration of the building, the work comprising repairing floorboards, replacing windows and doors where necessary, painting the interior, and re-connecting water and electricity services.⁵⁵

The various elements of *Menzies Railway Station Group* were entered on the Shire of Menzies Municipal Heritage Inventory in 1996.⁵⁶ Title to the Platelayer's

49 WAGR, *1972 Housing Review: Report on future housing requirements*, bound typescript, Appendix 5; Correspondence, 18 July 1975, WAGR file, Departmental houses, Item R6964, op cit.

50 Correspondence, Shire of Menzies to R. J. O'Connor, Minister for Transport, 10 March 1975, WAGR file, Departmental houses, SROWA, Item R6964, op cit.

51 Correspondence 2 May & 10 July 1975, WAGR file, Departmental houses, Item R6964, op cit.

52 Correspondence, 18 July 1978, Railways Department property file for DP 446, op cit.

53 Railways Department property file for DP 448, op cit.

54 Correspondence, 18 July 1978 & 19 March 1980, Railways Department property file for DP 446, op cit.

55 PTA file, Lease 3571, Menzies Station Building.

56 Ball, Julia & Aris, Kelly, *Shire of Menzies [Municipal Heritage Inventory, 1996](#)*, Entries 14-18.

Cottages was transferred to the Menzies Aboriginal Corporation in September 2000.⁵⁷ In 2003, the cottages were re-roofed and restored.⁵⁸

In 2004, the Menzies Aboriginal Corporation owns the three Platelayer's Cottages and leases the Station Master's House. Julia Corporation Limited continues to lease the Station Building and occupy it as their regional office.

13.2 PHYSICAL EVIDENCE

Menzies Railway Station Group comprises; Station Building and platform, Station Master's House, and three Platelayer's Cottages. There is no evidence of any other elements of the original railway presence in Menzies. Walsh Street is a formed gravel road that terminates at the Platelayer's Cottage at no. 2 Walsh Street. There is no evidence of formed roads in the vicinity of *Menzies Railway Station Group*.

Menzies Railway Station Group is located in the railway reserve within the Menzies townsite, parallel to the railway line on the south east side, and Walsh Street, on the north west side. Within the reserve, the Station Master's House is at the north east end of the group facing Walsh Street and backing onto the railway line, with the Station Building set back from Walsh Street, 100 metres to the south west. A further 100 metres to the south west are three of the four original Platelayer's Cottages, also facing Walsh Street, and aligned on a residential setback as for the Station Master's House.

Menzies Railway Station Group makes a significant contribution to the Menzies townscape and character, and is visible on entry into Menzies from the south, contributing to landmark element of the place.

Railway Station Building

The Station Building is a single storey structure in an elevated position, sloping up from Walsh Street, with a bitumen platform along the southeast (railway line) side. The rectangular plan form comprises two separate buildings connected under the one main roof, with an open arched 'luggage entrance' between the two built sections providing access between the street frontage and the platform. The Station Building aligns parallel with the railway line on a north-east south-west alignment. There is a 2.0 metre high chain link fence along the platform edge and extending around the entire site, with double gates central on the Walsh Street entry. The Walsh Street frontage is truncated each side, and the entire forecourt is bitumen. There are peppercorn trees on the site and some intrusive elements associated with the mining company operations, including a caravan, and fuel tank and stand.

The Station Building, constructed in the Federation Arts and Crafts style, is a face stone building with a hipped gambrel roof clad with painted corrugated iron. The roof extends as a skillion, at break pitch, along the entire railway platform, supported by bracketed square timber posts. At the Walsh Street frontage there is a verandah centred over the platform entry access, and flanked by gable end features. The windows are timber framed double hung sashes with mesh security panels fitted on the exteriors of most windows. There are numerous door entries, both single and double, with original panelled doors in most openings and clear glass double-paned fanlights above, all on the platform side of the building.

⁵⁷ Certificates of Title for 2, 4 & 6 Walsh Street, Register numbers 1105, 1106 & 1107 on DP 193938.

⁵⁸ Information provided to Laura Gray during site inspection in June.

The double entry into the waiting room, the luggage entrance and 'counter' openings all have arched headers. The counter openings feature a set of three arched double hung sash windows and a bracketed timber ledge, with diagonal timber infill panel below. The entrance gates of the luggage entrance are on site, but not fixed in situ. The interior of the building was inaccessible, however inspection through the windows revealed that the floors are timber, and walls and ceilings plaster, with original skirtings and architraves in situ. It was not possible to determine if the ceilings were lathe and plaster, although it is likely. The cast iron 'black' stove is in situ in the kitchen, with simple bracketed mantle above, and timber shelving is still evident in the luggage room and refreshment rooms.

Station Master's House

Approximately 100 metres north-east up the railway line from the Station Building is the Station Master's House. The site is fully fenced with colourbond fencing, with a vehicular gate access on the south end of the Walsh Street frontage. The Station Master's House is central within the fenced site, on level ground, with no plantings. A recently built workers accommodation hut is located on the north east corner of the site. There are no other outbuildings.

The dwelling displays some characteristics of Federation Bungalow style, although primarily the design is functional and purpose designed for the Station Master.

The Station Master's House is a face stone building with a hipped corrugated iron roof that has been painted. A skylight has been fitted into the kitchen roof. The square form stone building has a surrounding concrete verandah under the main roof. The building comprises four main rooms with a central corridor and two rooms each side. On the east corner, a fifth room is the kitchen that extends under the verandah roof. A timber framed, weatherboard clad bathroom enclosure under the main roof on the south corner was removed in 2002, leaving some evidence on the stone walls and the removal of the concrete verandah floor in that vicinity. The front of the building is symmetrical with a central front door flanked by a window each side. The windows are timber framed double hung sashes throughout. The front door opens in a wide central corridor with a high coved ripple iron ceiling. The ceilings throughout are coved around the exterior perimeter. The ceilings are lathe and plaster except the corridor. The floors throughout are 0.125 metre tongue and groove jarrah boards. The walls are hard plaster, and original skirtings and architraves remain in situ. The rooms on the north-east side (left of entry) were inaccessible. The Metters stove is still in situ in the kitchen, with simple bracketed mantle above. A basic kitchen fitout and shelves remain.

Platelayer's Cottages

Approximately 100 metres south-west down the railway line from the Station Building are three Platelayers Cottages. Aligned side by side fronting Walsh Street, and backing the railway line, they are numbered 2, 4 & 6 Walsh Street, from south to north. There is no evidence of the fourth cottage, which would have been on the north side of no. 6. Only no. 6 was accessible into the 2 main rooms, no. 4 was occupied and the site inaccessible, and no. 2 vacant but inaccessible at the time of the inspection. The kitchens were all inaccessible, but those at no. 2 & no. 6 were viewed through the windows. Each of the three sites are fully fenced with colourbond fencing, with vehicular gate access at the Walsh Street frontage. Each cottage is central within the fenced site, on level ground, with

minimal plantings, and various ablution outbuildings at the rear of each cottage. The three cottages are the same design and construction, basically a two roomed stone building with surrounding verandah and a fireplace in one room. No. 2 & no. 6 have the chimney on the south-west side, while no. 4 is a mirror image, with a chimney on the north-east side.

The dwellings displays some characteristics of Federation Bungalow style, although primarily the design is functional.

Each Platelayers Cottage is a face stone building with hipped corrugated iron roofs that have recently (2003) been painted. The rectangular stone buildings have surrounding concrete verandahs under the main roofs with various verandah enclosures clad with corrugated iron, although each kitchen extension at the rear is similar in form and layout. Each cottage comprises two connected main rooms with front and rear access in the larger of the two rooms, that also has the fireplace. Each cottage has a rear kitchen extension, beyond the verandah roof, and a bathroom enclosure under the main roof, all timber framed and clad with vertical sheets of corrugated iron. The front of the cottages are symmetrical with a central front door flanked by a window each side. The windows are timber framed double hung sashes throughout. Most doors are replacement flush panel doors, although the bathrooms still have ledge and brace doors. The main ceilings throughout are flat and consist of battened asbestos, and the bathroom and kitchens are similarly lined, but on the rake. The walls are roughly sand rendered, and the floors are concrete. The fireplace has a flat arched opening and basic bracketed mantle fixed on the rectangular form chimney breast. Each of the kitchens features a flat tin lined chimney, Metters stove and basic cupboard sink fitout.

13.3 COMPARATIVE INFORMATION

Menzies Station Building was a special design but is similar in style to other station buildings constructed on the goldfields lines. The Platelayer's Cottages and the Class 2 Station Master's House were standard designs of the 1890s, with some minor variations. Both types were built with surrounding verandahs instead of just the front and rear verandahs. This appears to have been a concession to the hot, dry goldfields climate. The station master's house at Lenora (c.1903), which is a timber construction, was also built with surrounding verandahs.

The Menzies Station Master's House has a kitchen under the main roof, on a corner of the verandah, which was part of the original stone construction. All the station master's houses on the Kalgoorlie-Menzies line appear to have been built to this design, as evidenced by the Goongarrie station master's house.⁵⁹ The stone kitchen was not part of the Class 2 station master's houses built in the 1890s prior to 1898. In the Class 2 Kalgoorlie station master's house (1897) and Narngulu station master's house (1896), the kitchen originally occupied the fourth main room. A separate iron-clad kitchen addition was later constructed off the rear verandah at Kalgoorlie. Narngulu station master's house is part of a current assessment and alterations to that place have not yet been addressed.

On the Eastern Goldfield line between Southern Cross and Coolgardie, the specifications called for 12 cottages at five stations. Construction material for these was not stipulated, but most were built of stone. At Coolgardie and

⁵⁹ [HCWA assessment documentation, *Three railway cottages, Goongarrie, Place 15411*.](#)

Kalgoorlie, two stone cottages were built at each station.⁶⁰ The two cottages at Coolgardie are extant on Woodward Street, in the former railway reserve. They are classified by the National Trust of Australia (WA) and entered on the Register of the National Estate. One of the two platelayer's cottages remains at Kalgoorlie in the railway reserve fronting Forrest Street. It is associated with the station master's house, built to the earlier Class 2 design. The Kalgoorlie station master's house has been extensively altered for use as single-men's barracks and is currently unused. The house and cottage are part of the Kalgoorlie Railway Station Group, a registered place which also includes the stone station building in Federation Arts & Crafts style (larger than the station building at Menzies), parcels office and Railway Institute building.

On the Kalgoorlie-Menzies line, twenty-nine stone platelayer's cottages and four Class 2 station master's houses were constructed.⁶¹ Two cottages and station master's house remain at Goongarrie and although they are in fair condition, most of the fixtures have been removed. The three residences are entered on the State Register of Heritage Places.⁶² A station master's house and one cottage remain at Broad Arrow, and a station master's house and platelayer's cottage have been relocated from Bardoc to Mt Vetter's station homestead. They are all entered on the Kalgoorlie-Boulder Municipal Heritage Inventory. The station master's house at Leonora was a timber construction. None of the station buildings remain between Kalgoorlie and Menzies.

Fifteen timber cottages were specified for the Donnybrook-Bridgetown line, constructed between 1896 and 1898.⁶³ Platelayer's cottages on the agricultural lines, constructed between 1900 and the 1930s, were of timber and iron construction for ease of relocation.⁶⁴ There are two brick platelayer's cottages located at Bencubbin, in the Mount Marshall Shire, on the Wyalkatchem-Southern Cross loop line and one at Spencer's Brook. All were built between 1914 and 1917.⁶⁵ The Platelayer's Cottage, Spencer's Brook has been assessed as below threshold for the State Register.

On the former Mullewa Murchison line, there were thirty-one stone platelayer's cottages constructed.⁶⁶ At least two cottages are extant at Mount Magnet but are in poor condition. A number of the station master's houses on the line were Class 5 (or 5th Class), while those at major stations were Class 2. The Yalgoo station building and Class 2 station master's house, built in stone, remain in good condition, with a barracks, square tank on a stone tank stand and a dam. The Yalgoo Railway Station Group is entered on the State Register. The stone station buildings at Mt Magnet and Day Dawn have been demolished, and those at Mullewa and Cue are in poor condition.⁶⁷

A comprehensive collection of stone railway residences is located on the 1886 Geraldton-Walkaway line, which comprises four remaining five-room stone cottages, of the original five built along the eighteen-mile line for the occupation of

60 PWD, 'Western Australian Specification Book 2A' op cit.

61 PWD, 'Western Australian Specification Book 2A', op cit.

62 HCWA assessment documentation, *Three railway cottages, Goongarrie*, Place 15411.

63 PWD, 'Western Australian Specification Book 2A', op cit.

64 HCWA assessment documentation, *Station Master's House, Wyalkatchem*, Place 15748.

65 HCWA assessment documentation, *Platelayer's Cottage, Spencer's Brook*, Place 16633.

66 PWD, 'Western Australian Specification Book 2A', op cit.

67 HCWA assessment documentation, *Yalgoo Railway Station Group*, Place 2778.

gatekeepers, the Walkaway station building with station master's residence included, and the Class 2 station master's residence at Narngulu built in 1896 at the junction of the Mullewa line.

Menzies Railway Station Group is a representative and rare remaining example of a group comprising station building and residences constructed on the goldfields lines in the 1890s.

13.4 KEY REFERENCES

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13.5 FURTHER RESEARCH

BUILDING BETTER REGIONS FUND: Overview

The \$297.7 million Building Better Regions Fund (BBRF) supports the Australian Government's commitment to create jobs, drive economic growth and build stronger regional communities into the future.

The program will fund projects in regional Australia outside the major capital cities of Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Perth, Adelaide, and Canberra. There is an Infrastructure Stream and Community Investments Stream.

Feedback from federal Government funding rounds indicates the application process is becoming more and more competitive.

All applications are assessed using a score matrix, with each criterion marked out of 5. With weighted criteria, applications are scored out of 35 broken down as follows:

- **Criterion 1: 15 points** The economic benefit your project will deliver to the region during and beyond the construction phase
- **Criterion 2: 10 points** The social benefit your project will deliver to the region during and beyond the construction phase
- **Criterion 3: 5 points** The value for money offered by your project
- **Criterion 4: 5 points** Your capacity, capability and resources to carry out the project

The cut-off score for funding success in Round 1 of BBRF was 34 out of 35. (Round 3 of NSRF was 33/35 and Round 2: 30/35).

Assessments of applications are also becoming increasingly sophisticated with models, tools and ratios for projects. As a competitive funding process, each application has relevant data (value for money: total project value/employment created - partners: total project value/request for \$ from BBRF and #of other partners – Your capacity: audited financials assessed)

Other eligibility criteria to be aware of:

- “Your project must be a capital project involving the construction of new infrastructure, or the upgrade or an extension of existing infrastructure. **The replacement of existing infrastructure will only be eligible where you can demonstrate significant increase in benefit**”.
- To be eligible your project must be ready to commence **within 12 weeks** of executing the grant agreement.

ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

1. The economic benefit your project will deliver to the region during and beyond the construction phase (15 points)

Economic benefits for a region may cover increases in economic activity, improvements in productivity, wider access to markets or fairer and more equitable economic outcomes. Examples of how your project could demonstrate these economic benefits include

- a) increasing the number or value of jobs, new businesses or the production of goods and services in the region (this includes direct and indirect opportunities created through the project)
- b) providing opportunities for growth in existing sectors, e.g. tourism, agriculture, manufacturing
- c) the use of local suppliers and goods
- d) increasing efficiency of the transport system or service delivery
- e) increasing Indigenous economic participation – including Indigenous employment and supplier use outcomes
- f) the degree to which the project delivers benefits beyond the construction phase.

In your application, you must include the total employment numbers you expect to create during and following your project. You will need to identify how many of these employees will be Indigenous.

2. The social benefit your project will deliver to the region during and beyond the construction phase (10 points)

Social benefits for a region may cover increases in regional amenity, improving community connections and inclusion and providing opportunities for learning and knowledge creation. Examples of how your project could demonstrate these social benefits include

- a) making a region a more attractive place to live
- b) improving community connections and social inclusion
- c) supporting or protecting local heritage and culture
- d) increasing community volunteering
- e) the degree to which the project delivers benefits beyond the construction phase
- f) addresses disadvantage within the community.

3. The value for money offered by your project (5 points).

You may demonstrate the value for money through identifying:

- a) the extent to which the project leverages additional funding (this includes cash contributions above the co-funding requirement and in-kind contributions)
- b) the extent to which the project leverages additional partnerships
- c) the likelihood of the project going ahead without the grant funding. Explain how the grant will impact the project in terms of size, timing and reach.

4. Your capacity, capability and resources to carry out the project (5 points).

You may demonstrate this through identifying:

- a. your readiness to commence the project with appropriate approvals planned for or in place
- b. your track record with similar projects including managing similar grant funding
- c. your access to people with the right skills and experience
- d. your access to infrastructure, capital equipment, technology, intellectual property

LIMITING FACTORS

Economic growth focus

All assessment criteria are scored out of 5 points and then weighted (as above). The competitive nature of the funding programs results in the economic benefit weighted to such an extent that you need 5/5 in order to be successful in securing funding (based on previous funding rounds). Small population sizes, lack of economic data and a mining economy based heavily on private investment across the region (that means **many projects in our region are 'community based'**) creates a barrier to a high score on this criteria.

The Cost Benefit Analysis

For grant requests over \$1million, a Cost Benefit Analysis (CBA) is required. These are ideally completed by an economist. For grant requests over \$5million, the Federal Government commission independent assessments of the CBA's and require all source details, assumptions, sensitivity testing etc. (so 40-50 page documents). The cost of a CBA is in the order of \$20,000. It is important to note that the Shire of Dundas received funding in round 1 of the BBRF with a grant request of \$450,000. Their application included a CBA, as although it was optional, obviously this would have contributed to them achieving either 35 or 34 out of 35 score required. Therefore, I would recommend all applicants complete a CBA.

Lack of data

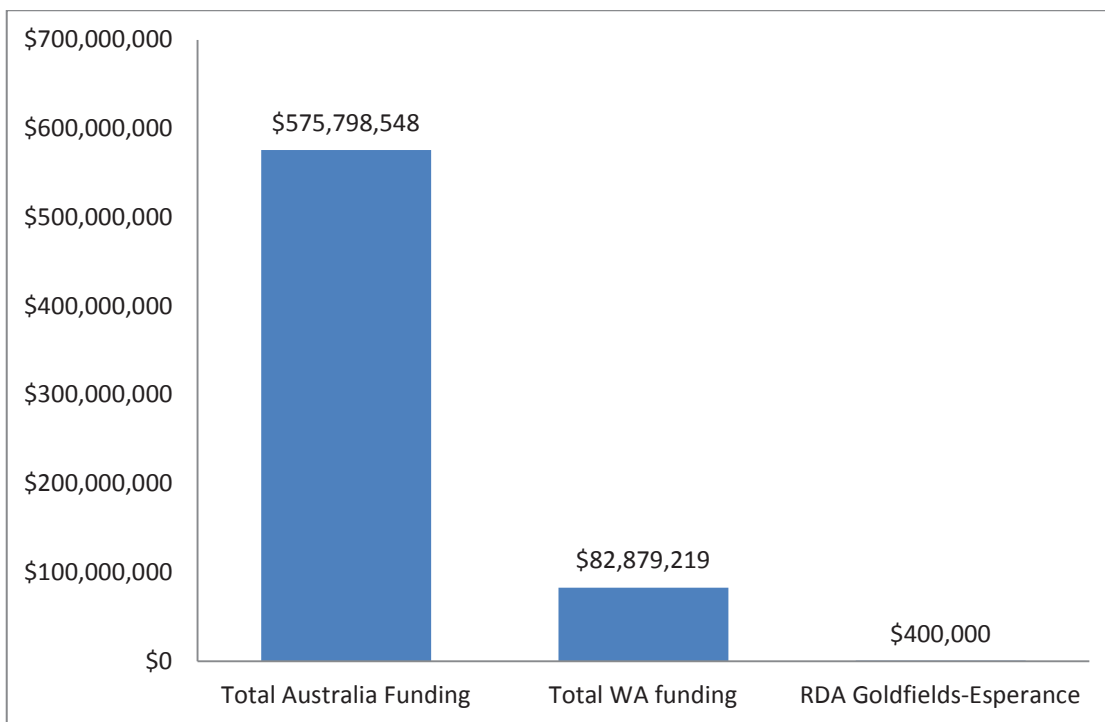
There is **limited independent primary research** and data sources for our region. Some of our data sources (such as the REMPLAN) are frequently used by proponents across Australia and represent a 'secondary' source of data. Many government based research portals also exclude data collection in remote shires. For example, Tourism Research Australia does not have data on Wiluna, Laverton or Yilgarn. There is a great reliance on economic data, detailed cost-benefit analysis and primary evidence based requirements that many local project proponents are unable to achieve without significant cost impositions.

Lack of partner funding

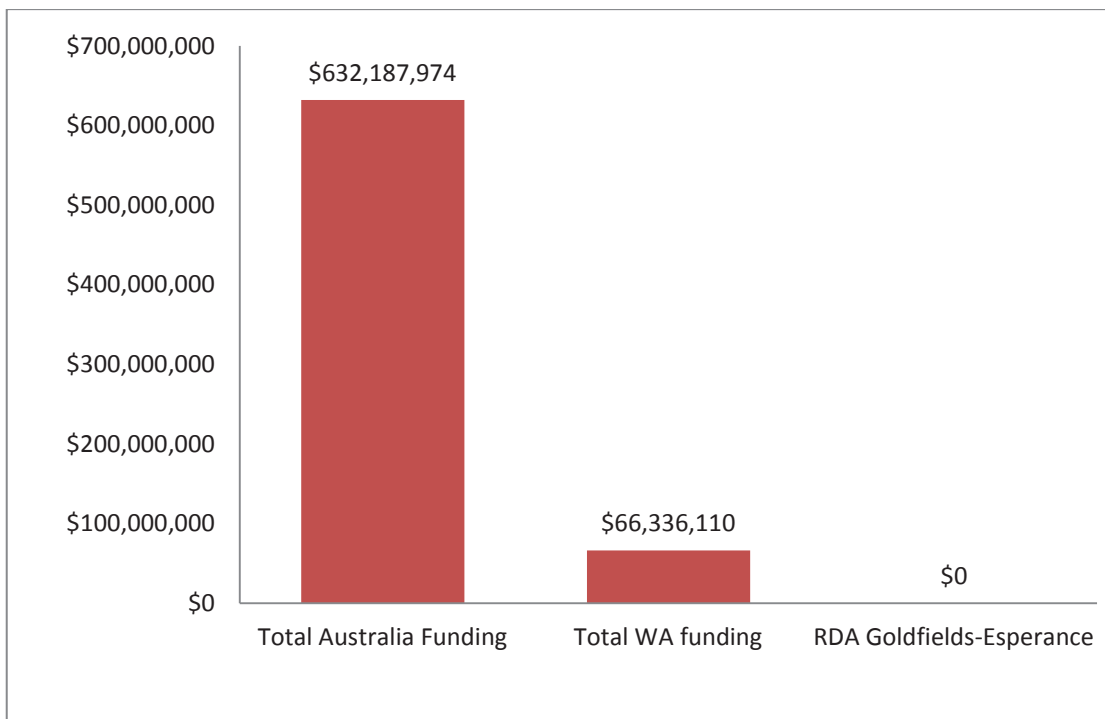
With the uncertainty regarding Royalties for Regions Funding and/or any other funding opportunities from the State Government, project proponents will struggle to meet the **CONFIRMED/partner** funding requirements.

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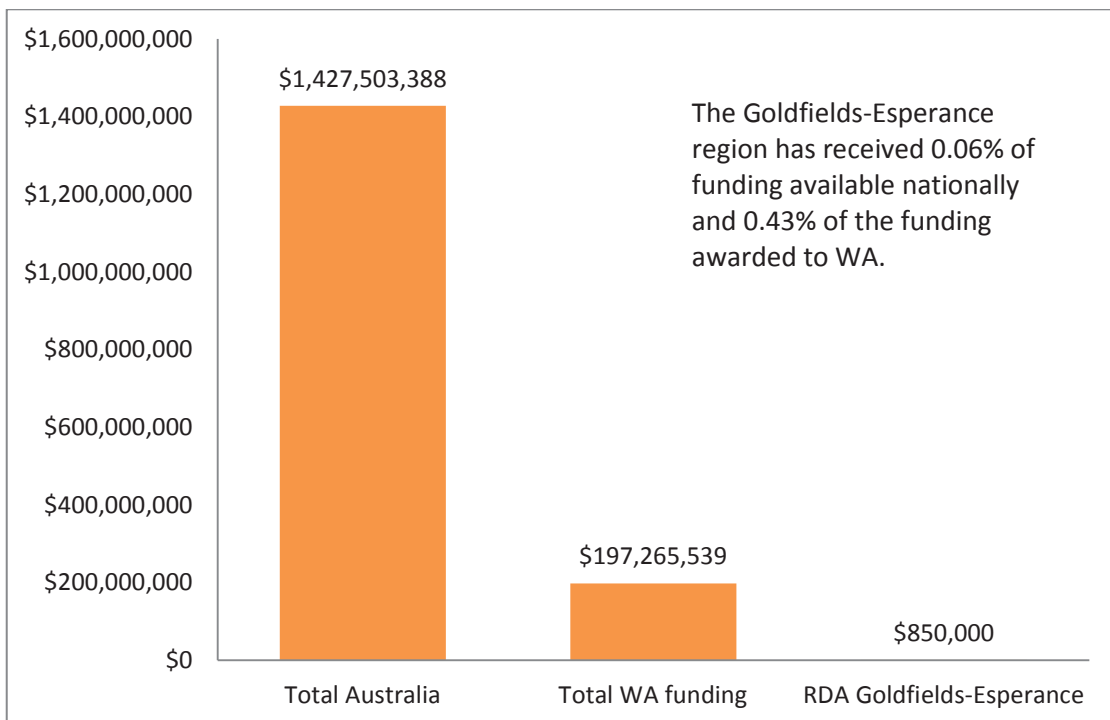
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Building Better Regions Fund Infrastructure Stream (1 round)



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Shire of Menzies

Menzies Heritage Precinct Project

Economic Impact/ Cost Benefit Assessment

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1.0 Executive Summary

Core Business Australia has been engaged by the Shire of Menzies to assist in the project development and planning for the Menzies Heritage Precinct Project. The project comprises a number of components and aims to present and interpret the Menzies town site as a 'Heritage Park'.

The proposed project will include the preservation, restoration and interpretation of the town's historic sites. Given the capital works associated with the Heritage Precinct Project, external financial assistance will be required. The following funding programs have been identified as potential funding sources;

1. Royalties for Regions Regional Grants Scheme.
2. National Stronger Regions Fund (NSRF)

In preparing funding applications under the above programs, a Cost Benefit Analysis (CBA) is often required. Funding application assessors often use the outcomes of a CBA as one decision criteria to choose the projects that it will fund.

The following report provides a full CBA to assist the Shire of Menzies identify the direct and indirect economic benefits of the Heritage Precinct Project. The combined economic benefit (direct and indirect) of the Heritage Precinct Project has been calculated at **\$1,739,206** per annum. This comprises a direct economic benefit of **\$1,679,190** and an indirect economic benefit of **\$60,016**.

2.0 Introduction

The Town of Menzies is a mining and pastoral town in the Eastern Goldfields, 730 kilometres east of Perth, about an 8 hour drive via Kalgoorlie. The Shire of Menzies covers approximately 125,000 km² with a total population of 384.

Like many towns in remote Western Australia, Menzies boomed during the gold rush days of the 1890s. Then, following the pattern which has become typical of many gold mining towns, the limit of available resources was reached, the people drifted away and the area declined. Despite these changing fortunes, Menzies has continued to survive.

In response to the decline, the Shire of Menzies is proposing to turn the town into a Heritage Park by capitalising upon the town's rich history and iconic buildings. The Shire of Menzies is aiming to increase visitation numbers and provide a much needed boost to the local economy.

The 'Heritage Park' Project will feature:

- 11 sites throughout the town site which will be preserved/restored and interpreted. These sites will be presented alongside newer buildings within the town, most of which were designed to be sympathetic to the heritage value of the town and many which have their own story;
- Refurbishment of the interiors of a number of historical buildings and implementation of business development projects which will contribute to the economic development of the town and ensure the buildings are continually used;
- A centralised heritage centre display (collocated with other facilities) and manned by staff/volunteers which will provide interpretation relating to the Heritage Park as well as serve as a focal point for interpretive tours;
- Electronic based interpretation of the town including augmented reality, website and app based engagement and audio device based tours; and
- Guided tours of the town and sites.

Given the size and complexity of the task at hand, the project has been divided into two distinct stages.

This CBA relates to Stage 1. The objective of Stage 1 is to;

- Undertake preservation and restoration works to selected sites.
- Deliver an interpretation plan for the town on Menzies
- Based upon the outcomes of the interpretation plan, deliver a static interpretive displays at the Lady Shenton Hotel.
- Prepare and disseminate marketing materials.
- Commence business planning for the operation of business units within the Tea Rooms/ Butchers Shop and Old Pioneer Store.

As a part of any funding application process, the Shire of Menzies is required to demonstrate how the project contributes to economic growth in the region. This analysis seeks to;

- Define and quantify the economic benefits this project will bring to the region;
- Demonstrate how the economic benefits will be sustained beyond the initial funding period, and;
- Provide evidence to support these claims.

3.0 Economic Growth

"Economic growth is a sustained expansion of production possibilities measured as the increase in real Gross Domestic Product (GDP) over a given period" (McTaggart, Findlay, Parkin p.444, 2013). GDP is "the market value of the final goods and services produced within a country over a given time period" (McTaggart, Findlay, Parkin p.398, 2013).

GDP is measured using either the expenditure or income approach. The expenditure approach "measures GDP as the sum of consumption expenditure (C), investment expenditure (I), government expenditure on goods and services (G) and net exports of goods and services (X – M)" (McTaggart, Findlay, Parkin p.400, 2013).

$$\mathbf{GDP = C + I + G + X - M}$$

Economic growth is measured by establishing the GDP over various time periods to determine if an economy is in expansion or contraction.

$$\mathbf{GDP = \frac{GDP \text{ in current year} - GDP \text{ in previous year}}{GDP \text{ in previous year}} \times 100}$$

$$\mathbf{GDP \text{ in previous year}}$$

As outlined above, a key component in measuring GDP and therefore economic growth is government expenditure (G). Government expenditure "is the expenditure by all levels of government on goods and services" (McTaggart, Findlay, Parkin p.401, 2013).

All things remaining equal, an increase in government expenditure will have a positive impact on GDP and therefore economic growth. Although GDP is generally measured on a national basis, small increases in production outputs and increases in expenditure locally, contribute positively to GDP on a larger scale.

The Heritage Park project proposed by the Shire of Menzies is a sound example of increased government expenditure that will contribute positively to the local economy, GDP and therefore an increase in economic growth. This assessment firstly analyses the direct economic benefits of the proposed project and then considers the indirect economic benefits such as increased visitation and the benefits associated with visitor expenditure.

The benefits of this project have been derived from 3 separate components being;

1. Government capital expenditure benefits (G)
2. Government operating expenditure benefits (G)
3. Marginal social benefits (M)

The capital and operating expenditure benefits are direct economic benefits as a result of undertaking the project. The marginal social benefits are indirect economic benefits experienced by the local community as a result of increased visitor numbers.

For the purposes of this analysis, the total economic benefit of the Heritage Park Project is represented by the equation;

$$\text{Total economic benefit} = C + O + M$$

4.0 Construction benefits (C)

Any construction project has a positive economic benefit as a form of local expenditure. In this instance, the Shire of Menzies is proposing to refurbish a number of historic buildings at a total cost of \$951,000. This expenditure comprises building materials, plant, machinery and wages.

The construction cost is a direct financial benefit to the wider community of Menzies as tenders are awarded, contractors are engaged and materials are purchased. The application of the Shire's Regional Price Preference Policy ensures that preference is given to locally based contractors and service providers.

This influx of government expenditure into the region forms part of aggregate expenditure. As this is a construction project, the benefits are achieved at a single point in time and do not extend further than the initial construction period.

In addition to the direct financial benefits, government expenditure also provides a multiplier effect. "An extra dollar spent on goods and services can generate more than one dollar's worth of additional activity as a portion of it will be re-spent by those who benefitted from the original outlay. This is known as the fiscal multiplier effect" (Access Economics 2009, p.1).

"For example, if a government spends \$1,000 on goods or services, the money does not disappear, but rather becomes revenue to the supplier and wages to its employees. The supplier and its employees will have higher disposable incomes as a result, so consumption and hence aggregate demand will rise as well. The individuals who the supplier buys things from will also tend to spend some of that additional income, and so on. Each participant who experiences an increase in disposable income then spends some portion of it on final (consumer) goods, which causes the cycle to repeat many times" (Access Economics 2009, p.8).

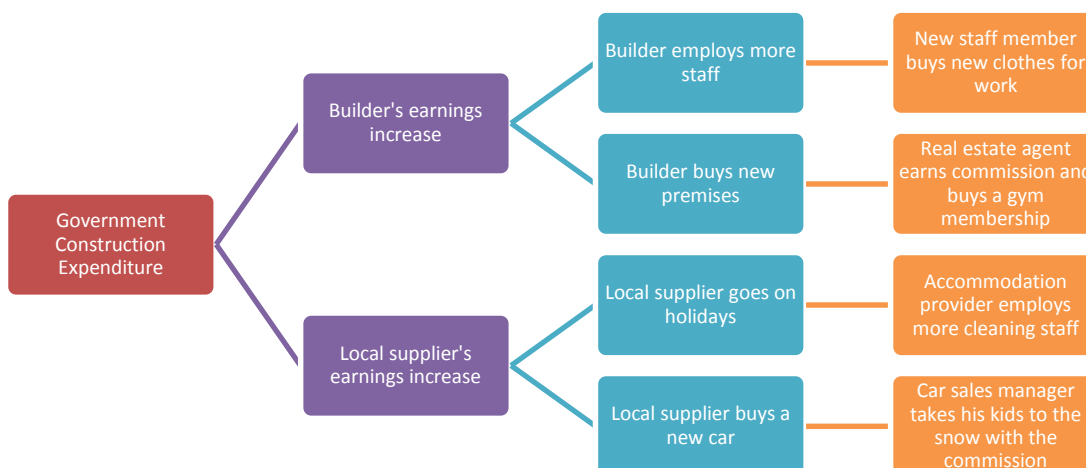


Figure 1: Example of how the multiplier effect works

It is generally accepted that the most effective component of a fiscal stimulus is infrastructure spending (Access Economics 2009, p.10).

“The concept of the fiscal multiplier can be extended to the sub-national or regional level. For example, building a new community facility may lead to new employment for locals, which may have knock-on economic effects for the city or region” (Access Economics 2009, p.12).

Previous studies undertaken by Access Economics suggests a fiscal multiplier for stimulus monies which go to infrastructure spending is 1.69 (Access Economics 2009, p.19). Taking this multiplier and applying it to the Shire of Menzies construction expenditure on the Heritage Park Project will result in a total construction benefit of **\$1,607,190**.

Although the construction benefits have been defined and are contained within the total construction figure, the project will create employment during the construction period. Using estimates provided by the Queensland Government, it has been forecast that 6.7 jobs are created per \$1.0m over the life of a construction project. Utilising this framework, it can be estimated that 6.37 jobs will be supported over the life of the construction period.

Component	Contributor	Amount
Design & Construction	Shire of Menzies, RDA, R4R	\$951,000
CONSTRUCTION COST		\$951,000
MULTIPLIER		1.69
TOTAL CONSTRUCTION BENEFIT		\$1,607,190
Construction cost divided by \$1.0m		0.95
FTE employment		6.7
Jobs Created		6.3717

Table 1: Projected capital expenditure and multiplier

$$C = \$1,607,190$$

5.0 Operating expenditure benefits (O)

The Heritage Park Project will result in additional operating expenditure and employment opportunities as staff are employed to work in the various restored buildings and provide tourist related services such as guided tours.

When the government spends additional money on services, the money does not disappear. It becomes income to suppliers and contractors and salaries and wages for employees. As a result of the increased government expenditure, contractors, suppliers and employees will have a higher level of disposable income. Therefore, local consumption will increase and hence aggregate demand will rise as well, providing a positive economic impact.

The Shire of Menzies currently spends \$575,755 per annum on visitor services. This level of expenditure is considered to be the base case.

When the Heritage Park becomes operational, the operating expenditure is forecast to increase significantly, as more services are offered when the Heritage Park becomes operational. The new level of expenditure is forecast to be \$623,755 per annum and is represented in the graph below labelled future case. The economic benefit of the new facility is represented by the difference between the base case and the future case.



Figure 2: Graph depicting the base case without the Heritage Park and the future case with the Heritage Park

As with the construction example above, an increase in government expenditure on goods and services can generate more than one dollar's worth of additional activity as a portion of it will be respent by those who benefitted from the original outlay.

The appropriate multiplier to use for an increase in government expenditure differs slightly from a capital or construction cash injection. "Most economists agree that fiscal multipliers are small, lying between 1 and 2 for an increase in government expenditures and maybe less than 1 for a reduction in taxes (Weber 2012 p.4).

For the purposes of estimating the multiplier effect of an increase in local government operating expenditure, a multiplier of 1.5 has been applied. Taking this multiplier and applying it to the increase in local government expenditure will result in a total economic benefit of \$72,000.

O = \$72,000 per annum.

6.0 Marginal social benefits (M)

In addition to the direct benefits that the project will deliver, the project will also create a range of indirect flow on economic benefits. A number of studies have been commissioned in Australia that seek to quantify the economic value of tourism to places of cultural and heritage significance.

One such study completed by the University of Canberra, explored the economic value of tourism to places of cultural and heritage significance with reference to three towns with a mining heritage. The three towns once boomed as a result of mineral wealth, which has long since run out. "All three towns have well-preserved buildings and other reminders of the boom times. In all three, these have been preserved and now attract tourists who are interested in experiencing part of Australia's historical development" (University of Canberra 2000 p.4).

The three towns selected for the study were:

- Maldon, a former gold mining town in Victoria;
- Burra, a former copper mining town in South Australia; and
- Charters Towers, a gold mining town in north Queensland

"During the first six months of 2000, face-to-face interviews were conducted in each town. The interviews sought information on visitor characteristics, behaviour, expenditure, attitudes to aspects of cultural heritage and satisfaction. Expenditure data were used to measure the impact of tourism upon regional economic activity" (University of Canberra 2000, p.8). The following impacts were noted in the study;

	Maldon	Burra	Charters Towers
Annual visitor numbers	41,868	40,913	69,917
Expenditure per head (\$)	\$102.06	\$109.45	\$87.77
Aggregate expenditure (\$)	\$4,272,981	\$4,477,850	\$6,136,726
Gross regional product (GRP) impact (\$)	\$3,820,880	\$4,810,995	\$6,127,729
Employment impact (jobs)	310	333	121

Table 2: Annual visitor numbers and expenditure per head for Maldron, Burra and Charters Towers

The conclusions in the University of Canberra's study can be applied to the Heritage Park Project in the Shire of Menzies. According to the Shire of Menzies CEO, the town currently attracts 3,200 visitors per annum. The refurbished historic buildings, interpretation and tours are expected to increase visitation numbers by 10%.

The 10% increase is considered to be conservative as a research gap exists in terms of Heritage Listings and increasing visitor numbers. In saying this, a report titled 'Impact Assessment: World Heritage Listing' (Lynch-Blosse, 1991), presents accommodation takings and guest nights for the various Local Government Areas (LGAs) in the Wet Tropics World Heritage Area from 1987 to 1990. Most of the LGAs showed minor fluctuations, but "the Douglas LGA showed a substantial change, increasing from 17 191 visitor nights and \$413 000 in accommodation takings in 1987, to 37 175 visitor nights and \$2.641

million in accommodation takings in 1988. These figures continued to grow to 58 744 visitor nights and \$4.069 million in accommodation takings in 1990. This is quite a substantial increase over a four-year period" (University of Canberra 2000 p.78).

Although no direct correlation can be established between Heritage Listings and increased visitor numbers, the increase in visitations does suggest that the heritage listing combined with increased marketing and awareness increased visitations by 58% in terms of visitor nights and 54% in terms of accommodation takings.

According to the Tourism Alliance Victoria, "measuring tourism's economic impact to a Local Government Area (LGA) requires the application of a suitable model that multiplies visitor numbers x visitor spending x regional multiplier" (Tourism Alliance Victoria 2005, p.1)

The Shire of Menzies currently attracts 3,200 visitors per annum. A 10% increase in tourist numbers suggests that after the implementation of the Heritage Park Project, the Shire of Menzies could achieve 3,520 visitors per annum.

	Tourist numbers	Increase	Additional expenditure
Current number of tourists	3,200	0	\$0.00
Increase of 5%	3360	160	\$15,961
Increase of 10%	3520	320	\$31,923
Increase of 20%	3840	640	\$63,846
Increase of 30%	4160	960	\$95,769
Increase of 40%	4480	1,280	\$127,692

Table 3: Forecast visitor numbers after improvements

The average expenditure per head of tourists travelling to Maldron, Burra and Charters Towers is \$99.76. If the Shire of Menzies increases tourist numbers by 10% to 3,520, the additional tourism expenditure generated by the Heritage Park Project will be **\$31,923** per annum.

As suggested in the Tourism Alliance Victoria, multipliers are also applicable to tourism expenditure. In a report prepared by Tourism Research Australia, it was suggested that an "appropriate tourism's output multiplier for 2011–12 is valued at 1.88, which means for every dollar tourism earns directly in the Australian economy, it value adds an additional 88 cents to other parts of the economy. At 1.88, tourism's multiplier is larger than Mining (1.62), Retail trade (1.74) and Education and training (1.44)" (Tourism Research Australia 2013 p.19)

Taking the tourism output multiplier and applying it to the forecast expenditure generated by the Heritage Park Project will create a total economic benefit of **\$60,015** per annum.

To complement the total economic benefit, it is well documented that tourism revenue generates additional employment opportunities. Based upon the comprehensive study completed by the University of Canberra, it was established that tourism income generated 1 job per \$25,982.51.

By applying a similar rate to the tourism growth predictions forecast for the Shire of Menzies, it can be conservatively estimated that the Heritage Precinct Project will generate 2.31 jobs based upon a tourism growth rate of 10%. If the Shire is able to increase tourism by 40%, 9.24 jobs will be created.

M = \$60,015 per annum

7.0 Conclusion

The total annual direct benefits associated with the construction and increased operational expenditure are **\$1,607,190** and **\$72,000**.

The total annual indirect benefits associated with increased tourism expenditure are **\$60,015**.

The combined economic benefit (direct and indirect) has been calculated at **\$1,739,206**.

To establish the economic benefits over a number of years, the net present value of the benefits have been further calculated over a 5, 10, 15 and 20 year time horizon using a 7% discount rate to reflect the weighted average cost of capital (WACC). The horizon analysis provides a range of benefits from **\$2,186,370** in year 5 to **\$3,103,666** in year 20.

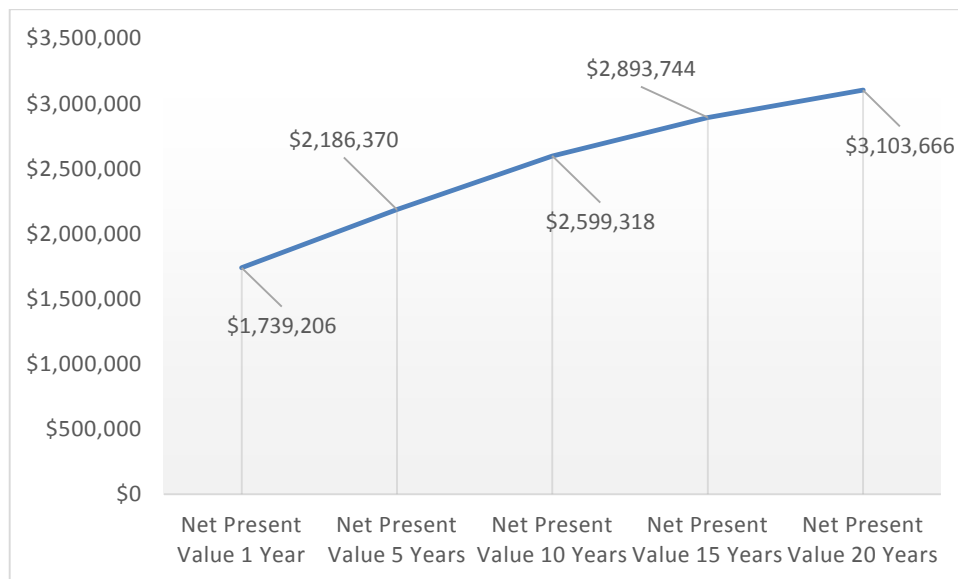


Figure 3: Graph depicting the economic benefits over a 1, 5, 10, 15 and 20 year time horizon.

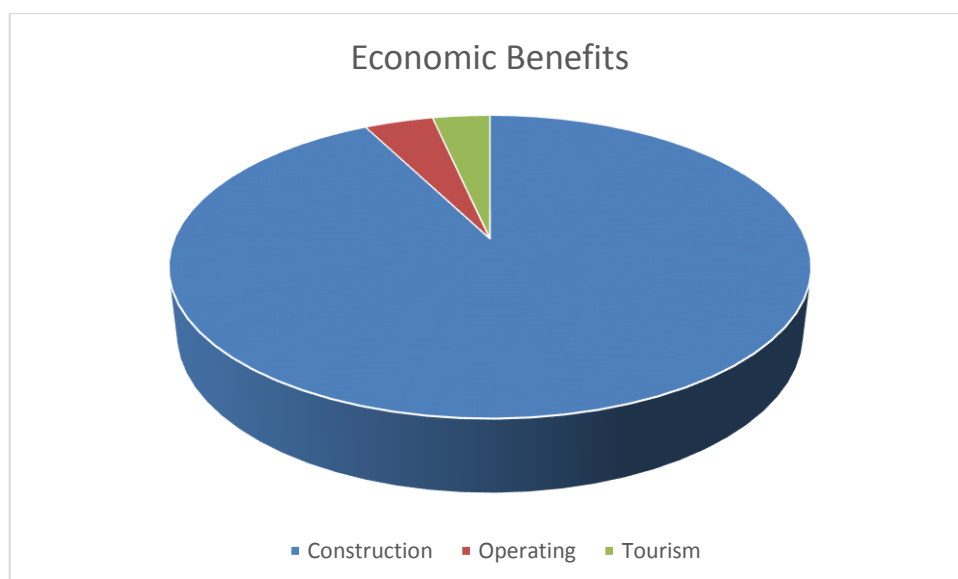


Figure 4: Total economic benefits

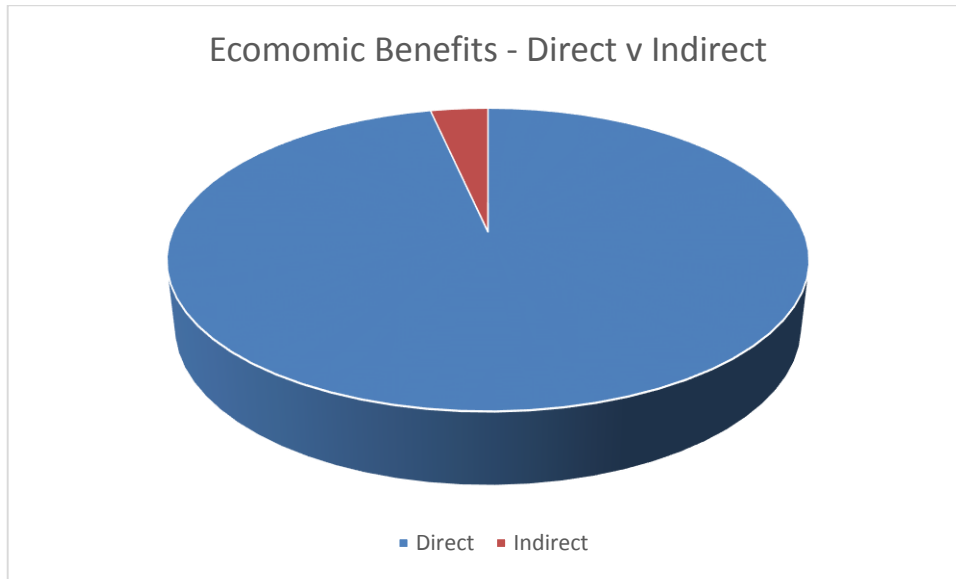


Figure 5: Direct and indirect economic benefits

8.0 Appendix 01 – Benefits of Art Centres

Health Benefits

Many studies have been commissioned that seek to form a link between art programs and improvements in health outcomes for both Indigenous and non-Indigenous people. Although the studies are abundant, attaining quantifiable outcomes on how much art programs improve health is challenging.

In the studies that have been completed, it is often not the actual activity of art that improves health outcomes but the self-expression and education on preventative activities that can be facilitated through an artistic channel.

- "Several authors reported improved mental health, and even a reduction in self-harming behaviours, following community arts programs (Allain 2011; Barraket 2005; Frazier et al. 2007; HoRSCATSIA 2011). Some of the specific benefits include reductions in harmful behaviours (Barraket 2005) and the experience of emotional healing through outward artistic expression of negative life circumstances (Allain 2011)" (Australian Government 2014, p.5).
- A study by Bacon (2007) found that Narrative Therapy (NT) produced successful outcomes when working with Indigenous Australians referred for substance misuse. Other therapies, such as Musical Therapy, have proven to be effective at improving physical and mental wellbeing in Indigenous Australians.
- A study conducted by Truasheim (2014) found that Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islanders with a range of chronic diseases who participated in a Music Therapy program stated benefits such as improved relaxation, social connectedness, breaking down barriers, and easing of troubles. Interestingly, these findings seem to be congruent with Indigenous cultures of other nations outside of Australia.
- A Canadian study conducted by Howell-Jones found that Indigenous Canadians found that they preferred a therapeutic approach involving connection with family and communities, rather than individual assessment and treatment. Furthermore, participants advocated approaches which engage the body, mind, emotions and spirit, and which integrate their Indigenous identity into their everyday life.

Although evidence is not available to quantify the exact benefits of community art programs in improving Indigenous health, studies have been commissioned into preventative health care and the impact that preventative strategies such as education, early intervention, and immunisation have on health care costs.

The Productivity Commission produced a paper in 2015 with regard to Efficiency in Health. This paper investigated preventative health care and cited a study undertaken by Cadilhac et al that estimated that reducing rates of smoking, high-risk alcohol consumption, obesity, physical inactivity and other behaviour could reduce annual health care expenditures by around 2 per cent.

The cost of health care in Australia is significant, forming a major part of both the State and Federal Government's annual expenditure. Given the size of the health care budget, various studies have been commissioned to establish the cost of health care per person in Australia. Some of the studies have further broken these costs into demographic groups such as Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians.

One such study produced by the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare concluded that "health expenditure per Indigenous Australian increased by 12.0% between 2008–09 and 2010–11, from \$7,139 in 2008–09 to \$7,995 in 2010–11. In 2010–11, \$1.47 was spent per Indigenous Australian for every dollar spent per non-Indigenous Australian" (Australian Institute of Health and Welfare 2013, p.6).

Taking the above information into consideration, we can conclude that the cost of health care per Indigenous Australian in 2010/11 was \$7,995. In today's dollars this would equate to \$8,958.

Given that art therapy is a genuine preventative strategy, we can hypothesise that the continuation of this preventative therapy could result in a 2 percent reduction in health care costs for Indigenous Australians. This would equate to a saving per person of \$179 per annum.

According to the last census, 256 Indigenous people reside in the Shire of Menzies. Based upon a rate of \$179 per person, the potential savings by implementing an art centre within the Shire could equate to a health benefit of **\$45,824** per annum.

Social Cohesion

The benefits of indigenous art centres are wide ranging. In addition to providing Indigenous artists with income, the programs delivered in art centres contribute towards social cohesion and community engagement.

"One of the most important benefits of an established Art Centre is that it provides a service for artists to produce high quality art and earn a steady income. The ability to be self-employed and earn an independent, non-welfare income has the potential to improve self-esteem and self-worth, thereby improving mental wellbeing and strengthening the community as a whole (Aboriginal Art Directory, 2008)".

Arts centres also provide more than just an opportunity to generate revenue, they also act as a meeting place, education centre and provide opportunities for social interaction and intergenerational interaction.

"Provided due attention is given to ensuring equal access to and affordability of programs, participation in arts programs is regularly demonstrated to increase social inclusion and decrease exclusion" (Australian Government 2014, p.8)

"Participation in Indigenous arts organisations have been shown to open up opportunities for development of leadership and governance, as well as increasing access and involvement in networks of local community service providers (Cooper et al. 2012) (Australian Government 2014, p.8)

"Arts facilities can act as community hubs, which encourage interaction between the generations, different clans, or the Indigenous and non-Indigenous populations. Several studies noted that, in this way, participation in the arts activities generated at these sites can indirectly help to build social cohesion, inclusiveness and support (for example, Cooper et al. 2012:44)" (Australian Government 2014, p.11)

Despite the numerous benefits from a social cohesion and community engagement perspective, the depth of research is not substantial enough to quantify an economic benefit.

Reduction in crime and incarceration

A number of studies have been commissioned internationally suggesting that art programs can reduce crime, anti-social behaviour and result in a reduction in reoffending.

"Arts programs occasionally aim to reduce crime and anti-social behaviour indirectly through the provision of alternative, healthy activities (Allard et al. 2007; Allard 2010; Barraket 2005; HoRSCATSIA 2011). One study cited instances of reduced substance abuse through the opening of a local Indigenous art gallery: through participation in arts activities, local community members felt empowered to begin tackling community issues, which included providing direct personal support to other artists who were trying to cease taking drugs (Cooper et al. 2012). Local police and ambulance services in this study likewise reported reduced call-outs to violent incidents and injuries since the gallery was opened. Although causal statements should be interpreted with caution, these service providers did suggest these reduced call-outs were directly linked to the presence of the gallery (Cooper et al. 2012)" (Australian Government 2014, p.7).

"Participating in artistic or cultural activities can be a prime mechanism for preventing boredom and a sense of having no purpose, which are both often precursors to engaging in destructive, anti-social or illegal activities (Barraket 2005; Delfabbro & Day 2003). Likewise, in the case of youth, it reduces the amount of unsupervised free time they have, which reduces their capacity to engage in negative or risky behaviours (Morris et al. 2003a), while promoting positive behaviours and even some social or employment opportunities (Frazier et al. 2007)" (Australian Government 2014, p.13).

Although evidence is not available to quantify the exact benefits of community art programs in reducing incarceration rates and reoffending, small controlled studies have been commissioned into art programs and the impact that such programs have on reducing crime rates within communities.

In a cost benefit analysis produced by Deloitte Access Economics on the benefits of Indigenous Healing Centres it was concluded "that healing centres and therapeutic communities typically return, on average, a benefit to cost ratio (BCR) of over 4 to 1, primarily from reduced rates of incarceration and recidivism" (Deloitte Access Economics, 2014).

The Cost Benefit Analysis was constructed around diverting "14 cases of incarceration during its first year and 12 cases per year thereafter" (Deloitte Access Economics, 2014). This would equate to just 1.08 cases per Centre during the first year and less than one (0.93) case per year thereafter.

Numerous studies have been commissioned on the cost of incarceration per prisoner. "The estimated annual average cost per prisoner per day in 2012–13 is \$315" (Australian National Council on Drugs 2012, p.8).

In saying this, the cost for Indigenous Australians is often far higher. "Re-offending rates are high and incarceration is associated with poor health outcomes for prisoners, including a relatively higher risk of mortality post-release. Research suggests that outcomes of incarceration are worse for Indigenous Australians than for non-Indigenous Australians" (Australian National Council on Drugs 2012, p.8).

In a report prepared on Indigenous Safe Communities, Deloitte Access Economics "estimated direct financial costs of \$358,915 per Indigenous incarceration. This estimation includes the likelihood of reoffending but does not including indirect financial costs such as lower employment. In addition to financial costs, there are also burden of disease costs. Deloitte Access Economics (2012a) calculated that the expected costs of Hepatitis C from incarceration of Indigenous Australians with drug and alcohol related problems are \$23,281 and the cost of Indigenous premature mortality is \$92,254 due to incarceration (relative to residential rehabilitation). Adding wellbeing costs yields a total cost of \$474,450 per case in 2012 dollars or \$500,414 in 2014 dollars when adjusted using the consumer price index (CPI)"(Healing Foundation 2014 p.31).

If the commencement of a community art programs resulted in a reduction of 1 incarceration, the savings would equate to \$500,414 per centre per annum.

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**Shire of Menzies
Operating Report
by SubProgram
for the period ending
31 October 2017**

Budget variances between this report and the Statement of Comprehensive Income by Program in the Monthly Financials are due to adjustments made for the allocation of Administration and Overheads.

Shire of Menzies

Operating Report for the period ending 31 October 2017

Economic Services	Current Budget	YTD Actual
Caravan Park		
Operating Revenue		
Fees & Charges	65,000	41,534
Other Revenue	3,500	-
Subtotal Operating Revenue	68,500	41,534
Operating Expense		
Employee Costs	(34,000)	(16,317)
Materials & Contracts	(30,550)	(10,302)
Utilities	(10,900)	(8,146)
Insurance Expenses	(3,400)	(1,123)
Reallocation Codes Expenditure	(51,000)	(20,315)
Subtotal Operating Expense	(129,850)	(56,202)
TOTAL Caravan Park	(61,350)	(14,667)
Tourism & Area Promotion		
Operating Revenue		
Fees & Charges	29,000	15,732
Other Revenue	4,000	152
Subtotal Operating Revenue	33,000	15,885
Operating Expense		
Employee Costs	(131,241)	(38,597)
Materials & Contracts	(295,500)	(61,113)
Utilities	(510)	(43)
Depreciation On Non-Current Assets	(137,810)	-
Insurance Expenses	(8,970)	(3,237)
Reallocation Codes Expenditure	(25,050)	(40,329)
Subtotal Operating Expense	(599,081)	(143,319)
TOTAL Tourism & Area Promotion	(566,081)	(127,434)
Total - Cost of Economic Services	(627,431)	(142,102)

12.5.3 Menzies Nursing Post Practitioner

LOCATION:	N/A
APPLICANT:	N/A
DOCUMENT REF:	EDM 166
DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST:	The Author has no interest to disclose
DATE:	22 November 2017
AUTHOR:	Rhonda Evans, Chief Executive Officer
ATTACHMENT:	12.5.3-1 Assessment of Airfare

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION:

That Council resolve to amend the provision of subsidies provided to the Practitioner at the Menzies Nursing Post from

1. Accommodation for the Health Nurse, currently 12A Walsh Street, Menzies rent free;
2. Utility allowance of up to \$1,600 per annum for water, power and gas;
3. Two return airfares from Kalgoorlie to Perth per annum, payable after each six month continuous service; and
4. A fuel card for the use of the incumbent nurse to a maximum value of \$1,800 per annum.

to

1. Accommodation for the Health Nurse, currently 12A Walsh Street, Menzies rent free;
2. Utility allowance of up to \$1,600 per annum for water, power and gas;
3. A fuel card for the use of the incumbent nurse to a value of \$2,000 per annum; and
4. Two return airfares from Kalgoorlie to Perth per annum, payable after each six month continuous service; or
5. Payment to be made at the completion of each six months service to the value of the lowest cost Kalgoorlie to Perth and return airfare Qantas daytime Red e-deal applicable during the week of payment.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS:

Simple Majority

IN BRIEF:

Application has been made to provide the option to convert the six monthly airfare available to the Menzies Health Nurse, to a cash payment which will permit the Nurse to choose their mode of transport when taking a break.

RELEVANT TO STRATEGIC PLAN:

14.1 Sustainable local economy encouraged

- A strong local economy, diversified through encouraging commercial growth, which provides jobs and services.
- The acquisition of appropriate resources to assist with economic and tourism planning and development.

14.2 Strong sense of community maintained

- Our community will be cohesive, inclusive and interactive, where people feel safe, are welcomed and can live comfortably.
- Our community will value each other, building relationships and networks to interact, socialise and for recreation.
- Our community will have access to all necessary service requirements.
- The Shire to review disability access throughout the Shire of Menzies.
- The Shire to acquire appropriate resources to assist with developing the services and facilities required by the community.

14.3 Active civic leadership achieved

- Where possible, support opportunities to build the capacity of the community within the Shire of Menzies.

14.4 Heritage & Natural assets conserved

- A strengthening of our cultural and heritage awareness and values.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS: Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

There are no financial implications. Allowance for the airfares is provided in job S07003.

RISK ASSESSMENTS: Nil

BACKGROUND:

At the ordinary meeting of Council in February 2016, Council resolved to provide benefits to the Menzies Health Nurse. These benefits were appropriate for the incumbent of the day. The current Nurse has requested that the airfare benefit be reviewed.

COMMENT:

This proposal will not require additional funds, and will better suit the current Nurse who prefers not to fly, and owns her own vehicle.

Nurse Taylor has resided in Menzies since March 2017. She has not requested the increase in her fuel allowance, however with the increasing cost of fuel in regional areas, together with there being no increase since 2016, the author is proposing to increase this allowance.

Your trip

Perth to Kalgoorlie

Friday, 24 November 2017

 [QF1890](#)

Flight QF1890 is operated by Qantaslink - National Jet Systems

Departs 17:00 Arrives 18:05 1h 05m
[0 stops](#)

ECONOMY
[Red e-Deal](#)
\$315

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Kalgoorlie to Perth

Saturday, 25 November 2017

 [QF1611](#)

Flight QF1611 is operated by Network Aviation

Departs 18:50 Arrives 20:00 1h 10m
[0 stops](#)

ECONOMY
[Red e-Deal](#)
\$280

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Flight subtotal

1 Adult
\$595* AUD

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Bags

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Adult 1

Included checked baggage 1 piece

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Subtotal: \$0 AUD

Seats

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14 NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE INTRODUCED BY DECISION OF THE MEETING

15 ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

16 NEXT MEETING

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held on Thursday 14 December 2017 commencing at 1pm.

17 CLOSURE OF MEETING