

**MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF GREATER HUME COUNCIL  
HELD AT CULCAIRN COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 40 BALFOUR STREET, CULCAIRN  
ON WEDNESDAY 15 NOVEMBER 2023**

The meeting opened at 6:00pm following the public forum.

### **IN ATTENDANCE**

Cr Quinn (Chairperson), Forrest, Hicks, Lindner, Meyer, O'Neill, Parker, Schilg and Wilton, General Manager, Director Corporate and Community Services, Director Engineering, Chief Financial Officer and Executive Assistant.

Councillor Wilton read a prayer to commence the meeting.

### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

The Mayor (Chairperson) offered an Acknowledgement of Country at the commencement of the meeting.

### **APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE OR ATTENDANCE BY AUDIO VISUAL LINK BY COUNCILLORS**

Nil - Cr. Hicks entered the meeting room at 6:01pm

### **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

#### **MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON 18 OCTOBER 2023**

**6538 RESOLVED**

[Cr. Meyer/Cr. Lindner]

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Greater Hume Council held at Holbrook on Wednesday 18 October 2023 as printed and circulated to be confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of such meeting.

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Forrest Hicks Lindner Meyer O'Neill Parker Quinn Schilg Wilton			

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**ACTION REPORT FROM THE MINUTES**

Nil

**DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST OR NON PECUNIARY INTEREST (CONFLICT OF INTEREST)**

Cr. Ashley Lindner gave notice of his intention to declare a Non Pecuniary Interest in OFFICERS' REPORTS – PART A FOR DETERMINATION – ITEM 1 GOVERNANCE LOCAL ROADS AND COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM ROUND 4 GENERAL PROJECTS ALLOCATIONS

Cr. Ian Forrest gave notice of his intention to declare a Non Pecuniary Interest in OFFICERS' REPORTS – PART A FOR DETERMINATION – ENGINEERING ITEM 1 TENDER TL 06 – 2023/24 HENTY COOKARDINIA ROAD CULVERT REPLACEMENT

**MAYORAL MINUTE**

Nil

**NOTICE OF MOTIONS**

Nil

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**OFFICERS’ REPORTS – PART A - FOR DETERMINATION**

**ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING**

1. **DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION - DA 10.2021.162.2 – TWENTY-EIGHT (28) LOT TORRENS TITLE SUBDIVISION DESIGN AMENDMENT - CHANGE TO THE APPROVED SUBDIVISION LAYOUT INCLUDING REDUCTION OF TREE REMOVAL.**

**6539 RESOLVED** [Cr. Wilton/Cr. Schilg]

That Council:

1. Receive and note the progress of Council related Development Application -10.2021.162.2
2. Receive a further report presenting the progress once the subdivision works related to the application are completed.

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**GOVERNANCE**

**1. LOCAL ROADS AND COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM ROUND 4  
GENERAL PROJECTS ALLOCATIONS**

AT THIS JUNCTURE, COUNCILLOR ASHLEY LINDNER MADE A DECLARATION OF NON PECUNIARY INTEREST IN THE MATTERS NOW BEFORE THE COUNCIL AND REMOVED HIMSELF FROM THE VOTING TABLE AT 6:04PM PURSUANT TO SECTION 45 (1) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1993 AND TOOK NO PART IN VOTING ON THE MATTER.

**6540 RESOLVED** [Cr. Schilg/Cr. Hicks]

That Council adopt the following projects for LRCIP Round 4;

<b>Project</b>	<b>Budget Request</b>	<b>Recommendation to Fund</b>
Culcairn Football Lights	\$22,000	\$22,000
Whitebox Woodlands	\$50,000	\$50,000
Wallace Street Footpath	\$85,000	\$85,000
Bowler Street Footpath	\$95,000	\$95,000
Jindera Netball Facility Toilets	\$150,000	\$150,000
Brocklesby Tennis Club	\$35,000	\$35,000
Playground Henty Show Grounds	\$50,000	\$50,000
Burrumbuttock Multipurpose Community Centre	\$230,000	\$230,000
Culcairn Shire Office and Memorial Hall	\$100,000	\$100,000
Walbundrie Recreation Ground Oval Bitumen	\$230,000	\$230,000
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$1,047,000</b>

<b>COUNCILLORS FOR</b>	<b>COUNCILLORS AGAINST</b>	<b>COUNCILLORS ABSENT</b>	<b>COUNCILLORS DECLARING INTEREST</b>
Forrest Hicks Meyer O'Neill Parker Quinn Schilg Wilton			Lindner

Cr. Lindner returned to the meeting table at 6:05pm

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**2. POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND RECISSION**

**6541 RESOLVED** [Cr. Hicks/Cr. Wilton]

That the Greater Hume Council adopt the action with regard to the Policy as detailed in the table below;

<b>Policy Name</b>	<b>Re-adoption/Rescission</b>
Procurement Policy	Re-adoption
Statement of Business Ethics Policy	Re-adoption

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**3. MURRAY REGIONAL TOURISM BOARD – THREE YEAR EXTENSION OF MEMDORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

**6542 RESOLVED** [Cr. Forrest/Cr. Lindner]

That Greater Hume Council adopt the request from Murray Regional Tourism Board and give delegated authority to the General Manager to sign the Memorandum of Understanding for the next three years.

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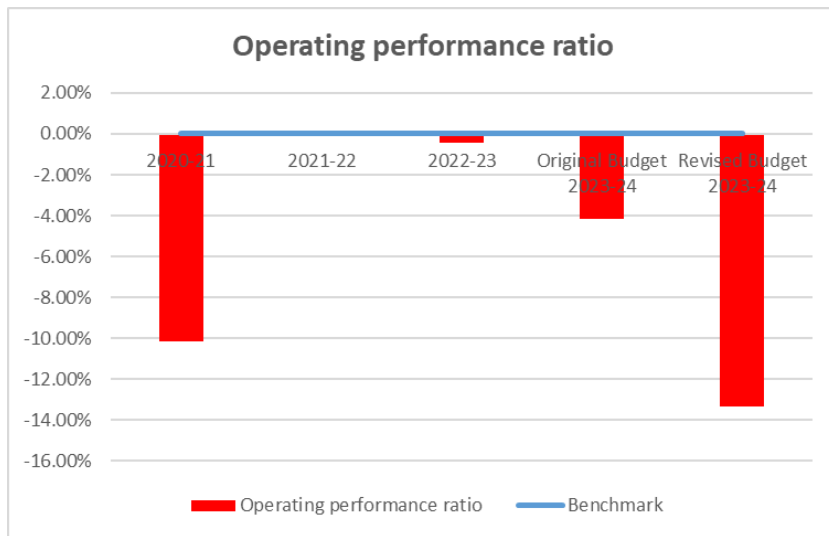
**CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES**

**1. INTERIM 2023/2024 QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2023**

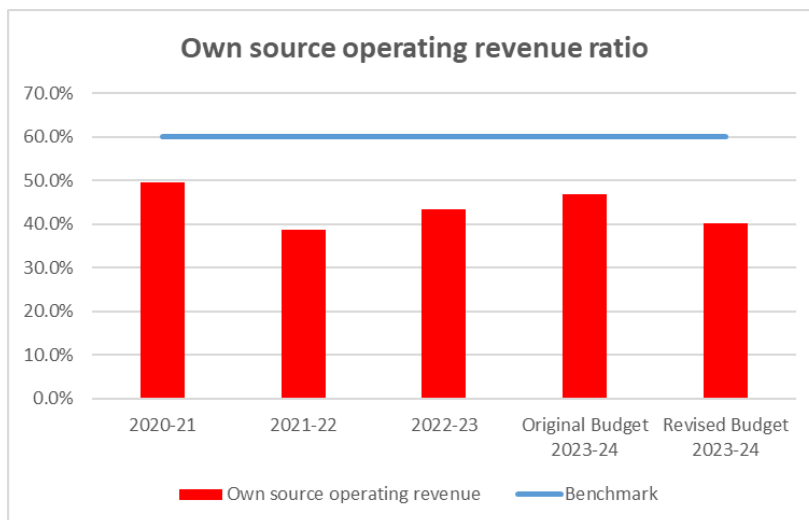
**6543 RESOLVED** [Cr. Meyer/Cr. Wilton]

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council note and approve the Interim Budget Review Statement as at 30 September 2023.



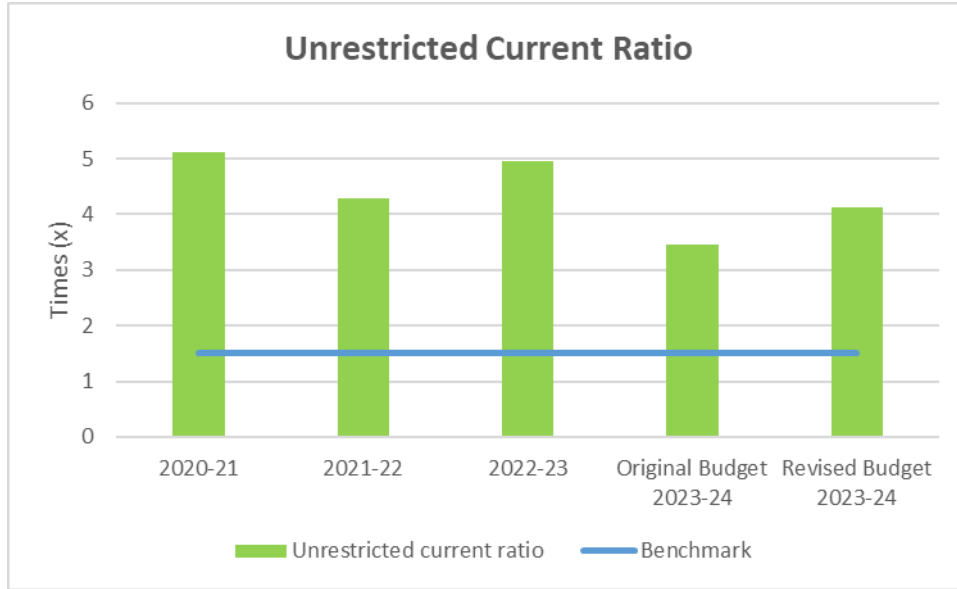
This ratio measures Council’s achievement of containing operating expenditure within operating revenue.



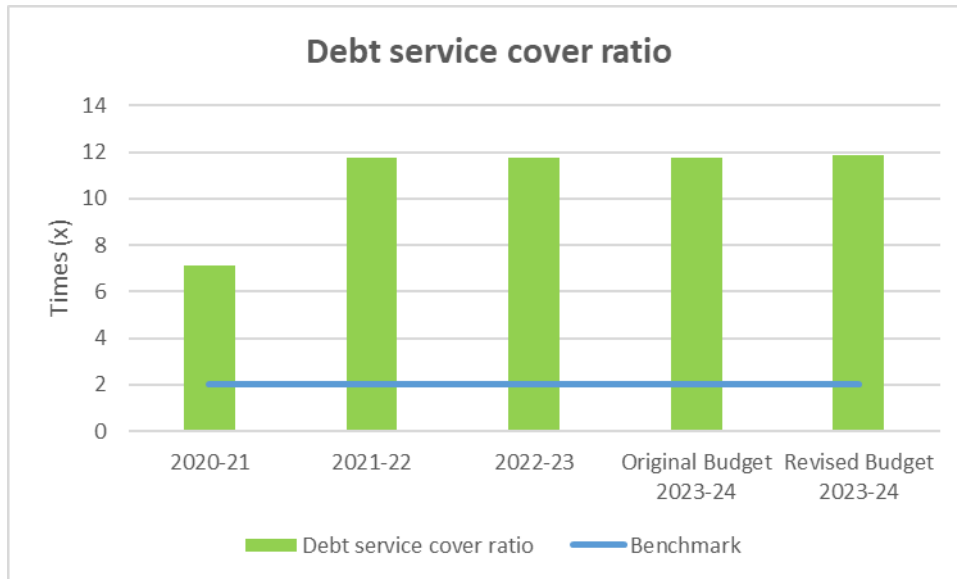
This ratio measure fiscal flexibility. It is the degree of reliance on external funding sources such as operating grants and contributions. It should be noted that the benchmark 60% is unlikely to be achieved In rural councils such as Greater Hume Council due to their heavy reliance on grants and contributions due to their large area and small populations.

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INTERIM 2023/2024 QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2023  
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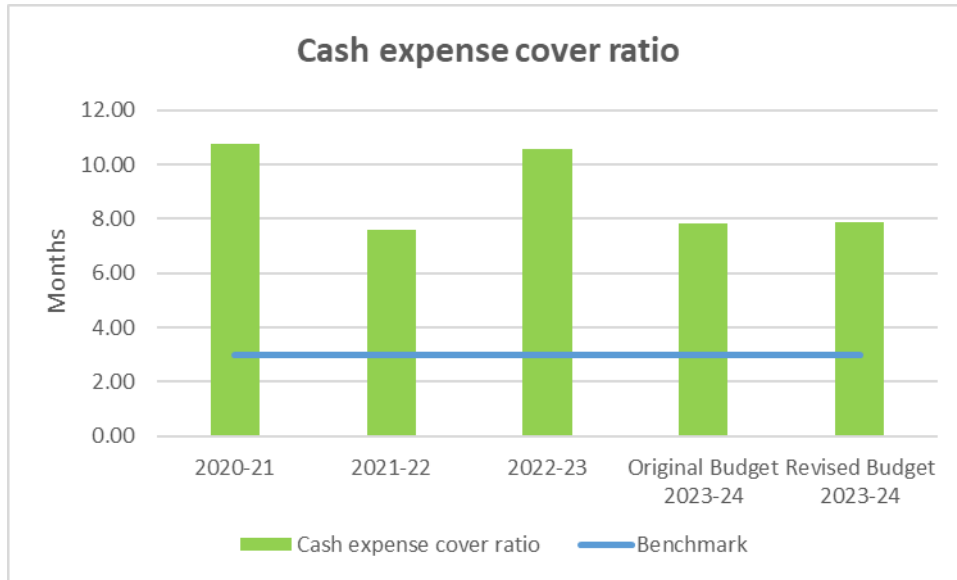
This ratio assesses the adequacy of Council’s working capital and its ability to satisfy obligations in the short term for the unrestricted activities of Council.



This ratio measures the availability of operating cash to service debt, including interest, principal and lease payments.

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This liquidity ratio indicates the number of months Council can continue to pay for its immediate expenses without additional cash inflow.

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**ENGINEERING**

**1. TENDER TL 06 – 2023/24 HENTY COOKARDINIA ROAD CULVERT REPLACEMENT**

AT THIS JUNCTURE, COUNCILLOR IAN FORREST MADE A DECLARATION OF NON PECUINARY INTEREST IN THE MATTERS NOW BEFORE THE COUNCIL AND REMOVED HIMSELF FROM THE VOTING TABLE AT 6:16PM PURSUANT TO SECTION 45 (1) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1993 AND TOOK NO PART IN VOTING ON THE MATTER.

**6544 RESOLVED**

[Cr. Wilton/Cr. Schilg]

**RECOMMENDATION**

That:

1. the tender submitted by Blueys Plumbin' and Diggin' P/L for tender TL06 2023/2024 for the construction of the Henty Cookardinia Road Culvert Replacement for \$917,089.16 (excl. GST) be accepted.
2. the unsuccessful tenderers be notified.
3. the General Manager and the Mayor be authorised to execute contract documentation with Blueys Plumbin' and Diggin' P/L under the Common Seal of Council.

COUNCILLORS FOR	COUNCILLORS AGAINST	COUNCILLORS ABSENT	COUNCILLORS DECLARING INTEREST
Hicks Lindner Meyer O'Neill Parker Quinn Schilg Wilton			Forrest

Cr. Forrest returned to the meeting table at 6:17 pm.

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**2. JINGELIC ROAD UPGRADE BUSINESS CASE REPORT**

**6545 RESOLVED**

[Cr. O'Neill/Cr. Lindner]

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council endorse the completed Jingelic Road Upgrade Project – Business Case, and submit to both and State and Federal Government, as justification to provide the required funding to the upgrade this road.

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**ITEM TO BE REFERRED TO CLOSED COUNCIL**

Nil

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

**CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES**

**1. COMBINED INVESTMENT ACCOUNT – MONTH ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2023**

**6546 RESOLVED**

[Cr. Parker/Cr. Meyer]

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council receives and notes the Investment Balances Report for the month of October 2023.

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**GOVERNANCE**

**1. 2022/2023 ANNUAL REPORT**

**6547 RESOLVED** [Cr. Parker/Cr. Meyer]

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the Greater Hume Council 2022/2023 Annual Report be received and noted.

COUNCILLORS FOR	COUNCILLORS AGAINST	COUNCILLORS ABSENT	COUNCILLORS DECLARING INTEREST
Forrest Hicks Lindner Meyer O'Neill Parker Quinn Schilg Wilton			

**2. GENERAL MANAGER'S LEAVE**

**6548 RESOLVED** [Cr. Parker/Cr. Meyer]

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the report be received and noted.

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**PART C - ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

**GOVERNANCE**

1. **TOURISM AND PROMOTIONS OFFICER’S REPORT – OCTOBER 2023**

**CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES**

1. **GREATER HUME LIBRARY SERVICES**
2. **GREATER HUME CUSTOMER REQUEST MODULE – SUMMARY OF MONTHLY REQUESTS**
3. **STATEMENTS OF BANK BALANCES AS AT 31 OCTOBER 2023**

**ENGINEERING**

1. **OCTOBER 2023 - REPORT OF WORKS**

**ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING**

1. **DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS PROCESSED FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2023**

**6549 RESOLVED** [Cr. Hicks/Cr. Lindner]

That Part C of the Agenda be received and noted.

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**PART D**

1. **CULCAIRN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING 17<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2023**
2. **MINUTES OF WALLA WALLA COMMUNITY HALL COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 9<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2023**

**6550 RESOLVED**

[Cr. Hicks/Cr. Lindner]

That Part D of the Agenda be received and noted.

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Forrest Hicks Lindner Meyer O'Neill Parker Quinn Schilg Wilton			

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

**CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES**

1. **PRESENTATION OF 2022/2023 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**6551 RESOLVED**

[Cr. Parker/Cr. Lindner]

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 2023 are hereby received and noted.
2. If applicable, a further report be presented to the December 2023 Council Meeting detailing any submissions received in respect of Council's audited Financial Statements

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**MATTERS OF URGENCY**

Nil

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 6:42pm.

THESE MINUTES WERE CONFIRMED at the Council meeting held on 20 December 2023 at which time the signature hereon was subscribed.

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Cr Quinn

**Mayor**, Greater Hume Council