



STRATHBOGRIE SHIRE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE STRATHBOGRIE SHIRE COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 18 JULY 2017 AT THE VIOLET TOWN COMMUNITY COMPLEX (COWSLIP STREET, VIOLET TOWN), COMMENCING AT 6.00 P.M.

Due to the Chair being an apology for today's meeting (to attend a Climate Council's Cities Power Partnership launch in Canberra), as per Clause 10(3)(c) of Council's Meeting Procedure Local Law No. 1, the Chief Executive Officer acted as Temporary Chair until the position of Acting Chair for the meeting is determined.

The Temporary Chair called for nominations for the position of Acting Chair for the meeting.

COUNCILLORS LITTLE AND SWAN NOMINATED COUNCILLOR STOTHERS.

COUNCILLOR STOTHERS ACCEPTED THE NOMINATION.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER NOMINATIONS, COUNCILLOR STOTHERS WAS DULY ELECTED ACTING CHAIR FOR THE MEETING.

Councillors:	Kate Stothers (Acting Chair)	<i>(Honeysuckle Creek Ward)</i>
	Malcolm Little	<i>(Hughes Creek Ward)</i>
	John Mason	<i>(Seven Creeks Ward)</i>
	Debra Swan	<i>(Lake Nagambie Ward)</i>
	Alistair Thomson	<i>(Mount Wombat Ward)</i>
	Graeme (Mick) Williams	<i>(Seven Creeks Ward)</i>

Officers:	Steve Crawcour - Chief Executive Officer (CEO)
	Phil Howard - Director, Sustainable Development (DSD)
	Roy Hetherington - Director, Asset Services (DAS)
	David Roff - Director, Corporate and Liveability (DCL)

BUSINESS

- 1. Welcome**
- 2. Acknowledgement of Traditional Land Owners**
*'I acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land on which we are meeting.
I pay my respects to their Elders, past and present'*
- 3. Apologies**

Amanda McClaren (Chair)	<i>(Lake Nagambie Ward)</i>
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4. Confirmation of Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 20 June 2017, and Special Meetings of Council held on Tuesday 13 June 2017, Tuesday 27 June 2017 and Tuesday 11 July 2017

96/17 **CRS WILLIAMS/SWAN** : *That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 20 June 2017, and Special Meetings of Council held on Tuesday 13 June 2017, Tuesday 27 June 2017 and Tuesday 11 July 2017 be confirmed*

CARRIED

5. Disclosure of Interests

Nil.

6. Petitions

Nil.

7. Reports of Mayor and Councillors and Delegates

Councillors provided verbal reports on meetings / events attended over the past month.

8. Public Question Time

Public Question Time will be conducted as per Strathbogie Shire Council's Meeting Procedure Local Law No. 1, Clause 32

As the questions are a permanent public record and to meet the requirements of the Privacy Act, only the initials of the person asking the question will be used together with a Council reference number

Public Question Time - Query received via email prior to meeting

Council Ref: WP:ICPQT/2017

I had raised this issue in writing during the rate payers feed back forum and had brought it up verbally during the Council mtg.

Now - I would like to know what steps the Shire intends to take on this issue. I will address the CEO with this issue again and expect to receive an answer from him:

My previous submission:

I recommend the Strathbogie Shire to initiate a move of all Shires along this line, from Seymour to Albury/ Wodonga, to unite in a stand to force the Victorian G'ment to improve the passenger train service. This improvement must consist of the introduction of standard gauge 'Velocity' train sets, in adequate numbers, to support a three services / day in both directions services. An improved train service coupled with adequate East / West bus services will enhance the area's attraction to new residents / businesses / tourists.

8. Public Question Time (cont.)

Neither Victorian Coalition or Labor G'ments have demonstrated any seriousness to introduce new train sets. To date we only saw a patchwork of superficial improvements, which did not and will not overcome the deterioration / maintenance requirements of the current ageing train sets. Hand in hand with the trains goes the track condition, which is not adequate for the heavy goods trains. Over the years ARTC (a Fed. G'ment owned Authority) has pumped Hundreds of Millions \$ into this line, without achieving substantial improvements.

The 'root cause' for this mediocracy is: None of the 'State's G'ment Seats' along this line, from Seymour to Wodonga', are marginal seats.

I feel strongly that this Shire demonstrates leadership in getting together the other Shires along this rail corridor to force the Victorian G'ment to act now to introduce new train sets and have the tracks brought up to suitable standards.

Response provided by CEO:

As discussed previously as part of the Council Plan, there is a strong emphasis on transport and its connections. I have listed one below:

- *Host a transport forum with transport service providers to discuss improvements to transport links across the Shire*

It should be noted as advised previously the role of advocacy is at the direction of the Council. The Councillors set the Policy, budgets and directions they would like Council (organisation) to deliver on.

Should Council (Councillors) require further action that isn't already in the Council Plan in relation to what you have listed below, then the whole Council must agree to this. The Mayor and myself have also spoken with Jaclyn Symes, Member for Northern Victoria, about organising something similar as to what you have suggested as it's such an important area that needs addressing.

Council Ref: TM:22/2017

Shire Council Carpark

- Where are the costs to build this to date?
- Who authorized "tesla supercharger" station to be built"

Response provided by CEO:

- *Tesla are building and paying all costs for the facility. There is no cost to Council.*
- *Council authorized the use of the site as it's a hub for tourists / visitors.*

Shire Road Management Plan 2017/18

When is this going to be produced and updated?

Response provided by DAS:

Council has updated the Plan. It is comprehensive and includes a community advisory committee.

8. Public Question Time (cont.)

Council Ref: CK:23/2017

There are trees cleared on public roads - Burnells Road, Upotipotpon. Who is going to follow up?

Response provided by DAS:

The tree removal is being addressed through planning compliance.

Council Ref: GA:24/2017

At least five years ago, Council staff met with members of the Violet Town Reserve. It was agreed to replace three trees at a time. Any idea when this might start?

Response provided by CEO and Acting Chair:

The question on the commencement date for the second stage tree work at the recreation reserve was taken on notice, and will be given in writing.

Can you please confirm the status of Violet Town Action Group's Budget submission for funds to commemorate the Southern Aurora's 50th anniversary?

Response provided by CEO and Acting Chair:

- *The CEO advised there is no funding in the 2017/2018 budget for this activity.*
- *The Acting Chair advised that Council will work with them in the future to look at options.*

Council Ref: HM: 25/2017

VTAG has the opportunity to participate on 2 capital projects this year. The first one is the building of storage with the bowls club. The second is the purchase from the Nursing Home of the vacant block between Mary's Lane and Tulip Street. I request a meeting with the local Councillors and the CEO to discuss the community opportunities

Response provided by CEO and Acting Chair:

A meeting will be organized for late August 2017.

Council Ref: SS:26/2017

My question to the Director of Asset Services:-

What funds are spent per annum:-

- on tree removal in the Euroa township?
- on tree replacement in the Euroa township?

Question taken on Notice

8. Public Question Time (cont.)

Council Ref: SS:26/2017 (cont.)

My question to the CEO:-

In the light of recent publicity surrounding the extensive vegetation clearing in Violet Town, what actions are Council taking to educate, encourage and assist farmers to do the right thing in regard to fence-lines and tree management?

Response provided by DSD and Acting Chair

- *The DSD advised about the process to date and the compliances processes with our environmental officer in following up on environmental breaches.*
- *The Acting Chair also outlined the proposed Farmers Forum that Council will host as per the Council Plan Action.*

Council Ref: BH:27/2017

Can the Shire look at building a footpath on the Nursing Centre side of the road, so that disabled and other patients / visitors can access the main road?

Response by CEO and Acting Chair

- *The request is noted. Councillors visited the hospital and site today. An amount of \$120,000 is in this year's Budget for footpaths.*
- *Councillors will shortly be provided with a list of the proposed footpath program for 2017/2018.*
- *The footpath is to be considered amongst the high priority projects for the 2017/2018 program*

Council Ref: DT:28/2017

Can you provide me with an update on where the Violet Town Bowls Club is at?

Response provided by DAS:

Additional funding to complete the project has been provided by Council in the 2017/2018 budget, with a target date for completion of 1 October 2017.

Corners of Kippings Road and Polly McQuinns Road and the corner of Kippings Road and Richards Lane. Are they going to be upgraded and fixed, plus the spring in Kippings Road

Response provided by DAS:

The recent improvement is part of Council's routine maintenance program. The assessment of roads for potential upgrade is underway.

8A. Responses to Public Questions raised at previous Ordinary Council Meetings

Responses to Public Questions raised at Ordinary Council meeting held on Tuesday 16 May 2017

Council Ref: TM:15/2017

Response by DAS:

Re: Question at Council meeting 16th May 2017

I refer to your request at the Council meeting for a break up of costings for Stages 1 & 2 of the Euroa Saleyards Project, which was a question taken on notice.

The break up is as follows: -

Stage 1	Stage 2
Roof Cost - \$451,395	Powerline Relocation - \$134,680
	Roof Cost - \$407,475
	Office/Canteen - \$ 21,177
Total - \$451,395	Total - \$563,332

8. Public Question Time (cont.)

Council Ref: AM:17/2017

Response by DAS:

Re: Drainage at Barnong Lane

I refer to your letter dated 25th April 2017 concerning drainage at Barnong Lane and to your question at the 16th May Council meeting "I'm wondering what's happening to it regards the letter".

The answer to your question is that Council was unable to respond to the letter because it did not contain a return address.

It has been noted that a return address was contained in the written question form and I am happy now to provide a response to your letter as follows: -

The flooding of roadways can be expected to occur periodically depending on the intensity of rainfall events and any other factors such as blockage of pipes or diversion of water within the catchment.

Roadside drainage is designed to accommodate only the greatest stormwater flow expected to occur in a 10 year period. Events greater than that will overtop the pipes and flow across the road surface temporarily. It is usually the case that the overflow water is able to be trafficked by vehicles and represents only a temporary nuisance to any pedestrian traffic.

I have attached information on design frequency for drainage systems for your information.

* economic considerations of the cost of adopting a recurrence interval	Business, commercial, industrial and urban areas densely developed	20 years
* maintenance requirements	All roadway surface drainage including freeways, urban and rural roads	10 years
* traffic interruption due to excessive flooding	All road drainage at intersections	10 years
(b) Recurrence Intervals	Deck drainage of all bridge structures	10 years
The following intervals are to be used under normal conditions. Economic factors or considerations related to the public may require a greater interval.	Built-up urban areas	10 years
All bridge and major structures	General sub-divisional drainage	5 years
Minor structures and major rural culverts		
All cross drainage of freeways and major and minor roads, rural or urban		
Roadway situations where there is no escape for water over the formation (i.e. sag curve in cut)		
Intensely developed business, commercial and industrial areas where flooding would cause very serious damage to property		

In all cases it should be checked, where possible, that floods due to storms in excess of the design storm can escape overland and, if necessary, along road pavements, without undue damage to adjacent property and the road system.

8. Public Question Time (cont.)

Responses to Public Questions raised at Ordinary Council meeting held on Tuesday 20 June 2017

Council Ref: CT: 18/2017

Response by DAS:

Re: Trees in Noble Street

I refer to your question raised at the Council meeting of 20th June 2017 concerning trees in Noble Street.

The tree replacement will be possible within the 2017/18 Council budget and it is anticipated that the planting will be completed by late September 2017.

Council Ref: TM: 19/2017

Response by DCL:

Question 1:

Council has a customer request system in place (Confirm) for lodgment of requests from members of the community for the purpose of reporting of minor works / issues, etc. Once the data is recorded, a job number is allocated and advised to the customer, if contact details are provided.

Question 2:

In relation to the detailed Capital Works Report in the Council meeting agenda, a number of items are specifically reported on which reflect actual expenditure against Budget. You have specifically identified an amount of \$740,565 and added it to the total expenditure. It actually represents income and not expenditure – when Council acquires assets such as roads when a subdivision is completed or assets become identified as a result of inspections it has to be recognised as income to the Council which is what has happened in this case.

You also refer to the Operating Activities section of the 2017/2018 budget, in particular Section 11. These items represent reporting of aspects of the Budget which have actually changed since the Draft Budget was advertised, primarily due to the Federal Government announcing in its Budget that it would be paying 50% of Council's 2017/18 Financial Assistance and Local Roads Grants (approx. \$2.5m) before 30 June 2017. This means the amount to be received in 2017/18 is reduced, which is only a timing issue.

8. Public Question Time (cont.)

Council Ref: AB: 20/2017

Response by DAS:

Re: Binney Street Roundabout

I refer to your question raised at the 20 June 2017 Council meeting concerning a roundabout at the corner of Binney and Railway Streets.

Council did propose roundabout construction in its 2016/17 Council Plan and Budget, but following Community consultation it resolved to: -

1. That, based on lack of Community support, Council not proceed with the provision of vehicle turnaround facilities at the North end of Binney Street, Euroa.
2. That further design work be undertaken to address the matter of insufficient pedestrian width in the splitter island at the location;
and
3. That an investigation be undertaken on an alternative intersection improvement project for the Euroa Shepparton Road/Boundary Road North intersection.

Council now proposes to upgrade the splitter island on the Binney Street leg to improve the crossing for pedestrians.

8. Public Question Time (cont.)

Council Ref: SS: 21/2017

Response by DAS:

Re: Urban Trees

I refer to your question raised at the June 20th Council meeting “How many trees have Council *removed* in the Euroa township in the last year / 5 years” & “How many trees have Council *planted* in the Euroa township in the last year / 5 years?”, and your email concerning the proposed removal of a tree (E2560) from the Euroa Caravan Park.

I am able to advise that the demise of veteran trees like E2560, on Crown Land, as a consequence of human township development is regrettable, however a balance is being achieved by both: -

- The significant regrowth occurring on other Crown Land managed by Council, e.g., Castle Creek Reserve (refer attached photo), and
- Council’s efforts in replanting and offsets

A systematic tree tagging project commenced in 2014 which supported the recording of activity on urban trees. The Works Depot has advised that over the three years the number of trees removed and replanted in Euroa is as follows:

Trees removed	91
<u>Trees planted</u>	<u>122</u>
<u>Net Gain</u>	<u>31</u> + offsets for one large gum tree



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12. Closure of Meeting to the Public to consider matters listed for consideration in accordance with Section 89(2) of the Local Government Act 1989
13. Confirmation of 'Closed Portion' Decision/s

An audio recording of this meeting is being made for the purpose of verifying the accuracy of the minutes of the meeting, as per Local Law No. 1 - Meeting Procedure (2014) or as updated from time to time through Council Resolution

NEXT MEETING

The next Ordinary Meeting of the Strathbogie Shire Council is scheduled to be held on Tuesday 15 August 2017 at the Euroa Community Conference Centre, commencing at 6.00 p.m.

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9.2 INFRASTRUCTURE

9.2.1 Nagambie Tourism Infrastructure Development Business Case

Author and Department

Director Asset Services / Asset Services Directorate

Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest in relation to advice provided in this report

The author of this report and officers/contractors providing advice in relation to this report do not have a direct or indirect interest, as provided in accordance with the Local Government Act 1989.

Summary

Consultants, Urbis Pty Ltd, have issued the final Business Case document, a copy of which has been distributed previously to Councillors for their information, and is tabled for identification purposes.

The business case provides compelling economic analysis which calculates a Net Present Value of \$66.2M and Benefit Cost Ratio of 5.6 for the identified \$16.4M Infrastructure Development package.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Nagambie Tourism Infrastructure Development Business Case be adopted.

97/17 CRS SWAN/WILLIAMS : That the Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Background

Council received grant funding of \$45,000 from Regional Development Victoria to prepare the Business Case.

The Steering Committee, established for the project in accordance with the funding agreement included:

Steve Crawcour – CEO, Strathbogie Shire
Roy Hetherington – Director Asset Services, Strathbogie Shire
Emma Kubeil – Manager Sustainable Development, Strathbogie Shire
John Beresford – Nagambie Lakes Tourism and Commerce
Scott Wikman – Goulburn Murray Water
Kane Boardman – Regional Development Victoria

In parallel with the Business Case Development, design work has been advancing on the projects for inclusion in the document and to achieve a “shovel ready” position for application for grant funding.

9.2.1 Nagambie Tourism Infrastructure Development Business Case (cont.)

Alternative Options

The author providing advice in relation to this report has considered potential alternative courses of action. No feasible alternatives have been identified.

Risk Management

The author considers that there are no significant Risk Management factors relating to the report and recommendation.

Strategic Links – policy implications and relevance to Council Plan

The author of this report considers that the report is consistent with Council Policies, key strategic documents and the Council Plan.

Best Value / National Competition Policy (NCP / Competition and Consumer Act 2010 (CCA) implications

The author of this report considers that the report is consistent with Best Value, National Competition Policy and Competition and Consumer Act requirements.

Financial / Budgetary Implications

The author of this report considers there are no further capital or recurrent budget considerations, apart from those described in report.

Economic Implications

The author if this report considers that the recommendation has no significant economic implications for Council.

The Tourism Infrastructure examined in the business case, when constructed, will significantly improve the local and State economies.

Environmental / Amenity

The author of this report considers that the recommendation has no significant environmental or amenity implications for Council.

Community Implications

The local and State economy will benefit greatly from the investment, as identified in the report.

Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006

The author of this report considers that the recommendation does not limit any human rights under the Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006.

Legal / Statutory Implications

The author of this report considers that the recommendation has no legal or statutory implications which require the consideration of Council.

Consultation

The business case has been developed with input from stakeholders and individual business representatives. The report highlights the need for stakeholder engagement and communications plans to be developed at the stage of any funding application.

9.2.1 Nagambie Tourism Infrastructure Development Business Case (cont.)

Attachments

Nil.

Tabled Document/s

Nagambie Tourism Infrastructure Development Business Case

9.2.2 Lake Street, Nagambie ~ Fence and Public Gate - Consideration and Determination of Submissions

Author and Department

Director Asset Services / Asset Services Directorate

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Summary

Council has advertised and invited submissions on the proposed fence and public gate required as a Goulburn-Murray Water (GMW) Jetty Licence renewal.

Thirteen submissions and one petition were received (refer attached submissions summary).

Submissions were heard and received at a Special Council Meeting on 11 July 2017. One submitter was heard in support of a submission.

The advertised program included the considering of submissions at this meeting.

Council can consider both the submissions and petition at this meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

For decision.

CRS SWAN/THOMSON -

Motion:

- 1. That Council not approve the erection of the fence and public gate under its Local Government Act 1989 “power to place obstructions or barriers on a road permanently”.**
- 2. That Council request that Goulburn-Murray Water facilitate a meeting with all stakeholders to resolve the issue.**

98/17

ON BEING PUT, THE MOTION WAS CARRIED

Background

The owners of a private jetty, built part on submerged Crown Road and part submerged GMW freehold land, are making application to renew a GMW licence over the structure.

One of GMW’s conditions to renew the licence is that the owners construct a fence and public gate to “discourage but not prohibit” public access to the foreshore, considered unsuitable for bathing.

9.2.2 Lake Street, Nagambie ~ Fence and Public Gate
- Consideration and Determination of Submissions (cont.)

This condition forms part of a GMW initiative to improve the standard of licenced foreshore structures and to address public risk along the foreshore.

Council staff, GMW staff and the jetty owners have been working for some years to reach agreement over the future of the jetty.

Plans for the proposed fence and gate are attached.

Council can give approval for the gate and fencing under its Local Government Act 1989 "power to place obstructions or barriers on a road permanently".

Prior to exercising its power, Council needed to obtain the approval of VicRoads and invite and consider submissions, all in accordance with Section 207, and Schedule 11 Clause 9 of the Local Government Act 1989.

The decisions of Council at the meeting of 21 March 2017 were:

1. *That council authorise the giving of public notice of the intention to approve placement of a fence and public gate, under Section 207 and Schedule 11, Clause 9 of the Local Government Act 1989.*
2. *That council invite submissions under Section 223 of the Local Government Act 1989, to be heard by Council at a Special Council meeting to be held at 5.00pm on Tuesday 23 May 2017.*
3. *That, if no submissions are received, Council will proceed with approval of the placement of the fence and public gate.*

Initially the timelines for the public notice and hearing and consideration of submissions was to be as follows: -

- a. Public notice 3 May 2017 - Euroa Gazette
- b. Submission due date – 31 May 2017
- c. Hearing/receiving of submissions – Special Council Meeting, 5pm 23 May 2017

Due to missing the Nagambie Community Voice publication deadline it was proposed to re-advertise and reschedule; dates as follows: -

- a. Public notice 24 May 2017 – Euroa Gazette & Nagambie Community Voice
- b. Submission due date – 23 June 2017
- c. Hearing/receiving of submissions – Special Council Meeting, 5pm 11 July 2017
- d. Consideration of submissions – Ordinary Council Meeting 18 July 2017

Residents were advised by mail of the new dates.

Councillors have been provided with all responses under separate cover.

VicRoads was sent a copy of the Public Notice on 1 May 2017.

Should Council resolve to approve the proposed fence and gate, it needs to be conditional on obtaining statutory VicRoads approval.

9.2.2 Lake Street, Nagambie ~ Fence and Public Gate
- Consideration and Determination of Submissions (cont.)

Council received and heard submissions from the public at the Special Council meeting of 11 July 2017.

Alternative Options

Council has a range of options in considering approval of the proposed fence and public gate and could resolve that, having considered verbal and written submission and the petition, to: -

1. Approve the erection of the fence and Public gate under its Local Government Act 1989 "power to place obstructions or barriers on a road permanently,(conditional on obtaining statutory VicRoads approval), OR
2. Not approve the erection of the fence and Public gate under its Local Government Act 1989 "power to place obstructions or barriers on a road permanently, OR
3. Indicate a preparedness to approve a gate at an alternative location, e.g., on the licenced jetty structure.

Risk Management

The author considers that there are no significant Risk Management factors relating to the report and recommendation.

Strategic Links – policy implications and relevance to Council Plan

The author of this report considers that the report is consistent with Council Policies, key strategic documents and the Council Plan.

Best Value / National Competition Policy (NCP / Competition and Consumer Act 2010 (CCA) implications

The author of this report considers that the report is consistent with Best Value, National Competition Policy and Competition and Consumer Act requirements.

Financial / Budgetary Implications

The author of this report considers there are no further capital and recurrent budget considerations.

Economic Implications

The author of this report considers that the recommendation has no significant economic implications for Council.

Environmental / Amenity

The author of this report considers that the recommendation has no significant environmental or amenity implications for Council.

Community Implications

The author of this report considers that the recommendation has no significant community or social implications for Council or the broader community

9.2.2 Lake Street, Nagambie ~ Fence and Public Gate
- Consideration and Determination of Submissions (cont.)

Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006

The author of this report considers that the recommendation does not limit any human rights under the Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006.

Legal / Statutory Implications

None additional to that contained in the report.

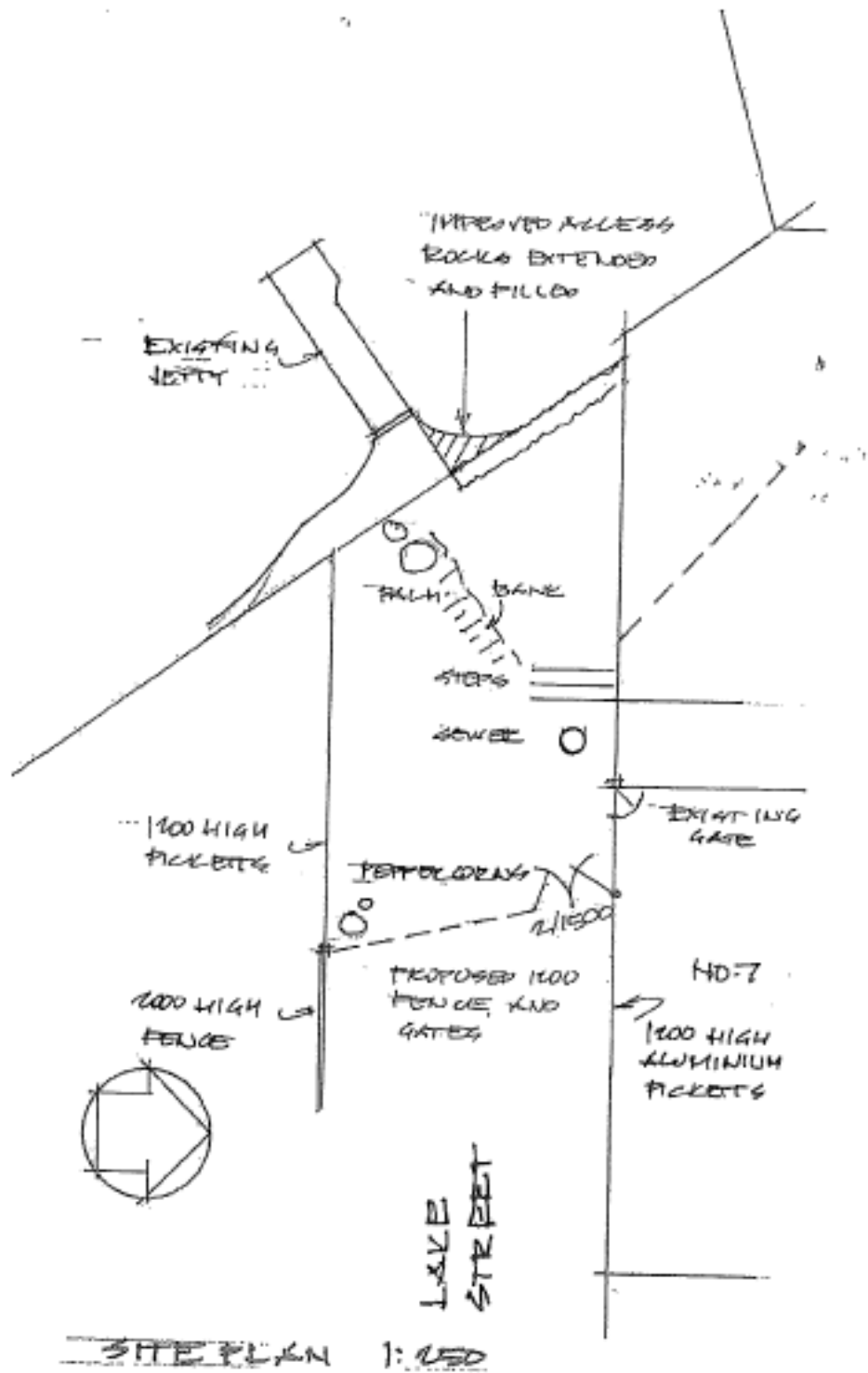
Consultation

This matter now requires Council consideration, not community consultation.

Attachments

- Submission Summary
- Plan of proposed fence and gate
- Location maps

Lake Street Fence & Public Gate- Submissions		
Received	Submission No.	Submission Summary
9th May	1	No stated objection to fence and public gate. Opposes granting of the jetty licence.
10th May	2	Objection to fence and public gate. The jetty should be public (not private), as it is on public land. There is no fencing to other public jettys. Could applicant claim adverse possession of land after 15 years due to the existence of the fence?
11th May	3	Objection to fence and public gate. Supportive of the jetty but not the fence.
17th May	4	Objection to fence and public gate. It is a public area for people to access Lake Nagambie. The fence would imply that it is a private area. The fence would limit areas for parking. Possible restriction to access rear of 9 Young St. Fence would restrict access of fire trucks to the lake edge (no Fire Plugs in Lake St). The fencing would benefit the owners of one property and the jetty should be available for all to use.
24th May	5	Objection to fence and public gate. It would create a fire risk, preventing access for fire trucks. Jetty and area should remain common access.
30th May	6	Objection to fence and gate: Inaccurate description of location of fence and gate in notice. Inhibiting access to lake shore for CFA and emergency vehicles. Obstacle to foreshore walkway past Bryde St. Lack of clarity as to who would bear costs of fence and gate.
2nd June	7	Objects to "restricted access".
7th June	8	Objection to fence and public gate. Setting a precedent. The area should be public.
9th June	9	Objection to fence and public gate. It would give impression that area is private when it is not. Residents are losing too many open spaces around Nagambie.
19th June	10	Objection to fence and public gate. Points listed under headings: - Inadequate information provided to public. Unclear project objectives. Will negatively impact (adjacent) homeowners.
21st June	11	Petition - Objection to fence and public gate signed by 320 residents and/or users of Lake Nagambie.
23rd June	12	Providing history and suggesting an alternative, i.e., a gate on the jetty.
23rd June	13	Objection to fence and public gate. Fence would be an eyesore and discourage public use of the lake.
25th June	14	Objection to fence and public gate. Discriminates against people with disabilities, making access more difficult.





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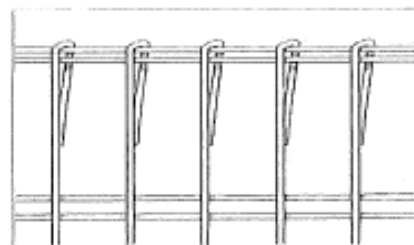
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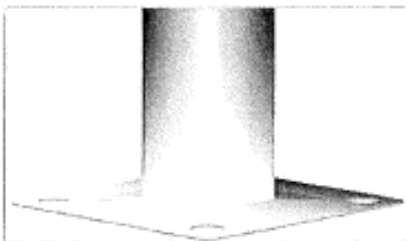
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PANEL WIDTH (MM)	2400
VERTICAL WIRE DIAMETER	5mm
HORIZONTAL WIRE DIAMETER	5mm
WIRE SPACING (MM)	50 x 150

*Options may vary from State to State view full specs

Posts



INGROUND POST HEIGHT (MM)	From 1500 to 2500
FLANGED POST HEIGHTS (MM)	From 1000 to 2000
STANDARD POSTS SPECS (MM)	50 x 50 x 1.6





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9.7 ORGANISATION

9.7.1 2013-2017 Shire of Strathbogie Council Plan – 2016/2017 Review - Fourth Quarter Report ~ 1 April to 30 June 2017

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Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest in relation to advice provided in this report

Officers providing advice in relation to this report do not have a direct or indirect interest, as provided in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1989*.

Summary

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The 2013-2017 Shire of Strathbogie Council Plan was adopted by Council at a Special Council meeting held on Wednesday 16 June 2013. Since the adoption of the 2013-2017 Council Plan, annual reviews have been undertaken, with quarterly reports presented to Council to provide an update on the status of 'Actions' in the Plan.

The 2015/2016 Review of the Council Plan was adopted by Council at a Special Council meeting held on Tuesday 9 June 2015, and quarterly reports provided to Council since that time.

This report is the final report for the 2013-2017 Shire of Strathbogie Council Plan.

The 2015/2016 Review of the 2013-2017 Shire of Strathbogie Council Plan has, in summary:

A total of 80 Actions –

- > *Goal 1 - Community Wellbeing ~ 15 Actions*
- > *Goal 2 - Environment ~ 9 Actions*
- > *Goal 3 - Financial ~ 11 Actions*
- > *Goal 4 - Governance ~ 5 Actions*
- > *Goal 5 - Industry, Business and Investment ~ 5 Actions*
- > *Goal 6 - Infrastructure ~ 26 Actions*
- > *Goal 7 - Tourism and Hospitality ~ 9 Actions*

All actions are listed for completion by 30 June 2017. Due to a variety of reasons, there may be impacts on the outcome of some Actions. Some Strategies are ongoing and have been carried over into the new 2017-2021 Council Plan, which was adopted by Council at a Special Council meeting held on Tuesday 27 June 2017.

Quarterly reports are presented to Council to provide an update on the status of the Actions. The Actions of the Plan have been reviewed and progress updated, and details are provided in the attached report.

9.7.1 2013-2017 Shire of Strathbogie Council Plan – 2016/2017 Review
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RECOMMENDATION

That the report be noted.

99/17 **CRS THOMSON/WILLIAMS** : *That the Recommendation be adopted.*

CARRIED

Background

Council is required to prepare a Council Plan every four years with the actions within that Plan changing yearly in accordance with section 125 of the *Local Government Act 1989*. The Council Plan includes the strategic objectives of Council and actions for achieving those objectives. The Council Plan is prepared in conjunction with the yearly budget to ensure cost implications are considered and accounted for.

This report is for the fourth quarter (April to June 2017) following the 2015/2016 Review of 2013-2017 Council Plan. This is also the last reporting period for the 2013-2017 Council Plan.

Alternative Options

Officers providing advice in relation to this report have considered potential alternative courses of action. No feasible alternatives have been identified.

Risk Management

The author of this report considers that there are no significant Risk Management factors relating to the report and recommendation.

Strategic Links – policy implications and relevance to Council Plan

The author of this report considers that the report is consistent with Council Policies, key strategic documents and the Council Plan.

Best Value / National Competition Policy (NCP) / Competition and Consumer Act 2010 (CCA) implications

The author of this report considers that the report is consistent with Best Value, National Competition Policy and Competition and Consumer Act requirements.

Financial / Budgetary Implications

All Council Plan actions are considered during the budget process at the start of the financial year.

Economic Implications

The author of this report considers that the recommendation has no significant economic implications for Council or the broader community.

Environmental / Amenity Implications

The author of this report considers that the recommendation has no significant environmental or amenity implications for Council or the broader community.

9.7.1 2013-2017 Shire of Strathbogie Council Plan – 2016/2017 Review
- Fourth Quarter Report ~ 1 April to 30 June 2017 (cont.)

Community Implications

The author of this report considers that the recommendation has no significant community or social implications for Council or the broader community.

Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006

The author of this report considers that the recommendation does not limit any human rights under the Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006.

Legal / Statutory Implications

The author of this report considers that the recommendation has no legal or statutory implications which require the consideration of Council.

Consultation

The author of this report considers that the matter under consideration did not warrant a community consultation process.


Attachments

Strathbogie Shire Council Plan Progress Report for the April to June 2017 quarter.



COUNCIL PLAN PROGRESS REPORT

Status Indicators Key:

-  In Progress
-  Not Started
-  Completed
-  Under Review
-  On Going

Created: 7 July 2017

GOAL: 1 A community that has equitable access to a range of quality services which respond to its diverse needs and supports the wellbeing of our communities (Community Wellbeing)


OBJECTIVE: 1.1. Plan, support and / or deliver a broad range of responsive and accessible services to our diverse community

STRATEGY: 1.1.1. Enhance the wellbeing and participation of our community


ACTION: 1.1.1.01. Continue to support and participate in the Strathbogie Health and Community Services Consortium

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Chief Executive Officer	30-Jun-2017	100%		MoU has been finalised and awaiting meeting schedule for 2017 / 18.


ACTION: 1.1.1.02. Collaborate and provide support to the development of Community Action Group Action Plans

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Manager Liveability	30-Jun-2017	100%		The community development strategy has been adopted. Community plans will be developed in line with local government legislation in the future.


ACTION: 1.1.1.03. Support the "Prevention of Violence Against Women and Children Supporting Safer Communities" Action Plan

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Manager Liveability	30-Jun-2017	100%		Council has supported the program through representation on the steering committee which has come to a close. Council continues to support white ribbon day events.

ACTION: 1.1.1.04. Investigate opportunities for Shire-wide youth cultural activities

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Manager Liveability	30-Jun-2017	100%		Council's youth program includes Evolve youth committee with members from across the shire who meet regularly to organise a range of events. FReeZA funding provides cultural activities.

ACTION: 1.1.1.05. Provide customer friendly access and services to our community.

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Manager Community Relations	30-Jun-2017	40%		Customer Contact Philosophy has certainly addressed this. We resolve over 80% of all enquiries at the first call resolution. Customer Service Benchmarking is also improving the quality of service we provide. Strathbogie has achieved No.1 out of over 30 Councils right across Australia - twice. We will continue to strive towards this target. Improvements in technology will eventually result in an online customer chat - which we hope to turn into face to face (like facetime) to improve access for our remote customers. A new customer service strategy is currently under development for discussion with the new Council once they are on board.

ACTION: 1.1.1.06. Continue to investigate funding opportunities and suitable locations for Community Precinct development (incorporating Skate facilities) in Avenel and Nagambie.


Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Manager Liveability	30-Jun-2017	50%		Council is involved with community members and young people to develop plans for better skate park facilities.

ACTION: 1.1.1.07. Support Euroa Health's new development by providing up to \$300,000 to fit out the 75 rooms by the way of beds, bed heads, overbed table and bedside cabinet, console and hall tables.


Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Chief Executive Officer	30-Jun-2017	100%		Councillors toured the facility and attended the official opening and handed over a cheque for \$300,000.

STRATEGY: 1.1.2. Increase community services to Nagambie post bypass

ACTION: 1.1.2.01. Advocate for a full time child care facility in Nagambie

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Manager Liveability	30-Jun-2017	100%		Nagambie has in place long day care programs offered at the Nagambie preschool centre to meet childcare needs.

ACTION: 1.1.2.02. Advocate for funding of Nagambie Lakes Community House

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Director Asset Services	30-Jun-2017	100%		Council supported the groups Work for the Dole initiative to construct the shed and shelter for joint use with Nagambie Tennis Club, and a successful budget bid for \$10,000 assisted the group to expand and improve the meeting room and access to external facilities.

ACTION: 1.1.2.03. Continue to advocate for an ambulance service and a combined emergency services hub based in Nagambie.

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Chief Executive Officer	30-Jun-2017	100%		A permanent ambulance service has been announced and commenced in October 2016 with support from Ambulance Victoria. The ambulance is staffed by Ambulance Community Officers, and receives paramedic support at peak times. Ambulance Victoria is continuing to monitor and analyse the service over the next 18 months.

ACTION: 1.1.2.04. Advocate for a high school in Nagambie

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Chief Executive Officer	30-Jun-2017	10%	On Going	Students living in Nagambie attend schools in Euroa, Seymour and Shepparton. Council will continue to advocate

STRATEGY: 1.1.3. Provide equitable and high standard public transport services / facilities

ACTION: 1.1.3.01. Advocate for improved train station facilities across the Shire

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Chief Executive Officer	30-Jun-2017	75%	On Going	Mayor and CEO raised concerns with Jaclyn Symes Member for Northern District at the launch of the 4th set for the North East Line.

ACTION: 1.1.3.02. Advocate for better time-tabling and shuttle services between Shepparton to Seymour and Wodonga to Seymour

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Chief Executive Officer	30-Jun-2017	75%	On Going	Mayor and CEO raised concerns with Jaclyn Symes Member for Northern District at the launch of the 4th set for the North East Line.

GOAL: 2 To promote and foster sustainable development in our natural and built environment (Environment)

OBJECTIVE: 2.1. To continue to protect and enhance the natural and built environment for current and future generations

STRATEGY: 2.1.1. Encourage clean, green environmental initiatives

ACTION: 2.1.1.01. Continue to develop the Violet Town Flood Mitigation Scheme

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Director Asset Services	30-Jun-2017	75%	?	The restriction of the current legal framework have bee identified in the Regional Floodplain Management Strategy, under development. The matter will be raised at MAV State Council.


ACTION: 2.1.1.02. Review Organic Household Waste Service roll out.

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Waste Management Engineer	30-Jun-2017	100%	✓	Review of 2015/2016 data provided to Council - 1057 tonnes organics collected. 971 tonnes of waste to landfill (47% less than 14/15). 1029 tonnes recycling collected (8% increase on 14/15). 2016/17 updates also provided.

ACTION: 2.1.1.03. Investigate and support alternative energy options for the Shire.

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Manager Sustainable Development	30-Jun-2017	100%	On Going	<p>On going discussion with private company working with private landowner for solar farm within the shire to supply Industrial businesses (Commercial in confidence)</p> <p>Presentation to Sustainable Development Reference Group regarding potential options for installation of solar on Saleyards roof - Further investigations occurring to secure anchor tenant</p> <p>One additional project in the process of investigation and discussion for alternative options in regard to alternative uses (Commercial in Confidence)</p>

ACTION: 2.1.1.04. Encourage commercial food waste collection services.


Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Waste Management Engineer	30-Jun-2017	100%		<p>Larger organics bin liners purchased and delivered to Council. Face to face discussions with interested food outlets (Cafes and bakeries etc) to promote the availability of these liners and encourage further participation in the organics collection program. A number of businesses, as well as schools, have taken up the liners with the proviso that they provide feedback on the success of the liners.</p> <p>Feedback received from all participants. All very positive and willing to continue utilising the service with larger bin liners. There are currently 167 Commercially rated properties utilising the organics collection service.</p>

STRATEGY: 2.1.2. Develop, maintain and protect our natural and built assets


ACTION: 2.1.2.01. Support the Euroa Environment Group to develop a Shire-wide Significant Tree Register on public land

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Director Asset Services	30-Jun-2017	75%	On Going	Assistance is on offer to the group


ACTION: 2.1.2.02. Adopt Council's Tree Management Plan

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Director Asset Services	30-Jun-2017	75%		The tree management plan, in draft form is being reviewed by Council Tree Project Officer. It will be presented to EMT for endorsement as part of the STEP Asset Management Project


ACTION: 2.1.2.03. Support the actions in the Shire's Community Safety Fire Action Plan

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Infrastructure Development Engineer	30-Jun-2017	80%		elements of a future 'community safety fire action plan' are currently in progress including, approved neighbourhood safer places, municipal fire inspections and notices and review of the municipal fire management plan. actions are fully supported for all above mentioned elements of the community safety fire action plan.


ACTION: 2.1.2.04. Work with the "Bush Crew" where possible as part of the Shire's revegetation programs

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Manager Assets	30-Jun-2017	%		No current revegetation program Refer to environmental officer position

ACTION: 2.1.2.05. Promote responsible dog ownership across the Shire by disposing of litter responsibly.

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Team Leader Council Business	30-Jun-2017	100%		Council's local law 6 requires dog owners to dispose of dog waste. The information is available on the council website. Council provides dog waste bags in the main streets of Euroa and Nagambie.


ACTION: 2.1.2.06. Review Council's Local Law No. 6 in relation to increasing penalties for illegal dumping such as dumping of householders' waste in public place bins.

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Team Leader Council Business	30-Jun-2017	10%		Better enforcement of the current local laws through contract management is expected to negate the need to review and change the current Local Law 6 which does not expire until 2020.

ACTION: 2.1.2.07. Include in the revision of the Road Management Plan intervention levels and Council Policy on providing Dust Suppressant.

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Director Asset Services	30-Jun-2017	95%		The provision of dust suppressant by road users has been addressed in the draft 2017 Road Management Plan review.

ACTION: 2.1.2.08. Investigate options to engage an Environmental and Land Management Officer by either shared services / contractor or direct employment, and report back to Council no later than 31/12/16.

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Director Sustainable Development	30-Jun-2017	100%		Team Leader Sustainable Development (Environmental Officer) commenced 30 January 2017. Major initiatives achieved in the solar bulk buy program and "Cities Power Partnership".

GOAL: 3 To ensure prudent, transparent and strategic financial planning which results in a sound legacy for the future (Financial)

OBJECTIVE: 3.1. Provide best practice management and administrative systems and structures to support the delivery of Council services and programs

STRATEGY: 3.1.1. Rationalise Council owned assets

ACTION: 3.1.1.01. Investigate and determine underutilised assets within the Shire

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Director - Corporate & Liveability	30-Jun-2017	90%		2016/17 target close to achievement allowing for some timing .Ongoing program future years

STRATEGY: 3.1.2. Continue to focus on improving operational efficiencies by decreasing costs


ACTION: 3.1.2.01. Continue to drive the Shared Service Project with Shepparton and Moira in an endeavour to reduce operating expenditure and ensure efficiencies of service

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Chief Executive Officer	30-Jun-2017	100%	On Going	Alliance Board continued to meet with a new Business Plan endorsed.

ACTION: 3.1.2.02. Target major Capital Works Projects to seek government funding to reduce Council's costs

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Director - Corporate & Liveability	30-Jun-2017	100%	On Going	2016/17 complete . Some applications ongoing

ACTION: 3.1.2.03. Explore and take up partnership opportunities of non-core services with other Shires and organisations

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Chief Executive Officer	30-Jun-2017	100%		Meet with a Commercial Operator to provide a skills based support staff pool.

ACTION: 3.1.2.04. Reduce Council's infrastructure gap in a financially responsible manner as per Council's Long Term Financial Plan

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Director - Corporate & Liveability	30-Jun-2017	100%	On Going	2017/18 Budget shows renewal gap closed with two major classes of assets to be funded via other means if necessary in future

ACTION: 3.1.2.05. Seek grant funding opportunities wherever possible

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Director Sustainable & Development	30-Jun-2017	100%	On Going	CEO, Executive and Management, actively seek grant opportunities relevant to the Council Plan. This is supported by external consultants and networking with government agency staff and local politicians (Federal and Local). The new Council Plan has been adopted and contains initiatives in grant opportunities. In addition Council through the Goulburn Valley Regional Collaborative Alliance has purchased the "GrantReady" software which will advance grant opportunities for Council and the community.

ACTION: 3.1.2.06. Investigate and maximise use of Special Charge Schemes / Levies.

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Director - Corporate & Liveability	30-Jun-2017	100%	On Going	Rowe Street billed . 2016/17 complete

STRATEGY: 3.1.3. Ensure Council has equitable support financially from both Federal and State Governments

ACTION: 3.1.3.01. Advocate to both Federal and State Government to ensure that the current funding formulas provide equitable funds to Local Government

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Chief Executive Officer	30-Jun-2017	100%		COuncil under its new Council Plan is formulating an Advocacy Program.

GOAL: 4 A Shire that builds trust and recognises community needs through transparent, accountable and democratic decision making (Governance)

OBJECTIVE: 4.1. To provide all our stakeholders with consistent and timely decision making

STRATEGY: 4.1.1. Engage our community in our decision making processes

ACTION: 4.1.1.01. Continue to deliver a program that provides increased Councillor interaction with the community in their local settings

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Manager Community Relations	30-Jun-2017	20%		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Road Shows for Council Plan and Budget - Ongoing media exposure for Councillors - Councillor social media pages - Improved knowledge of question time at Council meetings - Liaising with media where relevant

STRATEGY: 4.1.2. Provide a workforce that is accountable and transparent in its operations

ACTION: 4.1.2.01. Address the actions required from the Internal Auditors reports and report back to Council via the Audit Committee

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Director - Corporate & Liveability	30-Jun-2017	100%	On Going	Ongoing process.Audit Committee updated at June meeting

ACTION: 4.1.2.02. Executive Management Team to monitor and review the ongoing performance of all staff operations and report back to Council


Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Chief Executive Officer	30-Jun-2017	90%	On Going	Corporate Plan completed and the Executive Team is reviewing the new Council Plan to ensure the organisation has the resources to deliver on it and the Capital Works Program without restricting standard services.

GOAL: 5 Encourage investment and development into the Shire by having a responsive and proactive business development culture (Industry, Business and Investment)

OBJECTIVE: 5.1. Pursue opportunities to increase the range of businesses and industries in the Shire to further strengthen our economy


STRATEGY: 5.1.1. Ensure Council has the ability to provide a single point of contact for its customers

ACTION: 5.1.1.01 Seek funding to use interactive Kiosks at each Library with up to date Council information and with the ability to print

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Manager Information and Communications Technology	30-Jun-2017	100%		Unable to identify any funding for this. Living Libraries Infrastructure grant does not cover this type of equipment.

STRATEGY: 5.1.2. Support Nagambie traders post bypass

ACTION: 5.1.2.01. Support the Nagambie Lakes Tourism and Commerce Committee in relation to branding, marketing and development of High Street Nagambie retail area

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Manager Community Relations	30-Jun-2017	15%		Have worked closely with NLTC to improve visibility of the Love Strathbogie Brand - as well as supplying all of our imagery. NLTC has been closely consulted with re: the revitalisation of the main street / VIC / angle parking

STRATEGY: 5.1.3. Support and enhance a 'Can-Do' culture

ACTION: 5.1.3.01. Investigate the formation of an education alliance group around advocacy, information sharing, strategic partnership and economic development

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Director Sustainable Development	30-Jun-2017	%	?	The new Council Plan covers advocacy items as a whole separate to individual actions.

ACTION: 5.1.3.02. Support actions in Council's Economic Development Master Plan

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Economic Development Officer	30-Jun-2017	60%	+	The review of the Economic Development Master Plan was completed late 2015. Original Report - Total of 93 Actions, 21 Completed, 35 On-going, 16 In Progress, 21 Not Started. Revised Report - Total of 29 Actions, 2 Completed. 10 On-going, 11 In Progress, 6 Not Started

ACTION: 5.1.3.03. In partnership with Federal and State Government Departments, host foreign trade missions to deliver potential economic growth opportunities.

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Chief Executive Officer	30-Jun-2017	30%	On Going	Continue to look for opportunities with all levels of Government to participate in foreign trade missions.

ACTION: 5.1.3.04. Support Business Enterprise Euroa to develop and conduct a Shire-wide Business Survey.

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Director Sustainable Development	30-Jun-2017	100%	✓	Survey completed and released to the public. Councillors received a briefing in March this year.

GOAL: 6 Ensure the Shire's infrastructure enhances efficiency for people and freight movement, service delivery and community amenities (Infrastructure)

OBJECTIVE: 6.1. Provide well maintained, affordable and appropriate infrastructure

STRATEGY: 6.1.1. Provide industry standard facilities

ACTION: 6.1.1.01. Investigate options for the long term sustainability of the Euroa Saleyards including funding models and major Capital Works Programs


Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Director Asset Services	30-Jun-2017	85%	On Going	Stage 2 roofing complete . Committee considering future projects

ACTION: 6.1.1.02. Investigate funding options to redevelop the Brock Street toilets, including accessible toilets.

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Director Asset Services	30-Jun-2017	75%		Partnership funding has been secured. Quotations for the toilet block have been received. Council is project managing a combined Memorial Service Park/Toilet Block/ Carparking upgrade project.


STRATEGY: 6.1.2. Support history and cultural monuments

ACTION: 6.1.2.01. Update the long term Masterplan for the Euroa RSL and Third Age Club precinct


Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Manager Assets	30-Jun-2017	%		Current Master Plan to be reviewed in 2017. Meeting with RSL arranged for July 2017.

STRATEGY: 6.1.3. Deliver Council's bridge replacement in line with industry best practice

ACTION: 6.1.3.01. Investigate and consult in relation to providing a link bridge from the Friendlies Reserve to Memorial Oval over the Seven Creeks


Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Manager Assets	30-Jun-2017	50%		Preliminary design completed Progress dependant upon determination of Rockies Bridge proposal Survey and detail design funded in 2016-17 capital works program and to be completed by June 2017

ACTION: 6.1.3.02. Investigate the upgrading of short life bridges to long life bridges.

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Manager Assets	30-Jun-2017	50%		2016-17 capital works program provides for upgrade of four bridges and replacement of ten bridges Cullens Bridge completed

STRATEGY: 6.1.4. Provide passive and active recreational facilities and paths / tracks

ACTION: 6.1.4.01. Implement priorities for the Walking Track and Trails Strategy.

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Manager Assets	30-Jun-2017	10%		Avenel: Livingstone St pathway Stage 2 funded for construction in 2016/17 To be completed by June 2017 Euroa: Arboretum link pathway funding application submitted to VicRoads

ACTION: 6.1.4.02. Investigate options to develop an additional sport and recreation precinct in the northern section of Nagambie.

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Director Asset Services	30-Jun-2017	%		


ACTION: 6.1.4.03. Subject to funding, extend landing in front of Rowing Club around to staged area at Buckley Park and back to walking bridge at boat ramp area

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Manager Assets	30-Jun-2017	100%		Extension of landing brought to practical completion in June 2016


ACTION: 6.1.4.04. Seek funding for stage two of Avenel Recreation Reserve upgrade

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Chief Executive Officer	30-Jun-2017	100%		Funding has been confirmed for Stage 2 which includes the second netball court, realigned / new cricket nets and stage 1 of the skate park. The Committee of Management and user groups have agreed to this program.

ACTION: 6.1.4.05. Seek and secure funding to complete the Livingstone Street walking track between Mitchell Street and Jubilee Crescent, Avenel.

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Director Asset Services	30-Jun-2017	50%		Design work completed. Construction planned for May 17. Funding secured in Councils 2016/7 budget. Vicroads assistance to be requested to potentially complete the project in 2017/8

ACTION: 6.1.4.06. Support the actions as adopted in the Nagambie Lakes Waterways Strategy.

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Team Leader Council Business	30-Jun-2017	100%		The strategy has been adopted and will be reviewed by the new council. The waterways committee meets regularly. A focus on enforcement is underway to improve access and enjoyment of users and improve safety

ACTION: 6.1.4.07. Consider joint implementation of priority projects from Violet Town Action Group Community Plan and Violet Town Recreation Reserve Masterplan.

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Director Asset Services	30-Jun-2017	75%	On Going	Joint implementation of projects are being considered. The community development strategy has been adopted. Support for the action groups and community groups is provided by council officers with planning and funding for a range of projects. The VTAG workshop has been scheduled which will provide guidance to and from the action group for the future of community planning.

ACTION: 6.1.4.08. Seek funding for stage one of the Friendlies Recreation Oval upgrade.

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Chief Executive Officer	30-Jun-2017	50%		Expressions of Interest for the Stage 1 Funding Application closed on the 7th June 2017. Awaiting advice from State Government as to whether it will progress to a full funding application which is due the 11th September 2017.

ACTION: 6.1.4.09. Seek and support funding for Violet Town playground development at the Violet Town Recreation Reserve.


Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Director Sustainable Development	30-Jun-2017	100%		The funding has been re-allocated to a new toilet block at the Recreation Reserve by mutual agreement between the Action Group and Council.

STRATEGY: 6.1.5. Provide best practice asset management


ACTION: 6.1.5.01. Advocate for a pedestrian crossing at the railway gates on Birkett Street, Euroa

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Director Asset Services	30-Jun-2017	75%		Design work complete, approval being sought, State Government funding secured.


ACTION: 6.1.5.02. Investigate and introduce angle parking in Nagambie Main Street.

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Director Asset Services	30-Jun-2017	95%		Community consultation, and work of the Parking Working Group complete. Recommendations to be considered by Council 18th April 17

ACTION: 6.1.5.03. Continue to design and seek funding for town drainage / sewerage schemes

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Director Asset Services	30-Jun-2017	75%		Mansfield Road Euroa drainage project under construction, jointly funded by Vicroads. Campbell Street Euroa project being designed with potential for special charge scheme funding, Nagambie industrial estate proposed evaporation pond project being designed, with potential for cost sharing with adjoining developer.

ACTION: 6.1.5.04. Investigate the expansion of additional street lights in the Shire

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Manager Assets	30-Jun-2017	100%		Requests for additional lighting are investigated and referred to budget if needed


ACTION: 6.1.5.05. Advocate to VicRoads / VicTrack and the Australian Rail Track Corporation (ARTC) for the creation of a roundabout resulting in a safer intersection at Queen Street / Bank Street, Avenel, railway crossing.

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Director Asset Services	30-Jun-2017	75%		Project included in a regional strategic roads priority list


ACTION: 6.1.5.06. Investigate funding for upgraded Mullers Road, Nagambie.

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Director Asset Services	30-Jun-2017	75%		The project is included for consideration for funding as a Regional Development Tourism Infrastructure project


ACTION: 6.1.5.07. Investigate options, in consultation with the community, for footpaths, kerb and channelling and parking at the east end of Bank Street, Avenel.

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Manager Assets	30-Jun-2017	10%		investigation planned for early 2017


ACTION: 6.1.5.08. Continue to advocate to VicRoads for the construction of an interchange on the Hume Freeway at the Service Centre crossing, Avenel.

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Director Asset Services	30-Jun-2017	75%		Vicroads has been requested to advance the project in priority or alternatively consider a localised reduced speed zone. Awaiting Vicroads response.

ACTION: 6.1.5.09. Design and investigate funding options for kerb/channelling and widening the road surface opposite Euroa Secondary College.

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Manager Assets	30-Jun-2017	20%		Funding application submitted to VicRoads for 50% contribution Preliminary design drawings completed Funded in 2016/17 capital works program Special Charge Scheme to be implemented

ACTION: 6.1.5.10. In line with the Nagambie Growth Management Plan, commence community consultation and seek funding for the northern roundabout in High Street, Nagambie.

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Director Asset Services	30-Jun-2017	75%		Investigation and design is listed for consideration in the draft 17/18 capital program

ACTION: 6.1.5.11. Conduct community consultation in relation to traffic management design options at the corner of Binney Street and Railway Street, Euroa.

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Director Asset Services	30-Jun-2017	75%		Following abandonment of the roundabout proposal, design work is being undertaken to address a splitter island width deficiency, as identified in the road safety audit

GOAL: 7 A desirable and safe destination that supports the development of tourism and hospitality enterprises that drive economic growth across our Shire (Tourism and Hospitality)

OBJECTIVE: 7.1. Ensure a coordinated and effective approach to economic and tourism development is maintained at all times

STRATEGY: 7.1.1. Ensure there is consistent branding and marketing of the Shire

ACTION: 7.1.1.01. Work with Goulburn River Valley Tourism to advocate to relevant State Government departments for extra tourism funding


Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Manager Sustainable Development	30-Jun-2017	100%	On Going	As a member Shire of Goulburn River Valley Tourism and having a senior representative on the board, GRVT are continually working in this space. Minister John Eren has been hosted in the shire and continued networking GRVT also work with the Visitor Information Centres within the region to assist in promoting the region and recently hosted the annual V.I.C. Summit featuring 'Taste of the Region' will many accolades.

ACTION: 7.1.1.02. Ensure the successful implementation of the Tourism Strategies in the Economic Development Master Plan

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Manager Sustainable Development	30-Jun-2017	75%	On Going	This work is ongoing and is entering it's 4th year of implementation. Please refer in more detail to the Economic Development Masterplan

STRATEGY: 7.1.2 Develop the Shire’s tourism story and café culture.

ACTION: 7.1.2.01. Upgrade town information on relevant technology.

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Manager Community Relations	30-Jun-2017	5%		Working on a strategy for this.

ACTION: 7.1.2.02. Work with Goulburn River Valley Tourism to develop a Military Trail

Position(s)	Target Date	% Complete	Status	Comments
Economic Development Officer	30-Jun-2017	100%	On Going	Euroa VC have been recognised in the 100 Places in 100 Years app for Military Trail. Further development on a localised level has been discussed however will heavily be dependent upon potential funding.

9.7.2 **Shadforth Reserve Master Plan**

Author and Department

Director Asset Services / Asset Services Directorate

Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest in relation to advice provided in this report

The author of this report and officers/contractors providing advice in relation to this report do not have a direct or indirect interest, as provided in accordance with the Local Government Act 1989.

Summary

The Shadforth Reserve Master Plan document has been finalised by the consultant following the final Listening Post event of 7th June 2017.

The document provides recommendations and priorities to guide Community use of the reserve and Council's decision making, and contains costings to assist in applications for grant funding. The document has been used in its draft form to support the current Violet Town Men's Shed funding application.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Shadforth Reserve Master Plan, Rev 3 09/06/2017, be adopted.

100/17 CRS MASON/WILLIAMS : That the Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Background

Consultants, Spiire of Shepparton, were engaged to complete the master plan at a cost of \$14,850. The Steering Committee for the project comprised the former Shadforth Reserve Interim Committee of Management, together with a representative from the Violet Town Action Group and Honeysuckle Recreational Environment Project.

Steering Committee members have been provided with a copy of the document and thanked for their work.

Alternative Options

The author providing advice in relation to this report have considered potential alternative courses of action. No feasible alternatives have been identified.

Risk Management

The author considers that there are no significant Risk Management factors relating to the report and recommendation.

Strategic Links – policy implications and relevance to Council Plan

The author of this report considers that the report is consistent with Council Policies, key strategic documents and the Council Plan.

9.7.2 Shadforth Reserve Master Plan (cont.)

Best Value / National Competition Policy (NCP / Competition and Consumer Act 2010 (CCA) implications

The author of this report considers that the report is consistent with Best Value, National Competition Policy and Competition and Consumer Act requirements.

Financial / Budgetary Implications

Council's 2017/18 budget includes an amount of \$40,000 for seed funding to support applications which could be made for Government grant funding to achieve the master plan outcomes. The budget also provides \$10,000 funding to support a funding application to the State Government, which has been made by the Violet Town Men's Shed.

Economic Implications

The author of this report considers that the recommendation has no significant economic implications for Council. The Master Plan provides opportunity for development which will strengthen the local and regional economy.

Environmental / Amenity

The author of this report considers that the recommendation has no significant environmental or amenity implications for Council.

Community Implications

The opportunities identified in the Master Plan have the potential to advance Violet Town's liveability, amenity and growth. Initiatives need to be initially taken up by the community.

Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006

The author of this report considers that the recommendation does not limit any human rights under the Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006.

Legal / Statutory Implications

The author of this report considers that the recommendation has no legal or statutory implications which require the consideration of Council.

Consultation

The program of community consultation to achieve the Master Plan was as follows:

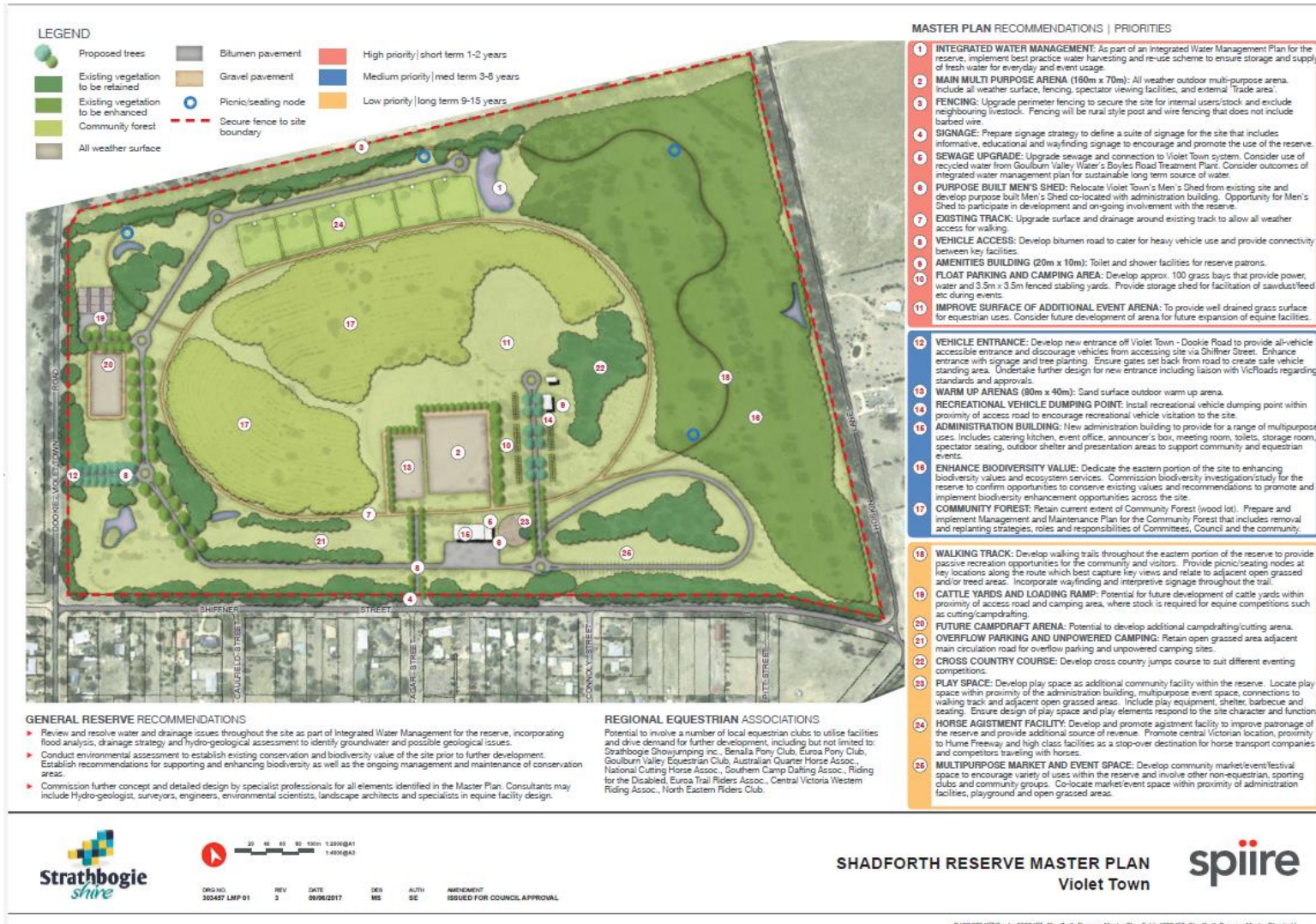
Listening Post #1 – 17th November 2016 at Violet Town Community House
Listening Post #2 – 8th December 2016 at Shadforth Reserve
Steering Committee meeting – 8th December 2016 at Shadforth Reserve
Steering Committee meeting – 22nd March at Shadforth Reserve
Listening Post #3 – 7th June 2017 at Violet Town Community House

Attachment

Shadforth Reserve Master Plan Rev3 09/06/2017

Tabled Document/s

Shadforth Reserve Master Plan Rev3 09/06/2017



9.7.3 Council Delegation of Authority to the Chief Executive Officer to Approve Road Closures for Seven (7) Regular Events

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Summary

Council approval is to be sought for the granting of a 12 month delegation of authority to the Chief Executive Officer to be able to authorise short-term road closures for seven (7) regular events:

1. Australian National Show & Shine (annual event)
2. Euroa Agricultural Show (annual event)
3. Euroa Spring Festival / Wool Week (annual event)
4. Euroa Village Farmers’ Market (monthly event)
5. Violet Town Community Market (monthly event)
6. Euroa Criterium (annual event)
7. ANZAC Day - Euroa (annual event)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council delegate power to the Chief Executive Officer for a period of 12 months to authorise the road closures for the following seven events, under Section 207 and Schedule 11, Clause 10 (1) (b) of the Local Government Act 1989 “Power to place obstruction or barriers on a road temporarily.”

1. **Australian National Show & Shine (annual event)**
2. **Euroa Spring Festival / Wool Week (annual event)**
3. **Euroa Annual Show (annual event)**
4. **Euroa Village Farmers’ Market (monthly event)**
5. **Violet Town Community Market (monthly event)**
6. **Criterium (annual event)**
7. **ANZAC Day - Euroa (annual event)**

101/17 CRS LITTLE/SWAN : That the Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Background

This 12 month delegation of authority to the CEO has previously been approved and granted by Council in September 2015 and August 2016. The current 12 month delegation of authority expires in August 2017. To improve on facilitation of annual event planning and approval processes for the above events, it has been identified that it will be of benefit to both Council staff and event organisers to now seek Council approval for this delegation of authority on an annual basis in June each year.

9.7.3 Council Delegation of Authority to the Chief Executive Officer to Approve Road Closures for Seven (7) Regular Events (cont.)

The seven events listed above are all conducted on local roads within Strathbogie Shire and all currently require Council approval for full short-term road closures. There are no officers within the organisation with delegated authority to approve full road closures.

1. The 2017 Australian National Show & Shine will be taking place on Sunday 1 October 2017, and is a regular annual event in Euroa which is always held on the first weekend each October. In 2016, inclement weather resulted in the last-minute relocation of this event from the Seven Creeks Park, Bury Street and Kirkland Avenue onto Binney Street, Brock Street, Bury Street and Kirkland Avenue. Due to the success and positive response to the relocated 2016 event, the organisers are now seeking Council approval to expand the event to incorporate Seven Creeks Park, Kirkland Avenue, Bury Street, Brock Street and Binney Street for 2017 and also future annual events.
2. The Euroa Agricultural Show will be taking place on Saturday 28 October 2017, and is a regular annual event in Euroa.
3. The Euroa Spring Festival / Wool Week Street Parade and Street Festival will be taking place on Saturday 4 November 2017, and is a regular annual event in Euroa. The Euroa Spring Festival / Wool Week Family Day and Bush Market will be taking place on Sunday 5 November 2017, and is a regular annual event in Euroa.
4. The Euroa Village Farmers' Market is a regular monthly event held on the 3rd Saturday of each month.
5. The Violet Town Community Market is a regular monthly event held on the 2nd Saturday of each month.
6. The Euroa Criterium is an annual road cycling event run by the Rotary Club of Euroa and will potentially take place in April 2018 (date TBC).
7. ANZAC Day Euroa march is held every year on 25 April. The other town services are held on VicRoads roads.

Alternative Options

The author and other officers providing advice in relation to this report have considered potential alternative courses of action. No feasible alternatives have been identified

Risk Management

The author of this report considers that there are no significant Risk Management factors relating to the report and recommendation.

All of the above events have been held on a regular (yearly or monthly) basis over previous years. On a yearly basis the organising bodies of these events are required to submit to Council the required event application forms, event management plans, traffic management plans and proof of the required public liability insurance policies. The relevant officers within Council assess all of this submitted documentation on a yearly basis and determine that the required measures are in place for all of these events to take place safely.

Strategic Links – policy implications and relevance to Council Plan

The author of this report considers that the report is consistent with Council Policies, key strategic documents and the Council Plan.

9.7.3 Council Delegation of Authority to the Chief Executive Officer to Approve Road Closures for Seven (7) Regular Events (cont.)

Best Value / National Competition Policy (NCP / Competition and Consumer Act 2010 (CCA) implications

The author of this report considers that the report is consistent with Best Value, National Competition Policy and Competition and Consumer Act requirements.

Financial / Budgetary Implications

The author of this report considers that the recommendation has no capital or recurrent budget considerations.

Economic Implications

These seven events all attract a significant number of people to the townships of Euroa and Violet Town, both from within the local community and also from further afield. This influx of patrons attending these events subsequently provides significant economic benefits to many local businesses and the community as a whole.

Environmental / Amenity Implications

The author of this report considers that the recommendation has no significant environmental or amenity implications for Council or the broader community.

Community Implications

Vehicular access to residential and business properties along any of these short term road closures may be restricted for the duration of these events. The organising bodies of these events are required to notify all affected residents and business operators, and also place local newspaper advertisements to inform the public of these road closures. These regular road closures are not currently causing any known access issues or public concern.

Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006

The author of this report considers that the recommendation does not limit any human rights under the Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006.

Legal / Statutory Implications

The author of this report considers that the recommendation has no legal or statutory implications which require the consideration of Council, other than the exercise of powers under the Local Government Act 1989.

Consultation

This matter will require Council consideration and community consultation, proposed to be undertaken by the organisers.

Attachments

Nil.

9.7.4 Strathbogie Shire Council Domestic Animal Management Plan 2017-2021

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Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest in relation to advice provided in this report

The author of this report and officers/contractors providing advice in relation to this report do not have a direct or indirect interest, as provided in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1989*.

Summary

Under the *Domestic Animals Act 1994* (the Act) all Victorian Councils must, in consultation with the Secretary of the Department of Environment and Primary Industries, prepare a Domestic Animal Management (DAM) Plan. Council has a legal obligation under the Act to produce the DAM Plan every four years. The contents required in the Plan are prescribed in the legislation and each section of the report has reference to the parts of legislation are being addressed.

The purpose of the Act is to promote animal welfare, responsible pet ownership and to protect the environment. Council's first plan was adopted by the Council in 2008.

The DAM Plan is complemented by, and will be used in conjunction with, Council's Community Local Law Number 6, the Planning Scheme and relevant Acts, Regulations and Codes of Practice.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve the Domestic Animal Management Plan 2017-2021; and

- **Authorise that the approval of the Plan be advised to the community by placing a notice in the local paper.**
- **Place a copy of the Plan on Council's website.**

102/17 **CRS SWAN/LITTLE** : *That the Recommendation be adopted.*

CARRIED

Background

The *Domestic Animal Act 1994* requires the Strathbogie Shire Council to develop a Domestic Animal Management Plan (DAM) for the period 2017 to 2021. The purpose of the Act is *"to promote animal welfare, the responsible ownership of cats and dogs and the protection of the environment."*

The Domestic Animal Management Plan provides Council with a strategic framework that identifies policy direction and an action plan for animal management in the municipality, and residents with guidelines for the keeping and management of domestic animals.

9.7.4 Strathbogie Shire Council Domestic Animal Management Plan 2017-2021 (cont.)

In accordance with the Act, the objective of the Domestic Animal Management Plan 2017-2021 is to facilitate actions within the community that promote the values of responsible pet ownership and high standards of animal welfare.

Council currently has 1943 dogs and 382 cats registered, however it is believed that there may be considerably more animals in the community than are currently registered. Experience throughout Victoria has shown that higher levels of registration generally lead to higher levels of responsible pet ownership. Councils with higher registration rates generally experience lower levels of complaint about animals.

In addition to the intent of the DAM to promote responsible pet ownership and respond to both community and legislative expectations is the inclusion of activities relating to domestic animal businesses.

The goal of the plan is to balance the needs of pet owners and the needs of others in the community by providing sound animal management practices based on education, service delivery the enforcement of legislative requirements, local laws and planning controls.

Risk Management

The author of this report considers that there are no significant Risk Management factors relating to the report and recommendation.

Strategic Links – policy implications and relevance to Council Plan

The author of this report considers that the report is consistent with Council Policies, key strategic documents and the Council Plan.

Best Value / National Competition Policy (NCP / Competition and Consumer Act 2010 (CCA) implications

The author of this report considers that the report is consistent with Best Value, National Competition Policy and Competition and Consumer Act requirements.

Financial / Budgetary Implications

The author of this report considers that the recommendation has no capital or recurrent budget considerations.

Economic Implications

The author of this report considers that the recommendation has no significant economic implications for Council or the broader community.

Environmental / Amenity Implications

In accordance with the purpose of the *Domestic Animals Act 1994*, the Plan promotes the protection of the environment and seeks to increase the amenity of the animal management of the Shire.

Community Implications

The community will have an expectation that Council will monitor, manage and control the activities relating to domestic animals. This Plan will provide Council with the framework to manage this expectation.

9.7.4 Strathbogie Shire Council Domestic Animal Management Plan 2017-2021 (cont.)

Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006

The author of this report considers that the recommendation does not limit any human rights under the *Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006*.

Legal / Statutory Implications

The *Domestic Animals Act 1994* requires all Victorian Councils to prepare a Domestic Animal Management Plan. Council has a legal obligation under the Act to produce the DAM Plan every four years. The contents required in the Plan are prescribed in the legislation and each section of the report has reference to the parts of legislation are being addressed.

Consultation

As the implications of the Plan will impact community members it is important that residents have an opportunity to view the Plan. As indicated in the recommendation it is the intent of the author to make the Plan available to the community through a public notice and on the website. The Domestic Animal Management Plan 2017-2021 must be developed in consultation with the Secretary in accordance with Section 68A (1) of the *Domestic Animals Act 1994*. The requirement is met in that Council officers completed the relevant training and based the plan format on the pro-forma provided by the Bureau of Animal Welfare and requirements set out in Section 68A(2) of the Act.

Attachments

Draft Council Domestic Animal Management Plan 2017-2021.



DOMESTIC ANIMAL MANAGEMENT PLAN

2017-2021

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LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK

Domestic Animal Management Plans

Under Section 68A of the Domestic Animals Act 1994, every Council must prepare a domestic animal management plan, as follows:

68A Councils to prepare domestic animal management plans

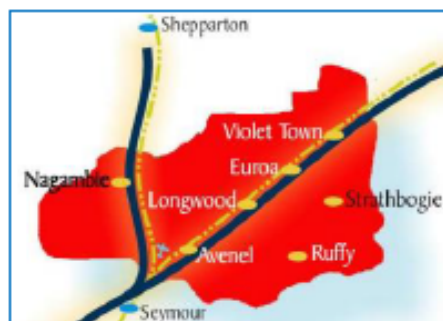
- (1) Every Council must, in consultation with the Secretary (*of the Department of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport and Resources*), prepare at 4 year intervals a domestic animal management plan.
- (2) A domestic animal management plan prepared by a Council must—
 - (a) set out a method for evaluating whether the animal control services provided by the Council in its municipal district are adequate to give effect to the requirements of this Act and the regulations; and
 - (b) outline programs for the training of authorised officers to ensure that they can properly administer and enforce the requirements of this Act in the Council's municipal district; and
 - (c) outline programs, services and strategies which the Council intends to pursue in its municipal district—
 - (i) to promote and encourage the responsible ownership of dogs and cats; and
 - (ii) to ensure that people comply with this Act, the regulations and any related legislation; and
 - (iii) to minimise the risk of attacks by dogs on people and animals; and
 - (iv) to address any over-population and high euthanasia rates for dogs and cats; and
 - (v) to encourage the registration and identification of dogs and cats; and
 - (vi) to minimise the potential for dogs and cats to create a nuisance; and
 - (vii) to effectively identify all dangerous dogs, menacing dogs and restricted breed dogs in that district and to ensure that those dogs are kept in compliance with this Act and the regulations; and
 - (d) provide for the review of existing orders made under this Act and local laws that relate to the Council's municipal district with a view to determining whether further orders or local laws dealing with the management of dogs and cats in the municipal district are desirable; and
 - (e) provide for the review of any other matters related to the management of dogs and cats in the Council's municipal district that it thinks necessary; and
 - (f) provide for the periodic evaluation of any program, service, strategy or review outlined under the plan.
- (3) Every Council must—
 - (a) review its domestic animal management plan annually and, if appropriate, amend the plan; and
 - (b) provide the Secretary with a copy of the plan and any amendments to the plan; and
 - (c) publish an evaluation of its implementation of the plan in its annual report.

CONTEXT

Strathbogrie Shire

Strathbogrie Shire is located in north-central Victoria and incorporates a diverse rural community served by townships including Avenel, Euroa, Nagambie and Violet Town. The shire's population of around 10,274 people includes around 3,191 people in rural areas and smaller towns such as Graytown, Longwood, Ruffy and Strathbogrie (2016 ABS Census).

The shire encompasses a total land area of 3,300 square kilometres, with land mainly used for agriculture, particularly wool, grain, cattle, horse studs and vineyards.



Major features and enterprises in the shire include the Strathbogrie Ranges, Heathcote-Graytown National Park, Goulburn River, Goulburn Weir, Lake Nagambie, Nagambie Lakes Regatta Centre, Violet Town Community Market, Mangalore Airport, Mitchelton Winery, Fowles Wine, Tahbilk Winery, Lindsay Park Racing and horse studs.

Strathbogrie Shire enjoys excellent transport linkages via the Goulburn Valley Freeway, Hume Freeway, Goulburn Valley Highway and the Melbourne-Shepparton and Melbourne-Wodonga railway lines.

Population growth in Strathbogrie Shire is generally stronger in the south, with Nagambie's population, for example, having increased by around 22% between the 2011 and 2016 ABS censuses to 1,886 people. Overall, the shire is predicted to grow at a slower rate than Melbourne and neighbouring municipalities, and like most areas in Australia, the population is ageing, with some 28.4% of the total population over 65 years old, compared to 15.6% for Victoria as a whole.

The shire has a rural economic base of wool, grain and cattle production, extensive vineyards at Nagambie and throughout the Strathbogrie Ranges and a wide range of intensive cool climate horticultural enterprises. The shire is home to a strong and growing equine industry and markets itself as the 'Horse Capital of Victoria'.

Strategic Planning Context

The purpose of the Domestic Animal Management Plan 2017-2021 is to guide Council's planning and decision-making in relation to regulatory controls and service provision that promote the values of responsible pet ownership and high standards of animal welfare.

This objective is underwritten in the Council Plan 2017-2021 through Council's Mission "To support our community to grow through effective partnerships, engagement and equitable and efficient delivery of services."

Relevant Goals and Key Strategies in the Council Plan include:

Goal 1:

- "To enhance community health and wellbeing"

Key Strategies:

- "Plan for improved community health, wellbeing and liveability".

1. TRAINING OF AUTHORISED OFFICERS

1.1 CURRENT SITUATION

Strathbogie Shire Council outsources the provision of animal management / ranger services to 4SITE Australia Pty Ltd via contract. 4SITE has twelve years of experience in undertaking similar work for other councils and state government departments. The contract is based on Key Performance Indicators set by Council for the supply of the service and these standards are reported against monthly by the contractor.

4SITE provides contract rangers for 48 weeks each year, based at Euroa. After-hours emergency callouts are monitored by 4SITE and are actioned by the appropriate officer. Contract staff and/or Council staff respond to emergencies based on the specific issue and the location of the emergency.

4SITE staff are required to meet the minimum standards set by the *Domestic Animals Act* to be delegated officers of Council. 4SITE provides a Senior Ranger who manages relevant staff and day-to-day operations. A fulltime Ranger is based at Euroa and 4SITE also provides two casual and part-time staff who respond to after-hours callouts and cover for the Ranger when required.

1.2 CURRENT AND PLANNED TRAINING

Who	Current Qualifications	Planned Authorised Officer Training	When
Mark Morey	Certificate 4 - Animal Control & Regulation	First Aid - Level Two	1/10/2017
Lance Carroll		Public Relations Training / Conflict Resolution	1/07/2018
		Certificate 4 - Animal Control & Regulation	1/12/2018
Norm Hussell	Certificate 4 - Animal Control & Regulation	Public Relations Training / Conflict Resolution	1/07/2018

1.3 OUR PLANS

Objective 1: Develop a training policy that clearly identifies minimum training requirements and any additional training needs that should be undertaken by Authorised Officers.

Activity	When	Evaluation
Identify minimum training requirements by consultation with management and staff.	Annually	Documentation to be finalised and incorporated into an approved council training policy.
Assess and redevelop induction program for any new Local Laws Officer.	31 December 2017	Documentation to be finalised and incorporated into an approved council training policy.

Objective 2: Ensure Authorised Officers maintain currency of skills and knowledge.

Activity	When	Evaluation
Ensure all Authorised Officers maintain minimum qualifications as required by legislation and the Ranger and Local Law Services contract.	Upon changes to qualifications or legislative requirements	Copies of certificates and completed training to be provided to Council.

2. REGISTRATION AND IDENTIFICATION

2.1 CURRENT SITUATION AND PRACTICE

The Domestic Animals Act 1994 outlines clear requirements and procedures for the registration of cats and dogs within the municipality. Registration of animals is important to help identification and return to owners of animals that are lost or wandering or causing a nuisance, potentially avoiding impounding of these animals. In recent years, there has been a decrease in registered animals being impounded in Strathbogie Shire.

This section outlines objectives and activities to encourage the registration and identification of dogs and cats per the Domestic Animals Act provisions.

❖ No. of registered dogs

2012/13	2,136
2013/14:	2,004
2014/15:	2,036
2015/16:	1,889
2016/17:	1,943

❖ No. of registered cats

2012/13	405
2013/14:	397
2014/15:	405
2015/16:	389
2016/17:	382

Ongoing Council programs and initiatives include:

- Registration of domestic cats and dogs over 3 months of age.
- Renewal notices forwarded to animal owners with reminders to encourage compliance with registration.
- Follow up owners who fail to register animals including face to face follow up and spot audits in areas of low registrations.
- Community education and promotion on the importance of registration of animals using multiple forms of contact eg: rates notices, local radio, newsletters.
- Community education and promotion on the difference between microchipping and registration.
- Ensuring registration and microchipping of animals prior to release from Council pounds.
- Promotion of waiver of registration fee for the year of registration where animals are rehomed through Council's service, the Lost Dogs Home, RSPCA or other service provider.
- Regular audits and updates of the animal registration data base to ensure the correct and current information is available.
- Providing investigation and compliance services for breaches of animal registration.
- Seeking voluntary compliance for breaches through education before progressing to more formal compliance methods depending on the seriousness of the matter.

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2.2 OUR PLANS

Objective 1: Ensure the accuracy of council registration database by cross-referencing with microchip registry data.

Activity	When	Evaluation
Maintain accuracy of council pet registration database by contact with microchip registries to obtain details of dogs and cats in the municipality that are microchipped. Check all animals are also listed on council's pet registration database, and follow up those that are not.	31 December 2017)	Demonstrate council's pet registration database can be accurately cross referenced with microchip registries Demonstrate increase in numbers of pets registered with council following microchip registry cross referencing exercise

Objective 2: Strive to increase the number of identifiable animals.

Activity	When	Evaluation
Ensure all seized and impounded animals are registered to their owner prior to release.	Prior to every release	Ensure that all seized dogs and cats are registered and/or identifiable at the point of return or rehousing.
Targeted door knocking to check for unregistered and unidentified dogs and cats. Audit to be widely advertised prior to commencement.	As required	Review movement in registration numbers. Review number of dogs and cats being seized and impounded who are not registered to their owner. Records of number of unregistered and unidentified animals picked up during door knocks.
Follow-up on non-renewals of dog and cat registrations.	Annually – May / June	Review movement in registration numbers.

Objective 3: Education regarding awareness of requirement for Council registration

Activity	When	Evaluation
Media coverage on value of registration and timing. <i>(Note: Throughout this Plan, "Media" may include media releases, newspaper articles / advertisements, local radio, social media, Council brochures and Council website.)</i>	Annually – February	Record media used.
Consider media coverage to promote annual 'Registration Blitz'.	Annually – February	Record media used.

3. NUISANCE

3.1 CURRENT SITUATION AND PRACTICE

The Domestic Animals Act 1994 outlines requirements for Council to manage domestic animal nuisance problems. Strathbogie Shire has developed additional requirements in Local Law No 6 to assist with managing potential animal nuisance through requiring dogs to be on leash unless in designated off leash areas and requiring appropriate fencing to be in place to contain animals on private land.

This section outlines objectives and activities to minimise the potential for domestic animals to create a nuisance.

❖ No. of reports of domestic animals at large

2013/14:	162
2014/15:	158
2015/16:	139
2016/17:	155

❖ Animals impounded and returned to owners

2015/16	56
2016/17:	34

Ongoing Council programs and initiatives include:

- Community education on responsible ownership relating to how to keep cats and dogs secure on a property.
- Community education on causes of animal nuisance and how to report nuisance animal complaints.
- Providing information to animal owners on services and programs to assist with animal nuisance issues.
- Promotion to residents of the designated off-leash areas, areas in which dogs are required to be on-leash and areas in which dogs are prohibited.
- Responding to nuisance complaints and following up on compliance within 24 hours.
- Provision of cat cages for trapping nuisance cats.
- Facilitation of mediated outcomes between parties for animal nuisance complaints where practicable.
- Providing the opportunity to return wandering registered animals to owners for first time occurrences and impounding unregistered animals or registered animals when repeat offences occur.

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3.2 OUR PLANS

Objective 1: Manage the incidents of wandering or feral cats.

Activity	When	Evaluation
Provide Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act (POCTA) compliant cat cages to local residents for trapping cats trespassing on their property.	Ongoing	Number of animals trapped.
Media concerning issues of stray and feral cats.	Twice yearly	Record media. Brochures available customer service centres.

Objective 2: Manage dog nuisance complaints.

Activity	When	Evaluation
Encourage responsible pet ownership by providing information on issues such as socialisation, effective confinement and the appropriate use of anti-bark collars through media and officer contact.	Ongoing	Record number of nuisance complaints.
Provide information on Council's web site on how to report nuisance animal complaints.	June 2018	Clear process on web site for reporting animal nuisances.

Objective 3: Dogs at large complaint resolution.

Activity	When	Evaluation
Provide education on responsible pet ownership to ensure animals are securely contained through web site and media.	Ongoing	Assess trends in animals at large data to evaluate effectiveness of information and controls.
Return stray animals to owners for first time occurrences, subject to compliance with Domestic Animals Act (i.e., animal is registered etc).	Ongoing	Record No. of animals returned.

Objective 4: Provision of dog friendly open space

Activity	When	Evaluation
Investigate access to specific off-leash areas, that are clearly identifiable to all of the community, to meet the 'free-running' and playing needs of dogs.	June 2018	Designated off leash areas confirmed with community input.

4. DOG ATTACKS

4.1 CURRENT SITUATION AND PRACTICE

The Domestic Animals Act 1994 provides Council with the power to minimise, respond to and manage issues related to dog attacks. The experience at Strathbogie Shire has been that most dog attacks to people and other animals occur from dogs at large or dogs not being effectively controlled in public places.

This section outlines objectives and activities to minimise the risk of attacks by dogs on people and animals.

❖ No. of reported dog attacks

2013/14:	24
2014/15:	24
2015/16:	16
2016/17:	18

Ongoing Council programs and initiatives include:

- Community education on responsible ownership relating to how to keep cats and dogs secure on a property.
- Community education about the risk of dog attacks through active promotion of Bureau of Animal Welfare (BAW) Responsible Pet Ownership programs.
- Promotion of information concerning responsible pet ownership to children and families via health centres, pre schools and primary schools.
- Encouraging de-sexing of animals at registration to lower the likelihood of wandering animals.
- Auditing properties of declared, dangerous and menacing dogs for compliance with standards.
- Responding to notification of dog attack immediately.
- Providing access to an after-hours service for reporting dog attacks.

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4.2 OUR PLANS

Objective 1: Raise community awareness of the implications of dog attacks.

Activity	When	Evaluation
Use media to raise awareness of the risk of dog attacks in the home and in public places, with information on how to reduce these risks and how to report dog attacks.	School Holiday periods	Record media events. Evaluate level of reporting of dog attacks pre and post media with possible higher levels of reporting based on awareness.
Assist in the promotion of awareness of Bureau of Animal Welfare (BAW) programs via Council's website to help manage animal behaviour.	School Holidays periods	Monitor and compare number of reported dog attack incidents.

Objective 2: Education of dog attacks on stock.

Activity	When	Evaluation
Educate landowners as to DPI guidelines on trespassing dog attacks on stock.	Twice yearly	Assess number of reported dog attack on stock annually.
Promote and make available the BAW booklet on: "Responsible ownership of working dogs".	Ongoing	Assess number of reported dog attack on stock incidents annually.

Objective 3: Effective responses to prevent and respond to dog attacks.

Activity	When	Evaluation
Conduct regular patrols to encourage dogs to be confined to premises.	Ongoing	Record levels of patrols.
Update dog attack investigation and enforcement policy and procedures.	December 2017	Updated procedures.

5. DANGEROUS, MENACING AND RESTRICTED BREED DOGS

5.1 CURRENT SITUATION AND PRACTICE

Dangerous, menacing and restricted breeds of dogs are all controlled by the Domestic Animals Act 1994.

This section outlines objectives and activities to identify, record and manage dangerous dogs, menacing dogs and restricted breed dogs.

❖ No. of declared menacing dogs

2013/14:	0
2014/15:	0
2015/16:	2
2016/17:	3

Ongoing Council programs and initiatives include:

- Providing information to residents on the types of declared dogs and how they are to be identified and kept in compliance with the Act and Regulations.
- Ensuring all owners of declared dogs are aware of their obligations under the Act regarding identification and the keeping of these dogs by providing them with relevant information.
- Ensuring all declared dogs are accurately registered on the Victorian Declared Dog Registry and that any changes to details are updated as soon as possible.
- Annual audits of all properties housing declared dangerous, menacing and restricted breed dogs.
- Monitoring of registrations and animal complaints for potential restricted breed dogs.
- Not accepting new registrations of a restricted breed dogs in the municipality and seizing dogs suspected of being restricted breeds.

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5.2 OUR PLANS

Objective 1: Develop clear policy and procedures for Declared Dogs in the municipality by June 2018

Activity	When	Evaluation
Ensure that Council's declaration policies and procedures are sound and robust to support any appeals before VCAT. Ensure Council has specific declaration procedures for each of type of declaration (i.e., Dangerous, Menacing and Restricted Breed dogs).	June 2018	Completed procedures and successful defence of declaration upon review.

Objective 2 Community awareness of dangerous and menacing dogs.

Activity	When	Evaluation
Educate the community about what constitutes a declared dog via web site	Ongoing	Monitor website activity.

Objective 3 Effectively inspect and audit all declared dog premises annually to ensure they are compliant.

Activity	When	Evaluation
Inspect and audit all declared dog premises annually to ensure compliance.	Annually	Review and monitor number of breaches annually.
Encourage and assist all owners of declared dogs to be aware of their obligations under the Act regarding identification and keeping these dogs by providing them with relevant sections of the Act, brochures, fact sheets/develop information kit.	Annually	Reduction in breaches.

Objective 4 Ensure guard dogs are appropriately registered and housed.

Activity	When	Evaluation
Inspect industrial areas in the municipality for dogs housed or kept for guarding purposes.	Annually	Monitor compliance.

6. OVERPOPULATION AND HIGH EUTHANASIA

6.1 CURRENT SITUATION AND PRACTICE

The Domestic Animals Act 1994 provides guidance and procedures related to euthanasia of domestic animals. Strathbogie Shire aims to return lost animals to owners wherever possible, however this relies on animals being identifiable through micro-chipping or tags, and euthanasia is a last resort.

This section outlines objectives and activities to address any over-population and high euthanasia rates for domestic animals.

❖ No. of animals rehomed

2013/14:	12
2014/15:	18
2015/16:	15
2016/17:	12

Ongoing Council programs and initiatives include:

- Promotion of registration and microchipping of domestic cats and dogs over 3 months of age to increase likelihood of return to owners.
- Community education on responsible ownership relating to how to keep cats and dogs secure on a property.
- Community education on detrimental impacts from over population of domestic animals and euthanasia outcomes particularly related to stray animals.
- Establishing Section 84Y agreements with appropriate animal agencies/shelters to facilitate rehousing programs. Council has Section 84Y agreements with Strathbogie Veterinary Clinic, Euroa Veterinary Clinic and Victorian Dog Rescue and Resource Group Inc.
- Promotion of rehousing/adoption programs, including waiver of registration fee for the year of registration where animals are rehomed through Council's service, the Lost Dogs Home, RSPCA or other service provider.
- Providing information to the community concerning lost and found animals to promote return and/or rehousing.
- Investigation of reports of unregistered breeders.

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6.2 OUR PLANS**Objective 1: Reduce the number of unwanted animals.**

Activity	When	Evaluation
Use media to encourage de-sexing of pets.	Twice yearly	Changes in the longer term in regard to the proportion of de-sexed animals on pet registration database, proportion of impounded pets that are de-sexed etc.
Investigate discount de-sexing days or ongoing subsidised de-sexing for pets of low income earners via agreements with local vet clinics.	June 2018	Increased de-sexing rates.
Proactively seek to enter S84Y agreements with other agencies to provide opportunities for re-housing and returns and promote via relevant media.	Monthly	Review of data recording number of animals rehoused.
Provide and promote first registration free of charge (i.e. registration fee refunded) if animal adopted from pound or shelter.	Ongoing	Increased re-housing and possibly de-sexing.

Objective 2: Identify and close down all illegally operating Domestic Animal Breeding establishments in the municipality

Activity	When	Evaluation
Undertake education campaign to promote awareness about definition of Domestic Animal Breeding establishments and Code Of Practice requirements for businesses. Follow up people advertising pets for sale (eg in local papers or on local noticeboards), to determine if they are a DAB and are registered with council.	June 2018	Compare number of council registered breeding establishments before and after campaign.
Audit every Domestic Animal Breeding business annually for compliance. Enforce compliance with minimum requirements.	Annually	Number of audits conducted, and summary of outcomes (including any Domestic Animal Breeding business closed due to non-compliance).

Objective 3: Encourage the reduction of the number of unwanted litters of cats.

Activity	When	Evaluation
Provide a link to "Who's for Cats?" website and promote other educational programs on Council's website and offices.	Ongoing	Monitor website activity Record number of semi owned cats handed in to the pound

7. DOMESTIC ANIMAL BUSINESSES

7.1 CURRENT SITUATION AND PRACTICE

Pursuant to the Domestic Animals Act 1994, Domestic Animal Businesses include a Council pound, a dog and/or cat breeding business, a dog training establishment, a pet shop, an animal shelter, an establishment boarding dogs or cats, or an establishment that is rearing dogs or cats.

This section outlines objectives and activities to ensure domestic animal businesses operate consistent with the provisions of the Domestic Animal Act.

❖ No. of domestic animal business

2016/17: 2

Ongoing Council programs and initiatives include:

- Registration and renewal of all Domestic Animal Businesses situated within the municipal district.
- Distribution and provision of information related to Domestic Animal Businesses and the relevant codes of practice to operators and owners.
- Regular audits of all registered Domestic Animal Businesses to ensure compliance.
- Investigation of complaints concerning Domestic Animal Business or unregistered businesses and undertaking appropriate enforcement proceedings where relevant.

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7.2 OUR PLANS

Objective 1: Identify and register all Domestic Animal Businesses in the municipality.

Activity	When	Evaluation
Identify all businesses that should be registered Domestic Animal Businesses (DABs) in the municipality using Yellow Pages and similar tools. Follow up to determine whether they are and should be registered with Council.	June 2018	Compare number of registered DABs before and after activity (likely increase).

Objective 2: Identify and manage all potential excess animal/DABs in the municipality.

Activity	When	Evaluation
Proactively identify excess animals/ unregistered DABs using animal register and door knocking.	Ongoing	Compare number of registered DABs before and after each activity.
Investigate the ability for applicable organisations to provide Council with Statement of Compliance for members operating within the municipality.	Ongoing	Report on findings of investigation.

Objective 3: Annual audit of registered domestic animal businesses.

Activity	When	Evaluation
Conduct inspections, set fees and audit DABs.	Annually	Report on action taken.
Develop a policy to deal with DABs audit outcomes.	June 2018	Policy developed and provides clear, consistent steps to deal with breaches.
Ensure compliance with all relevant sections of the Act.	Annually or as required	Report on action taken.

Objective 4: Effectively resource door knocking activity.

Activity	When	Evaluation
Resource post animal registration process to include annual door knocking to audit potential owners of excess animals.	Annually	Compliance with local laws and relevant legislation.

Objective 5: Effectively ensure compliance of applicable organisation members operating within municipality.

Activity	When	Evaluation
Forward welfare complaints received about members' operations to the relevant applicable organisation.	As required	Monitor currency of membership at animal registration renewal and follow up if required.

8. OTHER MATTERS

Emergency Management and Animal Welfare

8.1 CURRENT SITUATION

The Domestic Animals Act 1994 allows for the Domestic Animal Management Plan to consider any other matters that may be relevant to domestic animals in the Council's municipal district.

This section focusses specifically on domestic animals in relation to emergency management planning.

Ongoing Council programs and initiatives include:

- Inclusion of domestic animals as a consideration in the Municipal Emergency Response Plan.
- Community education on what to think about in terms of domestic animals in the case of an emergency or evacuation.
- Promotion of registration and micro-chipping of domestic cats and dogs over 3 months of age to increase likelihood of return to owners in case of an emergency.
- Working with other relevant animal welfare agencies to manage domestic animal issues during emergency events.

8.2 OUR PLANS

Objective 1: Inclusion of Animal & Stock Emergency Welfare Plan in Municipal Emergency Response Planning

Activity	When	Evaluation
Include an Animal and Stock Emergency Welfare Plan as part of the Municipal Emergency Response Plan.	Ongoing	Animal and Stock Emergency Welfare Plan included in Municipal Emergency Response Plan.
Use media to educate pet owners on what to consider in an emergency. (This include food, water, bowls, bedding, cage, medication, registration, micro-chipping and external identification – e.g. collar with registration tag.)	Annually	Record media events.

ANNUAL REVIEW OF PLAN AND ANNUAL REPORTING

Under Section 68A(3) of the Act:

Every Council must—

- a) review its domestic animal management plan annually and, if appropriate, amend the plan*
- b) provide the Department of Primary Industries' Secretary with a copy of the plan and any amendments to the plan*
- c) publish an evaluation of its implementation of the plan in its annual report.*

As per this legislative requirement, Council will review its Domestic Animal Management Plan annually to assess whether any amendments are necessary in order to ensure the Plan is relevant and can be completed within the required timeframes.

The annual assessment will focus on:

- **Activities** – the extent to which the Activities were completed and successful
- **Objectives** – the extent to which the Objectives were met by carrying out the Activities

In the final year of the Plan, Council will undertake a major review and commence drafting of the Domestic Animal Management Plan for 2020 - 2024.

9.7.5 Public Open Space Contributions Policy

Author and Department

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Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest in relation to advice provided in this report

The author of this report and officers/contractors providing advice in relation to this report do not have a direct or indirect interest, as provided in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1989*.

Summary

This policy relates to public open space (POS) contributions collected by Council under the *Subdivision Act 1988 (the SA 1988)* and the *Planning and Environment Act 1987 (the P&EA 1987)* as part of the subdivision approval process. POS contributions may be made in the form of land set aside or a payment to Council, or a combination of both.

The draft policy is attached for consideration.

In addition to complement the draft policy, it is recommended that the schedule of contribution rates is included in the Strathbogie Planning Scheme (schedule to *Clause 52.01, Public Open Space Contributions and Subdivision*).

RECOMMENDATION

That Council resolve to:

- 1. Adopt the draft (amended) Public Open Space Contributions Policy as attached.**
- 2. Include as part of the Municipal Strategic Statement review (Strathbogie Planning Scheme amendment) an inclusion in Clause 52.01 a schedule of contribution rates.**

103/17 CRS THOMSON/SWAN : That the Recommendation be adopted, subject to amendment to Section 3 of the Policy, as shown in the attached Policy.

CARRIED

Background

There is a statutory obligation for Council under the *SA 1988 and the P&EA 1987* to ensure that POS contributions are used in accordance with the intent of the legislation. The attached draft policy recommends a framework for the allocation of the contributions which is also consistent with audit requirements. It will give assurance to developers and the general community that the contributions are being appropriately expended.

Alternative Options

The alternative is not to adopt the policy or implement a schedule of rates into the Planning Scheme and remain with the status quo.

9.7.5 Public Open Space Contributions Policy (cont.)

Risk Management

There are no risk management issues associated with policy.

Strategic Links – policy implications and relevance to Council Plan

The author of this report considers that the report is consistent with Council Policies, key strategic documents and the Council Plan.

Best Value / National Competition Policy (NCP / Competition and Consumer Act 2010 (CCA) implications

The author of this report considers that the report is consistent with Best Value, National Competition Policy and Competition and Consumer Act requirements.

Financial / Budgetary Implications

The funds are collected and expended without additional funds from Council (unless part of an approved budget project).

Economic Implications

The author of this report considers that the recommendation will provide facilities and open space for attraction of new residents.

Environmental / Amenity

The author of this report considers that the recommendation will assist in the improvement of community amenities.

Community Implications

The author of this report considers that the recommendation will allow more transparency for the community in expending POS contributions.

Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006

The author of this report considers that the recommendation does not limit any human rights under the Victorian Charter of *Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006*.

Legal / Statutory Implications

The obligations for POS contributions are contained in the *P&EA 1987*.

Consultation

Consultation was conducted internally with the Assets Department.

Attachments

Draft Public Open Space Contributions Policy



PUBLIC OPEN SPACE CONTRIBUTIONS POLICY

COUNCIL POLICY	
Effective Date:
Last Review:	N/A
Current Review:
Adopted by Council:
Next Review Date:	As required
Responsible Officer/s:	Emma Kubeil, Manager Sustainable Development

1. Introduction

This policy relates to public open space (POS) contributions collected by Council under the *Subdivision Act 1988* (the SA 1988) and the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* (the P&EA 1987) as part of the subdivision process. POS contributions may be made in the form of land set aside or a payment to Council, or a combination of both. Currently, the contribution rate applied by Council is between 3 and 5% of the property area and/ or land value.

Council has a statutory obligation under the SA 1988 and the P&EA 1987 to ensure that POS contributions are used in the maintenance of existing or creation of new POS. This policy sets out a framework for the allocation of monetary POS contributions and the carrying out of the POS projects. It also sets out a framework of accountability to developers and the community about how the money is being used.

2. Statutory framework

Council's Planning Department perform a statutory function under the P&EA 1987 to consider planning permit applications to subdivide land. Clause 52.01 Public open space contribution and subdivision is a state-wide provision which sits in the Strathbogie Planning Scheme. It allows the provision of a POS contribution to the Council when a person proposes to subdivide land.

Some subdivisions are exempt from a POS contribution under Clause 52.01. This includes a two lot subdivision and the subdivision of an existing commercial or industrial building.

Pursuant to Clause 52.01, the provision of a POS contribution must be made to the Council in an amount specified in the schedule to the clause, or otherwise under Section 18 of the SA 1988. Council does not currently use the Schedule to Clause 52.01, so Section 18 of the SA 1988 applies. This sets out that:

- (1) *A Council acting as a responsible authority or a referral authority under the Planning and Environment Act 1987 may require the applicant who proposes to create any additional separately disposable parcel of land by a plan of subdivision to—*
- (a) *set aside on the plan, for public open space, in a location satisfactory to the Council, a percentage of all of the land in the subdivision intended to be used for residential, industrial or commercial purposes, being a percentage set by the Council not exceeding 5 per cent; or*
 - (b) *pay or agree to pay to the Council a percentage of the site value of all of the land in the subdivision intended to be used for residential, industrial or commercial purposes, being a percentage set by the Council not exceeding 5 per cent; or*
 - (c) *do a combination of (a) and (b) so that the total of the percentages required under (a) and (b) does not exceed 5 per cent of the site value of all the land in the subdivision.*

3. Strathbogrie Shire Council

Deleted Wording

~~The following rates apply for Strathbogrie Shire Council:~~

- ~~• Three lot subdivisions – 3% POS contribution~~
- ~~• Four lot subdivisions – 4% POS contribution~~
- ~~• Five or more lot subdivisions – 5% POS contribution~~

~~Council can seek to include these rates (or other variations) in the planning scheme via a planning scheme amendment.~~

Replacement Wording:

Strathbogrie Shire Council applies a POS rate of 5% for three (3) lots or more.

4. Process for the collection of POS contributions

4.1 Monetary POS contribution

The process for the collection of monetary POS contributions is:

1. Council issues a planning permit to subdivide land into three or more lots, and includes a condition requiring the payment of a POS contribution of a value as outlined above, prior to the issue of the Statement of Compliance (SOC).
2. Following the certification of the plan of subdivision, the proponent applies to Council for the SOC.
3. The proponent engages an independent qualified Property Valuer to provide a valuation of the land. The valuation is based on the unimproved, undeveloped value. Alternatively, the site value on the current rates notice may be used subject to the value being within the prior 12 month period or by CEO or director approval.
4. Prior to the issue of SOC, the proponent is required to pay the POS contribution, in accordance with the condition on the planning permit and based on the valuation of the land.
5. Notwithstanding the above, Council may, by delegation, agree to the payment of the POS contribution after the issue of the SOC. This will generally occur in the case of multi-stage multi-lot subdivisions and will be by formal written and signed agreement.
6. On receipt of funds, the amount is placed in a 'reserve' account for future use.

4.2 Land POS contribution

Where a land contribution is being made in lieu of a monetary contribution, the location of the POS is usually agreed upon between Council and the proponent prior to the issue of the initial planning permit. It is then designated as public open space on the plan of subdivision that forms the basis of the certification and SOC. The initial and on-going management and maintenance of the POS must be agreed upon between Council and the proponent prior to the issue of the SOC. These matters are usually dealt with through conditions on the permit.

5. Allocation of POS contributions

Council has a statutory obligation under the SA 1988 and the P&EA 1987 to ensure that POS contributions are used in the maintenance of existing or creation of new POS. Pursuant to Section 18(1A) of the SA 1988, a POS requirement can only be made if there will be a need for more open space as a result of the subdivision. It is therefore important that Council allocate POS contributions appropriately.

Specifically, Section 18(1A) of the SA 1988 sets out the following:

(1A) The Council may only make a public open space requirement if it considers that, as a result of the subdivision, there will be a need for more open space, having regard to—

- (a) the existing and proposed use or development of the land;*
- (b) any likelihood that existing open space will be more intensively used after than before the subdivision;*
- (c) any existing or likely population density in the area of the subdivision and the effect of the subdivision on this;*
- (d) whether there are existing places of public resort or recreation in the neighbourhood of the subdivision, and the adequacy of these;*
- (e) how much of the land in the subdivision is likely to be used for places of resort and recreation for lot owners;*
- (f) any policies of the Council concerning the provision of places of public resort and recreation.*

In order to allocate and audit POS contributions appropriately, the following process applies:

1. Formation of a Public Open Space Working Group, comprising 4 relevant Council Officers and up to 2 Councillors. The officers will be Director Sustainable Development (or delegate), Director Asset Services (or delegate), Director Corporate & Liveability (or delegate), Manager Sustainable Development (or delegate and Manager Asset Services (or delegate). Other officers may be seconded as necessary.
2. The working group will prepare a list of potential POS projects for the next 12 months across the shire having regard to the following matters, or as otherwise deemed appropriate by the working group:
 - a. The value of the existing banked POS contributions.
 - b. The provisions of Section 18(1A) of the SA 1988.
 - c. The location and size of the subdivisions that contributed to the POS reserve.
 - d. Projects outlined in adopted Council plans and policies, including but not limited to: Council Plan, Strathbogie Planning Scheme, Asset Management Plan Playground Management Plan, Healthy Communities Plan, Economic Development Master Plan, Tracks and Trails Strategy, Environmental Strategy, Avenel 2030, Euroa Structure Plan, Nagambie Growth Management Plan and Violet Town and District Strategic Development Plan.
 - e. Asset renewal programs and long term financial plans.
 - f. Cost estimates of the proposed projects.

3. The internal working group will refine and prioritise the list, including costings, and present it to the Executive Management Team for review and endorsement.
4. The annual list of POS projects will be included in the draft budget and/ or mid-year budget review.
5. This process will be annually undertaken to coincide with the draft budget preparation or mid-year review, based on the collection of POS contributions over the previous period.
6. One off projects outside the annual list that are deemed by the working group (and approved by EMT) that are consistent with the Council Plan and objectives of the relevant Acts.

6. Special POS projects

As part of the preparation of a list of POS projects, Council may wish to consider undertaking special POS projects, such as:

- A recognition project where plaques, signs, street furniture are installed to acknowledge the POS contributions of specific developers to works undertaken at the location. This would encourage developers to take pride in their contribution, and promote awareness of the contribution made by developers among the broader community.

7. Implementation, monitoring and review

The responsibility for the implementation of the actions outlined in this policy falls to the Manager Sustainable Development or delegate, except as where otherwise outlined.

The responsibility for the on-going monitoring and review of this policy falls to the Manager Sustainable Development, or delegate.

This policy will be reviewed every four years or earlier if necessary.

9.7.6 Refugee Welcome Zone

Author & Department

Manager, Liveability / Corporate and Liveability Directorate

Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest in relation to advice provided in this report

The author of this report and officers/contractors providing advice in relation to this report do not have a direct or indirect interest, as provided in accordance with the Local Government Act 1989.

Summary

Strathbogie Shire Council will sign the Refugee Welcome Zone Declaration.

The signing of this declaration demonstrates a commitment in spirit to welcoming refugees into the community, upholding the human rights of refugees, demonstrating compassion for refugees and enhancing cultural and religious diversity in the community.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- 1. Endorse as per the Council Plan a Refugee Welcome Zone for the Shire, and**
- 2. Authorise the Mayor to sign the Refugee Welcome Zone Declaration.**

104/17 CRS SWAN/WILLIAMS : That the Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Background

A Refugee Welcome Zone is a Local Government Area which has made a commitment in spirit to welcoming refugees into the community, upholding the human rights of refugees, demonstrating compassion for refugees and enhancing cultural and religious diversity in the community.

This public commitment is also an acknowledgment of the tremendous contributions refugees have made to Australian society in the fields of medicine, science, engineering, sport, education and the arts.

By making this Declaration it is hoped that local government will be encouraged in their continuing efforts to support the men, women and children who make the difficult journey to Australia to seek our protection.

9.7.6 Refugee Welcome Zone (cont.)

The Refugee Welcome Zone initiative began in June 2002 as part of Refugee Week celebrations. At the time, 15 local Councils in Victoria, New South Wales and South Australia were declared Refugee Welcome Zones. Today, with more than 120 Local Government Areas having declaring themselves Refugee Welcome Zones, the initiative has proven to be a great success in connecting local governments with the issues facing refugees and asylum seekers.

Local Government has historically played an important role in assisting refugee settlement and promoting community harmony. Since Federation in 1901, Australia has become home to over 800,000 refugees and we have a proud history of settling refugees from all over the world who have gone on to make an enormous contribution to our economic, social and cultural life. Becoming a Refugee Welcome Zone is a way to continue this proud tradition of supporting the settlement of refugees.

Alternative Options

The author and other officers providing advice in relation to this report have considered potential alternative courses of action. No feasible alternatives have been identified.

Risk Management

The author of this report considers that there are no significant Risk Management factors relating to the report and recommendation

Strategic Links – policy implications and relevance to Council Plan

The author of this report considers that the report is consistent with Council Policies and key strategic documents.

It is directly linked to the Council Plan 2017 – 2021 as follows:

Goal 1. To enhance community health and wellbeing.

- Key Strategy 3. Enhance Community resilience, including supporting and increasing the participation of volunteers
 - Key Strategy: Become a refugee “welcome” zone

Best Value / National Competition Policy (NCP / Competition and Consumer Act 2010 (CCA) implications

The author of this report considers that the report is consistent with Best Value, National Competition Policy and Competition and Consumer Act requirements

Financial / Budgetary Implications

The author of this report considers that the recommendation has no capital or recurrent budget considerations

Economic Implications

The author of this report considers that the recommendation has no significant economic implications for Council or the broader community

Environmental / Amenity Implications

The author of this report considers that the recommendation has no significant environmental or amenity implications for Council or the broader community

9.7.6 Refugee Welcome Zone (cont.)

Community Implications

Becoming a Refugee Welcome Zone is a great way to demonstrate support for refugees and take a strong stand against racism and discrimination. It can help to raise awareness about the issues affecting refugees, foster a culture of mutual respect and promote an appreciation of cultural diversity in the broader community.

Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006

The author of this report considers that the recommendation does not limit any human rights under the Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006

Legal / Statutory Implications

The author of this report considers that the recommendation has no legal or statutory implications which require the consideration of Council

Consultation

The author of this report considers that the matter under consideration had received a number of submissions to the draft Council plan requesting Council consider becoming a Refugee Welcome Zone.

In addition, a representative from Rural Australia for Refugees, Ruth Fleur, presented to Council regarding becoming a Refugee Welcome Zone.

Attachments

Copy of the Refugee Welcome Zone Declaration



The Strathbogie Shire Council

Declares the Shire of Strathbogie a

Refugee Welcome Zone

This Declaration is a Commitment in Spirit to

Welcoming refugees into our community,

*Upholding the **Human Rights** of refugees,*

*Demonstrating **Compassion** for refugees and*

*Enhancing cultural and religious **Diversity** in our community.*

Amanda McClaren, Mayor

Date: _____

This Declaration is proudly supported and endorsed by the



**Refugee Council
of Australia**

The Refugee Council of Australia is a peak national organisation representing over 1000 organisational and individual members. The aim of the Refugee Council is to promote the adoption of flexible, humane and constructive policies toward refugees, asylum seekers and displaced persons by the Australian and other Governments and their communities.

9.7.7 Business Management System

The July 2017 Business Management System Report includes reports as follows:-

- Building Department – June 2017 Statistics
- Planning Department – Planning Application Approvals – Development Cost (Capital Improved Value) - May and June 2017
- Confirm Customer Enquiry Flow – Report for June 2017
- Waste Management Reporting ~ Year to Date - June 2017 Statistics
- Actioning of Council Reports Resolutions – Status Report
- Outstanding Actions of Council Resolutions to 30 June 2017
- Review of Council Policies – June / July 2017
- Record of Assemblies of Councillors
- Record of Meetings of Section 86 Committees of Council received in the past month

By reporting on a monthly basis, Council can effectively manage any risks that may arise. The Business Management System will also incorporate Council's corporate goals and objectives.

RECOMMENDATION

That the report be noted.

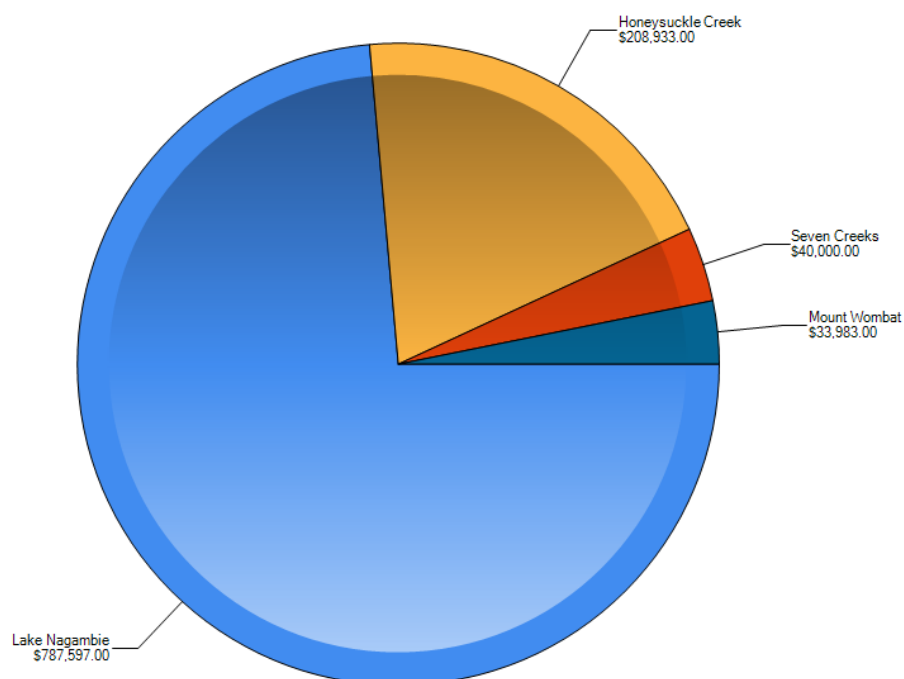
*105/17 **CRS WILLIAMS/MASONB** : That the Recommendation be adopted.*

CARRIED

BUILDING ACTIVITY REPORT

JUNE 2017

15 permits were lodged with Council for the month of June 2017, with a works value of \$1,070,513. 73.5% of the value was for works in the Lake Nagambie Ward, followed by Honeysuckle Creek Ward with 19.5%. The majority of permits lodged were for dwelling improvements or the construction of sheds.



Honeysuckle Creek

Permit Number	Permit Date	Works	Building Use	Town	Cost Of Works
17/00044/0	18/06/2017	Construction of	Dwelling & Carport	Violet Town	\$180,000.00
20170377/0	8/06/2017	Construction of	Shed	Violet Town	\$14,933.00
20172247/0	28/06/2017	Alteration to	Dwelling	Violet Town	\$14,000.00

Lake Nagambie

Permit Number	Permit Date	Works	Building Use	Town	Cost Of Works
20170367/0	9/06/2017	Restump of	Dwelling	Kirwans Bridge	\$10,200.00
20172206/0	21/06/2017	Construction of	Farm Shed	Whroo	\$12,800.00
20172222/0	7/06/2017	Construction of	Dwelling & Garage	Nagambie	\$283,450.00
20172224/0	9/06/2017	Construction of	Farm Shed	Mitchellstown	\$60,000.00
20172229/0	13/06/2017	Construction of	Shed	Goulburn Weir	\$28,935.00
20172232/0	12/06/2017	Restump of	Dwelling	Wahring	\$12,000.00
20172235/0	21/06/2017	Construction of	Office	Nagambie	\$20,212.00
20172236/0	16/06/2017	Construction of	Shed	Nagambie	\$10,000.00
20172248/0	26/06/2017	Construction of	Swimming Pool and Fence	Mitchellstown	\$350,000.00

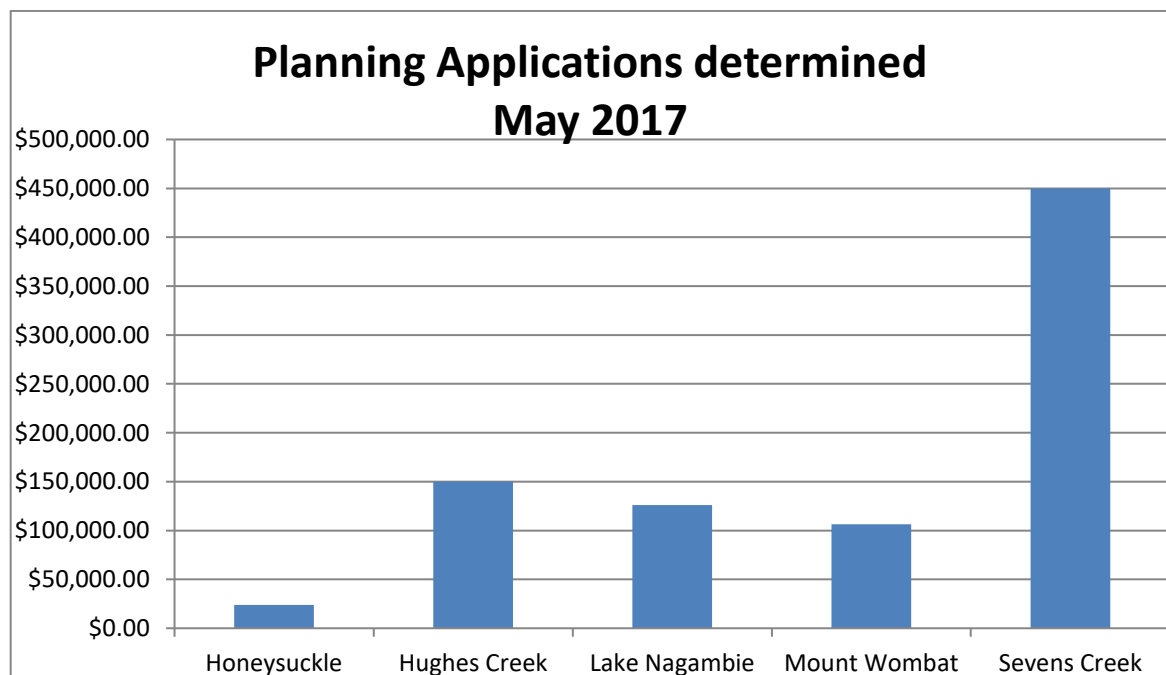
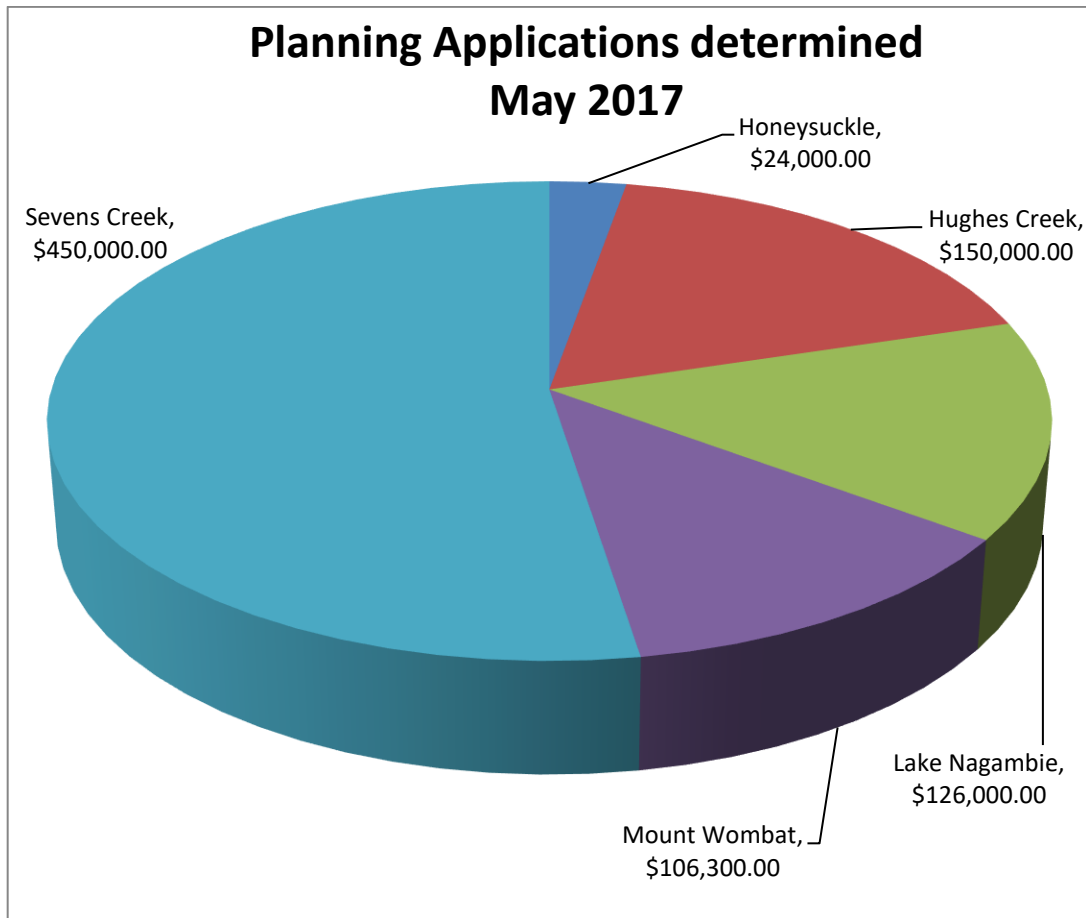
Mount Wombat

Permit Number	Permit Date	Works	Building Use	Town	Cost Of Works
20170132/0	9/06/2017	Construction of	Farm Shed	Gooram	\$19,200.00
20171251/0	19/06/2017	Construction of	Verandah	Ruffy	\$14,783.00

Seven Creeks

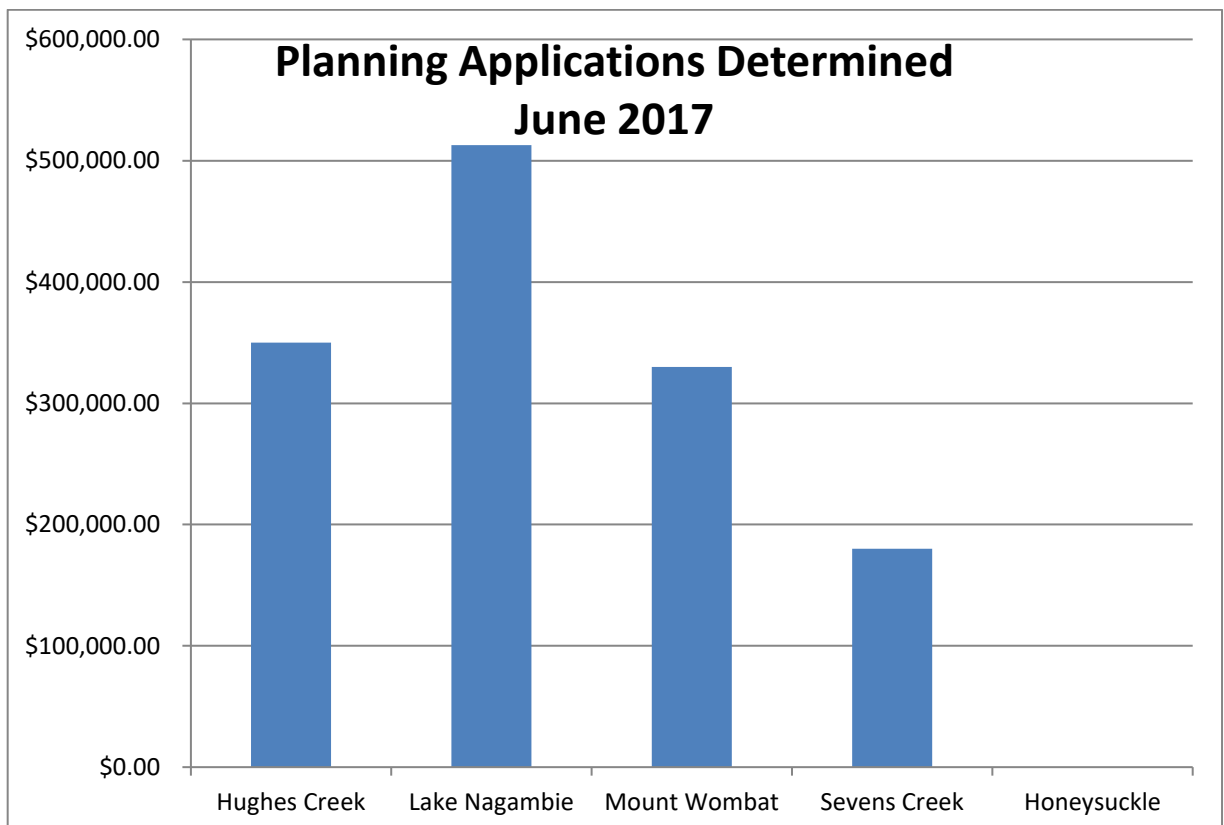
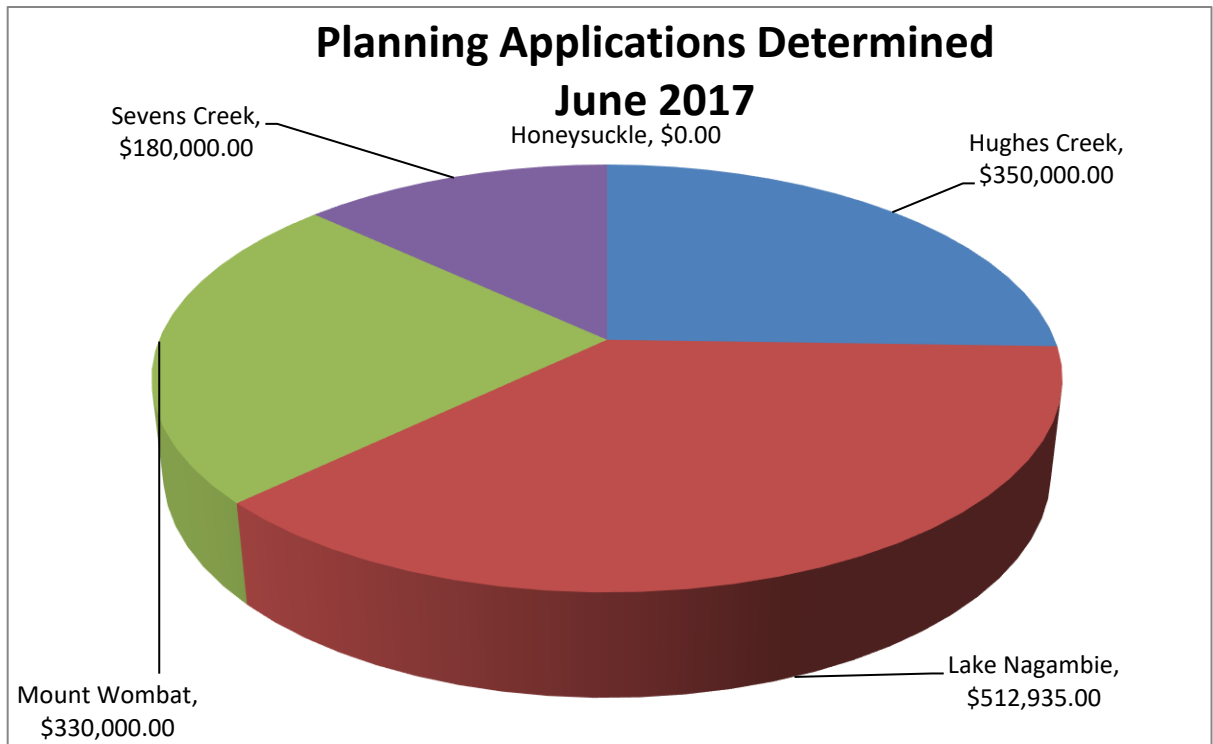
Permit Number	Permit Date	Works	Building Use	Town	Cost Of Works
20172218/0	2/06/2017	Construction of	Toilet Block	Euroa	\$40,000.00

PLANNING APPLICATION APPROVALS – DEVELOPMENT COST (CAPITAL IMPROVED VALUE)
MAY AND JUNE. 2017



Planning Applications determined May 2017

Honeysuckle Creek	Violet Town	\$5,000.00
	Violet Town	\$19,000.00
		\$24,000.00
Hughes Creek	Avenel	\$150,000.00
		\$150,000.00
Lake Nagambie	Goulburn Weir	\$40,000.00
	Kirwans Bridge	\$50,000.00
	Whroo	\$36,000.00
		\$126,000.00
Mount Wombat	Creightons Creek	\$75,000.00
	Gooram	\$25,300.00
	Strathbogie	\$6,000.00
		\$106,300.00
Seven Creeks	Euroa	\$300,000.00
	Euroa	\$150,000.00
		\$450,000.00
	TOTAL	\$856,300.00



Planning Applications determined June 2017

Hughes Creek

Avenel \$350,000.00

Lake Nagambie

Goulburn Weir \$120,000.00

Goulburn Weir \$28,935.00

Graytown \$14,000.00

Kirwans Bridge \$350,000.00

Mount Wombat

Creek Junction \$60,000.00

Euroa \$225,000.00

Strathbogie \$45,000.00

Seven Creeks


Miepoll \$180,000.00

Honeysuckle

\$0.00

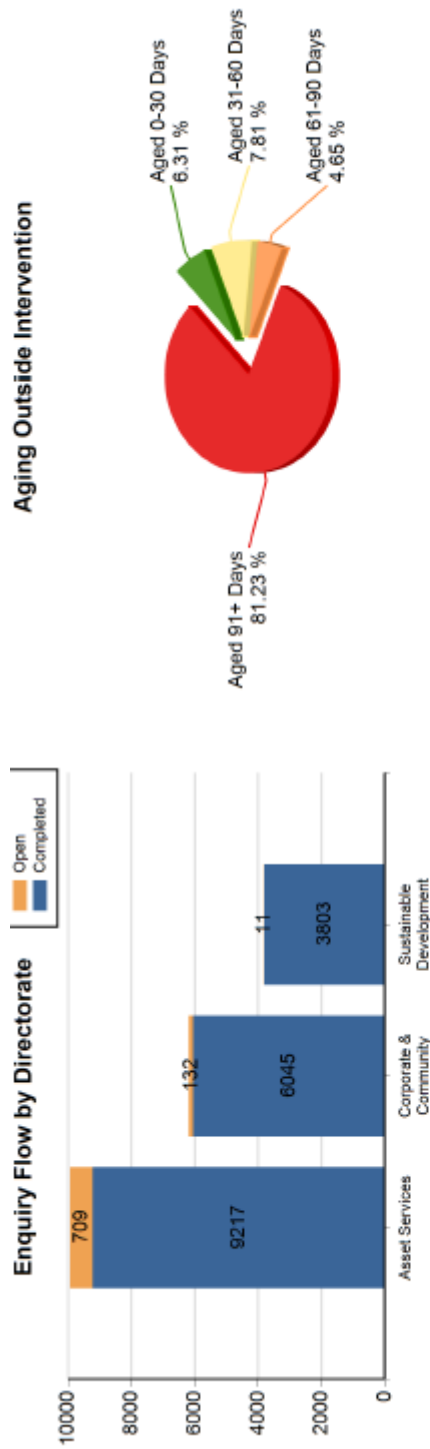
Total Value \$1,372,935.00

CONFIRM CUSTOMER ENQUIRY FLOW
- REPORT FOR JUNE 2017

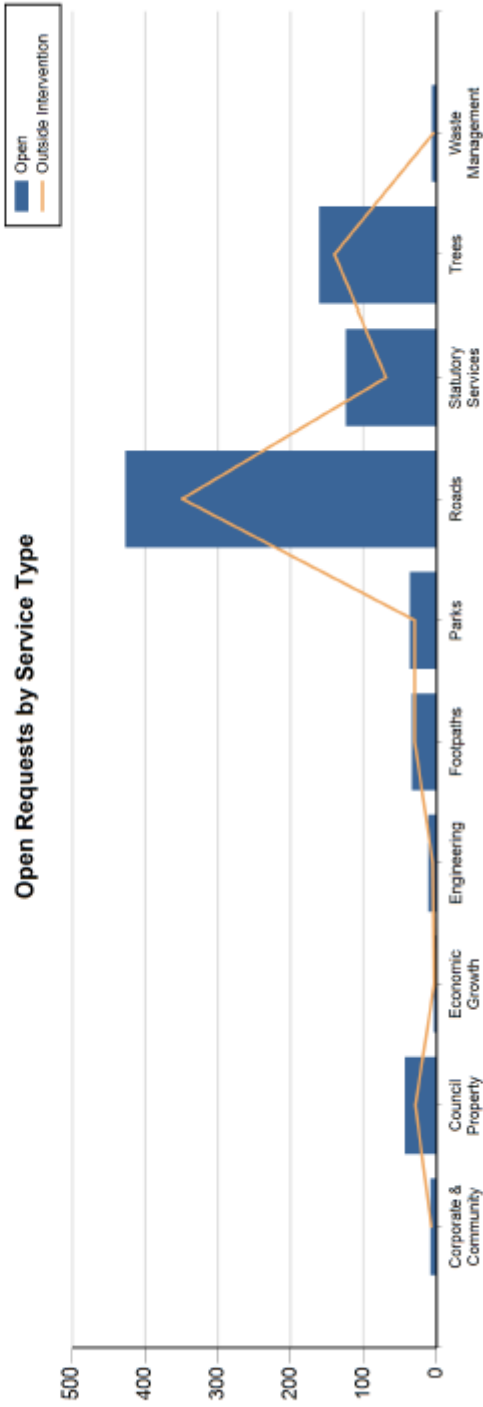
 **Confirm Customer Enquiry Flow**
June 2017

Service Type	Total			June 2017			2016-2017			Aging Outside Intervention					Total
	Logged	Open	Closed	Logged	Open	Closed	Logged	Open	Closed	0-30	31-60	61-90	91+		
Corporate & Community	1,011	8	99.21%	2	0	100.00%	10	0	100.00%	0	0	0	7	7	
Council Property	1,162	43	96.30%	20	12	40.00%	196	31	84.18%	2	2	3	22	29	
Economic Growth	2,530	3	99.88%	0	0	NA	4	0	100.00%	0	0	0	3	3	
Engineering	241	11	95.44%	1	1	0.00%	14	4	71.43%	1	0	0	4	5	
Footpaths	253	33	86.96%	3	2	33.33%	73	23	68.49%	0	4	2	24	30	
Parks	340	36	89.41%	4	4	0.00%	100	29	71.00%	2	1	0	27	30	
Roads	6,334	427	93.26%	142	30	78.87%	2,098	311	85.18%	20	29	11	289	349	
Statutory Services	5,166	124	97.60%	61	19	68.85%	768	71	90.76%	1	3	4	61	69	
Trees	1,480	161	89.12%	32	16	50.00%	419	106	74.70%	16	12	11	101	140	
Waste Management	1,400	6	99.57%	30	0	100.00%	395	5	98.73%	0	1	0	3	4	
19,917	852	95.72%	295	84	71.53%	4,077	580	85.77%	42	52	31	541	666		

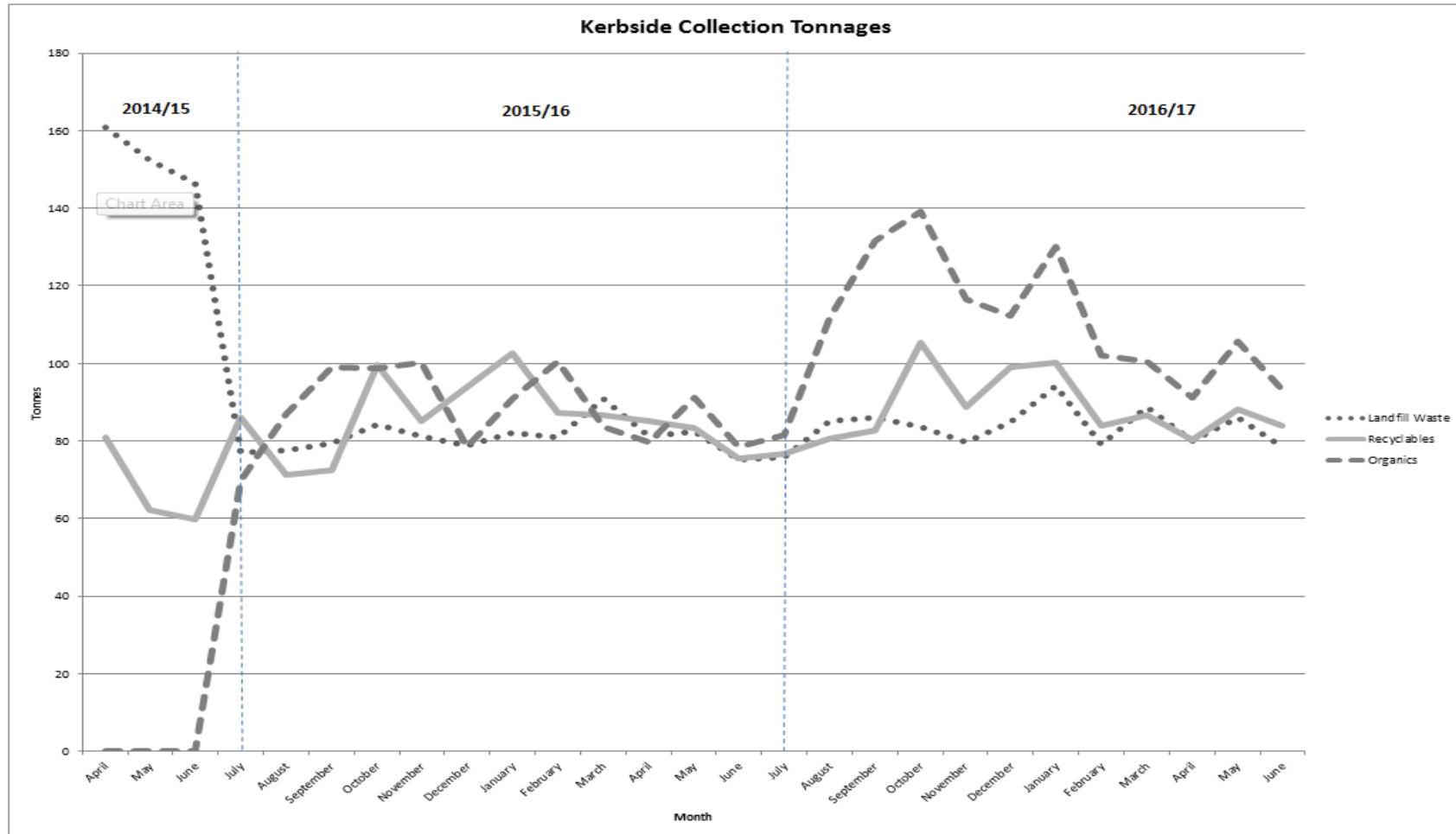
Corporate & Community	Council Property	Economic Growth	Engineering	Footpaths	Parks/Reserve	Roads	Statutory Services	Trees	Waste Management
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council Property Pest Control Public Art Public Lighting Surveyors Signs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirm Custodian Enquiry Engineering 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Events Planning Sub Divisions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Footpaths Furniture Road/Street/Footpaths 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Park/Reserve Playground State Forest/National Park 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bridges Drainage Emergency Call Out Naturestrip Roads Traffic Lights 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Building Animals - Domestic Animals - Other Environment Protection Environmental Health Fire Grants Indoors Infringement Review Local Laws Marine Safety Private Prop & Rural Roadside 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tree 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Waste Management Waste Mgmt & Recycling 	



Aging Outside Intervention

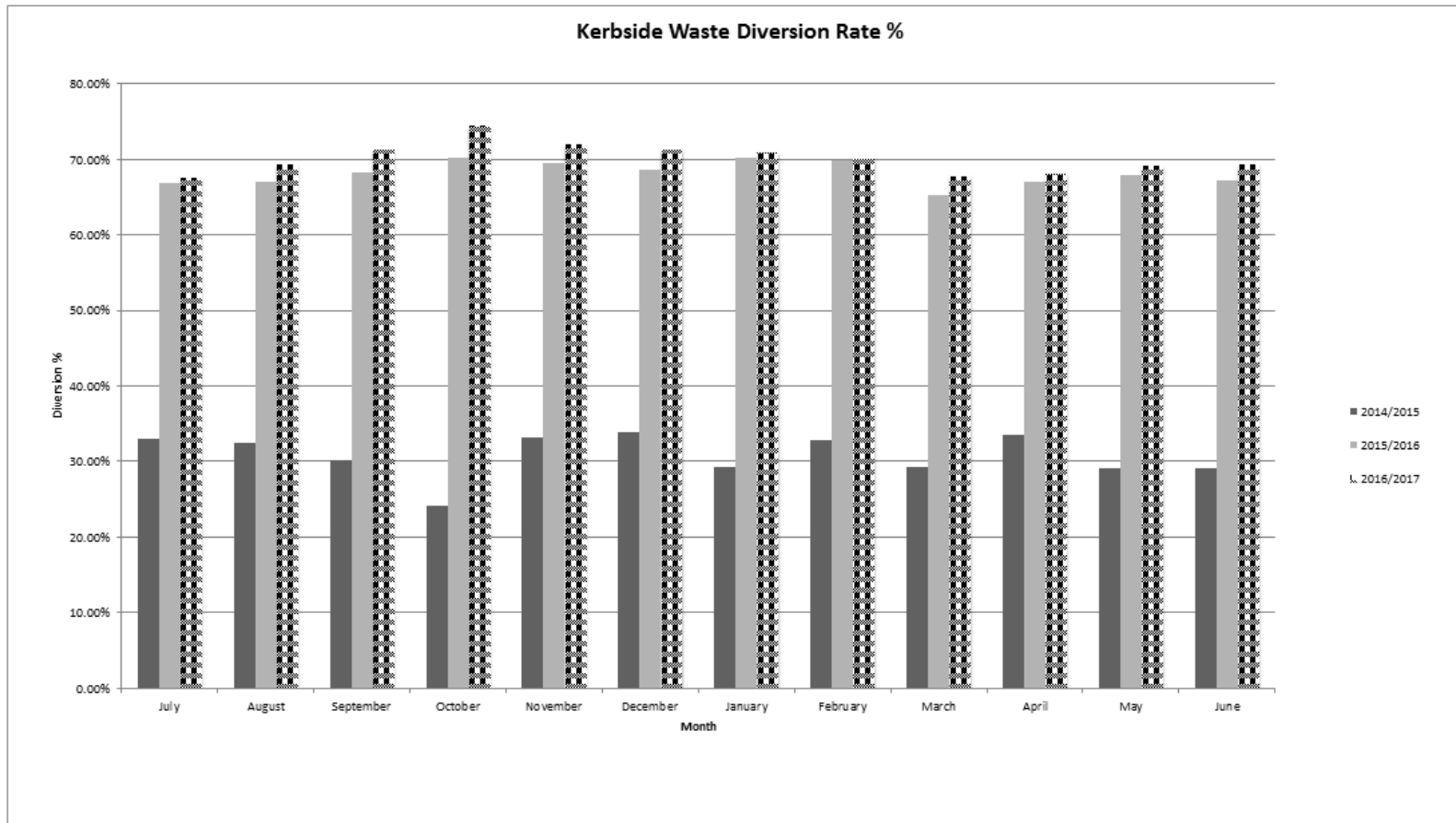


**WASTE MANAGEMENT REPORTING
 YEAR TO DATE - JUNE 2017 STATISTICS**



Organics continues to provide the highest yield of the three kerbside waste streams, with landfill waste being the lowest.

In 2016/2017, the annual Organics yield increased by 259 tonnes (24%) compared to the annual 2015/2016 yield. The annual landfill waste yield increased by 31 tonnes (3%) and recyclables by 27 tonnes (3%).



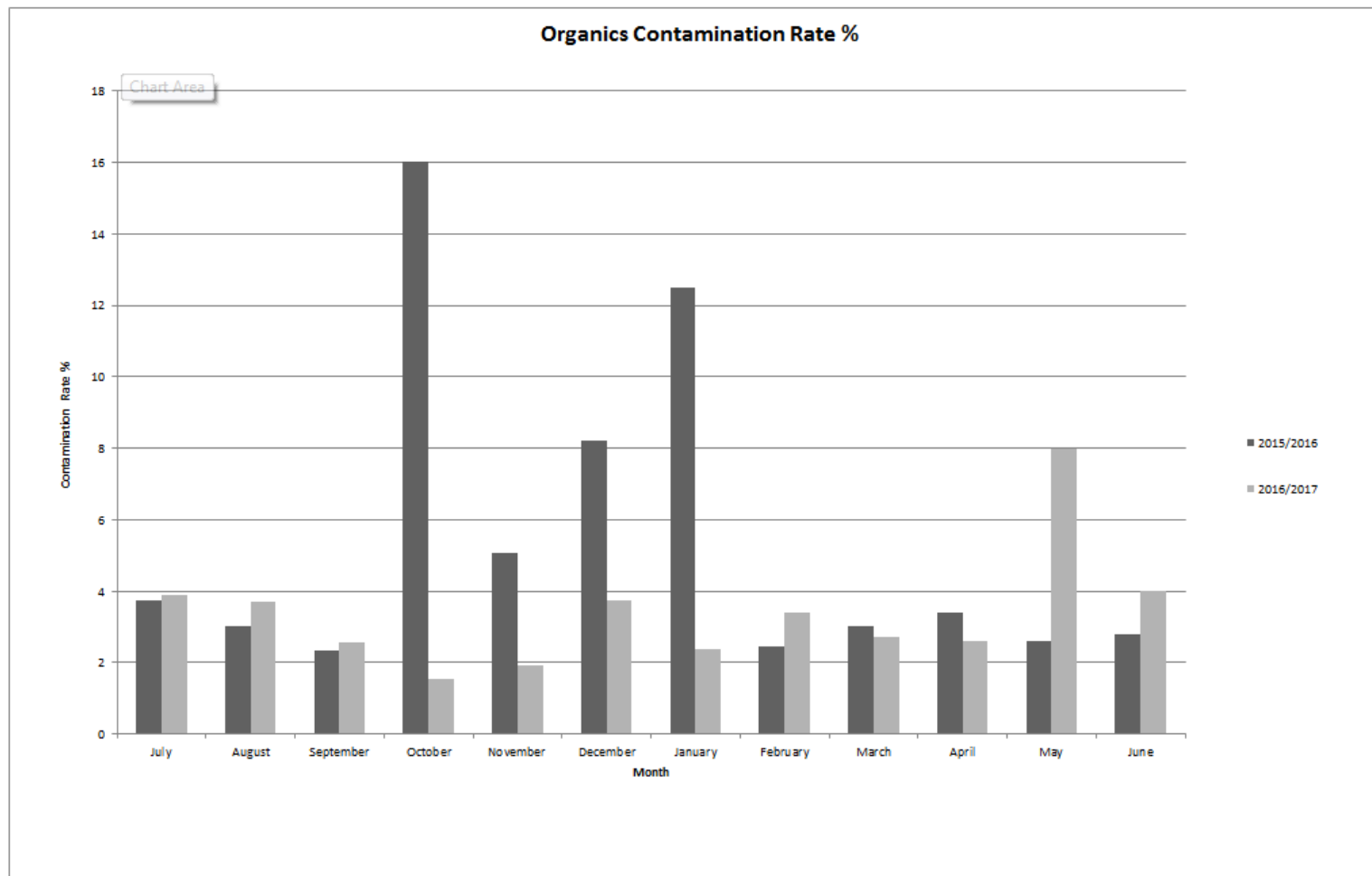
Diversion rates are calculated by dividing the total amount of material diverted from landfill by the total amount of material collected.

In 2014/2015, this equation was simply $\text{Kerbside Recyclables} / \text{Kerbside Recyclables} + \text{Kerbside Landfill Waste}$.

In 2015/2016 and 2016/2017, organics was added to the equation - $\text{Kerbside Organics} + \text{Kerbside Recyclables} / \text{Kerbside Organics} + \text{Kerbside Recyclables} + \text{Kerbside Landfill Waste}$

Thus, due to the addition of the organics tonnages and the decrease in the landfill waste tonnages, our diversion rates have improved to above the state's initial goal of 65%. Again, the monthly trends in diversion rates reflect the seasonal increase in organics and recyclables tonnages over Spring / Summer. 2016/2017 diversion rates continue to be higher than those in 15/16.

The annual diversion rate for 2016/2017 is 70.3%, equating to an increase of 2% compared to the annual diversion rate in 2015/2016.

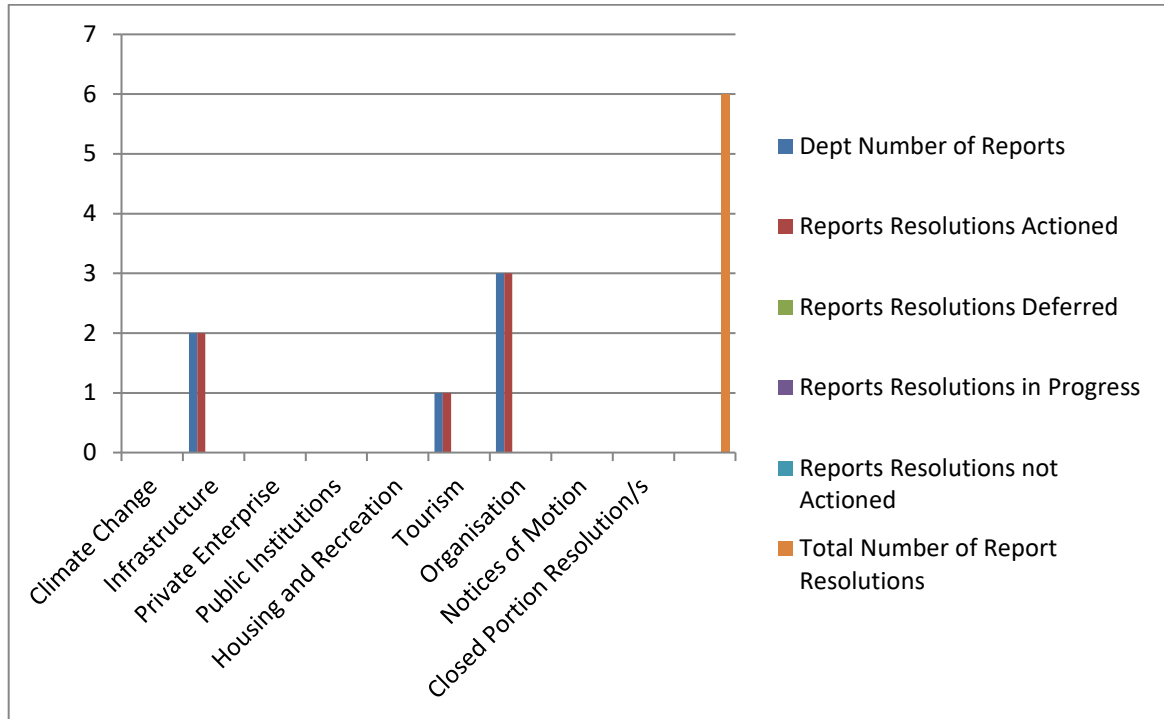


The significant "spikes" in contamination rates in October 2015 – January 2016 were primarily a result of one or two loads per month containing a high amount of contamination and resulting in either the entire load, or a significant portion of the load, unable to be sorted and thus sent to landfill.

Again, in May two loads containing significantly high levels of contamination were delivered to the processing facility, lifting our monthly contamination rate to 7.99%. Again in June, the processor received one load that contained significant contamination, minimising the ability to sort and forcing 25% of the load to be sent to landfill.

For the 2016/2017 year, we recorded an annual contamination rate of 3.28%, a marked improvement on the 5.54% recorded in 2015/2016.

ACTIONING OF COUNCIL REPORTS RESOLUTIONS
COUNCIL MEETING – JUNE 2017



**OUTSTANDING ACTIONS OF COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS TO
30 JUNE 2017**

This Report is to advise the Executive Management Team, Councillors and the community of the status of previous Council resolutions which are in progress but are yet to be finalised.

Council Meeting Date	Item No. Description & Recommendation	Action to Date
<i>There are no report resolutions with outstanding actions yet to be finalised</i>		

**REVIEW OF EXISTING COUNCIL POLICIES
AND ADOPTION OF NEW POLICIES**

Period of Review	Policy Name	Review of Policy / New Policy	Outcome
<i>There were no Policy reviews or new Policies prepared.</i>			

RECORDS OF ASSEMBLIES OF COUNCILLORS

For period 9 June to 5 July 2017

Record in accordance with sections 77 and 80A(1) of the *Local Government Act 1989*

Note: Details of matters discussed at the meeting that have been designated confidential under section 77 of the Local Government Act 1989 are described in a separate "confidential addendum" that will be reported to the next closed Council meeting]

Name of Meeting: Councillors Forum

Date of Meeting: Tuesday 13 June 2017

Time: 10.30 a.m. - 6.00 p.m.

Attendees:

Councillors

Amanda McClaren

Malcolm Little

John Mason

Debra Swan

Alistair Thomson

Graeme (Mick) Williams

Officer/s

Steve Crawcour (Chief Executive Officer)

Roy Hetherington (Director, Asset Services)

David Roff (Director, Corporate and Liveability)

Emma Kubeil (Manager Sustainable Development)

Apologies

Councillor Kate Stothers

Phil Howard (Director, Sustainable Development)

Matters discussed:

Declarations of Interests

1. Councillors Discussions
2. 0-1 Roads - Workshoo 2
3. Murray Darling Association - briefing by Emma Bradbury, Chief Executive Officer
4. Planning Committee Agenda Review
5. Special Council Meeting Agenda Review
6. Assembly of Councillors
 - 6.1 Mayor and CEO Meetings Attendances
 - 6.2 Councillors Meetings Attendances
 - 6.3 Acknowledgement to Country - responses as provided by Councillors
 - 6.4 Draft Council Policy - Procurement Policy
 - 6.5 Council delegation of authority to CEO to approve road closures for seven (7) regular events
 - 6.6 Euroa Hotel Carpark Lease
 - 6.7 Request from Violet Town Action Group for Council representation at meeting on Wednesday 21 June
 - 6.8 Euroa Red Cross Branch - invitation to attend Annual General Meeting
 - 6.9 Good Access = Good Business Project
 - 6.10 Planning for Seniors Festival

- 6.11 Nagambie Petanque Club - Letter of Thanks
- 6.12 Ordinary Council Meetings - Amendment to locations schedule
- 7. Planning Committee Meeting
- 8. Special Council Meeting -
 - Bell Street Drainage
 - Receiving / Hearing of submissions to -
 - Draft Council Plan / Strategic Resource Plan / Budget

Declaration of Interest/s / Direct or Indirect - NIL

Matter No.	Names of Councillor/s who disclosed interest	Did the Councillor/s leave the meeting?

Record of Assembly of Councillors

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Name of Meeting: Councillors Forum

Date of Meeting: Tuesday 20 June 2017

Time: 12.00 noon. - 7.00 p.m.

Attendees:

Councillors

Amanda McClaren

Malcolm Little

John Mason

Debra Swan

Alistair Thomson

Graeme (Mick) Williams

Officer/s

Steve Crawcour (Chief Executive Officer)

Phil Howard (Director, Sustainable Development)

Roy Hetherington (Director, Asset Services)

David Roff (Director, Corporate and Liveability)

Apologies

Councillor Kate Stothers

Matters discussed:

Declarations of Interests

1. Council Plan / Budget Finalisation Workshop
2. VicTrack - briefing on Road and Rail Minor Works Program for Shire of Strathbogie Area
3. Council Agenda Review
4. Video footage of APS Heads of the River *(Held over)*
5. Assembly of Councillors
 - 5.1 Mayor and CEO Meetings Attendances
 - 5.2 Councillors Meetings Attendances
 - 5.3 Kirkland Avenue Pedestrian Facilities
 - 5.4 Murray Darling Association - Membership Proposal
 - 5.5 Review of Planning Committee Procedures
 - 5.6 Cr Mason
Proposed Speed Reduction and Signage for Cowells Lane and Siems Road, Euroa
Response to Cr Mason's request (DAS)
6. Informal Meeting with Community Members
7. Ordinary Council Meeting at Euroa

Declaration of Interest/s / Direct or Indirect - NIL

Record of Assembly of Councillors

Record in accordance with sections 77 and 80A(1) of the *Local Government Act 1989*

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Name of Meeting: Councillors Forum

Date of Meeting: Tuesday 27 June 2017

Time: 12.00 noon. - 5.30 p.m.

Attendees:

Councillors

Amanda McClaren

Malcolm Little

John Mason

Debra Swan

Alistair Thomson

Graeme (Mick) Williams

Officer/s

Steve Crawcour (Chief Executive Officer)

Phil Howard (Director, Sustainable Development)

Roy Hetherington (Director, Asset Services)

David Roff (Director, Corporate and Liveability)

Apologies

Councillor Kate Stothers

Matters discussed:

Declarations of Interests

1. Councillors Discussions
2. Planning Agenda Review
3. Special Council Meeting Agenda Review
4. Assembly of Councillors
 - 4.1 Mayor and CEO Meetings Attendances
 - 4.2 Councillors Meetings Attendances
 - 4.3 Shadforth Reserve Master Plan Update
 - 4.4 Nagambie Tourism Infrastructure Development Business Case Update
 - 4.5 Draft Rates Holiday Media Campaign
 - 4.6 Maternal and Child Health Services Celebrates 100 Years
 - 4.7 Liveability Plan Consultation Update
 - 4.8 Community Grants Program 2016-2017 Review
5. Planning Committee Meeting
6. Video Footage of APS Heads of the River (*postponed to next meeting*)
7. Special Council Meeting - Adoption of 2017-2021 Council Plan and 2017/2018 Budget

Declaration of Interest/s / Direct or Indirect

Matter No.	Names of Councillor/s who disclosed interest	Did the Councillor/s leave the meeting?
2	Cr Thomson	Yes
5 (Item 6.1)	Cr Thomson	Yes

Record of Meetings of Section 86 Committees of Council
Minutes of Meetings received in the June / July 2017 Period

Name of Committee	Date of Meeting
Euroa Third Age Club	25/05/17
Strathbogie Tableland Action Group	05/06/17
Boho South Hall	14/06/17
Violet Town Community Complex	19/06/17

10. NOTICES OF MOTION

11. URGENT BUSINESS

12. CLOSURE OF MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

13. CONFIRMATION OF 'CLOSED PORTION' DECISION/S

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING CLOSED AT 7.10 P.M.

Confirmed as being a true and accurate record of the Meeting

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Acting Chair

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Date