

## **Ordinary Meeting of Greater Hume Council**

Wednesday, 19 October 2022

NOTICE is hereby given that an Ordinary Meeting of the Greater Hume Council will be held at Community Meeting Room, Library Complex, Library Lane, Holbrook commencing at 6.00pm. The meeting commences with a Public Forum.

Persons wishing to address Council in the forum must register by 5pm Monday, 17 October 2022. The conduct of the forum is governed by the Council's Code of Meeting Practice. A new procedure applies for persons wishing to attend the meeting which can be obtained from Council's website or any Council office.

Council live streams meetings so that the public may view the proceedings of the meeting in real time or later. View the recording of the meeting at <u>https://bit.ly/35uKFxX</u>

A citizenship ceremony for the following residents will be conducted at 4.30pm at Community Meeting Room, Library Complex, Library Lane, Holbrook:

- Miss Ashorina Hawil Odisho
- Mrs Cindy Pascoe

and will be followed by supper (prior to commencement of the formal meeting). Councillors are encouraged to attend the ceremony and engage witht the new citizens and their families.

Evelyn Arnold GENERAL MANAGER

ORDER OF BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED REFER OVERLEAF

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In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice, this Council Meeting is being recorded and will be placed on Council's webpage for public information. All present today are reminded that by speaking you are agreeing to your view and comments being recorded and published. You are also reminded that, if or when speaking, you are to be respectful to others and use appropriate language. Greater Hume Council accepts no liability for any defamatory or offensive remarks or gestures during this Council Meeting.

#### **BUSINESS:**

1. OPENING THE MEETING

#### 2. PRAYER

## 3. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

*"I would like to acknowledge that this meeting is being held on the traditional lands of the Wiradjuri people, and pay my respect to elders both past, present and emerging".* 

#### 4. APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY COUNCILLORS

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING
Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council – 21 September 2022

#### 6. ACTION REPORT FROM THE MINUTES

- 7. DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS
- 8. MAYORAL MINUTE(S)
- 9. NOTICES OF MOTIONS

#### 10. REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

#### PART A For Determination

- Environment and Planning
- Governance
- Corporate and Community Services
- Engineering

#### ITEM REFERRED TO CLOSED COUNCIL

- Environment and Planning
- Governance
- Engineering

#### PART B To Be Received and Noted

- Governance
- Corporate and Community Services

#### PART C Items For Information

- Governance
- Corporate and Community Services
- Engineering

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Environment and Planning

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## MAYORAL MINUTE

Nil.

# **NOTICE OF MOTIONS**

NIL

## **OFFICERS' REPORTS – PART A - FOR DETERMINATION**

## **ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING**

Nil

## GOVERNANCE

Nil

## **CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES**

## 1. PRESENTATION OF 2021/2022 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### Report prepared by Director Corporate & Community Services – David Smith

#### **REASON FOR REPORT**

To formally present the 2021/2022 Financial Statements and Auditors Reports to Council.

#### **REFERENCE TO DELIVERY PLAN ACTION**

Objective Our leadership and communication cultivates confidence in our future direction Outcome L3 Our leadership and advocacy is responsive to the needs of our diverse community

#### DISCUSSION

Councillors will recall that a comprehensive report on the 2021/2022 Financial Statements was submitted to the September 2022 meeting of Council.

At that meeting, Council resolved to refer its 2021/2022 Financial Statements to Council's Auditor for audit. The auditor's reports were subsequently received by Council and have been attached to the General Purpose and Special Purpose Financial Statements in accordance with Section 417(1) of the Local Government Act 1993.

The audited Financial Statements and a copy of the Auditor's Reports have been available for public inspection at Council's offices and on Council's website since 6 October 2022. As required by Section 418 of the Act, Council must give seven (7) days public notice for the meeting at which it presents the Audited Financial Statements and Auditor's Reports. The public notice appeared in The Border Mail newspaper on Saturday 8 October 2022. Section 420 of the Act requires that all submissions in respect of the audited Financial Statements must be in writing and must be lodged with Council within seven (7) days after the October 2022 Council Meeting. Copies of all submissions received must be referred to Council's Auditor. At the time of preparing this report, no submissions had been received.

A copy of the Financial Statements and Auditor's Reports will be distributed to Councillors at the Council Meeting. The Audit reports and financial statements have been forwarded to the Office of Local Government.

Council's external auditor, Mr Brad Bohun from Crowe will be in attendance at the Council Meeting to provide Councillors with a report on the conduct of the audit and the financial result for the year ending 30 June 2022.

#### PRESENTATION OF 2021/2022 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS [CONT'D]

#### BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

#### CONCLUSION

Development of the financial statements and external audit has been completed and a copy of the financial statements has been forwarded to the Office of Local Government within the statutory timeframe.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That:

- 1. In accordance with Section 419 (1) of the Local Government Act 1993, the audited Financial Statements and the Auditor's Reports for the year ended 30 June 2022 are hereby received and noted.
- 2. If applicable, a further report be presented to the November 2022 Council Meeting detailing any submissions received in respect of Council's audited Financial Statements.

## 2. <u>APPOINTMENT OF DELEGATES</u>

#### Report prepared by Director Corporate & Community Services – David Smith

#### **REASON FOR REPORT**

Appointment of delegates, in accordance with section 377 of the Local Government Act 1993.

#### **REFERENCE TO DELIVERY PLAN ACTIONS**

Nil.

#### DISCUSSION

Delegates were appointed by resolution to represent the Council to a range of organisations and Council Committees at the first meeting of the current Council in January 2022.

It is proposed that Council review the current appointments (with the exception of Riverina Water County Council, which is appointed for a four-year term) with the view of confirming the respective delegates until September 2023 at which time the appointments can be considered alongside the election of Mayor and Deputy Mayor.

Table 1 outlines the respective organisations and Council Committees. Also included are the immediate past delegates.

ORGANISATION/COMMITTEE	Current Delegate(s)
Australia Day Committee	Cr O'Neill
	Cr Schilg
	Cr Parker
	Cr Quinn ex officio
General Manager's Performance Review Committee	Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Cr Forrest.
	The General Manager nomination TBC.
Grants Committee	Cr Quinn
	Cr Forrest
	Cr Lindner
Holbrook Submarine Museum Committee	Cr Wilton (alternate Cr Quinn)
Audit Risk and Improvement Committee	Cr Parker
	Cr Wilton
	Cr Quinn (ex officio)
Southern Regional Planning Panel	Council representative: Cr Quinn
(Greater Hume Shire representatives)	External Council representative: Peter O'Dwyer
Local Emergency Management Committee	Director Engineering (alternate Cr Forrest), with
	Manager Traffic & Infrastructure as observer.

## APPOINTMENT OF DELEGATES [CONT'D]

ORGANISATION/COMMITTEE	Current Delegate(s)
Local Traffic Committee	Director Engineering
	(Cr O'Neill as an observer)
	all councillors are to be advised when meetings are held
Murray Arts Advisory Committee	Position has remained vacant
Marketing and Promotions	Cr O'Neill
Committee	Cr Parker
	Cr Schilg
Riverina Eastern Regional	Mayor and General Manager
Organisation of Councils	
Riverina Regional Library	Cr Schilg
	Director Corporate & Community Services
Riverina Joint Organisation	Mayor (alternate Deputy Mayor)
	Observer General Manager
Riverina Water County Council	Cr Quinn
Appointed for a 4 year term	Cr Meyer
Rural Fire Service Bushfire	Cr Meyer (alternate Cr Quinn)
Management Committee	
Softwoods Working Group	Cr Quinn (alternate Cr Wilton)
Squirrel Glider Local Area	Cr Lindner
Management Plan Project	
Committee	

### **BUDGET IMPLICATIONS**

Nil.

#### CONCLUSION

This is a procedural matter requiring consideration by Council.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That Council elects delegates to external organisations and Council Committees as outlined in Table 1.

#### 3. <u>COUNCIL MEETING VENUES AND MEETING TIMES</u>

#### Report prepared by Director Corporate & Community Services – David Smith

#### **REASON FOR REPORT**

For Councillors to consider Council meeting venues and meeting times.

#### **REFERENCE TO DELIVERY PLAN ACTIONS**

Nil

#### DISCUSSION

Traditionally Council has rotated its monthly Council meetings between Holbrook and Culcairn however since the COVID-19 pandemic and the requirement to live stream, Council meetings have largely been held at the Community Meeting Room, Library Court, Holbrook.

The issues associated with COVID-19 restrictions and technical requirements for live streaming Council meetings have now largely been overcome and as such, it is recommended that Council revert back to the traditional meeting cycle of rotating its monthly Council meetings between Holbrook and Culcairn.

Month	Proposed meeting date	Venue
October 2022	Wednesday 19	Community Meeting Room, Holbrook
November 2022	Wednesday 16	Council Chambers, Culcairn
December 2022	Wednesday 21	Community Meeting Room, Holbrook
January 2023	TBC - If Required	
February 2023	Wednesday 15	Council Chambers, Culcairn
March 2023	Wednesday 15	Community Meeting Room, Holbrook
April 2023	Wednesday 19	Council Chambers, Culcairn
May 2023	Wednesday 17	Community Meeting Room, Holbrook
June 2023	Wednesday 21	Council Chambers, Culcairn
July 2023	Wednesday 19	Community Meeting Room, Holbrook
August 2023	Wednesday 16	Council Chambers, Culcairn
September 2023	Wednesday 20	Community Meeting Room, Holbrook

It is also recommended that meetings continue to commence at 6pm with a public forum to proceed each ordinary meeting, excluding extraordinary meetings

#### **BUDGET IMPLICATIONS**

Adequate allocations have been made within the 2021/2022 Estimates of Income and Expenditure for the conduct of Council meetings, extraordinary meetings and workshops.

#### CONCLUSION

The issues associated with COVID-19 restrictions and technical requirements for live streaming Council meetings have now largely been overcome and as such it is recommended that Council revert back to the traditional meeting cycle of rotating its monthly Council meetings between Holbrook and Culcairn.

#### COUNCIL MEETING VENUES AND MEETING TIMES [CONT'D]

## RECOMMENDATION

That:

1. Council adopt the following meeting schedule with meetings to commence at commence at 6pm.

Month	Proposed meeting date	Venue		
October 2022	Wednesday 19	Community Meeting Room, Holbrook		
November 2022	Wednesday 16	Council Chambers, Culcairn		
December 2022	Wednesday 21	Community Meeting Room, Holbrook		
January 2023	TBC - If Required			
February 2023	Wednesday 15	Council Chambers, Culcairn		
March 2023	Wednesday 15	Community Meeting Room, Holbrook		
April 2023 Wednesday 19		Council Chambers, Culcairn		
May 2023 Wednesday 17		Community Meeting Room, Holbrook		
June 2023	Wednesday 21	Council Chambers, Culcairn		
July 2023	Wednesday 19	Community Meeting Room, Holbrook		
August 2023	Wednesday 16	Council Chambers, Culcairn		
September 2023	Wednesday 20	Community Meeting Room, Holbrook		

2. A public forum immediately precedes each meeting.

### 4. **REQUESTS TO AMEND NON-RESIDENTIAL SEWER USAGE CHARGES**

#### Report prepared by Director Corporate & Community Services – David Smith

#### **REASON FOR REPORT**

To present a request from David & Kerry Morton for Council to consider reducing the amount of non-residential sewer usage charges levied for the period July - September 2022 at 15 Bond Street, Holbrook. This property has incurred significantly increased water usage charges and non-residential sewer usage charges as a result of an unknown leak in a water line.

#### **REFERENCE TO DELIVERY PLAN ACTION**

Nil

#### DISCUSSION

Council has received correspondence from the David & Kerry Morton in relation to nonresidential sewer usage charges levied for the period July - September 2022 at 15 Bond Street, Holbrook. The charges were based on abnormally high water consumption.

The water usage account for the period in question was based on a total consumption of 1,282kls. This is a significant increase on previous consumption levels where the previous three quarterly consumption was between 10kls and 79kls per quarter. The property owners have advised that the abnormally high consumption was the result of a leak in the internal water supply pipes, which has subsequently been detected and repaired.

The property owners are seeking consideration for a reduction in the resultant non-residential sewer usage charges. As Councillors would be aware, all non-residential properties connected to reticulated sewer are charged a usage charge based on the corresponding water usage and applicable discharge factor.

In this case, the abnormally high water usage resulting from the leaks has resulted in a correspondingly high non-residential sewer usage. However, given that the additional water usage was almost entirely due to leaks, it is highly unlikely that the additional water made its way into Council's sewer network and as such a review of the non-residential sewer charges is considered warranted.

The following table details non-residential sewer usage charges at the property over the past (4) billing periods:

Billing Period	Water Usage	Non -Residential Sewer Usage and Trade Waste Charges
September 2022	1,282kls	\$1,948.64
June 2022	10kls	\$14.92
March 2022	17kls	\$25.36
December 2021	79kls	\$117.83

#### REQUESTS TO AMEND NON-RESIDENTIAL SEWER USAGE CHARGES [CONT'D]

It is acknowledged that over the past years, Council has considered similar requests to have water usage charges waived or lowered as a result of water lost through leaks in internal supply lines and on each occasion Council has resolved to not accede to the request of the landowner. However, Council has recently supported requests for a reduction in the non-residential sewer usage charges where the additional water consumption was due to a leak. That being the case, it will be recommended that Council support the request and amend the non-residential usage charges as follows:

Total water consumption (average of previous three periods)35.3klSewer Usage Charge \$1.60 per kl @ 0.95 Discharge Factor\$53.65

#### BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Minor reduction in income of \$1,895.00

#### CONCLUSION

The non-residential sewer usage account for the period in question was based on a total water consumption of 1,282kls. This is a significant increase on previous consumption levels. Given that the water usage was almost entirely due to leaks, it is highly unlikely that the additional water made its way into Council's sewer network and as such a review of the non-residential sewer charges is considered warranted.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**.

That Council amend the non-residential sewer usage charges levied at 15 Bond Street Holbrook, Assessment 10048783 for the period July – September 2022 to a total charge of \$53.65.

#### 5. <u>LICENCE – LOTS 192 & 205 DP 753342, CORNER OF GLENELLEN ROAD AND</u> ORTLIPP ROAD, GLENELLEN (FORMER GLENELLEN SCHOOL SITE) – CROWN LAND

#### Report prepared by Manager Corporate Services – Suzanne Klemke

#### **REASON FOR REPORT**

To advise Councillors of the number of Expressions of Interest received for the licencing of Lots 192 & 205 DP 753342, corner Glenellen Road and Ortlipp Road, Glenellen (Crown land) which was advertised in the Border Mail on Saturday 27 August 2022 and Saturday 3 September 2022 closing on Friday 16 September 2022.

## REFERENCE TO DELIVERY PLAN ACTION

Nil.

#### DISCUSSION

The land subject to this arrangement is Crown Land managed by Greater Hume Council.

The following Expressions of Interest have been received:

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST	AMOUNT EXCLUDING GST			
Susan Murray	\$535.00			

Ms Murray has been the lessee of the property for the last 17 years and has maintained the property in such a manner to ensure fencing is stock proof and reduces the risk of fire and control of vermin through vegetation management.

The amount payable by the successful applicant will be \$535.00 per annum exclusive of GST.

The successful applicant will commence the term from 1 November 2022 for a period of twelve months terminating 31 October 2023 as permitted on Crown land.

#### BUDGET IMPLICATION

Minimal impact on Council's annual income.

#### CONCLUSION

Given that only one EOI submitted by Susan Murray was received, it is recommended that it be accepted.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That:

That Council accept the Expression of Interest from Susan Murray to enter into a licence for Lot 192 & 205 DP 753342, corner Glenellen Road and Ortlipp Road, Glenellen for a period of twelve months, commencing 1 November 2022 and terminating 31 October 2023.

### 6. NOMINATION OF COUNCILS NATIVE TITLE MANAGER

#### Report prepared by Director Corporate & Community Services – David Smith

#### REASON FOR REPORT

Council is required to give notice to the Minister for Lands and Water of the name and contact details of Council's nominated Native Title Manager in accordance with Section 8.8 of the Crown Land Management Act 2016 (NSW).

## REFERENCE TO DELIVERY PLAN ACTION

Nil.

#### DISCUSSION

To be qualified as a Native Title Manager, the person must attend a training session jointly provided by the Crown Solicitors Office and the Department of Industry (Crown Lands Office). The Manager Corporate Services, Suzanne Klemke has attained the Native Title Manager qualification.

The Manager Corporate Services is considered the most suitable person to be engaged/appointed as Council's Native Title Manager. Once Council has appointed its Native Title Manager, a notice can be given to the Minister accordingly.

Section 377(1) of the Local Government Act 1993 states that the giving of a notice to the Governor or Minister is a non-delegable function meaning a resolution of council is required.

#### BUDGET IMPLICATION

The nomination is absorbed in the position of Manager Corporate Services. There are no financial implications.

#### CONCLUSION

Consent is now sought from Council to nominate the Manager Corporate Services, Suzanne Klemke as Councils Native Title Manager.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That:

- 1. Council nominate the Manager Corporate Services as its Native Title Manager.
- 2. Council give notice to the Minister for Lands and Water of the name and contact details of Council's employed Native Title Manager, as required under Section 8.8 of the Crown Land Management Act 2016 (NSW).

## ENGINEERING

### 1. <u>REPRESENTATION OF PROVISION OF FOOTPATH – ADAM ST JINDERA –</u> <u>OBJECTION TO PROJECT REPORT</u>

#### Report prepared by Director Engineering – Greg Blackie

#### **REASON FOR REPORT**

To represent the Council report of the objections received to the cost apportionment and construction of a footpath in Adam St Jindera.

#### **REFERENCE TO DELIVERY PLAN ACTION**

CSP Strategy N2 Our road and transport network is maintained and accessible

Initiative N2.1.1. Implement asset management and renewal programs in accordance with adopted budgets and capital works programs.

#### DISCUSSION

At the Ordinary September Meeting of Council it was determined "That the matter lay on the table for (1) one month to allow councillors to undertake an inspection of the proposed footpath."

The report is represented below:

As part of this years Operational Plan Council approved a project to construct a footpath along the northern side of Adams St in Jindera from Mitchell St to Goulburn Street.

As detailed in a report to 20 July 2022 Council Meeting as required by Council Policy, landowners of properties adjacent to the proposed footpath are required to contribute to the cost of the footpath construction.

Following the adoption of the recommendations of the report landowners were sent correspondence about the project and their required contributions. Of the four properties that the footpath is to be constructed in front of, three landowners have objected to construction of the path and payment of contributions (refer to ANNEXURE 1).

The main objection to the path is the requirement for a contribution by them to the cost of the construction of the path. As has been Council policy since the existence of Greater Hume Council in 2004, there has been a policy *Contribution for Footpath/Kerb and Channel Construction Policy* that has been applied to all footpath and kerb and channel projects constructed by Council in Greater Hume that has required a contribution to be paid by landowners to such works. The levying of such contributions are payable under the Roads Act 1993

It is to be noted that Council does not require payment upfront following the completion of the works but advises that it can be paid over a period of five years by quarterly instalments. As with any payments to Council individuals can also request to apply under Council hardship policy to discuss other options about payment.

### <u>REPRESENTATION OF PROVISION OF FOOTPATH – ADAM ST JINDERA – OBJECTION</u> <u>TO PROJECT REPORT [CONT'D]</u>

The path was included into Councils operational plan following the increased use by residents walking along this section of Adams St. Currently the existing concrete footpath ends at the intersection of Adams St and Mitchell St which links directly to the central area of Jindera and all other footpaths.

Since the development of the Pommegranite Estate, a lot more pedestrians now walk between the development to the centre of Jindera and other areas via the Goulburn St and then along Adam St.

The proposed path is a logical extension of the existing path on the northern side of Adams St. Adams St is also the continuation of Dights Forest Road that along with Urana Rd/St are the two busiest roads in Greater Hume other than the Olympic Highway.

With no footpath along Adam St in front of the properties, requires pedestrians to either walk on the side of the road or on the road. With the increase in use by pedestrians and the increasing traffic on an already busy Adams St the risk of an accident is high. Council has also received requests to construct a part in this location due to the risk it poses, especially to families with children.

Jindera is growing rapidly and must accommodate appropriate infrastructure to ensure the safety of its residents.

Whilst it can be understood that no one likes paying for infrastructure they don't believe adds value to their property or they believe is someone else's responsibility, the requirement to levy such a charge are legal and have been applied consistently over past 18 year by Council. Also Council has processes that allow for the charges to be paid off over an extended period to minimize the impact on the landowner.

The development of infrastructure to a growing community that provides improvements to the overall community that may not be apparent to the individual landowners levied, still should be undertaken if the benefit are obvious, especially when it provides improved levels of safety and accessibility to all members of the community.

It is considered Council has two options to consider that is either to continue with the project and levy the charges as provided or abandon the project.

<u>REPRESENTATION OF PROVISION OF FOOTPATH – ADAM ST JINDERA – OBJECTION</u> <u>TO PROJECT REPORT [CONT'D]</u>

#### **BUDGET IMPLICATION**

Council has budgeted for the construction of the path within Council current operational plan inclusive of contributions by landowners.

Total Project Cost (estimated)	\$60000
Funded From: Footpath Budget	
Adopted Budget Item	\$30000
Grant - (Specify Grant Program)	\$0
Transfer from Internal Reserve	\$0
External Contribution (Landowner Contribution)	\$30000
TOTAL	\$60000

#### CONCLUSION

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It is considered Council has two options to consider that is either to continue with the project and levy the charges as provided or abandon the project.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That Council continue with the construction of the Adams St Footpath (Mitchell St to Goulburn St) Project and apply the charges to landowners as previously adopted by Council.

## 2. <u>CLOSURE AND LEASING OF CARABOBALA LANE</u>

#### Report prepared by Director Engineering – Greg Blackie

#### **REASON FOR REPORT**

To approve the closure of Carabobala Lane to through traffic and leasing the road reserve to an adjoining landowner.

#### **REFERENCE TO DELIVERY PLAN ACTION**

CSP Strategy N2 Our road and transport network is maintained and accessible

Initiative N2.1.1. Implement asset management and renewal programs in accordance with adopted budgets and capital works programs.

#### DISCUSSION

Council has received a request from Craig and Lisa Schultz to lease Carabobala Lane Road Reserve from Council. They have made the request as the road dissects their property and has increasing weed issues and is rarely used by the public.

Carabobala Lane is approximately 2.4km long and links Culcairn Holbrook Road to Morven Cookardinia Road near Morven. It is designated a Class 7 Formed Road under Council's Road Strategy and has a maintenance standard of a grade every 2 years and does not have a gravel surface (ie a dry weather road only).

Early this year Shultz's enquired to the possibility of leasing Carabobala Lane from Council, as the road is rarely used by anyone and as it does not provide any property access other than to the Shultz's property. To lease the road reserve requires the road to be closed to through vehicular traffic so that gates could be erected as the Shultz's wish to graze stock on the road reserve

Three other landowners whose properties abut Carabobala Lane were contacted by letter and advised of the request from the Schultz's (refer to ANNEXURE 2) and the proposal was publically advertised. As no comments were received by them or the public it is deemed that there are no issues with the proposed closure and leasing of the road.

To now formally close the road to vehicular traffic, and remove it from Councils dedicated maintained road network and remove it from official mapping as a vehicular accessible public road requires approval from Council.

As the proposal reduces Councils maintenance requirements, provides some minor additional income, and has not received any negative comments for the adjoining landowners or the public, it is recommended that Council formally approve the closure and leasing of Carabobala Lane

### CLOSURE AND LEASING OF CARABOBALA LANE [CONT'D]

#### **BUDGET IMPLICATION**

Total Project Cost	\$N/A
Funded From:	
Adopted Budget Item	\$
Grant - (Specify Grant Program)	\$
Transfer from Internal Reserve	\$
External Contribution (Specify who/where from)	\$
TOTAL	\$N/A

A modest income will be received from the leasing of the road and no ongoing maintenance will be required of Carabobala Lane.

#### CONCLUSION

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#### RECOMMENDATION

#### That Council:

- 1. Formally close Carabobala Lane to vehicular traffic
- 2. Remove Carabobala Lane from Council's maintained road network
- 3. Remove Carabobala Lane from official mapping as accessible to vehicular traffic
- 4. Offer a lease to Craig and Lisa Shultz in line with Council standard leasing of Public Road Reserves for a period up to 31 December 2025.

## ITEM TO BE REFERRED TO CLOSED COUNCIL

## ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING

### 1. <u>ENFORCEMENT OPTIONS – UNSIGHTLY CONDITIONS AND UNAPPROVED</u> <u>OCCUPATION - 1 THIRD STREET HENTY</u>

#### Report by Director Environment and Planning – Colin Kane

#### **REASON FOR REPORT**

This report advises Council that there has been numerous complaints about the condition of the abovementioned premises and the unapproved occupation of the property by the landowner residing in a caravan. The report will discuss a legal opinion that has been obtained by Council to address the situation.

#### REFERENCE TO DELIVERY PLAN ACTIONS Nil.

## DISCUSSION

The site is located approximately 55 metres east of the Olympic Highway in Henty. A rectangular 1000-metre allotment fronts Third Street and is bounded on two sides by laneways. The landowner has been residing at the abovementioned premises for several years.

Currently on the allotment, there is a shipping container, small caravan, portable chemical toilet, piles of various items that are covered by tarpaulins and gardens. The property is not overgrown. The owner has erected fencing and screening on the street frontage to Third Street and along the adjacent laneway, which to some extent effectively screens the allotment.

There has been numerous complaints about the landowner residing at the property in the caravan. The complainants are concerned about the appearance of the property, the use of the chemical toilet and a loss of amenity.

It is considered that the appropriate course of action is for Council to have its legal representative redraft the Orders for compliance and serve these upon the landowner. This will allow Council to issue Penalty Infringement Notices for non-compliance and instigate legal action on a relatively short timeframe.

#### BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

The cost for the preparation of the required Orders will be in the vicinity of \$4000 -\$6000.

ENFORCEMENT OPTIONS – UNSIGHTLY CONDITIONS AND UNAPPROVED OCCUPATION - 1 THIRD STREET HENTY [CONT'D]

#### CONCLUSION

The landowner's occupation within a caravan at the property and the use of the property has resulted in a significant number of complaints to Council. The preparation of Orders that can be successfully enforced will provide some options for Council.

It is recommended that the matter be referred to Closed Council in accordance with section 10A(2)(b) and 10A(2)(g) of the Local Government Act 1993 as the report deals with both the personal hardship of a resident and advice concerning litigation.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That the report be referred to Closed Council in accordance with section 10A(2)(b) and 10A(2)(g) of the Local Government Act 1993 as the report deals with both the personal hardship of a resident and advice concerning litigation.

#### REASON

The discussions to be had in relation to this matter deals with personal matters concerning a particular individual and advice concerning litigation.

## GOVERNANCE

## ITEM TO BE REFERRED TO CLOSED COUNCIL

1. <u>PROPOSED SALE OF 124 ALBURY STREET, HOLBROOK, AN UNOCCUPIED</u> <u>SERVICE STATION AND RESIDENCE COMPRISING APPROXIMATELY 1,777</u> <u>SQM (ZONED RU5 VILLAGE) LOT 4 IN SECTION B IN DEPOSITED PLAN 2748</u> <u>AND LOT 1 IN DEPOSITED PLAN 380380</u>

## Report prepared by Economic Development Coordinator – Marg Killalea

## **REASON FOR REPORT**

Following Council's resolution at the September meeting, this report provides an update of the further negotiations regarding timelines associated to two parties Expression of Interest (EOI) offers to purchase 124 Albury Street, Holbrook, an unoccupied service station and residence, comprising approximately 1,777 sqm zoned RU5 Village (Lot 4 in Section B DP 2748 and Lot 1 DP 380380).

## REFERENCE TO DELIVERY PLAN ACTIONS

Nil.

## DISCUSSION

The report provides Council with a further update on negotiations and discussions between the General Manager and two parties that had submitted EOI offers to purchase the Council owned property at 124 Albury Street, Holbrook.

The property 124 Albury Street, Holbrook has been identified as surplus to Council's needs.

After appointing a real estate agent, Council sought EOI's to purchase the property. Council received a report on all offers received during the EOI period at its previous meeting.

Council resolved at the September meeting to authorise the General Manager to undertake negotiations with EOI offer three and five to clarify timelines and that Council is to receive a further report to a future meeting of Council, as follows:

That :

- 1. General Manager be authorised to undertake negotiations with the Expression of Interest number (3) three and number (5) five to clarify the timelines associated with the proposed development.
- 2. A subsequent report be submitted to a future meeting of Council for consideration.

#### CONCLUSION

Council will receive a further confidential report on the matter at the October Council meeting.

As consideration of the EOI offers to purchase 124 Albury Street, Holbrook is confidential in nature, it is therefore recommended that the matter be referred to the confidential section of the meeting (Closed Council) in accordance with section 10 A (2) (c) information that would, if disclosed, confer an advantage on a person whom Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

PROPOSED SALE OF 124 ALBURY STREET, HOLBROOK, AN UNOCCUPIED SERVICE STATION AND RESIDENCE COMPRISING APPROXIMATELY 1,777 SQM (ZONED RU5 VILLAGE) LOT 4 IN SECTION B IN DEPOSITED PLAN 2748 AND LOT 1 IN DEPOSITED PLAN 380380 [CONT'D]

#### RECOMMENDATION

That consideration of the EOI's received to purchase 124 Albury Street, Holbrook and a further report on the matter be referred to Closed Council in accordance with section 10 A (2) (c) information that would, if disclosed, confer an advantage on a person whom Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

## REASON

On balance the potential sale of 124 Albury Street, Holbrook outweighs the public interest in maintaining openness and transparency in Council decision making because the disclosure of this information could compromise the commercial position of the Council.

## ITEM TO BE REFERRED TO CLOSED COUNCIL

## ENGINEERING

## 1. LODGEMENT OF EOI TO PURCHASE LAND FOR THE JINDERA WASTE WATER TREATEMENT FACILITY UPGRADE

## Report prepared by Director Engineering – Greg Blackie

## **REASON FOR REPORT**

For Council to approve the lodgement of an Expression of Interest in the purchasing of a property at near Jindera for the upgrade of the Jindera Waste Water Treatment Facility that has been publically marketed.

#### **REFERENCE TO DELIVERY PLAN ACTION**

CSP Strategy N2 Our road and transport network is maintained and accessible

Initiative N2.1.1. Implement asset management and renewal programs in accordance with adopted budgets and capital works programs.

#### DISCUSSION

As Councillors would be aware that with the increasing population of Jindera, requires the upgrade of the Jindera Waste Water Facility to accommodate the current and future population growth.

A report was provided to Council at the Ordinary Meeting of Council in November 2020 where it was resolved that:

"That Council endorse of the engagement with potential landowners to discuss the undertaking of investigations into the proposed sites for the establishment of a winter storage lagoon and agricultural irrigation reuse scheme and possible purchase of land for the upgrade of the Jindera wastewater Treatment Facility"

Council has been made aware of one of the proposed sites becoming available by EOI for purchase and it is considered appropriate that Council lodge an EOI for the purchase of the site.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That the lodgement of an EOI for the purchase of a property for a winter storage lagoon and agricultural irrigation reuse scheme be referred to Closed Council in accordance with section 10 A (2) (c) information that would, if disclosed confer an advantage on a person whom Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business

#### Reason

On the balance of negotiating with a landowner with the lodgement of the EOI at this stage outweighs the public interest in maintaining openness and transparency in Council decision making as the disclosure of the EOI may compromise the opportunity of Council for the possible purchase of the property

# OFFICERS' REPORTS – PART B – TO BE RECEIVED AND NOTED

## GOVERNANCE

## 1. <u>2021/2022 ANNUAL REPORT</u>

Report prepared by General Manager – Evelyn Arnold

## **REASON FOR REPORT**

To present the 2021/2022 Annual Report

#### REFERENCE TO DELIVERY PLAN ACTIONS Nil

#### DISCUSSION

Section 428 of the Local Government Act requires Council to prepare and submit an Annual Report to the Minister for Local Government within five months of the end of each financial year i.e. by 30 November. The Act also prescribes the matters that must be included in the Annual Report.

The Annual Report has been completed and a copy is **ENCLOSED SEPARATELY** for the information of Councillors. The report will be forwarded to the Minister by the statutory deadline of 30 November 2022.

## **BUDGET IMPLICATIONS**

Nil.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That the Greater Hume Council 2021/2022 Annual Report be received and noted.

## **CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES**

## 1. COMBINED INVESTMENT ACCOUNT – MONTH ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

### Report prepared by Accountant – Camilla Webb

## REASON FOR REPORT

This report presents to Council details of all funds invested as at 30 September 2022 as required by the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021.

## REFERENCE TO DELIVERY PLAN ACTION

ObjectiveWe lead a vibrant, connected and inclusive communityOutcome 1.1Leadership and advocacy is demonstrated and encouraged in our<br/>communities

#### DISCUSSION

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1993, the Responsible Accountant must present to Council monthly, the status of the investments held by Council. The Responsible Accountant must detail the investments held, and their compliance with both internal policy and external regulation under the Ministerial Order of Investments.

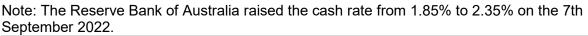
In accordance with the recommendations made by the Office of Local Government (OLG) Investment Policy Guidelines published in June 2010, the monthly Investments Reports are attached to the Council investment report. This allows a stand-alone report to be published on Council's website for the public to view without having to peruse the Council meeting agenda for the relevant meeting.

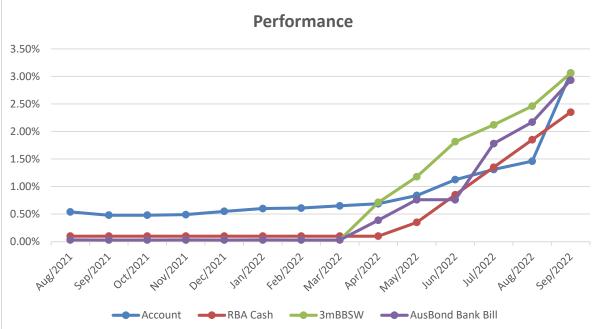
Councillors should note that Council has engaged an external investment manager, Curve Securities, to source appropriate investment opportunities with the aim of transitioning Council's investment portfolio to meet the investment parameters as detailed in Council's revised Investment Policy. Curve Securities will work with Council to ensure that Council's overall investment portfolio is diversified across a wider spectrum of approved financial institutions thereby achieving improved security and asset protection. It should be noted that each individual investment is still held directly by Council with each financial institution.

### COMBINED INVESTMENT ACCOUNT - MONTH ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022 [CONT'D]

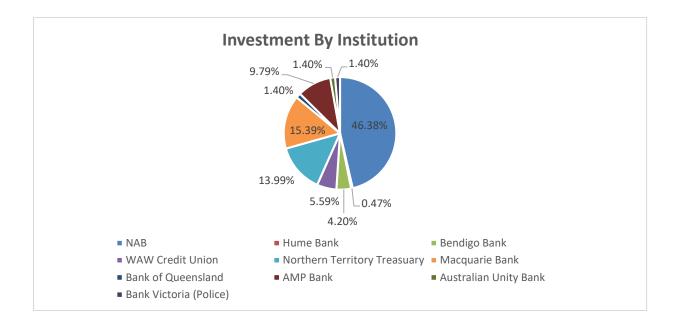
#### Greater Hume's overall investment portfolio

Total Cost	\$35,746,348.66
Total Portfolio Value	\$35,938,054.28
Weighted Average Term (days)	240
Weighted Average Yield	3.06%
Total Monthly Accrued Interest	\$38,734.68
Total Interest Received this month	\$23,536.99
Interest Payments this month	5
Matured Investments this month	3
Total Funds Matured this month	\$2,000,000.00
New Investments this month	5
Total Funds Invested this month	\$3,000,000.00





## COMBINED INVESTMENT ACCOUNT - MONTH ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022 [CONT'D]



#### COMBINED INVESTMENT ACCOUNT - MONTH ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022 [CONT'D]

#### **Investment Register**

Contract Number	ADI/Security Name	Maturity Date	Amount	Long Term Rating	Term in Days	Monthly Accrued Interest	Yield
058782	WAW Credit Union	09/10/2022	400000.00	NR	92	739.73	2.25 %
056170	Bendigo And Adelaide Bank	17/10/2022	500000.00	BBB+	271	226.03	0.55 %
058612	Macquarie Bank	18/10/2022	100000.00	A+	111	1882.19	2.29 %
059271	NAB	19/10/2022	500000.00	AA-	91	1068.49	2.600 %
054536	AMP Bank	20/10/2022	100000.00	BBB	365	657.53	0.800 %
058202	WAW Credit Union	07/11/2022	500000.00	NR	180	513.7	1.25 %
059785	Macquarie Bank	16/11/2022	500000.00	A+	91	1117.81	2.72 %
058004	Australian Unity Bank	17/11/2022	500000.00	BBB+	182	904.11	2.200 %
059806	Macquarie Bank	18/11/2022	500000.00	A+	88	1117.81	2.72 %
055913	NAB	06/12/2022	510414.36	AA-	357	255.91	0.61 %
060223	NAB	08/12/2022	500000.00	AA-	91	976.71	3.100 %
060222	Macquarie Bank	08/12/2022	500000.00	A+	91	1027.12	3.26 %
058397	AMP Bank	13/12/2022	100000.00	BBB	182	2465.75	3.0 %
058586	WAW Credit Union	13/12/2022	500000.00	NR	178	1232.88	3.0 %
060498	Macquarie Bank	23/12/2022	100000.00	A+	87	392.33	3.58 %
058597	WAW Credit Union	24/12/2022	600000.00	NR	180	1479.45	3.0 %
058594	Bank Of Queensland.	05/01/2023	500000.00	BBB+	191	1212.33	2.95 %
056050	Bendigo And Adelaide Bank	12/01/2023	500000.00	BBB+	365	267.12	0.65 %
057614	NAB	18/01/2023	500000.00	AA-	265	616.44	1.500 %
056172	NAB	19/01/2023	500000.00	AA-	365	300	0.73 %
058032	NAB	20/01/2023	500000.00	AA-	245	945.21	2.300 %
060083	NAB	27/01/2023	500000.00	AA-	150	1356.16	3.300 %
057782	NAB	31/01/2023	500000.00	AA-	273	817.81	1.99 %
059676	NAB	09/02/2023	100000.00	AA-	182	2712.33	3.300 %
059790	Police Financial Services	16/02/2023	500000.00	NR	182	1397.26	3.400 %
060556	Macquarie Bank	27/02/2023	500000.00	A+	151	104.93	3.83 %
057456	Hume Bank	01/03/2023	69371.71	NR	365	19.96	0.35 %
058094	Macquarie Bank	19/04/2023	500000.00	A+	330	1109.59	2.700 %
057638	AMP Bank	21/04/2023	100000.00	BBB	365	1602.74	1.95 %
058201	Hume Bank	02/05/2023	46751.06	NR	365	23.06	0.600 %
058022	Bendigo And Adelaide Bank	19/05/2023	500000.00	BBB+	365	1150.68	2.800 %
058000	Macquarie Bank	19/05/2023	100000.00	A+	365	2219.18	2.700 %
058640	Hume Bank	30/06/2023	50112.21	NR	365	113.27	2.75 %
054123	NAB	13/09/2023	200000.00	AA-	727	591.78	0.600 %
060497	AMP Bank	27/09/2023	500000.00	BBB	365	257.53	4.700 %
056079	Northern Territory Treasury Corp	15/06/2025	100000.00	NR	1,248	1150.68	1.400 %
052490	Northern Territory Treasury Corp	16/06/2025	1500000.00	NR	1,481	1356.16	1.100 %
051782	Northern Territory Treasury Corp	15/06/2026	2500000.00	NR	1,887	2671.23	1.300 %
049570	NAB	01/10/2022	9569699.32	AA-	1	681.68	2.600 %
Total			\$35,746,348.66			\$38,734.68	

#### COMBINED INVESTMENT ACCOUNT - MONTH ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022 [CONT'D]

#### Declaration

I, Dean Hart, as the Responsible Accounting Officer of Greater Hume Shire Council, hereby certify the investments listed in the attached reports have been made in accordance with Section 625 of the Local Government Act 1993, clause 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021 and Council's Investment Policy.

All investments have been appropriately recorded in Council's financial records and reconciled monthly.

#### CONCLUSION

As at 30 September, 2022 total Investments held were \$35,746,348.66. The year to date accrued investment earnings for 2022/23 was \$32,876.03 representing a weighted average yield of 3.06%.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the Investment Balances Report for the month of September 2022.

## PART C - ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

## GOVERNANCE

## 1. <u>TOURISM AND PROMOTIONS OFFICER'S REPORT</u> Report by Tourism and Promotions Officer – Kerrie Wise

#### **REASON FOR REPORT**

To update councillors regarding working projects undertaken by the Tourism and Promotions Officer.

#### DISCUSSION

The report on projects being undertaken by the Tourism and Promotions Officers is attached at **ANNEXURE 3**.

BUDGET IMPLICATION

Nil.

#### CONCLUSION

For Councillors' information.

#### 2. <u>NSW GROWING REGIONS OF WELCOME PILOT PROGRAM – COMMUNITY</u> <u>CONSULTATION IN GREATER HUME LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA UPDATE</u>

#### Report prepared by Economic Development Coordinator – Marg Killalea

## **REASON FOR REPORT**

To update Council following the community consultation undertaken in August 2022 to inform the Greater Hume community about the pilot program.

#### **REFERENCE TO DELIVERY PLAN ACTION**

ObjectiveOur community growth maximises our location and strengths to enable<br/>prosperity for allOutcome G1.1Strengthen economic viability and connections beyond Greater<br/>Support the promotion and actions contained in the Murray Region<br/>Newcomer Attraction and Retention Strategy

## DISCUSSION

Background

In June 2021, the NSW Government announced funding of \$3 Million over three years to continue important support programs for refugee, new and emerging communities as part of the 2021-2022 NSW Budget. Known as NSW GROW (Growing Regions of Welcome Pilot Program) the pilot operates in western Sydney, the Riverina and Murray regions.

NSW GROW aims to strengthen the capability of communities in the Riverina and Murray regions to attract people from refugee, asylum seeking and migrant backgrounds, and support them to stay for the long-term.

#### <u>NSW GROWING REGIONS OF WELCOME PILOT PROGRAM – COMMUNITY</u> CONSULTATION IN GREATER HUME LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA UPDATED [CONT'D]

#### Community Consultation – August 2022

NSW GROW community information sessions at Henty and Holbrook during August were both well attended by Greater Hume residents.



**NSW GROW** session at Henty



**NSW GROW session at Holbrook** 

The overall aim is to provide migrants and refugees with the information and support they need to relocate to the region, and support Greater Hume communities to welcome newcomers and help them to thrive in the long-term. As a result of the community briefings, a total of 16 people have registered to be part of the welcoming community for newcomers in Greater Hume.

Co-chair Andrew Kotzur said in the media release "the NSW GROW program becomes a winwin for communities in terms of increasing diversity and clearly for businesses, it's an opportunity for prospective employers. It's no secret that there's a shortages in the workforce, but it's not without challenges, because housing is also very challenging at the moment. Individual communities can't do this on their own, but working with Red Cross, Council, other support organisations together with the community and employers we are hoping to find solutions" he said.

To learn more about the NSW GROW pilot program, <u>https://multicultural.nsw.gov.au/nsw-grow</u>

Interested residents can register interest in the program - employers or community members wanting to formally register their interest with the GROW pilot program in the Murray, scan the Q R code below.



BUDGET IMPLICATION Nil.

#### <u>NSW GROWING REGIONS OF WELCOME PILOT PROGRAM – COMMUNITY</u> CONSULTATION IN GREATER HUME LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA UPDATED [CONT'D]

#### CONCLUSION

Community consultation within the Greater Hume region was conducted in August 2022, and the two sessions were well attended. Interested residents and business owners can keep up to date with the Murray Taskforce activities by following the NSW GROW Murray Taskforce Facebook page

https://www.facebook.com/search/top?g=nsw%20grow%20murray%20taskforce

## CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

#### 1. <u>CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR OFFICE CLOSURE PERIOD</u>

#### Report prepared by Manager Corporate Services – Suzanne Klemke

#### **REASON FOR REPORT**

To provide Councillors with information on the dates for the 2022/2023 Christmas/New Year office closure.

# REFERENCE TO DELIVERY PLAN ACTION

Nil.

#### DISCUSSION

As Councillors would be aware, Council's offices and customer service centres have traditionally closed for the period between Christmas and New Year.

The 2022/2023 closure period will see Council's offices close from 2pm Friday 23 December 2022 and reopen at 8.30am Tuesday 3 January 2023.

Closure dates will be advertised in Council's regular Public Notice advertisement and notices will be displayed at all customer service centres so as to fully inform residents and ratepayers of the office closure period.

BUDGET IMPLICATION Nil.

**CONCLUSION** For Councillors' Information

#### 2. <u>GREATER HUME CUSTOMER REQUEST MODULE – SUMMARY OF MONTHLY</u> <u>REQUESTS</u>

For Councillors information, the Customer Request Module reports are **ENCLOSED SEPARATELY**.

#### 3. STATEMENTS OF BANK BALANCES AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

The statement of bank balances as at 30 September 2022 is attached at **ANNEXURE 4**.

## ENGINEERING

#### 1. OCTOBER 2022 - REPORT OF WORKS

#### Grants Program

#### State Roads Maintenance (RMCC)

Maintenance works, inspections and sign replacement on State Roads, Olympic Highway (MR78) and Tumbarumba Road (MR284) is continuing under the RMCC with Transport for New South Wales (TfNSW).

#### **Regional Roads**

General maintenance including guide post replacement is continuing on all Regional Roads.

1km reconstruction works along Jingellic Road, approximately 20km from Holbrook is continuing.

Significant Heavy Patch is about to commence on Jingellic Road.

#### Local Roads Sealed

General maintenance on local roads is continuing. Significant damage to our road network from sustained wet weather is occurring with patching and heavy patching being undertaken.

Road reconstruction of 4km of Gerogery Road, starting at Charles Street, Gerogery West is continuing.

Road reconstruction of 4km of Brocklesby Balldale Road, from Brocklesby Goombargana Road to Woodland Road is continuing.

#### OCTOBER 2022 - REPORT OF WORKS [CONT'D]

#### Unsealed:

Gravel resheeting has been completed on Beckett Road, Munyapla Boundary Road and Munyapla Settlement Road.

Sustained wet weather is impeding council's road network. Additional grading and drainage works will be undertaken when possible.

Maintenance grading has been carried out on the following roads during September. See Map **ANNEXURE 5.** 

Road Name	Location		
Back Henty Road	Patch work whole road (10.4km)		
Bahrs Road	Entire length		
Carroll Lane	Entire length		
Drumwood Road	Entire length		
Funk Road	From end of seal to Red Hill Rd		
	From Howlong Balldale Rd north, and Ryan Rd		
Gum Swamp Road	south		
Kenya Road	Entire length		
Kreutzbergers Road	End of seal to boundary		
Lochiel Road	Entire length		
Quartz Hill Road	From Luther Rd to Pony Club		
River Road	Various		
Ryan Stock Route	Entire length		

#### Urban Streets:

General maintenance of urban streets is continuing.

Stage 2 of Drainage Installation in Gerogery is nearing completion.

#### General:

General maintenance of public toilets and parks is continuing.

General sign maintenance is continuing.

Fabrication works for the lookout and raised walk way on Hanels Road, Woomargama is progressing.

## OCTOBER 2022 - REPORT OF WORKS [CONT'D]

#### Monthly Works Maintenance Expenditure:

Local Roads Program	Current Budget	Monthly Budget to Date	YTD Expendit ure	Monthly Budget Variance to Actual	Comments
Urban Roads Maintenance	\$210,000	\$52,500	\$66,401	-\$13,901	
Urban Roads Town Maintenance	\$250,000	\$62,500	\$62,676	-\$176	
Rural Roads Sealed	\$764,975	\$191,244	\$271,941	-\$80,698	Wet weather impeding roads, requiring additional maintenance. Currently reviewing Capital Projects to investigate options to reallocate funds to offset high maintenance expenditure.
Rural Roads Unsealed	\$1,221,603	\$305,401	\$534,228	-\$228,827	Wet weather impeding roads, requiring additional maintenance. Currently reviewing Capital Projects to investigate options to reallocate funds to offset high maintenance expenditure.
Street Tree Maintenance	\$250,000	\$62,500	\$88,615	-\$26,115	Extensive pruning and planting undertaken.

NOTE :Application for Natural Disaster submitted and declared for significant weather events December/January. Awaiting acceptance of funding for completed emergency works and pending works estimated value \$1.5m.

## OCTOBER 2022 - REPORT OF WORKS [CONT'D]

Regional Roads Program	Current Budget	Monthly Budget to Date	YTD Expenditur e	Monthly Budget Variance to Actual	Comments
Regional Roads Maintenance	\$750,000	\$187,500	\$278,115	-\$90,615	Wet weather impeding roads, requiring additional maintenance. Currently reviewing Capital Projects to investigate options to reallocate funds to offset high maintenance expenditure.

Sportsgrounds, Parks & Public Toilets	Current Budget	Monthly Budget to Date	YTD Expenditur e	Monthly Budget Variance to Actual	Comments
Sportsground Maintenance	\$303,369	\$75,842	\$101,040	-\$25,198	High maintenance due to wet weather.
Parks & Gardens Maintenance	\$353,378	\$88,345	\$71,889	\$16,455	
Public Toilets Maintenance	\$159,748	\$39,937	\$52,324	-\$12,387	Savings from P&G Maintenance will offset Public Toilets Maintenance

**NB : Sportsground Maintenance excludes annual GHC contribution payment** 

## OCTOBER 2022 - REPORT OF WORKS [CONT'D]

## Major Projects Expenditure:

Project	Budget	YTD	Committed	Total	Remaining	Comments
Gerogery Road Rehabilitation	\$2,609,91 1	\$ 187,906	\$ 173,259	\$361,164	\$2,248,747	
Brocklesby Balldale Road Rehabilitation	\$1,750,00 0	\$7,857	\$46,210	\$54,067	\$1,707,188	

For Councillors information, the Greater Hume Council Capital Works and Forward Program 2022/2023 is attached at **ANNEXURE 6**.

## 2. WATER & SEWER REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2022

#### Capital Works Program:

Culcairn Water Service replacements – WIP

#### **Operation & Maintenance:**

Water:

- New water service connection 2 Rosler Street Jindera
- New water service connection Lot 23 Stan. Drive Jindera
- New water service connection X 2– 1 Holly Tree Court Jindera
- New water service connection 12 Holly Tree Court Jindera
- New Water Service 1 Krause Court Jindera
- Water main maintenance Culcairn
- 2 X Water Service repairs Jindera

#### Sewer:

- Commence relining Ten Mile Creek sewer main Holbrook WIP
- Sewer Main Reline Walla Walla (Complete)
- Sewer Main Reline Henty (Complete)
- Installed repaired rotor at Henty

## Other:

- IWCM WIP
- Jindera STW upgrade Business Case WIP
- Culcairn Black St reservoir upgrade Business Case WIP
- Australian Statistics Energy usage
- Annual Service of all Water & Sewer Backflow Devices

#### WATER & SEWER REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2022 [CONT'D]

#### Drinking Water Monitoring Program:

• 8 x Water samples for Microbial Water Analysis submitted in the month of March 2022 for Villages and Culcairn Water Supply have all complied with the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines.

#### Water Quality Complaints

Date	Location	Problem	Action Taken
NIL			

#### Supply Monthly Usage

August, 2022	2020/2021	2021/2022	2022/2023
Culcairn Water Supply (ML)	8.94	9.20	10.00
Village Water Supply (ML)	21.58	27.69	24.69
Totals (ML)	30.52	36.89	34.69

#### Water Supply Sourced and Used

1 July 2022 – June 2023	2020/21	2021/2022	2022/2023
Culcairn Water Supply (ML)	24.66	22.25	20.17
Village Water Supply (ML)	58.73	69.71	50.64
Totals (ML)	83.39	91.96	70.81

## ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING

#### 1. <u>DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS PROCESSED FOR THE MONTH OF</u> <u>SEPTEMBER 2022</u>

The schedule of development applications processed for the month of August 2022 is attached at **ANNEXURE 7**.

#### 2. RANGER'S REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2022

#### COMPANION ANIMALS

No. of Complaints Re 24	Including: 7 ba with an aggres complaints Continual patro	sive dog, 0 ni	uisance dog	, 3 cats feral	
No. of dog attacks:		Location:			
0					
Comments:					
				Dogs	Cats
In Council's Facility at	Beginning	of Month			
Captured & Returned	to Owners			9	
Captured & Impounde	tured & Impounded			2	
Released from Pound	to Owners			1	
Surrendered by Owners					
Rehomed				1	
Euthanased					
Remaining in Council's	s Facility at	End of Month		0	0

#### FERAL CATS

No. of Complaints:	3
No. Feral Cats caught:	6

#### LIVESTOCK

	Cattle	Sheep	Horse	Goats	Other Alpacas
No of Reports of Stock on Roads	2	7			
Instances Returned to owners	2	7			
Impounded					
Vehicle accidents involving stock					

### OTHER LIVESTOCK, WILDLIFE COMPLAINTS

Walla Walla - 1 injured kangaroo euthanized. Jindera - 1 injured kangaroo euthanized. Glenellen - 1 dead kangaroo removed from road.

#### ABANDONED VEHICLES

Jindera – vehicle removed by owner. Burrumbuttock – vehicle moved by owner.

#### RANGER'S REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2022 [CONT'D]

### POLLUTION AND ENVIRONMENTAL INCIDENTS

Inspection conducted:	Holbrook – residential property.
Overgrown Vegetation Unsafe Land	Henty – residential properties x 2.
	Culcairn - residential properties x 2.
Pollution: Offensive smell	
Pollution: Waste	Holbrook – household waste. Removed by
	Rangers.
	Jindera – household waste removed by
	Rangers.
	Holbrook – dumping of green waste.
Pollution: Noise	Culcairn - barking dog x 2.
	Jindera – barking dog.
	Walla – barking dogs.
	Holbrook – barking dog x 2.
	Henty – barking dogs & rooster.
	Burrumbuttock – rooster.

## **ON-SITE SEWERAGE MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS**

Inspection Type	Total	Pass	Fail
OSMS Compliance Inspections	6	5	1
Pre-Purchase Inspections	3	1	2
OSMS Orders issued			
OSMS Orders Compliance Inspections			
Plumbers Site Inspections	3	3	
OSMS Upgrade Applications Received	3		
OSMS Approvals To Do Works Issued	3		
OSMS Approvals To Operate Issued			
AWTS Service Contract Renewal Letters			
Local Government Application Approvals			
Local Government Approval Inspections			
Local Government Approval Soil Report Assessments	3		
OSMS Rate charge enquires	2		
Septic Enquiry	13		
Solicitors letter			
Vacant Land checks	1		

## OTHER WORKS CONDUCTED

Total of 37 CRM's reported through Council.

RID online (Report Illegal Dumping online) updating with data entry.

Gerogery Landfill site works.

Assist Police with Companion Animals in Burrumbuttock.

## 3. <u>SENIOR WEEDS OFFICER'S REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2022</u>

- Monitoring and control of Alligator Weed is ongoing in the Woomargama area.
- Monitoring and control of Green Cestrum is ongoing on the Billabong Creek.
- Spraying of Cape Broom is ongoing throughout council area.
- Attended the Henty Field Days.
- Spraying of Horehound has been completed throughout council area.
- Spraying of African Boxthorn has been completed throughout council area.
- Controlling and monitoring of rabbit infestations throughout council area.
- General roadside and property inspections have been competed throughout council area.

# PART D

## **COMMUNITY MEETING- MINUTES**

Attached in **ANNEXURE 8**, are minutes of the following items:

### 1. <u>MINUTES OF THE BURRUMBUTTOCK COMMUNITY FORUM MINUTES OF</u> <u>GENERAL MEETING- 7 SEPTEMBER 2022 AT THE BURRUMBUTTOCK HALL</u>

## 2. <u>HENTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA 29</u> <u>AUGUST 2022</u>