

**Meeting commenced at 3.00pm.**

**BUSINESS:**

- 1) Apologies
- 2) a. Confirmation of Minutes of the Meeting held 17th December, 2020.  
b. Matters arising out of Minutes. (Not elsewhere reported)
- 3) Mayoral Minute
- 4) Correspondence
  - a. Agenda A (Information Only)
  - b. Agenda B
- 5) General Manager's Report
  - 5.1 General Manager's Report
  - 5.2 Executive Manager, Corporate & Community Services' Report
  - 5.3 Executive Manager, Engineering & Technical Services' Report
  - 5.4 Executive Manager, Development & Environmental Services' Report
- 6) Recommendations of a Committee of a Whole Meeting held 18<sup>th</sup> February 2021.
- 7) Minutes of the Noxious Weeds Meeting of Coolamon, Junee & Temora held 8<sup>th</sup> December, 2020.
- 8) Reports: Delegates/Mayor/Councillors.

**PRESENT:** Clr John Seymour, Clr David McCann, Clr Jeremy Crocker, Clr Colin McKinnon, Clr Alan White and Clr Bruce Hutcheon.

**STAFF:** Tony Donoghue, General Manager;  
Courtney Armstrong, Executive Manager, Corporate & Community Services;  
Tony Kelly, Executive Manager, Engineering & Technical Services;  
Colby Farmer, Executive Manager, Development & Environmental Services.

**APOLOGIES:** Clr Steven Jones, Clr Kathy Maslin and Clr Kerrilee Logan.

**1) APOLOGIES**

**RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Hutcheon and seconded by Clr McCann that the apologies of Clr Steven Jones, Clr Kathy Maslin and Clr Kerrilee Logan be received and accepted.** 01/02/2021

**2a) CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 17<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2020**

**RESOLVED on the motion of Clr McCann and seconded by Clr White that the Minutes of the Meeting held 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2020 as circulated be confirmed and adopted.** 02/02/2021

**2b) MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES**

There were no matters arising out of the Minutes.

**3) MAYORAL MINUTE**

**LEO MICHAEL GRIFFIN**

It is with great sadness that Council received the news of the passing of Leo Michael Griffin on Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> February, 2021. Accordingly, I would like Council to recognise by formal resolution the service provided by Leo Griffin to this Council and to his communities.

Leo was a well-respected Councillor for the Coolamon Shire, serving a total of 11 years from 1976 to 1987.

Leo sat on the Ardlethan Baths Committee from 1976 to 1986 and the Staff Committee from 1976 to 1982. He was also Council's delegate for the Northern Riverina County Council from 1983 to 1987.

Whilst Leo represented the whole Shire Community, he was elected from the Ardlethan and Beckom regions and served those Communities well.

Our condolences are with the Griffin Family.

**RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Seymour that the Mayoral Minute be adopted.**  
03/02/2021

#### 4) CORRESPONDENCE

##### AGENDA A (FOR INFORMATION ONLY)

###### 1a) ACTIVITY REPORTS

- 1) Operating Statistics of the Coolamon Shire Library for December 2020 and January 2021. Attachment No. 1.1
- 2) Community Development Officer's Report for December 2020 and January 2021. Attachment No. 1.2
- 3) Tourism and Business Development Officer's Report for December 2020 and January 2021. Attachment No. 1.3
- 4) Road Safety Officer's Report for December 2020/January 2021. Attachment No. 1.4

###### General Manager's Note

- ➔ The above reports are operating reports only for use by Senior Staff. They are submitted to Council as part of Agenda A for information only.

###### 2a) INFORMATION PAPERS

- ➔ The following papers have been **distributed** with Council's supplementary material as being matters of information/interest to Councillors. If Councillors desire any further information on the matters distributed, then that can be raised with the General Manager.

- 1) Minutes of the Coolamon Showground Management Committee Meeting held 28<sup>th</sup> January, 2021. Attachment No. 2.1
- 2) Minutes of the Advance Ganmain Committee Meeting held 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2021. Attachment No. 2.2
- 3) Draft Minutes of the Advance Marrar Committee Meeting held 14<sup>th</sup> October, 2020. Attachment No. 2.3

## AGENDA B

### 1b) RIVERINA REGIONAL LIBRARY (L.03-03)

Forwarding a copy of the Service Level Agreement for 2021-2022 between Coolamon Shire Council and Riverina Regional Library (RRL) for the provision of Library Services.

#### General Manager's Note

- A copy of the Agreement has been attached to Councillor's information papers. Please note that a signed copy of the Agreement has also been returned to RRL. Attachment No. 3

### 2b) LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW (L.07-03)

Forwarding a copy of the LGNSW's draft submission to the Inquiry into Health Outcomes and Access to Health and Hospital Services in Rural, Regional and Remote New South Wales.

#### General Manager's Note

- A copy of the draft Submission has been attached to Councillor's information papers. Attachment No. 4

**RESOLVED on the motion of Clr McCann and seconded by Clr White that the Correspondence in Agenda A and Agenda B be received.** 04/02/2021

## 5) GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

### 5.1 GENERAL MANAGER REPORTS

#### GM1) NSW PUBLIC SPACES LEGACY PROGRAMME - ePLANNING (P.03-01, SC297)

Coolamon Shire Council wrote to our Local Member, Steph Cooke expressing our concerns in regard to NSW Public Spaces Legacy Programme and this being tied to the implementation of ePlanning.

Coolamon Shire believe that the access to Public Space Funding was restricted to Councils that were either amalgamated or had excessive turnaround times for the processing of Development Applications. Accordingly, only 62 Councils were eligible for this programme. Coolamon Shire Council was not one of them.

→ The letter of response from the Planning Minister has been forwarded from Steph Cooke's Office. [Attachment No. 5](#)

Council's concerns were:

- Why is the Government rewarding previous bad management? They are effectively saying, if your planning department is ordinary and you can improve, we will give you money for public spaces. What happens to Councils that have taken their planning responsibilities seriously for the last 20 years and are good at managing the process? Will there be follow up to make sure improvements are made to those Councils that were funded?
- How does giving access to money to improve your town centres relate to improving your management of the planning system.
- It is compulsory for all Councils to be on this new system (we were given the opportunity to say when we would join and have subsequently started)– so why are some being chosen to participate in an opportunity for funding and not others.
- Money was allocated to amalgamated Councils in order to co-ordinate their IT Systems and the Planning Departments would have been part of this. This funding support for main street improvements is now basically additional money on top of the millions provided for amalgamation.
- The e-planning module that is being rolled out requires set up costs and then ongoing costs. That is to be expected with any new software, but why are the

Government not using the available funds to support this process for all Councils if making the rollover to the new program is the goal – why not use the money to support this. In addition to this, Councils pay a contribution to the Government from all DA's submitted over a certain amount – at a minimum, why was this not used to support all Councils transition to the new system.

It should be noted that all Councils are required to be using the ePlanning software by the start of this financial year. This set up will cost Council initially \$20,000 approximately and then ongoing annually \$5,000.

- The new system will not suit everyone. (Large, small, effective, struggling Councils etc) and Councils will need to bring the public along for this ride. Coolamon Shire definitely have a different clientele than say Shoalhaven and our customers mainly do minor work, that they would like to get approval for as cheap as possible. How do we tell someone yes the changes are necessary and it will impose on you some additional costs compared to how we used to do it – but don't worry Council x got a new main street upgrade as compensation.

This letter does not really address the concerns raised by Council and is merely reinforcing the original Media Release and public spin that went with this announcement.

Council believe that the nexus between the funding and what the Government are trying to achieve is nebulous. How does giving access to money to improve your Town Centre relate to improving your management of the Planning System. This is not considered an equitable funding programme.

From the response, I believe that this issue is considered completed in regard to the funding and process.

#### Recommendation

For Council information.

**RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Crocker and seconded by Clr White that the report be received.** 05/02/2021

**GM2) NSW RURAL FIRE FIGHTING FUND (F.03-11, SC459)**

→ Council has received the allocation for the current financial year for the Riverina Zone RFS. A copy has been attached. Attachment No. 6

This budget is for the whole Zone which we know contributes approximately 2.37% of the total NSW RFS budget. This budget is then broken down within our region with Coolamon Shire Council paying 19%.

Councils share of this contribution is \$296,716.73. The ESL rebate for 20/21 is \$88,854.45.

Council's budget is \$300,266.00, with the ESL rebate being \$87,000.00.

It is noted that even though Council had previously undertaken an Asset Management Programme of replacing a vehicle every year, no new vehicle will be allocated within our Shire this year.

Recommendation

For Council information.

**RESOLVED on the motion of Clr McCann and seconded by Clr Hutcheon that Council makes representations to the relevant Minister and the NSW Rural Fire Service about:** 06/02/2021

- 1) **The timelines of the budget information.**
- 2) **Clarification of the Disposal of Assets Policy, particularly around the sale of decommissioned vehicles and the equipment removed from them.**
- 3) **Seeking clarification of the Asset Replacement Policy.**

**GM3) COMMUNITY SATISFACTION SURVEY (S.10-04, SC387)**

Coolamon Shire Council is preparing to undertake the Community Satisfaction Survey, whereby it seeks the community's thoughts and response to Council operations.

This is held every four years to correspond with Council terms. This was due to be undertaken last year, however due to the COVID implications that required the postponement of the Council Elections, this Survey was also postponed for one year.

The Survey will commence towards the end of March via a phone call to residents.

Council will commence the advertising of this Survey to ensure that the community are aware.

Recommendation

For Council information.

**RESOLVED on the motion of Clr McKinnon and seconded by Clr White that the report be received.** 07/02/2021

**GM4) BUILDING BETTER REGIONS FUND ROUND 5 (BBRF5) (G.03-01, SC201)**

- Council has received a Powerpoint presentation from Regional Development Australia (RDA) explaining the next round of funding and the criteria associated with it. See attached. Attachment No. 7

Round 5 will have \$200 Million available. There are two streams of this fund with one being for Community Investment and the other for Infrastructure Projects. \$100 Million of this is dedicated for Tourism. This fund is felt appropriate for an application associated with improvements to the Coolamon Caravan Park. (See Council Report (HS7).

I would like to point out to Council that currently the workload of staff is relatively full undertaking and acquitting previous grants and funds.

Recommendation

For Council information.

**RESOLVED on the motion of Clr McCann and seconded by Clr McKinnon that the report be received.** 08/02/2021

**GM5) AUSTRALIA DAY 2021 (A.13-15, SC1272)**

Due to COVID restrictions, Australia Day was moved from the previously determined location of Beckom, to be held at the Up-to-Date Store. The event was invite only with the nominees being given a number of guests that they could bring along. The external courtyard of the Up-to-Date Store was a successful location and worked quite well.



Professor Venna Shajwalla was the Australia Day Ambassador and the following award recipients were honoured:

- Citizen of the Year: **Ricky Hard**
- Young Citizen of the Year: **Matilda Osborne and Chloe Andrews**
- Shane Till Memorial Award for Sportsperson of the Year: **Michael Quinn**
- Young Sportsperson of the Year: **Riley Bradshaw**
- Community Event/Community Group of the Year: **Pop-Up Gallery and Art Market**

→ Council will now need to determine where Australia Day will be held for 2022. A list of previous communities to hold the event has been attached together with the draft future locations. Attachment No. 8

#### Recommendation

That Council choose a location for the 2022 Australia Day Event.

**RESOLVED on the motion of Clr White and seconded by Clr Hutcheon that the 2022 Australia Day event be held at Marrar.** 09/02/2021

#### **GM6) DINE AND DISCOVER NSW (T.06-01, SC562)**

The NSW Government has launched Dine & Discover NSW to support dining, arts and tourism businesses, encouraging the community to get out and about. This program is currently in the testing phase with an expectation to be rolled out across NSW in March.

Before Dine & Discover NSW opens up across the state, the program will be tested with a small number of participants at The Rocks and Broken Hill in early February, and then piloted with a larger group in Sydney CBD, Northern Beaches and Bega Valley from late February.

Businesses outside of these testing areas are now encouraged to register online and expect customers with vouchers from March when the program rolls out across the state. Businesses can find out more information online, <https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/campaign/dine-discover-nsw>

From March, NSW residents aged 18 and over will be eligible for four \$25 vouchers, worth \$100 in total. Vouchers can be used at participating NSW businesses that are registered as COVID Safe.

The Dine & Discover NSW Vouchers will be divided into two categories:

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- two \$25 vouchers to be used for eating in at restaurants, cafes, bars, wineries, pubs and clubs from Monday to Thursday (excluding public holidays).
- two \$25 vouchers to be used for entertainment and recreation, including cultural institutions, live music, and arts venues, any day of the week (excluding public holidays).

NSW residents aged 18 and over will be able to apply online for Dine & Discover NSW Vouchers from March 2021.

Council staff will provide information to Coolamon Shire businesses regarding the program.

Recommendation

That Council receive and note the report

**RESOLVED on the motion of Clr White and seconded by Clr Hutcheon that the report be received.** 10/02/2021


## 5.2 EXECUTIVE MANAGER, CORPORATE & COMMUNITY SERVICES' REPORTS

### CS1) FINANCE REPORT

RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Crocker and seconded by Clr White that the report be received. 11/02/2021

DATE INVESTED	INSTITUTION	RATING	INVESTMENT TYPE	AMOUNT INVESTED	TERMS (days)	RATE	MATURITY DATE
13/08/2020	AMP	A2/BBB+	Term Deposit	\$ 2,000,000	182	0.80%	11/02/2021
2/05/2020	Beyond Bank	A2/BBB	Term Deposit	\$ 1,000,000	304	1.70%	2/03/2021
2/09/2020	Macquarie Bank	A1/A+	Term Deposit	\$ 1,000,000	182	0.70%	3/03/2021
2/12/2020	NAB	A1/A+	Term Deposit	\$ 1,000,000	91	0.40%	3/03/2021
10/05/2020	Beyond Bank	A2/BBB	Term Deposit	\$ 2,000,000	304	1.70%	10/03/2021
19/05/2020	Beyond Bank	A2/BBB	Term Deposit	\$ 1,000,000	304	1.70%	19/03/2021
29/05/2020	Beyond Bank	A2/BBB	Term Deposit	\$ 2,000,000	304	1.70%	29/03/2021
1/06/2020	Beyond Bank	A2/BBB	Term Deposit	\$ 1,000,000	304	1.70%	1/04/2021
23/04/2020	Macquarie Bank	A1/A+	Term Deposit	\$ 1,000,000	365	1.70%	23/04/2021
4/11/2020	NAB	A1/A+	Term Deposit	\$ 1,000,000	182	0.40%	5/05/2021
9/11/2020	Bank of Queensland	A2/BBB+	Term Deposit	\$ 1,000,000	182	0.45%	10/05/2021
21/12/2020	AMP	A2/BBB+	Term Deposit	\$ 1,000,000	182	0.70%	21/06/2021
23/06/2020	Beyond Bank	A2/BBB	Term Deposit	\$ 1,000,000	365	1.40%	23/06/2021
21/10/2020	Judo Bank	NR (Govt Guarantee)	Term Deposit	\$ 250,000	273	1.05%	21/07/2021
9/09/2020	Beyond Bank	A2/BBB	Term Deposit	\$ 1,000,000	365	1.10%	9/09/2021
19/10/2020	Beyond Bank	A2/BBB	Term Deposit	\$ 750,000	365	1.00%	19/10/2021
25/11/2020	AMP	A2/BBB+	Term Deposit	\$ 500,000	365	0.75%	25/11/2021
25/11/2020	AMP	A2/BBB+	Term Deposit	\$ 1,000,000	365	0.75%	25/11/2021
14/12/2020	Beyond Bank	A2/BBB	Term Deposit	\$ 1,000,000	365	0.75%	14/12/2021
15/01/2021	AMP	A2/BBB+	Term Deposit	\$ 500,000	365	0.75%	15/01/2022
<b>TOTAL INVESTED</b>				<b>\$ 21,000,000</b>			

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

  
(Samantha Jennings, Finance Manager)

#### RESTRICTED CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS & INVESTMENTS (as at 30 June 2020)

<b>External Restrictions - included in liabilities</b>	
Specific purpose unexpended grants	1,056,768.83
Allawah Lodge Bonds & Payments	4,148,285.63
Allawah Village Loan Licences	3,502,501.96
Home Care Packages	484,493.73
	<u>9,192,050.15</u>
<b>External Restrictions - other</b>	
Developer contributions - general	63,834.53
Specific purpose grants (recognised as revenue)	993,495.23
Sewerage Services	1,624,359.98
Domestic Waste Management	889,467.80
Stormwater Management	64,569.62
Other - Community Transport	230,864.00
	<u>3,866,591.16</u>
<b>Internal Restrictions</b>	
Plant & vehicle replacement	1,000,000.00
Employees Leave Entitlements	1,420,000.00
Deferred Works	127,574.10
Ardlethan Preschool (non-grant)	19,542.72
Asset management/replacement	3,500,000.00
Financial Assistance Grant Advance	1,950,938.00
Swimming Pools	35,000.00
Rehabilitation of Gravel Pits	148,000.00
Coolamon Early Childhood Centre	343,432.11
Allawah Lodge	920,231.02
Allawah Village	540,952.33
	<u>10,005,670.28</u>
<b>TOTAL RESTRICTIONS</b>	<u><u>23,064,311.59</u></u>
<b>UNRESTRICTED</b>	350,511.89
<b>TOTAL CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS &amp; INVESTMENTS</b>	<u><u>23,414,823.48</u></u>

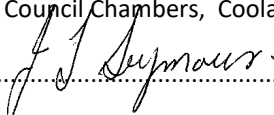
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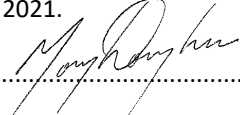
COOLAMON SHIRE COUNCIL  
INCOME STATEMENT

for the period 1st July 2020 to 30th June 2021

	JANUARY 2021	DECEMBER 2020	NOVEMBER 2020	2020/2021 BUDGET	2019/2020 ACTUAL
<b>Income from continuing operations</b>					
Rates & annual charges	3,809,652.21	3,810,239.72	3,810,324.10	3,932,000.00	3,742,001.11
User charges & fees	2,991,921.74	2,531,907.46	2,146,198.56	4,231,000.00	4,335,819.02
Other revenues	423,101.05	355,004.97	262,741.56	591,000.00	908,847.28
Grants & contributions provided for operating purposes	3,557,254.78	2,908,386.75	2,843,065.50	6,476,000.00	6,899,636.98
Grants & contributions provided for capital purposes	764,098.73	764,098.73	764,098.73	2,153,000.00	5,937,046.59
Interest and investment revenue	47,151.32	26,833.96	14,141.15	317,000.00	378,187.16
Net gain from the disposal of assets	657,795.11	657,795.11	589,613.29	362,000.00	197,249.54
Internals	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
<b>Total income from continuing operations</b>	<b>12,250,974.94</b>	<b>11,054,266.70</b>	<b>10,430,182.89</b>	<b>18,062,000.00</b>	<b>22,398,787.68</b>
<b>Expenses from continuing operations</b>					
Employee benefits and on-costs	3,925,123.80	3,280,840.48	2,791,913.95	6,480,000.00	6,308,405.41
Materials & services	1,701,793.99	1,461,184.31	1,207,374.85	2,943,000.00	3,791,299.72
Borrowing costs	1,772.27	1,772.27	1,772.27	7,000.00	53,271.67
Depreciation, amortisation & impairment	2,131,969.73	2,079,667.23	1,144,889.73	4,123,000.00	3,883,354.37
Other expenses	1,158,825.84	1,073,929.97	923,029.87	1,638,000.00	1,637,937.76
Net loss from the disposal of assets					
<b>Total expenses from continuing operations</b>	<b>8,919,485.63</b>	<b>7,897,394.26</b>	<b>6,068,980.67</b>	<b>15,191,000.00</b>	<b>15,674,268.93</b>
<b>Operating result from continuing operations</b>	<b>3,331,489.31</b>	<b>3,156,872.44</b>	<b>4,361,202.22</b>	<b>2,871,000.00</b>	<b>6,724,518.75</b>
<b>Net operating result for the year before grants and contributions provided for capital purposes</b>	<b>2,567,390.58</b>	<b>2,392,773.71</b>	<b>3,597,103.49</b>	<b>718,000.00</b>	<b>787,472.16</b>

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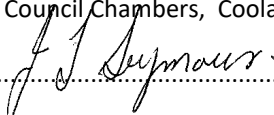
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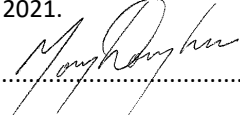
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COOLAMON SHIRE COUNCIL  
INCOME STATEMENT BY FUND

January 2021			
	CONSOLIDATED		
	GENERAL FUND	SEWERAGE FUND	TOTAL
<b>Income from continuing operations</b>			
Rates & annual charges	3,221,073.41	588,578.80	3,809,652.21
User charges & fees	2,844,959.74	146,962.00	2,991,921.74
Other revenues	419,959.20	3,141.85	423,101.05
Grants & contributions provided for operating purposes	3,440,363.08	116,891.70	3,557,254.78
Grants & contributions provided for capital purposes	503,946.73	260,152.00	764,098.73
Interest and investment revenue	46,948.56	202.76	47,151.32
Net gain from the disposal of assets	657,795.11	0.00	657,795.11
Internals	76,185.00	(76,185.00)	0.00
<b>Total income from continuing operations</b>	<b>11,211,230.83</b>	<b>1,039,744.11</b>	<b>12,250,974.94</b>
<b>Expenses from continuing operations</b>			
Employee benefits and on-costs	3,815,962.10	109,161.70	3,925,123.80
Materials & services	1,615,746.37	86,047.62	1,701,793.99
Borrowing costs	1,772.27		1,772.27
Depreciation & amortisation	2,023,765.42	108,204.31	2,131,969.73
Other expenses	1,133,259.05	25,566.79	1,158,825.84
<b>Total expenses from continuing operations</b>	<b>8,590,505.21</b>	<b>328,980.42</b>	<b>8,919,485.63</b>
<b>Operating result from continuing operations</b>	<b>2,620,725.62</b>	<b>710,763.69</b>	<b>3,331,489.31</b>
<b>Net operating result for the year before grants and contributions provided for capital purposes</b>	<b>2,116,778.89</b>	<b>450,611.69</b>	<b>2,567,390.58</b>

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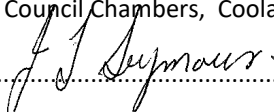
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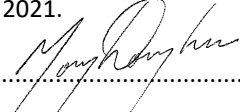
**BALANCE SHEET**

for the period 1st July 2020 to 30th June 2021

	JANUARY 2021	DECEMBER 202	NOVEMBER 2020	2020/2021	2019/2020
				BUDGET (ADJ FOR OPENING BALS)	ACTUAL
<b>ASSETS</b>					
<b>Current assets</b>					
Cash and cash equivalents	3,513,300.35	1,128,992.11	2,185,225.97	1,549,307.45	1,414,822.48
Investments	21,000,000.00	23,000,000.00	23,000,001.00	22,000,001.00	22,000,001.00
Receivables	701,748.08	590,466.83	1,027,463.22	742,456.10	742,329.33
Inventories	252,825.09	256,036.41	244,116.79	635,001.46	260,331.23
Other					
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>25,467,873.52</b>	<b>24,975,495.35</b>	<b>26,456,806.98</b>	<b>24,926,766.01</b>	<b>24,417,484.04</b>
<b>Non-current assets</b>					
Investments					
Receivables	0.00	0.00	0.00	302,000.00	0.00
Inventories	454,168.42	454,168.42	454,168.42	453,770.87	454,168.42
Infrastructure, property, plant & equipment	234,262,062.01	233,944,944.56	232,688,216.20	235,581,037.03	229,734,149.67
Accumulated Dep'n - Infrastructure, PP&E	(50,660,117.44)	(50,607,814.94)	(49,673,037.44)	(52,689,494.86)	(48,566,750.84)
Accumulated Imp't - Infrastructure, PP&E	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other	(3,050.68)	(2,578.50)	(2,648.37)	(2,033.19)	-2,033.19
<b>Total non-current assets</b>	<b>184,053,062.31</b>	<b>183,788,719.54</b>	<b>183,466,698.81</b>	<b>183,645,279.85</b>	<b>181,619,534.06</b>
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>209,520,935.83</b>	<b>208,764,214.89</b>	<b>209,923,505.79</b>	<b>208,572,045.86</b>	<b>206,037,018.10</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>					
<b>Current liabilities</b>					
Payables	10,023,603.32	9,423,759.53	9,381,787.24	9,421,288.97	9,881,599.49
Borrowings	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Employee benefit provisions	1,890,098.07	1,907,837.79	1,904,726.20	2,010,660.12	1,892,543.72
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>11,913,701.39</b>	<b>11,331,597.32</b>	<b>11,286,513.44</b>	<b>11,431,949.09</b>	<b>11,774,143.21</b>
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>					
Payables	2,866.83	2,866.83	2,866.83	2,497.99	2,866.83
Borrowings	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Employee benefit provisions	133,505.10	133,505.10	133,505.10	0.00	133,505.10
Provisions	427,169.54	427,169.54	427,169.54	434,707.43	427,169.54
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>	<b>563,541.47</b>	<b>563,541.47</b>	<b>563,541.47</b>	<b>437,205.42</b>	<b>563,541.47</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>12,477,242.86</b>	<b>11,895,138.79</b>	<b>11,850,054.91</b>	<b>11,869,154.51</b>	<b>12,337,684.68</b>
<b>Net assets</b>	<b>197,043,692.97</b>	<b>196,869,076.10</b>	<b>198,073,450.88</b>	<b>196,702,891.35</b>	<b>193,699,333.42</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>					
Retained earnings	100,588,815.52	100,414,198.65	101,618,528.43	100,248,476.87	97,244,455.97
Reserves	96,454,877.45	96,454,877.45	96,454,877.45	96,454,414.48	96,454,877.45
Internal Assets/Liabilities	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
Trust Transfer			45.00		
<b>Total equity</b>	<b>197,043,692.97</b>	<b>196,869,076.10</b>	<b>198,073,450.88</b>	<b>196,702,891.35</b>	<b>193,699,333.42</b>

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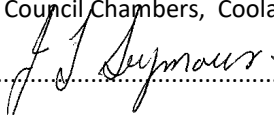
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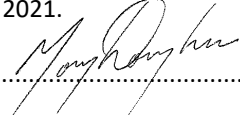
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COOLAMON SHIRE COUNCIL  
BALANCE SHEET BY FUND

	January 2021		COOLAMON SHIRE TOTAL
	CONSOLIDATED GENERAL FUND	SEWERAGE FUND	
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>Current assets</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	1,920,823.99	1,592,476.36	3,513,300.35
Investments	21,000,000.00		21,000,000.00
Receivables	406,518.92	295,229.16	701,748.08
Inventories	252,825.09		252,825.09
Other			0.00
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>23,580,168.00</b>	<b>1,887,705.52</b>	<b>25,467,873.52</b>
<b>Non-current assets</b>			
Investments			0.00
Receivables	0.00		0.00
Inventories	454,168.42		454,168.42
Infrastructure, property, plant & equipment	214,125,455.61	20,136,606.40	234,262,062.01
Accumulated Depreciation	(43,550,129.20)	(7,109,988.24)	(50,660,117.44)
Accumulated Impairment	0.00		0.00
Other	(3,050.68)		(3,050.68)
<b>Total non-current assets</b>	<b>171,026,444.15</b>	<b>13,026,618.16</b>	<b>184,053,062.31</b>
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>194,606,612.15</b>	<b>14,914,323.68</b>	<b>209,520,935.83</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Payables	10,023,603.32	0.00	10,023,603.32
Interfunding			0.00
Interest bearing liabilities	0.00		0.00
Employee benefit provisions	1,890,098.07		1,890,098.07
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>11,913,701.39</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>11,913,701.39</b>
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>			
Payables	2,866.83		2,866.83
Interest bearing liabilities	0.00		0.00
Employee benefit provisions	133,505.10		133,505.10
Provisions	427,169.54		427,169.54
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>	<b>563,541.47</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>563,541.47</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>12,477,242.86</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>12,477,242.86</b>
<b>Net assets</b>	<b>182,129,369.29</b>	<b>14,914,323.68</b>	<b>197,043,692.97</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>			
Retained earnings	91,381,134.74	9,207,680.78	100,588,815.52
Reserves	90,748,234.55	5,706,642.90	96,454,877.45
Internal Assets & Liabilities			0.00
Trust Transfer			0.00
<b>Total equity</b>	<b>182,129,369.29</b>	<b>14,914,323.68</b>	<b>197,043,692.97</b>

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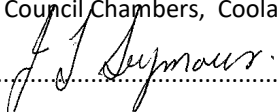
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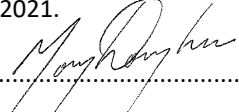
COOLAMON SHIRE COUNCIL  
INTERNAL & EXTERNAL RESTRICTIONS

for the period 1st July 2020 to 30th June 2021

	2020/2021				2019/2020
	JANUARY 2021	DECEMBER 2020	NOVEMBER 2020	BUDGET (ADJ FOR OPENING BALS)	ACTUAL
<i>EXTERNALLY RESTRICTED</i>					
Contract Liabilities	957,641.83	957,641.83	957,641.83	1,056,768.83	1,056,768.83
Allawah Lodge Accommodation Payments	4,673,103.24	4,673,103.24	4,673,103.24	4,148,285.63	4,148,285.63
Allawah Village Loan-Licence	3,502,501.96	3,502,501.96	3,502,501.96	3,592,264.96	3,502,501.96
Home Care Packages	528,172.39	528,172.39	528,172.39	484,493.73	484,493.73
Developer Contributions	63,834.53	63,834.53	63,834.53	69,533.53	63,834.53
Grant Revenues	35,455.43	35,455.43	35,455.43	117,195.23	993,495.23
Sewerage Fund	1,592,476.36	1,592,980.54	1,730,840.39	1,641,562.31	1,624,359.98
Waste Management	909,080.74	923,719.05	926,487.94	946,192.36	889,467.80
Stormwater Management Reserve	84,532.06	84,532.06	84,532.06	48,344.62	64,569.62
Other - Community Transport	238,646.97	238,646.97	238,646.97	230,864.00	230,864.00
	2,537,012.53	2,552,155.02	2,692,783.76	12,335,505.20	13,058,641.31
<i>INTERNALLY RESTRICTED</i>					
Plant Replacement Reserve	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00
Employees Leave Entitlements Reserve	1,260,000.00	1,260,000.00	1,160,000.00	1,499,000.00	1,420,000.00
Deferred Works Reserve	101,911.54	101,911.54	101,911.54	28,284.10	127,574.10
Ardlethan Preschool	36,759.63	36,759.63	36,759.63	19,542.72	19,542.72
Asset Management	3,500,000.00	3,500,000.00	3,500,000.00	3,500,000.00	3,500,000.00
Financial Assistance Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,950,938.00	1,950,938.00
Swimming Pools Reserve	35,000.00	35,000.00	35,000.00	55,000.00	35,000.00
Gravel Pits Rehabilitation Reserve	148,000.00	148,000.00	148,000.00	168,000.00	148,000.00
CECC Asset Mgt Reserve	301,090.36	307,525.23	286,571.06	358,115.39	343,432.11
Allawah Lodge Asset Mgt Reserve	1,714,444.22	1,161,149.64	1,072,681.07	440,739.37	920,231.02
Allawah Village Asset Mgt Reserve	345,451.48	440,320.83	444,127.75	581,660.03	540,952.33
	8,442,657.23	7,990,666.87	7,785,051.05	9,601,279.60	10,005,670.28
Unrestricted	13,533,630.59	13,586,170.22	14,707,392.16	1,612,879.57	350,511.89
<b>TOTAL CONSOLIDATED CASH</b>	<b>24,513,300.35</b>	<b>24,128,992.11</b>	<b>25,185,226.97</b>	<b>23,549,664.37</b>	<b>23,414,823.48</b>

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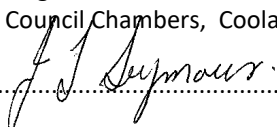


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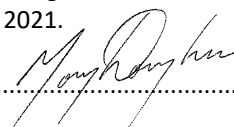
RATE COLLECTIONS

	ARREARS BFRWD	LEVIES INC. INTEREST	TOTAL	COLLECTIONS TO DATE	% TO TOTAL	ADJUSTMENTS INC. PENS CONCESSIONS	ADJ TOTAL	% TO TOTAL	COLLECTABLE BALANCE
31/01/2004	280,098.47	2,038,863.52	2,318,961.99	1,262,114.26	54.43%	102,495.38	2,216,466.61	56.94%	954,352.35
31/01/2005	181,374.69	2,104,337.22	2,285,711.91	1,258,569.85	55.06%	107,103.03	2,178,608.88	57.77%	920,039.03
31/01/2006	163,566.58	2,165,474.95	2,329,041.53	1,278,687.89	54.90%	107,525.68	2,221,515.85	57.56%	942,827.96
31/01/2007	185,519.90	2,256,574.24	2,442,094.14	1,286,131.54	52.67%	107,745.97	2,334,348.17	55.10%	1,048,216.63
31/01/2008	236,912.33	2,417,978.98	2,654,891.31	1,421,584.70	53.55%	122,118.92	2,532,772.39	56.13%	1,111,187.69
31/01/2009	277,343.62	2,500,042.11	2,777,385.73	1,434,257.81	51.64%	120,754.39	2,656,631.34	53.99%	1,222,373.53
31/01/2010	239,371.45	2,604,207.38	2,843,578.83	1,481,885.68	52.11%	121,526.61	2,722,052.22	54.44%	1,240,166.54
31/01/2011	309,194.09	2,727,260.28	3,036,454.37	1,591,018.64	52.40%	170,684.21	2,865,770.16	55.52%	1,274,751.52
31/01/2012	239,162.46	2,872,136.49	3,111,298.95	1,707,518.03	54.88%	128,328.62	2,982,970.33	57.24%	1,275,452.30
31/01/2013	207,935.41	3,039,030.53	3,246,965.94	1,785,058.35	54.98%	127,676.03	3,119,289.91	57.23%	1,334,231.56
31/01/2014	230,807.22	3,146,217.89	3,377,025.11	1,833,571.94	54.30%	124,098.48	3,252,926.63	56.37%	1,419,354.69
31/01/2015	263,562.88	3,299,613.19	3,563,176.07	1,923,354.96	53.98%	122,124.24	3,441,051.83	55.89%	1,517,696.87
31/01/2016	335,520.44	3,415,118.68	3,750,639.12	2,082,168.57	55.52%	124,157.23	3,626,481.89	57.42%	1,544,313.32
31/01/2017	300,944.76	3,502,917.40	3,803,862.16	2,161,576.14	56.83%	123,399.10	3,680,463.06	58.73%	1,518,886.92
31/01/2018	303,728.87	3,571,577.54	3,875,306.41	2,121,682.19	54.75%	117,563.53	3,757,742.88	56.46%	1,636,060.69
31/01/2019	319,410.16	3,684,008.34	4,003,418.50	2,203,946.62	55.05%	117,886.86	3,885,531.64	56.72%	1,681,585.02
31/01/2020	368,193.86	3,790,224.11	4,158,417.97	2,290,636.20	55.08%	116,176.68	4,042,241.29	56.67%	1,751,605.09
<b>2020/2021</b>									
31/07/2020	342,642.82	4,017,095.68	4,359,738.50	303,348.63	6.96%	117,176.29	4,242,562.21	7.15%	3,939,213.58
31/08/2020	342,642.82	4,023,933.68	4,366,576.50	1,341,376.91	30.72%	120,795.04	4,245,781.46	31.59%	2,904,404.55
30/09/2020	342,642.82	4,023,102.76	4,365,745.58	1,606,987.32	36.81%	122,054.41	4,243,691.17	37.87%	2,636,703.85
31/10/2020	342,642.82	4,023,871.76	4,366,514.58	1,685,841.25	38.61%	122,810.66	4,243,703.92	39.73%	2,557,862.67
30/11/2020	342,642.82	4,026,036.28	4,368,679.10	2,260,743.84	51.75%	123,316.92	4,245,362.18	53.25%	1,984,618.34
31/12/2020	342,642.82	4,025,999.52	4,368,642.34	2,389,605.16	54.70%	123,401.30	4,245,241.04	56.29%	1,855,635.88
31/01/2021	342,642.82	4,027,743.89	4,370,386.71	2,462,393.01	56.34%	123,988.81	4,246,397.90	57.99%	1,784,004.89

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**CS2) COUNCIL'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2019/2020 (S.11-02, SC388)**

- A copy of Council's Annual Report for 2019/2020 has been attached. It has been published on Council's website and the Office of Local Government has been notified that it has been published. **Attachment No. 9**

Recommendation

That the 2019/2020 Annual Report be endorsed.

**RESOLVED on the motion of Clr McCann and seconded by Clr McKinnon that the 2019/2020 Annual Report be endorsed.** **12/02/2021**

**CS3) DELIVERY PROGRAM REVIEW (S.11-06, SC516)**

- Attached please find a copy of the Delivery Program Progress Report for the period 1st July 2020 to 31st December 2020. **Attachment No. 10**

Recommendation

That the Delivery Program Progress Report for the period 1st July 2020 to 31st December 2020 be received.

**RESOLVED on the motion of Clr White and seconded by Clr Hutcheon that the Delivery Program Progress Report for the period 1st July 2020 to 31st December 2020 be received.** **13/02/2021**

**CS4) ARDLETHAN PRESCHOOL FEES (C.04-02, SC76)**

Council was presented with a report to the November 2020 meeting recommending that the fees at the Ardlethan Preschool for the 2021 Calendar year be set as follows:

- Tier 1 - \$7.00 per week (HCC/ATSI)
- Tier 2 - \$9.50 per week

The proposed fees were put on public exhibition for the required period and Council did not receive any submissions during that period. The proposed fees now need to be formally adopted by Council.

Recommendation

That the fees for the Ardlethan Preschool for the 2021 Calendar Year be as follows:

Tier 1 - \$7.00 per week (HCC/ATSI)

Tier 2 - \$9.50 per week

**RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Hutcheon and seconded by Clr White that the fees for the Ardlethan Preschool for the 2021 Calendar Year be as follows:**

14/02/2021

**Tier 1 - \$7.00 per week (HCC/ATSI)**

**Tier 2 - \$9.50 per week**

**CS5) QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2021 (F.02-02)**

- ➔ Enclosed with the attachments is the Quarterly Budget Review Statements to the 31st December 2020 for Council's information. The Review reveals a change in Council's anticipated operating result after capital amounts from an original surplus of \$2,870,846 to a surplus of \$2,072,666. Attachment No. 16

Council's anticipated nett cash position has decreased from an original surplus of \$134,844 to a deficit of \$2,595,692 being an unfavourable variance of \$2,730,536.

The following items have been subject to material forecast changes:

**Income**

**General Purpose Revenues**

Item	Original Budget	YTD 31/12/2020	Amended Budget	Variance (\$)	Variance (%)
Extra Charges	20,000	0	10,000	-10,000	50.00 U
Interest on Investments	111,726	26,871	55,863	-55,863	50.00 U

**Extra Charges** – The Office of Local Government mandated at interest for the first half of FY2021 was not to be charged on overdue rates

**Interest on Investments** – Council's original budget was prepared estimating that on average Council would receive 1.5% return on investments. Council staff are now estimating that the return will only be half of that amount.

### Administration

Item	Original Budget	YTD 31/12/2020	Amended Budget	Variance (\$)	Variance (%)
Insurance Premium Incentives	0	18,778	18,778	18,778	F
Traineeship Subsidy	0	16,761	26,664	26,664	F

**Insurance Premium Incentives** – Council’s original budget did not allow for the receipt of Insurance Premium Incentives.

**Traineeship Subsidy** – Council’s original budget did not allow for the receipt of Traineeship Subsidies.

### Community Services & Education

Item	Original Budget	YTD 31/12/2020	Amended Budget	Variance (\$)	Variance (%)
CECC Preschool Funding	0	7,662	7,662	7,662	F

**CECC Preschool Funding** – Council accounted for this as a liability in the previous financial year and can now bring it to account as income. There will be a zero increase in available cash because the funds had already been received.

### Housing & Community Amenities

Item	Original Budget	YTD 31/12/2020	Amended Budget	Variance (\$)	Variance (%)
Development Application Fees	30,000	37,150	50,000	20,000	66.67 F

**Development Application Fees** – Given year to date income received, it is expected that a further \$20,000 is achievable over the next six months.

### Sewerage

Item	Original Budget	YTD 31/12/2020	Amended Budget	Variance (\$)	Variance (%)
Interest on Investments	24,017	0	12,009	-12,009	50.00 U

**Interest on Investments** – Council’s original budget was prepared estimating that on average Council would receive 1.5% return on investments. Council staff are now estimating that the return will only be half of that amount.

### Recreation & Culture

Item	Original Budget	YTD 31/12/2020	Amended Budget	Variance (\$)	Variance (%)
“Our Shire, Our Stories” Grant	0	30,000	30,000	30,000	F

**“Our Shires, Our Stories” Grant** – This project was completed last financial year but the grant was received in the current financial year.

**Mining, Manufacture & Construction**

Item	Original Budget	YTD 31/12/2020	Amended Budget	Variance (\$)	Variance (%)
Construction Certificates	30,000	39,780	52,000	22,000	73.33 F
Inspection Fees	20,000	28,382	37,000	17,000	85.00 F

**Construction Certificates & Inspection Fees** – Ongoing development within the Coolamon Shire Council has resulted in the anticipated income for both of these items to already be exceeded year to date.

**Expenditure**

**Administration**

Item	Original Budget	YTD 31/12/2020	Amended Budget	Variance (\$)	Variance (%)
Computers	100,000	111,577	140,000	-40,000	40.00 U

**Computers** – Council’s administration computer expenses have already exceeded the original budget and will be offset by a reduction in capital expenditure on IT

**Health**

Item	Original Budget	YTD 31/12/2020	Amended Budget	Variance (\$)	Variance (%)
Employee Oncosts	-190,800	-70,917	-140,000	-50,800	26.62 U

**Employee Oncosts** – Council staff are now estimating that the allocation of oncosts will now only reach \$140,000 for Planning Department Staff.

**Community Services & Education**

Item	Original Budget	YTD 31/12/2020	Amended Budget	Variance (\$)	Variance (%)
Community Development Officer	68,000	31,483	54,400	13,600	20.00 F
CECC Cleaning & Sanitary	8,000	8,717	16,000	8,000	100.00 U

**Community Development Officer** – This role has converted from a full-time to a part-time role.

**CECC Cleaning & Sanitary** – Additional cleaning requirements as a result of COVID have attributed to this unfavourable variance.

### Housing & Community Amenities

Item	Original Budget	YTD 31/12/2020	Amended Budget	Variance (\$)	Variance (%)
Aged Persons Units Maintenance	16,000	20,416	40,000	24,000	150.00 U
Town Planning – Computer Costs	3,000	11,884	30,000	27,000	900.00 U
Street Lighting	271,000	0	0	271,000	100.00 F

**Aged Persons Units Maintenance** – Year to date expenditure indicates that the original budget was insufficient.

**Town Planning – Computer Costs** – Council has implemented the NSW Planning Portal and engaged a third party provider to provide an integration between Council’s corporate system and the portal. This was not included in Council’s original budget.

**Street Lighting Maintenance** – Council has been advised by Essential Energy that the upgrade to LED lighting will not occur in the current financial year.

### Capital Incomes

Item	Original Budget	YTD 31/12/2020	Amended Budget	Variance (\$)	Variance (%)
CECC – QLE Grant & DCP1	0	0	46,576	46,576	F
Sewerage Capital Contributions	57,000	10,500	73,227	16,227	28.47 F

**CECC QLE Grant & DCP1** – Council’s application for a covered learning area at the Coolamon Early Childhood Centre was successful, whilst remaining funding from DCP1 will also be received this financial year.

**Sewerage Capital Contributions** – Additional contributions received to date have resulted in this favourable variance.

### Capital Expenditure

Item	Original Budget	YTD 31/12/2020	Amended Budget	Variance (\$)	Variance (%)
Office Furniture & IT	90,000	44,860.03	50,000	40,000	44.44 F
CECC Capital	35,000	10,666	50,000	15,000	42.86 U

**Office Furniture & IT** – Additional operating expenditure has offset this favourable variance

**CECC Capital** – The receipt of the QLE funding has increased the capital works budget

***Responsible Accounting Officer Statement***

It is my opinion that the Quarterly Budget Review as presented to Council for the quarter ended 31 December 2020 indicates that Council's projected financial position at 30th June 2021 will be satisfactory, having regard to the projected estimates of income and expenditure and the original budgeted income and expenditure.

**Recommendation**

That the Quarterly Budget Review Statements as at 31st December 2020 be received and noted and the revised budgeted income and expenditure be voted.

**RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Crocker and seconded by Clr White that the Quarterly Budget Review Statements as at 31st December 2020 be received and noted and the revised budgeted income and expenditure be voted.** 15/02/2021

### **5.3 EXECUTIVE MANAGER, ENGINEERING & TECHNICAL SERVICES REPORTS**

#### **ES1) SHIRE ROAD RESHEETING, STABILISATION AND MAINTENANCE**

##### MAINTENANCE

The following roads have received maintenance attention:

- Rayments Lane (Burley Griffin Way to boundary)
- Pattens Lane (SH17 to Narrandera boundary)
- Flanigans Lane (Canola Way to boundary)
- Halbischs Lane (Canola Way to Pritchards Lane)
- Poverty Lane (Matong North Road to Ardlethan Road)
- Seberrys Lane (Wallerroobie Road to gate)
- Durrain North Road (Canola Way to Ashbridge Road)
- Pamandi Road (Boundary to boundary)
- East West Road (Methul Road to Mary Gilmore Way)
- Marrarvale Lane (Coolamon Road to Marrar South Road)
- Johnsons Hill Road (McNabbs Lane to Kinilibah School Lane)
- Kinilibah School Lane (Johnsons Hill Road to Lynham Lane)
- Lawrences Lane (Lynham Lane to Bradshaws Lane)
- Foxs Lane (Marrar North Road to end)
- Whitakers Lane (Canola Way to Class change)
- McIntyres Lane (Marrar South Road to end)
- Langtrys Lane (Canola Way to Woodens Lane)

Throughout January, Council have been operating on a skeleton staff with staff gradually returning and full quota achieved after the Australia Day long weekend. With now a full quota, all three graders are operating in construction and maintenance works.

#### **ES2) FIXING LOCAL COUNTRY ROADS**

##### BYGOO ROAD RECONSTRUCTION – STAGE 2

The second half and final stage (0.0 to 2.44kms) of reconstruction has commenced. Formation corrections and impartation of suitable crushed road base is occurring and will be followed by stabilisation and seal scheduled for mid March.



**ES3) ROADS TO RECOVERY 2020/2021 PROGRAMME**

1) COOLAMON URBAN KERB AND GUTTER WORKS

Due to ongoing heavy storms, Council staff have had to reinstate the gravel pavement in preparation of sealing scheduled to occur prior to Meeting day. Unfortunately, this scenario has occurred a number of times and looking more likely with improved weather forecast.

2) WALLEROOBIE ROAD – PATCH REHABILITATION

Three select patches equalling 1053m<sup>2</sup> have received gravel overlay, lime stabilisation and two coat seal to address pavement failures.

**ES4) BLOCK GRANT PROGRAMME**

CANOLA WAY WEST (22.20 TO 23.50KMS) 1.3KMS

Reconstruction works on this 1.3km section of Council's Regional Road Network have been completed and included formation corrections, impartation of suitable road base material, stabilisation and two coat bitumen seal. Linemarking is still to be performed and has been scheduled for the next visit of contractors in early April.

**ES5) LOCAL ROADS AND COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAMME (LRCIP)**

1) BIKE TRAIL EXTENSION – COOLAMON

The last section of the trail along Mann Street (South side) (Mirrool Street to Wildman Street) has been completed and is now open for public use.

2) MARRAR FOOTPATH – WOOD STREET, WEBB STREET & SEE STREET

Contractors and Council have completed the installation of the gravel path but have been hindered by ongoing wet weather preventing application of bitumen seal. If favourable conditions are present, seal will be applied by mid March.

3) WILDMANS LANE AND DUNROBIN STREET UPGRADE

Council have commenced upgrade works including survey, design, formation corrections, impartation of road base material and drainage maintenance. Despite a number of heavy storms, the works have progressed well and seal scheduled to be applied prior to Meeting day.

4) WATERVIEW STREET NORTH SIDE (FORD TO MENANGLE STREET) – FOOTPATH

Contractors have now completed construction of 160 x 2.1m concrete path and reinstatement of nature strip.

5) ARIAH STREET, ARDLETHAN – KERB AND GUTTER

Council's Concrete Contractor has commenced installation of kerb and gutter to the front of the Ardlethan Museum. The kerb will be poured prior to Meeting day and will be followed up by reinstatement of nature strip, installation of pavement and sealing at front of kerb.

**ES6) MIMOSA STREET SEWER EXTENSION**

Works involving underboring and open trenching have been completed in the installation of 342m of sewer main, 6 manholes and 21 property connection points.

**ES7) TOWN WORKS**

Contractors have completed bitumen reseals on the following urban streets:

<b>Coolamon</b>	Rannock Road	Cowabbie Street to Austin Place
	Austin Place	Rannock Road to Lewis Street
	Wallace Street South	Wade Street to Stinson Street
	Mimosa Street West Lane	Mann Street to Loughnan Street
	Mann Street	Wallace Street to Iverach Street
	Dunrobin Street	Methul Street to Bruce Street
	Mimosa Street	Mann Street to Loughnan Street
	Mimosa Street	Douglas Street to Dunrobin Street
	Mirrool Street North	Dunrobin Street to Douglas Street
<b>Ganmain</b>	Short Street	Menangle Street to end
	Langham Street	Ford Street to Menangle Street
	Hall Street	Waterview Street to Langham Street
<b>Marrar</b>	Lime Street	Lyne Street to Wood Street

Ardlethan and Matong reseals will be performed in the coming month.

Recommendation

That the Executive Manager, Engineering & Technical Services' Reports (ES1 to ES7) be noted.

**RESOLVED on the motion of Clr McCann and seconded by Clr Hutcheon that the Executive Manager, Engineering & Technical Services' Reports (ES1 to ES7) be noted.** 16/02/2021

**ES8) BIOSECURITY WEEDS REPORT (N.02-01, SC284)**

Biosecurity Weeds Officer Reports

**Activities**

- High risk roadways inspected across the Shire.
- Coolatai infestation at Marrar and Ardlethan inspected and treated.
- Silverleaf Nightshade inspected and treated.
- Large amounts of Bathurst burr have been observed, treated and mapped.
- Inspections in Methul and Ganmain areas.

**WAP Targets Addressed:**

- 1.1 High risk species and pathways identified and managed
- 1.22 Discussion of High Risk Weeds list at Regional level
- 2.1 Timely detection of new incursions
- 2.11 Regional inspection program implemented. High risk sight inspection
- 3.22 Impacts reduced, (control applied) to priority pathways.

It has been approximately 3 years since treatment of sucker growth across Council's Regional and Local Sealed Road Network. With a wet summer experienced, widespread sucker growth is evident and a treatment programme has been confirmed to commence late February whilst optimum conditions are present.

Recommendation

For Council information.

**RESOLVED on the motion of Clr McKinnon and seconded by Clr White that the report be received.** 17/02/2021

## 5.4 EXECUTIVE MANAGER, DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORTS

### HS1) DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY REPORT THE PERIOD ENDING 31<sup>ST</sup> JANUARY, 2021

#### Summary

This report advises of the Development Application activity for the months of December 2020 and January 2021.

#### Development Activity Table

Application Number	Type	Address	Determination	Value
DA 2020/92	Installation of 2 Shipping Containers	58 Iverach Street South, Coolamon	Approved	\$2,000.00
DA 2020/93	New Single Dwelling	Jerricks Lane, Coolamon	Approved	\$469,600.00
DA 2020/94	New Single Dwelling	2555 Coolamon Road, Coolamon	Approved	\$300,000.00
DA 2020/96	New Single Dwelling	33 Moses Road, Coolamon	Approved	\$350,000.00
DA 2020/95	New Carport	48 Iverach Street South, Coolamon	Approved	\$2,500.00
DA 2020/97	New Secondary Dwelling & New Alfresco Extension	Muttons Lane, Coolamon	Approved	\$85,000.00
CDC 2020/19	New Single Dwelling & Attached Garage	143 Wallace Street North, Coolamon	Approved	\$305,500.00
DA 2020/98	New Garage	40 Warri Street, Ardlethan	Approved	\$6,000.00
DA 2020/99	New Roof Cover between House and Shed	7 William Kelly Drive, Coolamon	Approved	\$4,000.00
CDC 2020/21	New Single Dwelling & Attached Garage	134 Mirrool Street North, Coolamon	Approved	\$354,510.00
DA 2020/90	New Shed	24 Hare Street, Marrar	Approved	\$19,500.00
DA 2020/83	Upgrading of Library Museum Complex	127-129 Cowabbie Street, Coolamon	Approved	\$200,000.00
<b>TOTAL: 12</b>			<b>12</b>	<b>\$2,098,610.00</b>

#### Financial Implications

There are nil financial implications to Council as a result of this report.

## Consultation

Applications have been notified and exhibited in accordance with Council's Development Control Plan as required.

## Recommendation

That Council receive and note this report on development activity for the period up to 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2021.

**RESOLVED on the motion of Clr McCann and seconded by Clr White that Council receive and note this report on development activity for the period up to 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2021.** 18/02/2021

## HS2) BUILDING AND ASSET PROJECT STATUS REPORT (B.05-01, SC56)

### Summary

This report provides a brief update on the status of various building projects within the Shire.

### Project Status

Project Item	Commencement Date	Estimated Completion Date
Ardlethan Museum	February 2020	Completed
Allawah Stage 2 and 3	May 2020	April 2021
Allawah New Self Care Unit	February 2021	August 2021
Beckom Hall Upgrades	March 2020	Completed
Coolamon Child Care Centre	November 2020	Completed
Ganmain Historical Society	June 2020	Completed
Coolamon Showground Upgrade Works - various	April 2020	Completed
Coolamon SES / RFS Shed Upgrade	March 2020	Completed
Ardlethan Showground	June 2020	March 2021
LRCIP - Ardlethan Entries	February 2021	April 2021
LRCIP -Ardlethan Museum Solar	July 2020	Completed
LRCIP - Mullins Centre Solar	July 2020	Completed
Ardlethan Preschool Landscaping	July 2020	Completed
LRCIP -Beckom Park Upgrade	August 2020	April 2021
LRCIP -Ganmain Plaza Landscaping	August 2020	Partial Completion
LRCIP - UTDS Landscaping and Storage	March 2021	July 2021
Coolamon Dog Pound	November 2020	March 2021

Recommendation

That Council note the report titled 'Building Project Status Report'.

**RESOLVED on the motion of Clr McKinnon and seconded by Clr White that Council note the report titled 'Building Project Status Report'. 19/02/2021**

**HS3) 2020 DEVELOPMENT STATISTICS (B.05-03, SC58)**

**Summary**

- Attached is a summary of development activity undertaken in the Coolamon Shire Council area throughout 2020. A summary of the development activity in the Council area for 2019 is also attached for comparison. Attachment No. 11.1

The total combined applications (Development Applications & Complying Development Applications) for 2020 was 125 compared to the 101 approvals issued in 2019. In 2020, Council approved 34 new dwellings compared to 29 in 2019.

This is reflective of the general increase in population across the Shire but most noticeable within the Coolamon Township.

A recent population forecast was commissioned by Council to feed into the settlement strategy that will inform future growth scenarios and rezoning opportunities.

- The work, carried out by .id – informed decisions, shows a marked projected increase in Coolamon township's population over the next 20 years and is attached for your information. Attachment No. 11.2

Recommendation

That Council note the report.

**RESOLVED on the motion of Clr McCann and seconded by Clr Hutcheon that the report be noted. 20/02/2021**

**HS4) RECREATIONAL VEHICLE (RV) FRIENDLY TOWN REPORT (C.01-01, SC63)**

**Summary**

This report provides information to Council on the Recreational Vehicle (RV) Friendly Town Program and an application that has been made to the Campervan and Motorhome Club of Australia Limited for the listing of Ardlethan as an RV Friendly Town.

**Background**

The RV Friendly Town™ program is a Campervan and Motorhome Club of Australia Limited (CMCA) initiative aimed at assisting recreational vehicle (RV) consumers as they journey throughout Australia. This includes motorhomers, campervaners and caravanners.

An RV Friendly Town™ is one that has met a set of guidelines to ensure they provide a certain amount of amenities, and a certain level of services for these travellers. When RV tourists enter a town displaying the RV Friendly Town™ sign, they know they will be welcome, certain services will be provided for them that may not be available in other centres, and they will have access to a safe place to stay overnight, and possibly for a longer period.

CMCA will promote the RV Friendly Town™ by dedicating one page to the town on the Club website, publishing a one-off article on the town in the Club's monthly magazine, The Wanderer, and listing the town in each edition of the magazine.

CMCA will also offer the Council 2 x 600mm x 690mm roadside 'RV Friendly' signs free of charge. These signs will display the abbreviated 'RV' symbol, followed by the words 'Friendly Town™'.

Before any town can be appointed to the program, there is a set of guidelines that must be met, which includes:

***Essential Criteria***

- Provision of appropriate parking within the town centre, with access to a general shopping area for groceries and fresh produce.
- Provision of short term, low cost overnight parking (24/48 hours) for self-contained recreational vehicles, as close as possible to the CBD.
- Access to potable water.
- Access to a free dump point at an appropriate location.

***Desirable Criteria***

- Provision of long term parking for self-contained recreational vehicles.
- Access to medical facilities or an appropriate emergency service.
- Access to a pharmacy or a procedure to obtain pharmaceutical products.
- Visitor Information Centre (VIC) with appropriate parking facilities.
- VIC to provide a town map showing essential facilities, such as short and long term parking areas, dump point and potable water.
- RV Friendly Town™ signs to be erected within the town precinct.

**What are the Benefits of becoming an RV Friendly Town:**

- There are many economic benefits to the local businesses due to increased dwell time; the RV community spends an average of \$100 per day whilst travelling.
- There is an increased patronage of the tourist attractions in and around the town.
- Travellers will be able to park adjacent to the shopping precinct while they top up with supplies. They can do their banking in comfort, post their mail, and check out the restaurants and clubs for food and entertainment.
- They will find a dump point in the town.
- They may be able to have mechanical work done on their vehicle as well as fill up with fuel and gas.
- The VIC should have a map showing them all local attractions, the location of emergency services and their contact numbers, attractions that are RV suitable and where internet services are available.
- They will be able to park in a comfortable layover area, while they sit back and decide which tourist attractions they would like to see during their visit.
- There may be toilet and shower facilities at or near the layover area, which will encourage dwell times.
- At the end of their visit, the RV traveller will be leaving only because they need to – not because they want to.



**RV Friendly Town Assessment**

Town / Village	Ardlethan	Beckom	Coolamon	Ganmain	Marrar
<b>Essential Criteria</b>					
Provision of appropriate parking within the town centre, with access to a general shopping area for groceries and fresh produce	Y	N	N	N	N
Provision of short term, low cost overnight parking (24/48 hours) for self-contained recreational vehicles, as close as possible to the CBD.	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Access to potable water.	Y	N	Y	N	N
Access to a free dump point at an appropriate location	Y	N	Y	N	N
<b>Desirable Criteria</b>					
Provision of long term parking for self-contained recreational vehicles.	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Access to medical facilities or an appropriate emergency service.	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Access to a pharmacy or a procedure to obtain pharmaceutical products.	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Visitor Information Centre (VIC) with appropriate parking facilities.	Y	N	Y	Y	N
VIC to provide a town map showing essential facilities, such as short and long term parking areas, dump point and potable water.	Y	N	Y	Y	N
RV Friendly Town™ signs to be erected within the town precinct.	Y	N	N	N	N

The assessment of the towns and villages located within the Shire has identified that at this time, Ardlethan is the only town that meets both essential and desirable criteria for an RV Friendly Town Status.

Staff have made application to the Campervan & Motorhome Club of Australia Limited for the listing as Ardlethan as an 'RV Friendly Town'.

### **Financial Implications**

There are nil adverse financial implications resulting from this report, Council operates and manages a short stay camping ground at Ardlethan and will continue to do using existing budgets.

Council will order an additional 2 x RV Friendly Town Signs for the sum of \$260.00. This will be sourced from existing budgets.

As previously identified in this report, one of the benefits of achieving an RV Friendly Town Status is in the form of the potential for increased patronage of such user groups visiting the town and economic flow on effects from tourist / visitor dollars spent.

### Recommendation

That Council note the report titled Recreational Vehicle (RV) Friendly Town Report.

**RESOLVED on the motion of Clr White and seconded by Clr McKinnon that Council note the report titled Recreational Vehicle (RV) Friendly Town Report.**

21/02/2021

### **HS5) TENDER REPORT - ALLAWAH VILLAGE SELF CARE UNIT (TENDER 2020/10) (A.05-04, SC8)**

#### **Summary**

This report provides information and a recommendation to Council in regards to tenders received for the erection of a new self-care unit to be located at Allawah Village, Mirrool Street, Coolamon (Lot: 241, DP: 1064913).

#### **Background**

Council has a portion of land in Allawah Village that is available for an additional self-care unit. Currently, Council owns and leases 25 units, one of which is in Ganmain.

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A report was presented to the September 2020 Ordinary Council Business Meeting where Council endorsed the calling of tenders to construct an additional unit in Allawah Village.

Architectural plans and specifications were created for the project which involves the erection of seniors housing in the form 1 x 2 bedroom single storey, timber framed, brick veneer dwelling, incorporating approximately 187 m<sup>2</sup> in floor area.

The average cost of building a dwelling is influenced by many factors, but in December last year (2020), the Australian average was \$1393.55 per sqm, according to the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS). Based on the size of the proposal and the average square metre building cost, the anticipated project cost should be in the vicinity of \$260,593.85.

Tenders were called for between 20<sup>th</sup> November 2020 and 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2020.



Image 1: Locational Diagram – Proposed Development Site.

### Tender Submissions

Council received a total of two (2) tenders during the submission period.

Tenderers and tender prices are listed in the following table from lowest to highest tender received.

Tenderer	Tender Price (GST Inclusive)	Comments
Coolamon Carpentry	\$299,000.00	The tender was a conforming tender and nominated 100 days for completion of works.

Adaptive Interiors	\$336,578.00	The tender was a conforming tender and nominated 48 days for completion of works.
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**Table 1: Tenderers and Tender Prices**

### **Tender Evaluation**

Submitted tenders have been evaluated on the following criteria:

- Price
- Experience and
- Inclusions

Both the above contractors are considered to have relevant experience in both commercial and residential construction projects and it appears that all contractors have included all inclusions listed in plans and specifications for the project (either within lump sum or as separate component cost).

The preferred option of many organisations is the 'traditional working' process which involves sequential lowest price tendering.

Whilst price is one of the common criteria used in the assessment of quotations, it should not be considered as the key determining factor in quotation selection. The lowest quotation is not always necessarily the 'best'.

The use of lowest price quotation / tendering may seriously damage an organisation's 'financial health and reputation' and may have undesirable and unexpected side effects in the event that a contractor has quoted too low which creates project management and adverse financial outcomes for an organisation.

It is not suggested that if Council endorses the lowest quotation referenced in this report that there will be adverse project management and financial outcomes for Council but it is suggested that as an organisation we need to consider the consequences during the decision making process.

It is clear that Coolamon Carpentry is the lowest tender that was received. Coolamon Carpentry also nominated 100 days for completion of works which is twice the period nominated by Adaptive Interiors for works completion.

Noting that the average cost of building a dwelling in Australia is \$1393.55 per sqm, and that for the size of the project (187 m<sup>2</sup>) it could be viewed that both tenders that have been received are well above average construction prices. As such Council has two (2) options to consider:

- 1) Accept the lowest tender from Coolamon Carpentry; or
- 2) Re – Tender the project.

### **Consultation**

Internal consultation has been undertaken with relevant Council staff.

The tender was advertised in the Temora Independent and Wagga Wagga Daily Advertiser for various dates from the 20 November to 22 December 2020.

It was disappointing to note that only two (2) tenders were received but this can be partly attributed to the time of year in which the tenders were called. The period leading up to Christmas is traditionally a very busy period for the construction industry.

All tenderers will be notified by telephone and in writing of Council's decision after the report has been determined by Council.

### **Financial Implications**

Council has a budget available for the project.

The construction of this unit was proposed in the 2020-2024 Delivery Programme to occur in the 2022 financial year at a cost of \$300,000. It is noted that the project time frame was brought forward by Council to 2021.

It is considered that there are no adverse financial implications resulting from this report.

### **Attachments**

- ➔ Project Plans [Attachment No. 12](#)

### **Recommendation**

- 1) That Council note the report titled 'Tender Report Allawah Village Self-Care Unit (Tender 2020/10)'; and
- 2) That Council determine whether to accept the lowest tender or call for new tenders.

**RESOLVED on the motion of Clr McCann and seconded by Clr White:** [22/02/2021](#)

- 1) That Council note the report titled 'Tender Report Allawah Village Self-Care Unit (Tender 2020/10)'; and
- 2) That Council not accept the lowest or any tender and call for new tenders at a more appropriate time.

**HS6) LANDFILLS ENVIRONMENTAL RISK ASSESSMENT (G.01-01, SC529)**

**Summary**

This report provides information to Council on a recently conducted Environmental Risk Assessment that was undertaken at all of Council Landfill sites.

**Background**

Coolamon Shire Council, as member of the Statewide Mutual Liability Scheme (Statewide Mutual), selected to participate in the Environmental Risk Assessment Project offered to member Councils as part of its series of funded initiatives.

In October 2020, Statewide Mutual (Councils Insurers) undertook an inspection / audit of the four (4) operational landfill facilities located in the Local Government Areas (Ardlethan, Coolamon, Ganmain and Marrar) as part of the project.

The purpose of the environmental risk assessment process, on the nominated Council functions (Landfills), is to raise awareness of the risks associated with the various activities that occur on the waste management sites and potential environmental effects and Council's reputation.

The Environmental Risk Assessment is a process of site inspection and notation with the use of proforma documents developed by Statewide Mutual that are based on the principles of ISO14001, which is an Environmental Management System that allows businesses to assess their environmental impacts, and to plan and set goals to reduce their business's impact on the environment.

A proforma risk assessment process and associated matrix was used with agreed activities that occur on the sites and agreed environmental impacts used to identify the highest risk activities that occur and for these to be scored in order to create a list in priority order, so that mitigation programs may then be developed and implemented on each site as relevant.

Under the ISO14001 standard, a system of quantifying the impacts of "environmental significance" is needed and to this end any impact that scored 6

or more out of a possible 20 was considered significant and should require a mitigation program to overcome that impact.

Council staff played an active part in describing and then scoring each activity in conjunction with support from Statewide’s consultant to ensure accuracy and consistency of results.

### Audit Results

Following the site inspections of the 4 nominated sites and using a risk matrix provided by Statewide, 13 key activities were identified on the sites and rated against 9 environmental impacts.

17 impacts were highlighted by scoring 6 or more that were subsequently considered of ‘significance’. These impacts identified now need the development of action programs and allocation of appropriate resources to mitigate their impact on the environment. (See Table 1 below).

Deemed Priority *	Activity	Impacts and Scores						
		Fire	Vermin	Litter	Surface Water Contamination	Neighbour Amenity	Odour	Ground Water Contamination
1	Putrescible Waste Disposal	12	9	8	8	8	7	6
2	Timber Waste Storage & Processing	16	6					
3	Green Waste Storage & Processing	11	6		7			
4	Drummuster Collection & Storage	8	7		9			
5	Furniture Collection & Storage	8						
7	Construction Demolition & Storage		7					
8	Asbestos Collection & Storage					9		
9	Oils Collection & Storage				6			

**Table 1 – Activities/Impacts considered significant requiring Mitigation Programs**

**Note that Priority 6 is Metals Collection & Storage but did not score any Impacts higher than 6.**

Each of the site’s activities had consistent operational approaches and thus were considered generically even though some sites were more impacted then others.

The general cleanliness of the sites was noted and even though the sites are unlicensed (due to volumes) and have unlined waste tip faces or pits, the environmental impact of these sites is considered less than normally associated with landfills, which is reflected in the lower scores.

However, due to low usage, the practice of long-term storage of the various waste stockpiles is problematic and does create circumstances for the greatest environmental impact particularly, fire risk.

Also evident, even though site visitation is reflective of the low population base for each site, the use of a single staff member for day to day management on most days is again problematic and can raise the issue of uncontrolled dumping and possible waste contamination issues.

### **Next Steps**

Consideration will be required to be given to allocation of the appropriate resources and development of an environmental improvement program to create action steps to mitigate these impacts, in priority order, as detailed in the Risk Assessment Chart (See attachment).

Council staff meet with Statewide representatives on 11 January 2021 to develop a remedial action plan to overcome the identified impacts in priority order. Once the action plan is formalised, Staff will present a report to Council for consideration.

### **Financial Implications**

Financial implications associated with the costs of engaging Statewide to assist in the formulating of the Landfills Environmental Improvement Program was \$5250 (GST Ex).

Additional costs may be incurred as a result of identifying remedial actions that are required to address non compliances/risks that were identified during the audit project.

Costs will be funded from operational and reserve funds for landfill sites. A future report will be presented to Council for consideration upon finalization of the Improvement Program.

### **Attachment**

→ Environmental Risk Assessment Report. Attachment No. 13



Recommendation

That Council note the report titled Landfills Environmental Risk Assessment.

**RESOLVED on the motion of Clr Hutcheon and seconded by Clr White that Council note the report titled Landfills Environmental Risk Assessment.** 23/02/2021

**HS7) ABORIGINAL LAND CLAIMS (A.01-01, SC2)**

**Summary**

This report presents information and recommendations to Council in regards to advice received from the NSW Department of Planning Industry and Environment (Crownland), on the assessment of thirtynine (39) new Aboriginal Land Claims on Crown land located within the Coolamon Local Government Area.

**Background**

The Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) –Crown Lands, Aboriginal Land Claim Assessment Team (ALCAT) is currently assessing a number of Aboriginal Land Claims within the Coolamon Local Government Area.

Lodging of an Aboriginal land claim creates an interest in the land. Prior to any future dealings in this land, consultation should be undertaken with DPIE – Crown Lands.

Aboriginal land claims are investigated in accordance with the provisions of section 36(1) of the Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983. Regardless of when an investigation is conducted the key date for the investigation is the date the claim is lodged.

At this point no investigation of the listed claims has been undertaken by the ALCIU.

The ALCAT is seeking information from Council as a relevant authority as to whether Council holds an interest in any of the claimed land, and requires evidence which demonstrates around the date of claim the land was:

- Lawfully used or occupied
- Needed or likely to be needed for an essential public purpose.

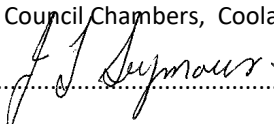
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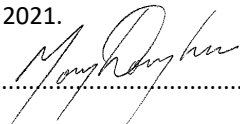
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17922	Lot 8, Section 8, DP 758657	Matong	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU5 Village under Coolamon LEP 2011.	No objection to land claim.	1
17922	Lot 1, Section 8, DP 758657	Matong	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU5 Village under Coolamon LEP 2011.	No objection to land claim.	1
18373	Lot 8, Section 6, DP 758657	Matong	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU5 Village under Coolamon LEP 2011.	No objection to land claim.	1
18373	Lot 7, Section 6, DP 758657	Matong	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU5 Village under Coolamon LEP 2011.	No objection to land claim.	1
46259	Lot 3, Section 10, DP 758657	Matong	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU5 Village under Coolamon LEP 2011.	No objection to land claim.	1
46259	Lot 9, Section 10, DP 758657	Matong	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU5 Village under Coolamon LEP 2011.	No objection to land claim.	1
46259	Lot 8, Section 10, DP 758657	Matong	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU5 Village under Coolamon LEP 2011.	No objection to land claim.	1
52013	Lot 145, DP 750838	Matong	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU1 Primary Production	No objection to land claim.	1

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			under Coolamon LEP 2011.		
52215	Lot 6, Section 6, DP 758657	Matong	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU5 Village under Coolamon LEP 2011.	No objection to land claim.	1
46260	Lot 189, DP 750834	Ganmain	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU5 Village under Coolamon LEP 2011.	No objection to land claim.	2
46260	Lot 188, DP 750834	Ganmain	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU5 Village under Coolamon LEP 2011.	No objection to land claim.	2
46261	Lot 3, Section 50, DP 758428	Ganmain	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU5 Village under Coolamon LEP 2011.	No objection to land claim.	3
46261	Lot 4, Section 50, DP 758428	Ganmain	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU5 Village under Coolamon LEP 2011.	No objection to land claim.	3
46261	Lot 5, Section 50, DP 758428	Ganmain	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU5 Village under Coolamon LEP 2011.	No objection to land claim.	3
46261	Lot 6, Section 50, DP 758428	Ganmain	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU5 Village under Coolamon LEP 2011.	No objection to land claim.	3
46261	Lot 1, Section 50, DP 758428	Ganmain	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU5 Village under Coolamon LEP 2011.	No objection to land claim.	3
46261	Lot 2, Section 50, DP 758428	Ganmain	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.	No objection to land claim.	3

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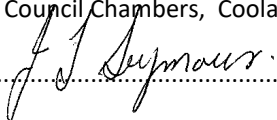
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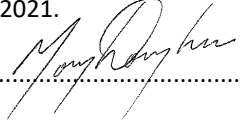
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			Zoned RU5 Village under Coolamon LEP 2011.		
46290	Lot 9, Section 25, DP 758428	Ganmain	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU5 Village under Coolamon LEP 2011.	No objection to land claim.	3
52053	Lot 9, Section 27, DP 758428	Ganmain	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU5 Village under Coolamon LEP 2011.	No objection to land claim.	2
52059	Lot 4, Section 35, DP 758428	Ganmain	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU5 Village under Coolamon LEP 2011.	No objection to land claim.	2
52060	Lot 3, Section 29, DP 758428	Ganmain	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU5 Village under Coolamon LEP 2011.	No objection to land claim.	2
52097	Lot 4, Section 29, DP 758428	Ganmain	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU5 Village under Coolamon LEP 2011.	No objection to land claim.	2
52097	Lot 7, Section 28, DP 758428	Ganmain	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU5 Village under Coolamon LEP 2011.	Objection to land claim.  The land incorporates an overland drainage path across the south east corner of the allotment. The land is required for an essential public purpose – stormwater.	2
52214	Lot 73, DP 750834	Ganmain	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU1 Primary Production under Coolamon LEP 2011.	No objection to land claim.	4

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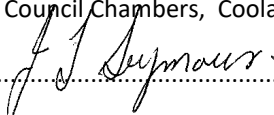
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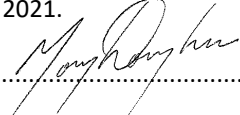
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52216	Lot 5, Section 29, DP 758428	Ganmain	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU5 Village under Coolamon LEP 2011.	No objection to land claim.	2
7836	Lot 6, DP 750834	Ganmain	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  The land is zoned both RU5 Village and RU1 Primary Production under Coolamon LEP 2011.	No objection to land claim.	3
18521	Lot 150, DP 750867	Ardlethan	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU5 Village under Coolamon LEP 2011.  The land is both flood and bush fire prone.	No objection to land claim.	6
46283	Lot 277, DP 750867	Ardlethan	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU1 Primary Production under Coolamon LEP 2011.  The land is flood prone.	No objection to land claim.	6
46283	Lot 276, DP 750867	Ardlethan	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU1 Primary Production under Coolamon LEP 2011.  The land is flood prone.	No objection to land claim.	6
46288	Lot 270, DP 750867	Ardlethan	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU1 Primary Production under Coolamon LEP 2011.  The land is bush fire prone.	No objection to land claim.	10

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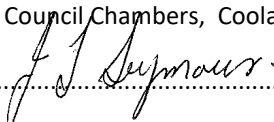
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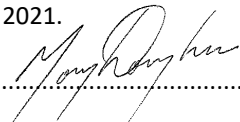
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46295	Lot 220, DP 750867	Ardlethan	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned both SP2 Infrastructure and RU1 Primary Production under Coolamon LEP 2011.  The land is flood prone.	Objection to land claim.  The land incorporates the Bygoo Creek Riverine and Overland Stormwater drainage path. The land is required for an essential public purpose – drainage.	6
46295	Lot 218, DP 750867	Ardlethan	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU1 Primary Production under Coolamon LEP 2011.  The land is flood prone.	Objection to land claim.  The land incorporates the Bygoo Creek Riverine and Overland Stormwater drainage path. The land is required for an essential public purpose – drainage.	6
46295	Lot 219, DP 750867	Ardlethan	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned both SP2 Infrastructure and RU1 Primary Production under Coolamon LEP 2011.  The land is flood prone.	Objection to land claim.  The land incorporates the Bygoo Creek Riverine and Overland Stormwater drainage path. The land is required for an essential public purpose – drainage.	6
46297	Lot 283, DP 725041	Ardlethan	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU1 Primary Production under Coolamon LEP 2011.  The land is both flood and bush fire prone.	Objection to land claim.  The land incorporates the Bygoo Creek Riverine and Overland Stormwater drainage path. The land is required for an essential public purpose – drainage.	5

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46297	Lot 242, DP 750867	Ardlethan	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU1 Primary Production under Coolamon LEP 2011.  The land is both flood and bush fire prone.	Objection to land claim.  The land incorporates the Bygoo Creek Riverine and Overland Stormwater drainage path. The land is required for an essential public purpose – drainage.	5
52054	Lot 18, Section 3, DP 758028	Ardlethan	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU5 Village under Coolamon LEP 2011.	No objection to land claim.	6
51747	Lot 6, Section 38, DP 758277	Coolamon	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU5 Village under Coolamon LEP 2011.	No objection to land claim.	7
52007	Lot 18, DP 750870	Wallerroobie	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW. Old Walleroobie School site.  Zoned RU1 Primary Production under Coolamon LEP 2011.	No objection to land claim.	8
51826	Lot 40, DP 750837	Methul	Vacant land owned by the State of NSW.  Zoned RU1 Primary Production under Coolamon LEP 2011.	No objection to land claim.	9

**Table 1: Aboriginal Land Claims under Assessment Coolamon LGA**

Staff have undertaken an assessment of the proposed land claims and only raise six (6) objections from the list of the 39 land claims under assessment. The objections are listed in table 1 with reasons for objection provided. The objections are based on the basis that the land serves an essential public purpose – for drainage purposes.

No objection has been raised to other potential claims on the basis that the land is owned by the crown, is vacant, not occupied by Council and not required for any future public purpose.

### **Consultation**

Consultation has been undertaken internally with relevant Council staff.

### **Financial Implications**

There are nil adverse financial implications resulting from this report.

### **Attachments**

➔ Locational Maps of Land. Attachment No. 14

### Recommendation

- 1) That Council note the report titled Assessment of New Aboriginal Land Claims; and
- 2) That Council provide written advice / response to the Aboriginal Land Claim Assessment Team (ALCAT) on Councils position with respect to the thirtynine (9) land claims and lodge objections to six (6) of the land claims as identified within table 1 of this report and for the reasons identified in the table.

**RESOLVED on the motion of Clr McCann and seconded by Clr White:** 24/02/2021

- 1) **That Council note the report titled Assessment of New Aboriginal Land Claims; and**
- 2) **That Council provide written advice / response to the Aboriginal Land Claim Assessment Team (ALCAT) on Councils position with respect to the thirtynine (39) land claims and lodge objections to six (6) of the land claims as identified within table 1 of this report and for the reasons identified in the table.**



**HS8) COOLAMON CARAVAN PARK CABINS – BUILDING BETTER REGIONS  
GRANT APPLICATION (C.01-03, SC65)**

**Summary**

This report provides information to Council on a funding application that will be lodged by Council Staff under the Building Better Regions - Tourism Infrastructure Grant Stream being offered by the Commonwealth Government that is seeking funding for the provision of 3 x cabins at the Coolamon Caravan Park.

**Background**

The Australian Government has committed a total of \$1.04 billion over seven years from 2017-18 to 2023-24 for the Building Better Regions Fund. The Round Five grant opportunity was announced in Budget Paper 2, Supporting Regional Australia. \$200 million is available for this program, with \$100 million of this dedicated to tourism-related infrastructure projects.

The objectives of the program are to:

- drive economic growth
- build stronger regional communities into the future.

The intended outcomes of the program are to:

- create jobs
- have a positive impact on economic activity, including Indigenous economic participation through employment and supplier-use outcomes
- enhance community facilities
- enhance leadership capacity
- encourage community cohesion and a sense of identity.

There are two grant opportunity streams as part of this program:

- Infrastructure Projects Stream, as outlined in these guidelines
- Community Investments Stream.

**The Grant Funding Project**

Upon being notified of the Grant Funding Opportunity, Council Staff contacted a manufacturer of Caravan Park Cabins to create some designs and provides plans and a quotation to support a grant application for the provision of 3 x cabins at the Coolamon Caravan Park.

The grant application is due 5<sup>th</sup> March 2021.

Key considerations of the grant include:

- Grant is to be matched dollar for dollar
- All DA's/permits/approvals must be in place (with evidence) at the time of application
- We have to consult with RDA
- We have to prove that COVID has a negative impact on tourism in our region/shire
- Prove how many jobs the project will create.

### **Financial Implications**

As mentioned above the grant is to be matched on a dollar for dollar basis. Preliminary discussions with the Cabin Manufacturer have indicated that the provision of 2 x 2 bedroom cabins and 1 x 1 bedroom cabin manufactured, delivered to site and installed will be in the vicinity of \$230,000.00 to \$250,000.00. This will require a contribution from Council of approximately \$135,000 (allowing \$10,000.00 for contingencies).

### **Consultation**

Consultation has occurred with relevant internal Council Officers and the caretakers of the Caravan Pak.  
Council Staff will also need to undertake consultation with Regional Development Australia.

### **Recommendation**

- 1) That Council note the report titled Coolamon Caravan Park Cabins – Building Better Regions Grant Application; and
- 2) That Council commit to identifying funding to support the grant application up to \$135,000.00.

**RESOLVED on the motion of Cllr White and seconded by Cllr Hutcheon:** 25/02/2021

- 1) **That Council note the report titled Coolamon Caravan Park Cabins – Building Better Regions Grant Application; and**
- 2) **That Council commit to identifying funding to support the grant application up to \$135,000.00.**

**HS9) EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR REMOVAL OF PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT  
AT BECKOM PARK (P.01-02, SC291)**

**Summary**

This report provides information and a recommendation to Council in regards to an Expression of Interest submission received for the removal and ownership of the playground equipment, located at Beckom Park, Beckom.

**Background**

Beckom Park is Beckom's key play space which attracts use from local residents and visitors. An upgrade of the park is scheduled and involves removal of the existing equipment and installation of a new playground which caters for a wider range of ages and abilities.

The project was funded through the NSW Governments 'Local Roads Community Infrastructure Program' (LRCIP).

The playground equipment to be removed from the Park is approximately 15 – 20 years old. Whilst the playground no longer met the needs of the community, the equipment could be suitable for use by a local community group, organisation or business.

Expressions of interest have been sought from interested parties to remove and take ownership of this equipment.

**Expressions of Interest (EOI's)**

Council received one (1) EOI during the submission period.

The EOI received is listed in the following table:

Name	EOI Submission
Ardlethan/Beckom Sporting Clays Club	The Ardlethan/Beckom Sporting Clays Club are a local clay target shooting club situated on Chards Road, Ardlethan. The club shoots monthly and also hosts the Australian Can Shooting Championships in July each year.  The Club seeks to acquire the playground equipment to complement the existing cubby house we have for visiting children. The main part of the playground would cater more for the older children that the cubby house does. The smaller spring ride on items would suit younger children.  \$200.00 offered for playground equipment.

**Table 1: EOI Received**

### Evaluation

Submitted EOI's are evaluated on the following criteria:

- Proposed monetary contribution (20%)
- Capacity of the applicant to collect, install and maintain the equipment (20%)
- Level of community benefit (50%)
- Current financial capacity of the applicant to fund the purchase of playground equipment (**10%**)

The submission meets to differing degrees the abovementioned criteria.

### Consultation

The EOI was advertised in the Temora Independent and Wagga Wagga Daily Advertiser on various dates and provided a 21 day submission period that ended on 12<sup>th</sup> February 2021.

Internal consultation has been undertaken with relevant council staff.

The EOI applicants will be notified by telephone and in writing of Council's decision after Council has determined the report.

### Financial Implications

Council has a budget available for the project (new equipment and removal of existing) and there are no adverse financial implications resulting from this report.

### Attachments

- 1 X EOI Submission. Attachment No. 15

### Recommendation

That Council note the report and accept the submission from the Ardlethan/Beckom Sporting Clays Club, for the removal of playground equipment from Beckom Park, Beckom.

**RESOLVED on the motion of Clr White and seconded by Clr Crocker that Council note the report and accept the submission from the Ardlethan/Beckom Sporting Clays Club, for the removal of playground equipment from Beckom Park, Beckom and that Council forgo the \$200.00.** 26/02/2021

↑ **ADJOURNMENT**

**RESOLVED** on the motion of Clr McCann and seconded by Clr Hutcheon that Council resolve into Committee of a Whole for the purpose of considering confidential matters as listed in the Committee of a Whole agenda for the reason that such matters are considered to be of a confidential nature and in accordance with Council's policy thereto. 27/02/2021

Council adjourned at 3.54pm into Committee of a Whole and reconvened at 4.25pm.

*Clr McKinnon left the Council meeting at 4.02pm*

**6) MINUTES OF A COMMITTEE OF A WHOLE MEETING HELD 18<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2021.**

**RESOLVED** on the motion of Clr McCann and seconded by Clr Hutcheon that the Minutes of a Committee of a Whole Meeting held 18<sup>th</sup> February, 2021 be adopted. 28/02/2021

**7) MINUTES OF THE NOXIOUS WEEDS MEETING OF COOLAMON, JUNEE & TEMORA HELD 8<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2021.**

**RESOLVED** on the motion of Clr Hutcheon and seconded by Clr White that the Minutes of the Noxious Weeds Meeting of Coolamon, Junee & Temora Held 8<sup>th</sup> December, 2021 be adopted. 29/02/2021

**8) REPORTS: DELEGATES/MAYOR/COUNCILLORS**

- Clr McCann advised that he had forwarded on the document relating to population projections to GWCC and that he will be unable to attend the Communities Tour as this is the date of the GWCC Meeting.
- Clr White advised on Coolamon Lions Club's wish to extend their Cardboard Recycling.
- Clr Seymour advised of a meeting with MLHD and discussions around the Service Review and Service Plan.

***Meeting Closed at 4.29pm.***

Confirmed and signed during the Meeting held this 18<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2021.

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**MAYOR**

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*J. J. Seymour*..... MAYOR

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*Mary Douglas*..... GENERAL MANAGER.

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**BUSINESS:**

- 1) Apologies.
- 2a) Confirmation of the Minutes of the Meeting held 29 September 2020.
- 2b) Matters arising from Previous Minutes.
- 3) Correspondence
- 4) Agenda Items:
  - 4.1) Rob Ferguson Management Pty Ltd – Quarterly Report
  - 4.2) WAP Report Funding
  - 4.3) Riverina Regional Weeds Committee/LLS
  - 4.4) Glyphosate Update
  - 4.5) Road shoulder Vegetation Control
  - 4.6) Inspection Areas
- 5) General Business
- 6) 2021 Meeting Dates
- 7) Next Meeting

**PRESENT:** Tony Kelly, Coolamon Shire Council  
Robert Ferguson, Robert Ferguson Management Pty Ltd  
Jeremy Crocker, RENWA  
Clr Colin McKinnon, Coolamon Shire Council  
Cole Davis – Junee Shire Council

**APOLOGIES:** Clr John Seymour, Coolamon Shire Council  
Clr Graham Sinclair, Temora Shire Council  
Clr David Carter, Junee Shire Council  
Kris Dunstan, Temora Shire Council

1) **APOLOGIES**

**RESOLVED that the apologies of Clr John Seymour, Clr Graham Sinclair, Clr David Carter and Kris Dunstan be received and accepted.**

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2a) **CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 29 SEPTEMBER 2020.**

**RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Meeting held 29 September 2020 be received.

2b) **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

There were no matters arising.

3) **CORRESPONDENCE**

Nil.

4) **AGENDA ITEMS**

4.1) ROB FERGUSON MANAGEMENT PTY LTD – QUARTERLY REPORT

- Coolatai grass controlled in Old Junee/Marrar area, Red Guide posts will need to be re-installed on the JSC section after roadworks.
- St John's Wort treated across the three Shires, focus paid to main roads, highly trafficked local roads and previously identified hot spots. Single germination with early rain.
- TSC Sucker spraying completed on State Roads.
- RENWA staff in contact with JHR and their contractor to provide treatment to Coolatai grass at Old Junee.
- Silver leaf nightshades growth to be monitored as is expected to explode with more summer rain.

4.2) WAP REPORT FUNDING

WAP funding of \$158,613.69 secured for this financial year.

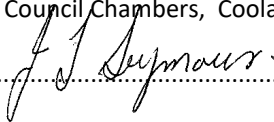
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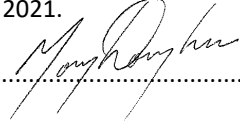
- Meeting of the LLS Regional Weed Committee has been moved back a week to 10 December 2020.
- Still waiting to hear on Lands Department grants, applied for Ardlethan (Bygoo Road) Prickly Pear and Boxthorn in Temora. Will continue to work with the Local Lands Officer to identify potential sites in JSC for the next round.
- Regional distribution of LLS funding has been adjusted to provide a fairer distribution and applied where required. Further fine tuning is suggested and will be pushed in future years.  
Concerns of LLS funds will be further reduced with LLS taking bigger cut to cover Regional Weeds Coordinator, currently LLS take is \$100,000 and any greater cut will need justification to all LCA.

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- Independent chair of Regional Weeds Committee has resigned and the search is on for a replacement.

4.4) GLYPHOSATE UPDATE

For the current COVID world, the glyphosate issue appears to have calmed down a bit with no issues for Council raised.

4.5) ROAD SHOULDER VEGETATION CONTROL

- Road Shoulder spraying on State Roads underway.
- Rye Grass resistance to Glyphosate is presenting challenges to our road shoulder management, JSC in particular but across all Shires, resistance is becoming a real problem.
- Preference is to eliminate Glyphosate use for 12 months period to limit resistance with option to use Basta as a substitute.
- Fleabane trail is occurring in Leeton and results will be provided when available.

4.6) INSPECTIONS

- Inspections on private property are at ad-hoc basis. A full program will run out in the New Year after harvest. New Program to be delivered in 2021.
- High risk pathways patrolled and logged into Biosecurity information system.
- No new incursions of previously unknown weeds discovered. Reports of Parthenium weed in chicken feed but none currently identified in region.

5) GENERAL BUSINESS

- Is there potential for Robert Ferguson Management to take on a separate budget allocation/contract for the shoulder management? This would include slashing and spraying. This Issue to be discussed between LCA's.
- RENWA staff will be on leave for the usual Council shut down over Christmas, available for contact if necessary

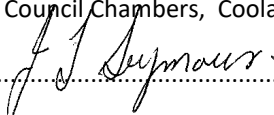
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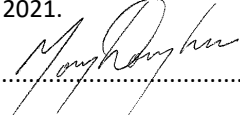
- **Tuesday 23 February 2021 – Temora Shire Council**
- **Tuesday 22 June 2021 – Junee Shire Council**
- **Tuesday 21 September 2021 – Coolamon Shire Council**
- **Tuesday 7 December 2021 – Temora Shire Council**

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MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE SHIRE OF COOLAMON  
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MINUTES OF THE NOXIOUS WEEDS MEETING OF COOLAMON, JUNEE & TEMORA HELD AT  
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7) NEXT MEETING

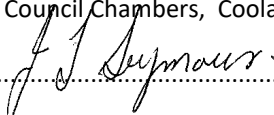
**RESOLVED** that the next meeting be held at 2.00pm on Tuesday, 23 February 2021 at  
Temora Shire Council.

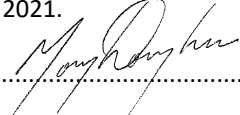
*Meeting Closed at 3.15pm*

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**ATTACHMENTS FOR THE MEETING HELD 18TH FEBRUARY, 2021**

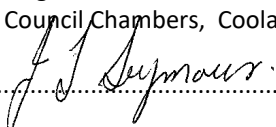
**ITEMS DISTRIBUTED WITH THE AGENDA**

- 1) ACTIVITY REPORTS
  - 1) Operating Statistics of the Coolamon Shire Library for December 2020 and January 2021.
  - 2) Community Development Officer's Report for December 2020 and January 2021.
  - 3) Tourism and Business Development Officer's Report for December 2020 and January 2021.
  - 4) Road Safety Officer's Report for December 2020/January 2021.  
Refer Correspondence Item (1a).
  
- 2) INFORMATION PAPERS
  - 1) Minutes of the Coolamon Showground Management Committee Meeting held 28<sup>th</sup> January, 2021.
  - 2) Minutes of the Advance Ganmain Committee Meeting held 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2021.
  - 3) Draft Minutes of the Advance Marrar Committee Meeting held 14<sup>th</sup> October, 2020.  
Refer Correspondence Item (2a).
  
- 3) A copy of the Service Level Agreement for 2021-2022 from Riverina Regional Library (RRL).  
Refer Correspondence Item (1b), [File No. L.03-03].
  
- 4) A copy of the LGNSW's draft submission to the Inquiry into Health Outcomes and Access to Health and Hospital Services in Rural, Regional and Remote New South Wales.  
Refer Correspondence Item (2b), [File No. L.07-03].
  
- 5) Correspondence from the Planning Minister regarding the NSW Public Spaces Legacy Programme.  
Refer General Manager's Report GM1), [File No. P.03-01].
  
- 6) Correspondence from NSW Rural Fire Service regarding the 2020-21 Allocations.  
Refer General Manager's Report GM2), [File No. F.03-11].
  
- 7) A copy of the Powerpoint Presentation from RDA regarding report on Building Better Regions Fund Round 5.  
Refer General Manager's Report (GM4), [File No. G.03-01].
  
- 8) A copy of the previous and current Australia Day Event locations.  
Refer General Manager's Report (GM5), [File No. A.13-15].

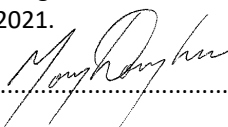
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- 9) A copy of the Annual Report for 2019/2020.  
Refer Executive Manager, Corporate & Community Services Report (CS2), [File No. S.11-02]
- 10) A copy of the 2020/2024 Delivery Program Progress Report for the Period 1<sup>st</sup> July 2020 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020.  
Refer Executive Manager, Corporate & Community Services Report (CS3), [File No. S.11-06]
- 11) Correspondence in regard to the report on the 2020 Development Statistics in the Coolamon Shire.  
Refer Executive Manager, Development & Environment Services Report (HS3), [File No. B.05-03].
- 12) A copy of the Project Plans in regard to the tender for the Allawah Village Self Care Unit.  
Refer Executive Manager, Development & Environment Services Report (HS5), [File No. A.05-04].
- 13) A copy of the Landfills Environmental Risk Assessment Report.  
Refer Executive Manager, Development & Environment Services Report (HS6), [File No. G.01-01].
- 14) A copy of the Locational Maps of Land in regard to the report on Aboriginal Land Claims.  
Refer Executive Manager, Development & Environment Services Report (HS7), [File No. A.01-01].
- 15) A copy of the Expression of Interest for the Beckom Town Park Playground Equipment.  
Refer Executive Manager, Development & Environment Services Report (HS9), [File No. P.01-02].
- 16) A copy of the Quarterly Budget Review as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020.  
Refer Executive Manager, Corporate & Community Services Report (CS5), [File No. F.02-02]



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