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Councillor Attendance Register

In accordance with the 11 April 2022 Ordinary Council Meeting, Council Resolution OCM067/04/22, clause 1 – "That Council requests the Chief Executive Officer maintain a Councillor Attendance Register recording Councillor Attendances at Ordinary Council Meetings, Special Council Meetings, Q & A briefings for Ordinary Council Meetings, Q & A briefings for Special Council Meetings, Councillor Workshops held for Project Briefings, Councillor Workshops held for Budget Preparations and Policy Concept Forums."

In accordance with the 12 December 2022 Ordinary Council Meeting, Council Resolution OCM313/12/22, clause 6 – "That Council requests that the Councillor Attendance Register published in the Agenda and Minutes displays attendances for the calendar year and notes that the full Councillor Attendance Register, including previous calendar years, will continue to be published on the Shire's website."

Council 1 January 2024 -

Date	Туре	President Coales	Cr Bishop	Cr Byas	Cr Duggin	Cr Jerrett	Cr Mack	Vacant
11/03/24	WORKSHOP	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
11/03/24	Q&A (OCM)	~	✓	Α	~	✓	✓	
06/03/24	WORKSHOP	✓	EPNG	✓	✓	✓	✓	
06/03/24	PCF (Special)	✓	EPNG	✓	✓	✓	✓	
28/02/24	WORKSHOP	✓	Α	✓	✓	Α	Α	
26/02/24	PCF	✓	Α	Α	✓	✓	✓	
19/02/24	ОСМ	✓	Α	✓	✓	✓	✓	
12/02/24	Q&A (OCM)	*	1	1	*	1	*	
05/02/24	PCF	✓	✓	Α	✓	✓	✓	
29/01/24	PCF	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	

Key:

✓ - Attended

A – Apology

LoA - Leave of Absence

NA - Non Attendance

EPNG – Electronic Participation Not Granted

EP - Electronic Participation



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Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting of the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale held on Monday,18 March 2024 in the Council Chambers, Civic Centre, 6 Paterson Street, Mundijong.

President Coales declared the meeting open at 7pm and welcomed Councillors, Staff and members of the gallery.

President Coales acknowledged the Noongar people of the Boodja – the land – that we gather on today. For thousands of years their connection to Country has provided knowledge, guidance, spiritualty and life. We pay our respects to this ongoing connection, as well as to their Elders past, present and emerging.

President Coales advised members of the gallery that the meeting is being audio recorded, in accordance with Council Policy. If you are asking a public question or making a statement or deputation to the meeting this will be audio recorded. Members of the public are reminded that no other visual or audio recording of this meeting by any other means is allowed.

Minutes

1. Attendances and apologies (including leave of absence):

President: R Coales......Presiding Member

Councillors: N Bishop

T Duggin R Jerrett S Mack

Officers: Mr P Martin......Chief Executive Officer

Leave of Absence: Nil.

Apologies: M Byas

Observers: 39

The Chief Executive Officer advised the Councillor Attendance Register published in the March Ordinary Council Meeting Agenda was missing the February Question and Answer session and the February Ordinary Council Meeting. Elected Members have been provided with an updated register and this will be included in the published minutes of this meeting.



2. Public question time:

2.1 Response to previous public questions taken on notice:

Ordinary Council Meeting - Monday, 19 February 2024

Questions asked by **Mrs Lee Bond** at the Ordinary Council Meeting, Monday, 19 February 2024. Correspondence was sent to Mrs Bond on Wednesday, 28 February 2024 (OC24/3422).

Question 1

Why is it predicted to take possibly two years to establish how much contamination is on the Watkins Road Transfer station site and whether it can be cleaned up, what has been the total cost of this contamination surfaced, what is the total cost for the contract, does it include the clean up? If not, is another amount required, another amount for the clean up? If yes, what is the total cost, who is doing the assessment of the contamination and who authorised the opening of this site to be used as a waste station, the date, and the reason it was originally closed as a tip in the first place and a date?

Response (Director Infrastructure Services)

For clarity of response, the question has been broken down as follows:

Why is it predicted to take possibly two years to establish how much contamination is on the Watkins Road Transfer station site?

It has been difficult to determine the source of the asbestos which was found on the surface of the WTS. The asbestos may have found its way to the surface of the site through the following sources:

- It may have been dumped on the site illegally between the landfill closing and WTS opening.
- It may have been transported and dumped by visitors to the site as part of the operations of the WTS.
- It could have come to the surface through deterioration of the cap over the old landfill facility.
- It may have been part of the initial cap itself.
- Or a combination of some or all of these sources.

We may never know how the asbestos found it way to the surface.

Furthermore, the identification of asbestos on the surface has prompted Officers to go back to the initial landfill closure process and conditions in 2000. What has been identified is that some of these conditions (eg ground water monitoring) have not been implemented as required by the State Government.

This called into question if the initial cap was constructed to any relevant standard.

Therefore, we thought the best option was to do a complete detailed site investigation and prepare a report with options for Council to consider moving forward. This will identify the full scale of the contamination and options for remediation so that health risks for customers, nearby residents and staff is managed into the future, should the facility be reopened.



This was the recommendation of the initial consultant who deals with contaminated sites and it was also supported by the WA Department of Health.

This detailed site investigation is planned to take less than six months to complete. Consultants were engaged in December 2023 to undertake investigation and testing to determine the full extent of contamination on site. To date, the consultants have completed preliminary site investigations including air monitoring, groundwater testing and soil sampling. We anticipate the extent of asbestos contamination to be determined in the coming weeks which will be followed by collecting and disposal of all identified surface asbestos.

..... whether it can be cleaned up (assuming the Site can be cleaned from asbestos)?

The surface asbestos can be collected and removed from site once the monitoring and testing works have been completed in early April 2024. The remediation plan will provide details on how the asbestos under the surface can be best managed moving forward depending upon the option Council chooses.

..... what has been the total cost of this contamination surfaced?

The collection and disposal of surface asbestos identified so far has not been completed. The collection, removal from site and disposal is likely to cost approximately \$10,000 and is included in the current consultancy contract that is in progress.

..... what is the total cost for the contract, does it include the clean up?

The total cost of the contaminated sites consultancy works (current contract) including site investigation, testing, preparation of a remediation plan which will also include the clean-up is expected to be \$150.000.

..... If not is another amount required another amount for the clean up?

Refer to the response to the previous two questions.

..... If yes, what is the total cost, who is doing the assessment of the contamination?

As above.

.....who authorised the opening of this site to be used as a waste station?

Council resolved to reopen the Watkins Road site as a Waste Transfer Station as part of the Shires Waste Management Strategy 2020 – 2024 at the OCM on 15 June 2020.

..... the date and the reason it was originally closed as a tip in the first place and a date?

The Shire records indicate that the facility ceased to operate as a landfill in September 2000. Shire Officers have been unable to locate records which would explain the reasons for closing the landfill.



Question 2

Please provide dates, times, temperatures, what animals were incarcerated at the time and what Officer of the Shire attended the animal incarceration site on Watkins Road, Mundijong from the date you claim to have performed the above at the site and does the Shire still have the agreement with Armadale Council to move incarcerated animals within an hour of them being impounded? Has any Councillor made any serious attempt, evidence based, to bring this matter to Council since 2015 to have this site either closed down or built to a standard which is nothing less of what is required by law for the safety of all animals?

Response (Director Development Services)

In terms of the current facility, animals are kept in the pound for the shortest period as possible.

The temperatures were taken by an Officer on 19 December 2020, at four times between 1120hrs and 1400hrs. There were no cats or dogs impounded at the facility on this date. The times and temperatures taken are as per the table below:

Temperatures recorded on 19 December 2020 - Watkins Road facility						
Time	1120hrs	1230hrs	1340hrs	1400hrs		
Mundijong reported (as per online report)	32°	33°	33°	33°		
Pound Ambient temperature	31.3°	32.1°	31.4°	30.9°		
Pound floor	26.3°	26.8°	25.9°	26.7°		
Pound first/top tin roof (that was installed to stop radiation of heat)	49.8°	54.4°	39°	45.9°		
Pound second/lower roof (showing how much radiating heat the first roof stops)	34.9° 29.9% cooler	38° 30.1% cooler	32.7° 16.1% cooler	33.3° 27.4% cooler		

The Shire has a current agreement with the City of Armadale (CoA) where the Shire may impound dogs at the CoA facility. The trigger to transfer a dog to the CoA facility is if the dog is aggressive or a declared dangerous dog. This is based upon ensuring safety of Shire Officers in handling such animals.

The Shire's current Animal Management Facility is not in breach of any animal welfare legislation. Further, where dogs or cats are microchipped with up-to-date contact details, Officers will, in most cases, reunite animals within the same day.

The report presented to the February 2024 meeting of Council presents an update and intended business case for analysing interim options.



Question asked by **Mrs Michelle Rich** at the Ordinary Council Meeting, Monday, 19 February 2024. Correspondence was sent to Mrs Rich on Friday, 8 March 2024 (OC24/4316).

Question 1

Can I please ask that the CEO publish in the minutes of this meeting, the number of farmland concession property owners that have seen this item come to Council whether they put their applications to have this heard by Council in writing and the localities in the Shire of where those property owners come from. Thank you.

Response (Director Corporate Services)

Shire Officers have not received any requests from farmland concession property owners to amend the timeframe of the review.

2.2 Public questions:

Public question time commenced at 7.02pm.

Vanessa Reynolds, Oakford, 6121

Question 1

Every day during morning drop off and afternoon pick up, I witness very concerning behaviour by road users trying to get out of the traffic congestion and gridlock situations outside Court Grammar School.

I believe that the Shire and school have received numerous comments and complaints in relation to the traffic management issues surrounding Court Grammar School on the corner of Soldiers Rd and Bishop Rd Mundijong over the past 2 years.

Could you please advise if the Shire has done, is currently doing or has scheduled to do anything in resolution of these issues?

Response (Director Development Services)

By way of context, over the past two years a total of 14 customer requests have been recorded which relate to parking, traffic and pedestrian management around Court Grammar. These have raised the following requests:

- Five requests have been made regarding the existing footpath on Soldiers Road needing to be extended over the freight rail crossing, to improve pedestrian safety (as a means to encourage more cycling and walking to/from school and to help manage congestion)
- Five requests were seeking to address parking of vehicles, especially along the sides of Bishop Road and Soldiers Road
- Two requests were for replacing speed signs, to address speeding through the school zone, which were completed at the time
- One request was for trucks using Bishop Road during school times, and whether this could be stopped.
- One last request enquired as to whether the intersection of Bishop Road and Soldiers Road could be improved.



The Shire has been proactive in regard to these issues. Current actions are identified following:

- As reported to the February Council meeting, the Shire has approved the revised scope of the Soldiers Road principal shared path project, with this including the design and delivery of the freight rail maze crossing and drain line crossing on Soldiers Road. This will enable the existing pathway to be extended northwards, from its current termination point just south of the freight rail. This project is scheduled for next financial year. This is being delivered through a grant from the State Government.
- The Shire met with representatives of Court Grammar on 26 February 2024, to discuss how they may improve the onsite parking and access situation. This included discussion on extending staff parking along the southern boundary of the school site (through removing an existing earth soil bund on the site), in an attempt to free up further space in the carparks along Bishop Road for drop off and pick up.
- At that meeting officers also assisted the school in understanding the detail they
 need to submit to extend the existing bus embayments on Bishop Road, to
 accommodate the buses that access the school.
- Last year officers met with the school to advise how to go about widening its eastern driveway entrance along Bishop Road, to allow for a more efficient flow for east bound and west bound traffic on seeking to enter the school. This also aimed to assist in the management of kindergarten, vs junior school vs senior school drop off and pick up. These works have been completed at the school's cost.
- Officers also worked with the State Government to help finalise the freight rail route deviation project, which will see the current Mundijong Freight Rail deviation south of Mundijong Road, towards the west. This was for a study to identify the preferred route for the deviation should the State Government seek to deliver this into the future. If the freight rail is deviated (noting there is no timeline for this project as of yet), this will remove all freight train traffic from the section of rail that currently runs through Mundijong and turns west on the south side of Court Grammar. This would free up new opportunities for southern access into/out of the school.
- The intersection of Bishop Road and Soldiers Road had its radius kerbing repaired and replaced in 2023.
- Shire rangers continue to routinely monitor the school site; however, the structure of the road environment does not include restrictions on vehicles standing to turn into and out of the school due to the limited road access of a single road.
- Officers will continue to liaise with the school to assist with identifying options to improve access, parking and traffic management.



Question 2

Secondly – given The Perth and Peel @ 3.5 Million strategic document released by the State Government in 2015 and the Shire Economic Development Strategy 2018 – 2023 set an expectation for our Shire population to quadruple by 2050 (an additional 100,000 people) it is obvious that all infrastructure and amenities are expected to increase at a similar rate, what strategies do we have in place to guarantee that all Traffic Impact Assessments (including associated prediction statistics and modelling tools) for ANY future development applications, but especially in association to schools (where risks are significantly increased due to excessive congestion during peak periods), are heavily scrutinised, thoroughly cross examined and are being reviewed for shortfalls to ensure that they will adequately service the current demand and our quadrupled future growth expectations?

Response (Director Development Services)

Since this school was approved in 2008, the planning framework has continued to evolve, so too has the assessment of development applications.

For example, on tonight's agenda there is a proposed school which includes a careful merits-based assessment dealing with issues such as intersection upgrades and footpath connectivity, based upon current and future traffic impacts. Officers are acutely aware of the Shire's hypergrowth, and focussed on ensuring infrastructure is delivered that can support such hypergrowth. This includes a range of shared responsibilities, including both State and Federal Governments, given that the Shire is receiving a significant share of the population growth occurring across the broader Perth and Peel region.

Contemporary development assessments, whether they pertain to childcare centres, schools or commercial developments, scrutinise carefully both current and future traffic projections to ensure appropriate planning consideration.

Michelle Rich, Serpentine, 6125

Question 1

Please provide a list of the submissions received from councillors to be included in the 2024/25 budget that includes the following information;

- Date received
- Submission project
- Councillor who made the submission

Response (Director Corporate Services)

I presume you are referring to the submission process referenced in the answer to your question asked at the General Meeting of Electors.

If so, the submissions received from Elected Members for consideration as part of the Corporate Business Plan major review and annual budget setting process were:



Date Received	Submission Project	Elected Member who made the submission
27 November 2023	Youth Council	President Coales
2 December 2023	Southwest Highway Footpath Rehabilitation	Councillor Duggin
24 December 2023	Gordin Way Footpath	Councillor Mack
24 December 2023	Mundijong Oval Verandah Extension	Councillor Mack
24 December 2023	Upper Briggs Drainage	Councillor Mack
25 December 2023	Serpentine River Bridge Underpass Footpath	Councillor Jerrett
25 December 2023	Karnup Road Footpath	Councillor Jerrett
25 December 2023	Keysbrook Telecommunications Tower Backup power	Councillor Jerrett

The Presiding Member, President Coales asked if there were any further public questions from the floor.

Mrs Jan Taylor, Oakford, 6121

Question 1

My question is in regard to the Councils approval of the Optus Monopole in Oakford. It was revealed a day after the vote 3-2 for, that procedure regarding ratepayers inclusion in this debate were not followed. This resulted in no arguments or challenges being voiced against Optus. Why was this debacle not addressed by then President Michelle Rich? This approval should have been suspended and rescheduled.

Response (President)

The President advised the question will be taken on notice. In accordance with Council Policy 1.1.3 – Public Question and Public Statement Time – Ordinary Council Meeting, a written response will be provided.

Question 2

The timing of events prior and proceeding this vote, now casts a huge shadow over this Council. Please explain (dates specific) when the decision was made to remove the 200 metre exclusion zone.



Response (President)

The President advised the question will be taken on notice. In accordance with Council Policy 1.1.3 – Public Question and Public Statement Time – Ordinary Council Meeting, a written response will be provided.

Question 3

When was the decision to amend Local Planning Policy 4.6 advertised? 28 days? Did Council put the cart before the horse for this application by Optus?

Response (President)

The President advised the question will be taken on notice. In accordance with Council Policy 1.1.3 – Public Question and Public Statement Time – Ordinary Council Meeting, a written response will be provided.

The Presiding Member, President Coales asked if there were any further public questions from the floor.

Mrs Lee Bond, Box 44, Armadale WA 6112

Question 1

Has the Shire received any rate relieve payments from the Government in the past seven years? If yes, how much?

Response (President)

The President advised the question will be taken on notice. In accordance with Council Policy 1.1.3 – Public Question and Public Statement Time – Ordinary Council Meeting, a written response will be provided.

Question 2

Why hasn't the Shire informed and requested submissions from everyone who will be affected by the radiated monopole at 445 Abernethy Road, Oakford. You only asked about three or four people.

Response (President)

The President advised the question will be taken on notice. In accordance with Council Policy 1.1.3 – Public Question and Public Statement Time – Ordinary Council Meeting, a written response will be provided.

Question 3

I understand a form must be completed and signed when anyone seeks deferment of Shire rates, and the ratepayer will be assessed as to their eligibility and duly notified. You have three days to produce this form with both mine and my husband's signatures on said form.

Response (President)

The President advised the question will be taken on notice. In accordance with Council Policy 1.1.3 – Public Question and Public Statement Time – Ordinary Council Meeting, a written response will be provided.



Mrs Michelle Harrington, Oakford, 6121

Question 1

What is the Shire's vision for Oakford and Byford area and the consideration for the residents who have invested in a rural area, regarding the placement and the future of the 5G towers and the health implications which are very real to a lot of residents.

Response (President)

The President advised the question will be taken on notice. In accordance with Council Policy 1.1.3 – Public Question and Public Statement Time – Ordinary Council Meeting, a written response will be provided.

Question 2

The placement of LED streetlights in wildlife areas have gone between the Shire and Western Power. Both are handballing to each other. They have implications to the wildlife in our area. What's happening with the LED lights?

Response (President)

The President advised the question will be taken on notice. In accordance with Council Policy 1.1.3 – Public Question and Public Statement Time – Ordinary Council Meeting, a written response will be provided.

The Presiding Member, President Coales asked if there were any further public questions from the floor.

Mr Bhana Patel, Serpentine Bottlemart

Question 1

How does Council believe that by having another liquor store within 20 metres of an existing liquor store is considered a sustainable development for an area.

Response (President):

This matter is on the agenda for Council consideration tonight.

Response (Director Development Services):

Competition is discussed in the report, particularly from a planning perspective and proximity of like businesses close to one another. From a planning perspective, business impact through increased competition is in almost all cases not a matter that can be considered. Courts hold that planning authorities are not to regulate competition; however, there can be a relevant planning consideration to focus on a community and whether the introduction of a trade competitor would result in a loss of amenity to the community by reason of a loss of facilities that is not made good by a proposal itself.

To explain this in planning terms, if for example shopping facilities presently enjoyed by a community or planned for it in the future are put in jeopardy by some development whether that jeopardy be due to physical or financial causes and if the result of community detriment will not be made good by a proposed development itself such is a consideration proper to be taken into account. Thus, in this case being the proposed format liquor store that's on tonight's agenda, the report does document that the risk of business competition is not considered relevant as it does not meet this planning threshold.



Question 2

In regard to assessing information which is provided by the applicant, which is incorrect. In the application, the applicant provided incorrect information that the additional liquor store is closing, which is false as it is not closing at all. The applicant also claimed that the lease is expiring this year, but our lease is not expiring until 2026.

Response (Director Development Services)

The response from the applicant to the schedule of submissions has been noted. The advice given to Elected Members was that it would not be relevant to take into consideration whether a competitor was or was not closing its business in the short, medium or long term future due to business impacts not being a consideration that we can undertake from a planning perspective.

The Presiding Member, President Coales asked if there were any further public questions from the floor.

As there was no further public questions, public question time concluded at 7.20pm.

3. Public statement time:

Public statement time commenced at 7.20pm.

The Presiding Member, President Coales asked if there were any public statements from the floor.

Mrs Jan Taylor, Oakford, 6121

Mrs Jan Taylor made a statement regarding the Council decision to approve the Optus monopole in Oakford.

The Presiding Member, President Coales asked if there were any further public statements from the floor.

Mrs Michelle Rich, Serpentine, 6125

Mrs Michelle Rich made a statement regarding Councillor transparency and accountability.

The Presiding Member, President Coales, asked if there were any further public statements from the floor.

Mrs Lee Bond, Box 44, Armadale WA 6112

Mrs Lee Bond made a statement regarding the Optus monopole in Oakford.

The Presiding Member, President Coales asked if there were any further public statements from the floor.

As there was no further public statements, Public Statement time concluded at 7.30pm.



4. Petitions and deputations:

Mr Clayton Plug, Harley Dykstra, regarding item 10.1.1 - Proposed 'Liquor Store - Small' - Lot 8, 25 Richardson Street, Serpentine (PA23/920)

Mr Plug made a deputation in support of the Officer Recommendation 2.

Mr Paul Speering regarding item 10.1.2 – Section 31 Reconsideration – Proposed Educational Establishment – Lot 218, 575 Abernethy Road, Oakford (PA23/588)

Good evening, Mr President, Madam Deputy President, Councillors, Shire staff and members of the public.

My name is Paul Speering, and I am speaking on behalf of myself and 65 other members of the SJ Shire who are opposed to this development.

As part of their original Responsible Authority Report, minuted in the OCM of November 2023, the Shire Officers state:

"... the scale and degree of development is considered to pose serious amenity impacts on nearby properties, which may not be capable of moderation."

Strangely, this phrase is nowhere to be seen in this second RAR, possibly because a 'magic roundabout' has solved all of these 'serious amenity impacts,' but I'll get to that in a tick.

The Shire Officers identified that this proposal poses a serious amenity impact.

In the written documentation I provided to the Councillors last week, along with expressing our fundamental disagreement with the updated RAR, I listed some factors which I believe constitute sound additional reasons for refusal and should be given serious consideration. I'm going to do everyone a favour and not read through them, in the assumption that the Councillors have done so already.

Now, as I mentioned a moment ago, the phrase:

"... the scale and degree of development is considered to pose serious amenity impacts on nearby properties, which may not be capable of moderation," has disappeared from this updated report.

Has the 'scale and degree' of the development changed? No, it hasn't. The only thing that has changed since the last time we were here is that the applicant has expressed an 'intent' to build a roundabout and a footpath. An 'intent' simply isn't good enough and lacks the detailed and concrete plans that infrastructure central to this proposal needs. Regardless of the existence of any plans, a key part of the reasons for refusal was, and I quote from the MODAP minutes:

"... the reliance on the one major intersection (Abernethy Road and Kargotich Road) for the majority of traffic generated by the proposed school, was not consistent with orderly and proper planning ..."

This was in addition to the lack of suitable road and pedestrian infrastructure. The development STILL relies on the one intersection, and in the current design, even with the 'magical' roundabout, that condition will still remain.

It is worth mentioning that in the initial RAR, in the option to conditionally approve the proposal, there were similar conditions to install footpaths and contribute to the roundabout.



Tellingly, it was open to the Council and MODAP to approve the application with those conditions, but both chose not to.

The best way to really show this 'intent' is to provide concrete and detailed plans for the roundabout and footpath, and include them in a new development application, like they should have done from the start. It is also concerning that the applicant has provided insufficient evidence to demonstrate its capability to fund the roundabout in accordance with proposed condition (q) of 'Option 1', nor acquire the additional land needed.

The updated RAR makes no comment about the introduction of the roundabout ameliorating the amenity impacts to surrounding residents. The pure volume of traffic a development of this size and scale generates, and its negative impact on amenity, is the concern, not just an ability to 'manage' traffic.

As stated in 28-30 of Glen McLeod Legal's submission, I'll paraphrase:

". In this case, while the proposed roundabout might act as a mechanism to manage increased traffic, it is not necessarily sufficient to properly mitigate adverse impacts on the existing amenity of the locality.

"Any mitigatory traffic measure, such as the proposed roundabout, would not properly limit adverse amenity impacts to the surrounding locality. The amendments to the Development Application do not address pedestrians crossing Abernathy or Kargotich Roads, which would further exacerbate traffic disruption during peak hours.

"It is plainly clear that the increase in traffic (both pedestrian and vehicle) to the extent envisioned in the Development Application is inappropriate for the locality and the related amenity impacts are incapable of sufficient mitigation. Therefore, as a matter of orderly and proper planning, the Development Application should be refused."

The issue is that a tripling of traffic at key times will still have a negative impact on the locality, regardless of the provision of a roundabout. The amenity impact is the volume of traffic, not the way it is managed. This does not fit with the high amenity expected for the adjacent rural residential area.

This has been a key issue consistently raised by the community yet is not given the due regard it warrants.

The reasons why the development application was initially refused by the MODAP have not been sufficiently resolved with the amendments proposed by the proponent, particularly in relation to amenity impacts resulting from traffic.

Concerningly, there is no provision for pedestrians crossing Kargotich or Abernathy roads, or how this will fit with MainRoads and WALGAs strong preference not to have crosswalks at roundabouts. The applicant has proposed to deliver a suitable footpath along Abernathy Road, but this still does not satisfy the community that the development provides safe pedestrian connectivity to and from the school, where there are no provisions for crossing busy bordering roads. The pedestrian infrastructure remains inadequate, along with other constraints I have outlined to the Councillors. The lack of concrete and detailed plans for this aspect should add to the suite of sound reasons to refuse.

How can something that is so central to the success of this development be essentially left to good intentions? What will happen if it gets approved as suggested, the school gets built, and then either the roundabout or the footpath can't go in as planned? How much pressure will come to bear on the Shire Officers and the Councillors to just let it all slide?



Time and time again, the SAT have to restate that just because a development complies with the Noise Regulations, doesn't magically mean that there will be no amenity impact. The Noise Regulations aren't an instrument created under, or, for the use of the PD Act. The use of discretion overlaps with and is informed by, but is ultimately separate from, compliance with the Noise Regulations.

One of the proposed options to help mitigate the noise impacts on amenity is to build a noise wall between the school and the nearest residents. All that is doing is replacing one amenity impact with another. If such measures are necessary to ensure the noise received by a neighbour is kept to acceptable levels, it is an indication that the proposed use is too intensive for the site.

There are so many key planning principles in play with this proposal that are bigger than just our locality and have the potential to set dangerous precedents for the Shire and other similar areas. The only appropriate place to get a 'correct and preferable decision' is the State Administrative Tribunal. And the only way it can get there is if this application is again refused, and the applicant chooses to take the matter to that body. I'll briefly mention two below but have given detailed information to the Councillors.

The State Government provides clear instruction that discretion should not be exercised for a development application in a yet to be commenced structure planning investigation area. Even if this proposed development met all the other conditions, in these circumstances, discretion has all but been removed, and as such, this application should continue to be refused.

With regards to the Planning for School Sites policy, I respectfully disagree with the Shire Officer's interpretation provided.

In addition, if we cast our minds hypothetically forward a few years, and assume that the application is approved, then this area will most likely become further urbanised. This school will end up being surrounded by residential properties, and most likely, it will have to be retrofitted with appropriate road infrastructure at the ratepayer's expense.

Those potential problems can be resolved now, at the planning stage, to prevent future issues, by ensuring that the proposal complies fully with this policy. Adverse planning outcomes, like those existing on Nicholson Rd with the Australian Islamic School, would be less likely to eventuate.

Now why are they proposing to install a carpark with an excessive amount of car bays? 564 to be exact, when all that is legally required is 168. Carparks are expensive, so why would you build more than THREE times as many as you need to?

I'll tell you why ... this organisation is planning on co locating a Church on this site. It's no secret, as it is outlined in all of their key documents. Despite adamant claims that they have no intention of locating a Church there, the word 'Chapel' is mentioned 10 times in the planning documents. Seven of those 10 can only be seen in the PDF if you search for the word, as it is hidden behind the term 'Future Community Purpose/ Auditorium Site' on the plans. The Byford, Kelmscott, Rockingham and Albany schools all have Churches on their land, and the Armadale school has a Church directly opposite it, so, it is a fair assumption that a Church will shortly follow, regardless of what they are saying now. Every school, except one, has a school either on the same land, or on land immediately adjacent.

If the current school proposal is approved, it would be highly likely that a Church would follow. Intensive use in the evenings and weekends is inconsistent with the usage



envisaged under the rural zone. The level of noise, traffic and light pollution that this would generate would further corrode the rural character and have tremendous negative amenity impacts. There would be no respite for the local residents and would interfere with the quiet enjoyment of the area, even outside school hours, as this is not your normal school.

A final consideration, and one that must be weighed up carefully, is how a potential benefit to an extremely small percentage of the Shire relates to the 'serious amenity impacts on nearby properties' that this development will have. The exclusionary enrolment and employment requirements of this organisation limit its ability to provide a direct benefit to the local community, with less than 1.5% of the Shire's population able to make any use of it

This does not deliver an outcome consistent with Local Planning Policy 4.26 or the objectives of the 'Rural' zone, in that a non-rural land use must provide a 'direct benefit to the local community'. Any direct benefit is significantly outweighed by the 'serious amenity impacts on nearby properties'.

I'll state it again ... the only appropriate place to get a 'correct and preferable decision' is the State Administrative Tribunal. And the only way it can get there is if this application is again refused.

I'm not opposing this out of hate, my motivations are quite the opposite. It's actually a love story ... I love the area I live in; I love the community we have built here, and I love the people who make up that wonderful community. I am merely responding to the potential destruction of something that I, and others opposed to this development, love.

Remember last time when I spoke about sending a 'Clear Message' as invited by the Shire's Local Planning Strategy when it comes to protecting our rural land? There is no time like the present.

Thank you for your time.

Paul Speering

<u>Ms Vanessa Reynolds regarding item 10.1.2 – Section 31 Reconsideration – Proposed Educational Establishment – Lot 218, 575 Abernethy Road, Oakford (PA23/588)</u>

I would like to thank the Shire President, Councillors and Shire Staff that support these meetings, for allowing me the opportunity to present to you my comments and concerns regarding the Application of an Educational Establishment proposed to be located on Abernethy Road in Oakford.

A little about myself.

My son and I are both neurodiverse and are trying to live in a world designed for neurotypicals, where we are moving at such a rapid pace in teaching the new generations and converting the older generations to accept others as individuals with their own beliefs and to make good choices in doing what is right and be respectful of everyone and everything.

To treat nature like it won't be here tomorrow and learn from yesterday's shortfalls to make better decisions in the future. The Proposed Educational Facility is a very well thought out design with amazing facilities and I'm sure that the students that attend the school will be very grateful that they have that opportunity.



It is not the facility itself that I question at all. It is purely the location.

No school, especially one of this size, belongs on a Regional Distributor road added to being located on the corner of an intersection.

I have spent hundreds of hours reading the application documents and conducting my own research to justify that my opposition to this application is in fact for the right reasons and that is not just for my own personal benefit.

Secondly and most importantly that the application aligns with the Infrastructure Planning Policies and supports the SJ Shire and Community vision for the future.

Some Concerns that I would like to share with you are:

- 1. The revised proposal
- 2. Benefit to the Community
- 3. Sharing Lessons Learned
- 4. Inconsistent information
- 5. Tree Retention
- 6. Questionable Environmental Site Investigation
- 7. A few last points

As provided prior to this meeting – I have prepared a presentation pack and will refer to the photographs and supporting evidence provided in that as I address each of these topics.

1. The revised proposal

Page 3 – 4 in presentation pack

We received a letter in the mail dated 22 January 2024.

As part of the SAT process, the applicant has chosen to revise the proposal, specifically to deliver a roundabout at the intersection of Kargotich Road and Abernethy Road as well as a footpath along Abernethy Road. This has resulted in the SAT inviting the MODAP to reconsider its decision and as such the Shire is required to make a recommendation to the MODAP.

This information is all that we were provided and invited to comment on. There were no further details. It was not until this agenda was published that the new proposal was made available to us.

The agenda states:



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Revised Consultation Period

Following notification of the reconsideration, advertising was undertaken for a period of 21 days from 22 January 2024 to 12 February 2024 to surrounding landowners within a 500m radius of the subject site. This specifically presented the additional information, pertaining to the details now forming part of the application (roundabout and pathway connection). At the conclusion of the second consultation, 17 submissions were received, 15 of which either object to or raise concerns with the proposal and two providing support. This was a reduction in the level of objection received, or concerns raised, compared to the original proposal.



Why was advertising only undertaken to surrounding landowners within a 500m radius of the subject site? That would only cover about 40 residences – of course that would result in a reduction in the level of objection received. Or was that the intent? Why were the residents NOT provided with any information regarding the revised proposal?

Also noted is that the applicant's response to the comment submissions is not consistent with the information provided in tonight's Agenda stating that the applicant now seeks deliver the roundabout.

One response in particular states:

The applicant acknowledges that the roundabout is planned to be constructed by the Shire on the basis of increased background traffic demand within the locality.

This is concerning and leads me to ask the question:

Have further consultations or conversations taken place or decisions been made that we need to be aware of?

2. Benefit to the Community

Page 5 – 13 in presentation pack

In reference to the SJ2050 VISON, I would like to review the highest priorities and core values of the Community.

Strong sense of community is maintained

Residents feel there is a strong sense of community within the shire. The community is close-knit and akin to a small country community where neighbours are friendly and many tend to be family oriented. Many believe the shire encapsulates a 'family friendly lifestyle.'

ASPIRATIONS

When asked to pick 5 key words to describe residents aspirations for the 2050 Vision, the word 'community' was the most commonly identified word and theme.

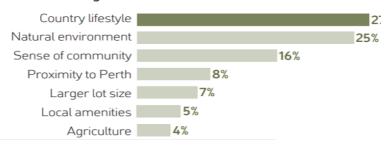
Other words that featured in the top ten were 'family', 'nature', 'rural', 'peaceful', 'clean', 'progressive', 'tourism', 'local' and 'food'.

CORE VALUES OF THE COMMUNITY

From inputs compiled at the beginning of the visioning process and outcomes of the community survey, a refined list of core values was produced to serve the vision and its implementation moving forward. These values have been identified as the most important to our future success and happiness. Working together, we will strive to protect and preserve these values and strengthen the community to create a vibrant place to live, work and play. The core values identified:

- Maintaining a relaxed 'country lifestyle' and welcoming community. [PEOPLE]
- Retaining and integrating the natural environment. [PROSPERITY]
- Maintaining a strong sense of community and 'neighbourliness'. [PEOPLE]
- Supporting local agriculture. [PROSPERITY]

WHAT PEOPLE VALUE MOST About Living in the Shire





Firstly,

- The residents in this rural area have spent and continue to spend significant amounts
 of money to live here and live the peaceful rural lifestyle we have chosen. Choosing
 land with space around us and not living in high density accommodation where can
 hear our neighbours sneeze or flush a toilet.
- We want to live amongst nature and welcome the native wildlife into our properties.

Native Wildlife that LIVE ON OR frequent our property DAILY	Native Wildlife visiting WEEKLY	Native Wildlife visit IRREGULARLY / SEASONALLY
We have a Resident Quenda	Peregrine Falcons	Welcome Sparrows
We have Large 3 Resident Frogs and	Kookaburras	Blue Fairy Wrens
many other small one small ones	Hawks	Ducks
Spiders and Sand Scorpions		Shell Ducks
Wild Rabbits		Owls
Crows		Injured Black Swan Friday 8.03.24
Magpies		Red Tailed Black Cockatoos
Doves		Curlew
Top Knot Pigeons		
Honey Eaters		Dugites
Butcher Birds		Tiger Snakes
Shrikes		
Rosellas		
Pink and Grey Galahs		A neighbour had a Death Adder
Mudlarks		in their bathroom a few years ago
Ibis - Tip Birds		
28 Parrots		
Finches		
Willy Wagtails		
A variety of lizards		

- For this price, we receive very little in the way of amenities and services and are therefore provide a decent revenue at little cost. Highly sought after smaller acreage residences pay high rates for very little in return. Ours are \$3800 p/a at present.
 - We don't have footpaths and kerbs
 - We don't have scheme water or sewerage
 - We have 4 street lights in the entire estate
 - We don't have drainage for road stormwater removal. When it is too much for the gullies to hold, it flows from the road and gullies into our properties
 - We store 20,000 Lt in our rainwater tanks for Fire Brigade use at all times should they require it for any fire they may be supporting
 - We maintain the shire verges and stormwater gullies
 - We maintain the Bridal paths



- We control our own pest management
- We maintain the trees on shire verges and dispose of the green waste
- We have excessive green waste due to native revegetation areas on each of our properties that we are responsible for maintaining and removing
- We responsible for completing annual fire breaks even though the council land around us remains overgrown.
- Residents participate in and support the Community, local businesses and join the Community Clubs. We utilise the local facilities and help to maintain them through volunteering services.
- In support of the SJ 2050 plan, the Shire should be considering this as an opportunity to expand the rural residential area and retain the Country lifestyle, Natural Environment and sense of Community to provide more of what the SJ Community has voiced they value the most.
- If this RURAL USE Land was actually used for what the Shires Planning Strategy is, it could support the SJ Community and provide larger properties to more people that will do the same as us.
 - o Provide revenue with little expenditure
 - Support the Community, Businesses, Clubs and Services that rely on Volunteers
 - o Protect the environment and wildlife that live here
 - o Old Growth Mature trees can be retained as the ones on our properties were

Secondly,

Page 7 – 9 in presentation pack

- There is an Equine facility being the Jump Cross Site that is immediately located to the North of the proposed site. This is a significant facility that is frequently used by locals that will be directly impacted by the proposed establishment but it isn't mentioned in the application.
 - The entry to this facility is nothing more than a culvert cross over and a rural gate set in post and wire fencing. It is a dirt road entry and vehicles, floats and horse transporter trucks need to travel slowly and sometime park partially on Abernethy Road to gain suitable access. This is in keeping with a RURAL setting.
- Other approved developments such as a Service Station and Veterinary Clinic that will be located along the main (soon to be completely dual lane) arterial road to the Tonkin HWY that are 1.7km away are highlighted to show other uses of the area that aren't in keeping with the RURAL Land use. All of these other developments however, are going to support the WHOLE SJ Community. Not just one very small exclusive group.
- But this is what a DESKTOP investigation will highlight. They don't provide an overview of people and lifestyles. A desktop review is a great initiation task of the Preliminary Study of a Project and even have beneficial use into the Selection Phase, however when it progresses into Design and seeking Construction approvals, a



Desktop Study has served it's purpose and actual Investigations should be implemented.

Thirdly,

Page 10-12 in presentation pack provide supporting evidence for the following comments.

- The application provides a lot of promise, with nothing to substantiate it.
- Increasing the number of Education Facilities.
 - The application is for 2 exclusive existing school facilities to be relocated to a new location to optimise resources and expenditure.
 - The facility is only accessible to a very small portion of the SJ Community as it is subject to an exclusive membership criteria.

The SJ Shire will receive no income from this proposed establishment, yet our infrastructure will be subjected to an additional 2000 vehicle movements per day.

In return this establishment will support the Educational needs of approx. 1.2% of the SJ Shire population.

- The majority of students that attend this establishment will reside outside the SJ Shire.
- Only the primary school (400 students) is solely intended to support the local catchment. The remaining 800 places are intended to support the entire <u>FRSA</u> Metropolitan Community.
- Families from outside the SJ Shire are unlikely to support the local SJ businesses as the single Campus concept has been designed around utilising the major higher road networks and increasing their bus services for older students with a consideration of pick up and drop off points at FRSA schools in other shires.
- Increasing Employment Opportunities within the local area? One of the applicants responses to a comment submitted was:
 - The development will provide for Increased Employment within the Shire for members of the FRSA.
 - The current FRSA staff will relocate to the new facility.
 - o The FRSA can only employ FRCA members.



Therefore, a quick summary of benefits is outlined below:

BENEFIT of Action / Impact / Concern	FRSA / FRCA COMMUNITY	SJCOMMUNITY	LOCAL	VISITORS TO SJ	ENVIRONMENT	SJECONOMY
Increase in traffic on a Distributor Road	N/A	×	æ	×	æ	æ
Double the amount of traffic during peak hours at an intersection	N/A	×	k	×	æ	æ
New Exclusive Education Establishment	✓	×	x	N/A	æ	æ
Site Location Selection	✓	×	×	N/A	×	æ
Closure of BJCS – reducing some congestion from town centre	✓	×	×	N/A	×	æ
Co Locating JCCC with BJCS	✓	×	×	N/A	×	æ
Employment Opportunities	✓	×	æ	N/A	×	æ
Revenue to the Shire	✓	×	JK .	N/A	se	æ
Opportunity to further expand	✓	se	Je:	N/A	se	æ
Opportunity to use the facility for multipurpose activities and groups	✓	×	Je .	N/A	✓	æ
Addition of a footpath	✓	×	JE .	possibly	✓	×
Considering Discretionary use of Rural Land	✓	×	×	N/A	×	æ
Increase in local noise	N/A	×	æ	N/A	×	N/A
Increase in vehicle noise - removing trees for footpaths	N/A	×	×	N/A	×	N/A
Loss of privacy to residents	N/A	×	JE .	N/A	N/A	N/A
Discretionary use of land in an Environmentally sensitive area	✓	×	JE .	N/A	æ	æ
Extensive construction timeline - 14 years	✓	×	æ	×	æ	æ
Retention of MATURE Trees	×	✓	✓	✓	✓	k
Conservation of Vulnerable Species	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	æ

3. Sharing Lessons Learned

Pages 14 - 20 in presentation pack.

Provide photographic evidence of why it is important to learn from past and current and examples. These are real situations that arise daily around one school alone in the SJ Shire.

This behaviour and traffic congestion is by no means limited to CGS however this is the school that I attend every day and can therefore provide the evidence to support my claims. These show some very dangerous and illegal situations.

Some are driven by frustration, gridlock and no one being able to move at all, impatience, utter disregard for anyone else and I am sure many other reasons if you were to ask these individuals.

I believe the Shire has been contacted by numerous parents and residents in requesting that this be addressed. I know the School has too. And yet we continue year after year with no resolution. Will it take a fatality for something to be done about this?

Please note that Court Grammar School has also enrolled an additional 125 students this year (2024) by adding an additional stream a couple of the year levels. So we now have approximately 1000 students on site, but CGS runs in excess of 8 buses – equating to close to 50% of its population utilising group transport.

Therefore roughly 500 students travel by car or other methods, and MANY families have more than one child at court Grammar – which again limits the number of vehicles needing at access the school. This is significantly less vehicle movements than what has been predicted for the Proposed Application.

- Court Grammar School is a prime example of NEGATIVE traffic impact where the school is set on a T intersection.
- Luckily CGS is not on any Regional Distributor Road and therefore general traffic is very limited. Often there is only 2-3 cars on roads leading to the school even in peak periods. There are also no housing estates within a 2km radius of the school.



- Travelling East along Bishop Rd appears to be like any other quiet rural back road until you approach the school generally between 08.00am - 08.35 in the mornings and 14.45pm - 15.15pm in the afternoons. In the afternoons, it can take up to 25 minutes to exit kiss and drive and manage to get away from the school.
- Regardless of the benefits of being away from residences and traffic, the queues are still up to 250m long on a daily basis and it can regularly take 15+ minutes to drop students at "kiss and drive" and leave the premises.
- Soldiers Road is quiet road compared to Kargotich Road and is generally used by passenger vehicles between Byford and Whitby or Mundijong.
- Kargotich is used by Heavy Vehicles accessing Byford or trying to divert from the Freeway congestion
- Comments provided from the CGS Parent Facebook Page.
 - The frustration is very evident, and the situation is dangerous.
 - I have even witnessed parents abusing one another during these situations.

4. Inconsistent information

Page 21 – 28 in presentation pack

How can we be assured that the Facility will only be used as an Educational Establishment within "normal" school hours, when there is overwhelming evidence that this has never been the intention?

In support of my statement advising that I believe this application to be far too immature in it's request for approval, there are many instances of inconsistent information within and between:

- The Application
- The Applicants responses to submitted comments
- Information provided by the Applicant to the Services engaged to prepare the supporting reports
- Data provided in desktop reports
- Data extracted from Strategic Plans on the Applicants website

Depending on which plan is being reviewed, there are different versions of extensions planning or multipurpose building and land usage.

3 documents in the application refer to the number of buses intended to operate.

- Twice in the Campus Planning Report with one referral to Schools with expected numbers in excess of 2000 students may require additional bays – to which the applicant has responded that they meet requirement stating that they are providing a 200m long embayed bus bay within the Abernethy Road Reserve. The bus bay provides parking for up to 10 Buses.
- o In Table 3 of the Development Summary it states 8 (57 seats coach). Yet the Transport Impact Assessment states that the FRSA have also indicated that they intend of increasing the number of bus services for the secondary school to FOUR which will accommodate around 200 students. Furthermore NO bus service is proposed for the primary school students.



These types of inconsistencies continue throughout the whole application and involve some concerning "predictions and individual perceptions" such as impact to traffic.

Another key one that stands out to me is one statement:

Only once 2 roundabouts are installed – being Kargotich / Abernethy and Abernethy / Hopkinson can movements be safely achieved.

This movement can be safely achieved, once roundabouts are installed at all key cross roads. This includes:

- Abernethy Road and Hopkinson Road (to be delivered by MRWA);
- Abernethy Road and Kargotich Road (uncertain).

This would also be a utilised movement to and from the school.

- It is only when you take the time to read to 700 page document and compare data from one area to another that these discrepancies are actually visible.
- For this reason I am yet to understand how this application can be seeking approved as there are no clearly defined objectives that can be measured and monitored when Building applications are submitted.
- 5. Tree Retention

Pages 29-31 in presentation pack

- There are numerous references throughout the application stating that the maximum existing vegetation will be retained, yet also referring to the existing vegetation being significantly degraded and of very little environmental value.
- Following these statements are ones that clearly outline that the existing trees being retained are the introduced species around the perimeter and that exotics will be implanted in the interior of the school.
- The Planting Palettte provided shows a large number of non native trees that are very visually appealing but that isn't true to nature and our natural environment that we are striving to protect. Farming has a severe impact on the natural environment over the past decades, however there are still old growth mature trees present that are clearly health and viable as they are all producing seeds that are germinating and growing freely along the road verges, even in our extreme environment. They aren't pretty but they are natural and are important to our native animals.
- 6. Questionable Environmental Site Investigation

Page 31 – 45 in presentation pack

 This section provides a significant amount of supporting evidence that a Desktop Review is not valid in the approval stages of a project.

I question the validity of the Environmental report for a number of reasons:

- It was primarily a DESKTOP report and states that no investigations were conducted.
- The report states that the area is NOT environmentally sensitive yet the Shire Officer stated that it is in the review in November 2023.



No formal flora and fauna surveys to Environmental Protection Authority standards were conducted: the following are the results of a preliminary inspection to determine whether further environmental site surveys are required.

- In the Site Walk Investigation, The Environmentalist stated that NO HOLLOWS WERE OBSERVED in the tree trunks, though not every tree was checked.
- I have over 30 photographs of tree on the Proposed site that I took from my car on Abernethy Road that clearly show that this is inaccurate information.
- The Environmentalist clearly assumed that the desktop information that was used was accurate and therefore looked no further when insignificant things were found.

Eg:

Some droppings of a Kangaroo or similar were observed on the site.

- If you have already ruled out other potential animals due to a desktop Investigation stating that no suitable habitat is present – le: Red Tailed Black Cockatoos or Quenda... combined with lack of knowledge in relation to the topic – then assumptions are going to be limited.
- In case you aren't aware: Quenda scat are very similar in appearance to those of Kangaroo, sheep, rabbits, goats etc

Some droppings of a kangaroo or similar were observed on the Site and therefore there is some potential for P4 species *Notamacropus irma* (Western brush wallaby) and *Notamacropus eugenii derbianus* (tammar wallaby) to occur. However, there is no native bushland adjacent to the Site that would provide the core habitat for these species and at most, they would be expected to be irregular visitors to the Site for grazing of pasture.

7. A few last points

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ROAD NETWORKS

- I personally have reservations about the application of a round about at the intersection of Abernethy Rd and Kargotich Road being the resolution to traffic management in the area.
- I believe that we should wait until we see the actual IMPACT of the Tonkin HWY to the area before such decisions are made. At this point, everything is based on predictions and models, but human choice has not been considered. The Tonkin is a great access route, and I use it daily, however the congestion in some points is ridiculous and can take 4 light changes to get through an intersections.
- I use Kargotich wherever I can as it is a straight through trip with no roundabouts, stopping points (other than the odd vehicle turning that may require you to slow down). Getting from A B without interference is by far my preferred choice and obviously that of many others otherwise they would use the freeway or SW HWY when accessing the Tonkin, but there are many that choose to use Mundijong Road and Kargotich to get to the Tonkin.

WHY?



To avoid the freeway congestion, stopping and starting, doing 20-40 km hr in a crawl to the next exit, and avoiding the roundabouts and roadworks on Thomas Rd.

GROUNDWATER

- Another Item I find inconsistent
 - In the latest round of applicant comments to comment submissions, the Applicants response to comment submissions is to retain and transfer the existing groundwater licences from the current schools which will provide double what is referred to by DWER. Approx 28,000 KI p/a
 - 2.3ha is what has been indicated to as the required area for long term irrigation for ovals and garden which appears to be very conservative.
 - O I have provided a site map outlining that 4 of our residential blocks in Oakford Green are of similar size to the area that should be accommodated by the transferred licences (using data provided with DWER Groundwater Resource Allocation and Limit table), which outlines that the 28,000 KI should cover the 2 ovals to the south Western corner of the site.
 - The remainder of the site (64% landscaped) is left unirrigated (except for proposed soccer pitches to make use of effluent water.)
 - o This allows no provision for all of the new plantings and trees that are proposed.
- From experience, we know the ground in summer is not supportive of introduced vegetation and requires significant amounts of irrigation to just keep it alive, let alone grow and thrive,

And Lastly,

IMPORTED FILL

- How much fill is going to be brought into the site?
- We had to install a sand pad 1200mm above ground level to build our houses on.
 - o Will this same regulation apply to the buildings on this site?
- We aren't permitted to raise the area around our building envelope to reduce the waterlogging in winter. We have tried to plant perimeter vegetation and it all drowns in winter.
 - o Will this also apply to the Site?
 - If so does this mean they will also have to retain all landscaped areas at ground level?

EFFLUENT DISPERSMENT

- We also had to ensure that our effluent wasn't dispersed at ground level. It had to be at the same height as our sand pad 1200mm.
- How is the facility going to disperse theirs under their soccer pitches?
 - Are these going to be raised to a substantial height so that the effluent doesn't disperse into the ground.



IN CONCLUSION

Why would we consider approving discretionary use of land that the SJ Community gets no benefit from?

Secondly, I really question the February 2024 Officer Report and recommendations as it appears that so many concerns and shortfalls raised by the Officer review in November that appear to have been omitted or just disregarded now that the roundabout is being proposed.

Ie: Black Garrison fencing v's the recommendation of rammed earth or blocks with inserted fence panels etc.

This application is far too immature to be requesting approval, and for these reasons, I would like to officially request an Independent Peer Review be conducted on this latest proposal and review in context with the rest of the application that hasn't changed, prior to any further decisions being made.

<u>Alex Jarvis, Senior Planner, CLE Town Planning + Design regarding item 10.1.4 - Consideration to Initiate Amendment No. 2 to LPS No. 3 - Amendment to Developer Contributions Plans (SJ3048)</u>

This deputation relates to <u>Item 10.1.4 – Consideration to Initiate Amendment No. 2 to Local Planning Scheme</u> <u>No. 3 – Amendment to Developer Contribution Plans (DCP) (SJ3048)</u> and is made on behalf of our Client (Cardup Investments Pty Ltd), the landowner of Lot 33 Hopkinson Road, Cardup (Lot 33).

This deputation requests that Council support a modified resolution for Item 10.1.4 to defer consideration of Lot 33's inclusion within Area A of the Byford Traditional Infrastructure DCP. The reason for this request is set out in further detail below but centres on providing the impacted landowner additional time to review the implications of the amendment, and to avoid the potential need for readvertising.

In summary:

- Amendment 2 seeks to update the Shire's four Development Contributions Plans (DCP's). This includes updates to the Byford Traditional Infrastructure DCP and the Community Infrastructure DCP to introduce Lot 33.
- We support the principle of developer contributions, but have concerns with Lot 33's inclusion in Area A of the Byford Traditional DCP. We have no objection to Lot 33 being included within the Community Infrastructure DCP as proposed via this amendment.
- We therefore request that Amendment No. 2 be modified to defer consideration of Lot 33 within the Byford Traditional DCP for the following reasons.
 - There has been no consultation with the owner of Lot 33 on the recommendation before Council, noting a meeting took place with officers on 12 May 2024, once the report and recommendation were finalised.
 - We understand the merits of the DCP, however our Client (Cardup Investments Pty Ltd), as a large landowner of undeveloped urban land, has not been included in the Byford Industry Reference Group (BIRG) to date, and therefore has not been given any opportunity to discuss the proposed amendment and detail of



associated inclusions with the Shire. Clause 6.10.9 of *State Planning Policy 3.6: Infrastructure Contributions* outlines that consultation with relevant stakeholders should occur prior to the statutory consultation requirements being undertaken.

- o Given the lack of engagement, we have not been given adequate time to consider and / or request adequate information, relating to infrastructure contributions and water modelling, critical to the consideration of the need and nexus of such items in relation to Lot 33.
- Following an initial review of the Council agenda, DCP items associated with Lot 33 require further consideration relating to the inclusion of Doley Road (south of Cardup Brook) and confirmation of the Lot 33 area of district open space, public open space and drainage, should Lot 33 be included within Area A.
- Deferral of this item will enable further time for consideration of all relevant information, as well as discussions with agencies, to ensure an equitable approach to the implementation of the DCP. We note that the deferral will not impact the current operation of the Byford DCP.

For the reasons outlined above, we respectfully request that Council support a modified resolution for Item 10.1.4 that includes the following provision.

1.11 Update all text and maps associated with the Byford Traditional Infrastructure Development Contribution Plan to exclude Lot 33 (681) Hopkinson Road, Cardup prior to seeking Western Australian Planning Commission consent to advertise.

Mr Jack Harris, Vice President, Serpentine Jarrahdale Food and Farm Alliance regarding item 10.4.2 – Proposed disposition of Lot 1 Evelyn Street, Mundijong (L049)

Thank you to the Shire President and attending councillors for their time to hear this deputation.

My name is Jacob Harris, Vice President of the Serpentine Jarrahdale Food and Farm Alliance, and I shall present information we believe vital to a fair and balanced assessment of Agenda item 10.2.9 – Notice of intention to dispose of property - 1 Evelyn Street Mundijong – more commonly known as the Mundijong Sales Yards.

This deputation seeks to highlight points of contention and misrepresentation that exist in the Officer's report, due to the SJFFA's belief that our entire Expression of Interest has been misunderstood from the beginning, and that following meetings sought not to clarify any questions that the Shire officers had, but rather define that engaging with the SJFFA for the lease would require more effort that simply renewing the existing lease with the current operator.

No lease since 2019

No official lease agreement was ever endorsed between the Shire, and the current occupant. To that end, no rent fees have been paid to the Shire for the property. The initial risk matrix in February 2019, with the SJFFA's initial application, mentioned the possibility of non-payment of fees was a low risk.

The risk matrix on page 223 of the current agenda for March 2024 lists that there are observed risks from not signing a lease agreement, having to maintain property and infrastructure, and failing to receive rental income as respectively, likely to occur, a major



consequence, and a significant risk rating moving forward. With that in mind, and all three of those outcomes occurring under the current operator's tenure of Lot 1 Evelyn Street, are the Shire officers, in making their recommendation of continuing with the current operator completely oblivious to the last five years of non-compliance?

Unfair representation of works and shared works

We believe that our honesty in approaching the remedial works, and application of weed and fire management plans, has left too many questions alongside our tender for the lease. In being upfront about our concerns, we believe that it is considered too large a commitment for the Shire to undertake, even when we were willing to undertake the works ourselves, and only require the Shire to handle the removal of waste from the site and the decommissioning of the ablution facility. These works, that any possible lessee would need to complete in order for the grounds to be safe and operating at a necessary standard.

While the list of works we wished to be completed upon the property is accurate, the statement that we required direct involvement in remediating ALL said works does not fall entirely upon the Shire.

We listed these works as an overall assessment of what ANY potential lessee would be required to undertake should they wish to take over the property. It remains as seen that no work in the weed or fire mitigation management plans has been undertaken in the preceding years, even after guarantees were made by the current operator.

Toilets installed on the basis of the provision of long-term lease

Offered up in the March 2024 agenda, the bottom of page 218, is the following information regarding the installation of the new toilets at Lot 1 Evelyn Street, mentioned alongside the list of remedial works yet to be undertaken by the current operator, and I quote,

"During the interim period the Mundijong Markets have installed and paid the cost of three transportable toilets for the site at a cost of \$11,000 on the basis that a long-term lease is granted by the Shire."

With this information now known by the SJFFA, it seems that any other applications for the Evelyn Street property would not be given any further consideration, and that these details, if given to us as they were agreed to by the Shire and the current operator, would have saved our organisation considerable time and effort. As such, it was made known to us this past Monday.

For all intents and purposes, it seems as though an agreement had been reached before serious discussion and consultation could occur.

Also, after inspecting the new toilet block from the roadside, it seems that there are no accessible toilets on-site, somewhat at odds with the Shire's Access and Inclusion plans.

No outgoing costs offered

After repeatedly asking for an estimate for outgoing costs of the property, these were never provided to us by any member of the Property office of the Shire. To have a full

picture of the cost structure is essential to develop budgets and this information was never provided. Stranger still, in our last meeting it was made known to us that they were unaware of the true costs of the property.



Sub-lease offer

A consideration was offered regarding a sub-lease of the property, with the division to be discussed later.

It was an effort to derive a suitable outcome for both parties. However, in our previous attempt to tender for the property in 2019, a similar offer was made by the current operator, which was ultimately withdrawn. With this history in mind, we could not be reliant upon this supposed goodwill of the current operator. This situation would be untenable.

At no point do we feel our application was taken seriously, as information was never forthcoming from the Property Office of the Shire when requested. In so much as finding that we were involved in the consultation process after discussions with the current operator were conducted, and we were left to either agree or disagree with a pre-made decision placed before us. Alternatives presented were never acknowledged as merit to follow or even the likelihood that they would be taken to the current operator for consideration.

History repeating, and not wanting to rock the boat

Again, it strikes us as strange that with our forthcoming nature of discussing the problems inherent with Lot 1 Evelyn Street, we have informed the Shire Officers about the real concerns, and at the same time disqualifying ourselves from serious consideration due to a desire to work with the Shire on the proper and correct use of the property. At no time, did we mention costs that we required the Shire to be wholly involved in, merely a willingness to work with them on deciding upon how to proceed with remedial works and actions to be taken.

Officer Recommendations

Other properties?

Option three in the list of recommendations is for the CEO, Paul Martin, to discuss with us other potential Shire properties to possibly utilise for the activities of the SJFFA and the SJ Farmer's Market. To this end, if such properties existed, then we more than likely would have tendered for those, as opposed to Lot 1 Evelyn Street.

This is not the first time the SJFFA has sought some form of permanent home for our activities, and we are regularly looking to engage with anyone who can point us in the direction of a suitable location.

It seems to represent a subtle manoeuvre, seeking an alternative to a precarious situation or aiming to sidestep conflict, holding the prospect of a resolution at an undisclosed future date. It could be seen as wishful thinking to hope beyond hope that such a venue or property exists.

Option 4 never considered or provided

The officer recommendations never listed the SJFFA as a potential leaseholder as an option for consideration. The idea of restarting the tender process for other applicants was recommended over and above any consideration being given to the SJFFA. This highlights the one-sided approach where the effort required far exceeded the level of commitment proposed by the Shire during our discussions.

This is a blatant dismissal of the SJFFA's willingness to take on the property and discuss later the commitment from the Shire on the works required, if any. We are shocked at the



lack of option four, to begin lease discussions with the SJFFA with similar term agreements as offered to the current operator.

No formal notice of Intent to Dispose

There was no official notice on the Shire website or Facebook page for the intent to dispose of the land, only by sheer luck was this announcement found by one of our members in the Examiner newspaper and we promptly sent in our Expression of Interest on the very last day that tenders were being received.

Alignment with SJ Shire community strategic plan

We believe that the SJFFA's endeavours, alongside its popular and well-attended weekly SJ Farmer's Market, align more favourably with the Council Plan 2023-2033 vision outcomes than the existing occupant. Alongside the Council plan, the SJFFA and the SJ Farmer's Market align with the SJ2050 plans namely, points 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, and 9. Offering community-focused events that are supported and run by a strong and integrated volunteer base of local residents, while promoting a country lifestyle in the natural setting our Shire is so famous for.

In summary, we implore the Councillors to explore and consider a fourth option, one where SJFFA is presented with the lease option, and the Shire officers collaborate with us to transform Lot 1 Evelyn Street into a community venue and food hub in line with the SJ Shire community plan for 2033.

I thank you for your time and attentiveness during this deputation. I look forward to your decision on the matter.



5. President's Report:

Good evening and welcome to the March 2024 Ordinary Council Meeting.

Last week, I proudly opened the new Jarrahdale Outdoor Hub, a partnership project led by the Jarrahdale Community Collective and funded by the Shire, Alcoa, and the Department of Local Government and Cultural Industries.

This space promises to be at the heart of the Jarrahdale community.

Green space projects, like the Jarrahdale Outdoor Hub, bring our community together, offering opportunities for sports, family time and social gatherings.

To ensure their upkeep, we've launched a survey for residents to share their feedback on our green spaces, specifically their maintenance.

The survey is available on the Shire's Your Say SJ engagement hub. The results will be presented to Council and used to inform future maintenance schedules.

This week's Harmony Night at Kalimna Oval celebrates our Shire's diversity, highlighting the recent addition of 47 new Australian citizens – the largest number for the Shire.

In addition, we've initiated a program to welcome new residents, providing them with essential information through a letter from myself and a QR code fridge magnet.

At the SJ Farmers Markets this Saturday, we'll introduce the Council Plan, a collaborative roadmap for our Shire's future.

This is a key document, drafted in collaboration with the community, and will set the direction of Council for the next 10 years.

Advocating for our community's priorities remains a priority, and we've engaged with government officials to secure support for critical projects such as road improvements and community centre expansions.

To enhance community engagement, we'll launch the first Policy Concept Forum (PCF) in Jarrahdale, providing a platform for face-to-face discussions with community groups.

In future the PCF will take place at a different location to give exposure to as many of SJ's community groups as possible.

This month, we will meet with the Jarrahdale Community Collective and the Forest Protectors as part of the PCF.

As we progress through 2024, I'm excited to share our Shire's achievements with you all. Thank you.



6. Declaration of Elected Members and Officer's interest:

Councillor Reece Jerrett declared an Impartiality Interest in item 10.4.2 – Proposed Disposition of Lot 1 Evelyn Street, Mundijong (L049). The nature of the interest is that I am the immediate past President of the Serpentine Jarrahdale Food and Farm Alliance that has previously put a tender in for this site in 2019. The extent of the interest is impartiality interest.

Councillor Tricia Duggin declared an Impartiality Interest in item 10.4.4 – Jarrahdale Heritage Park Business Plan (SJ3712). The nature of the interest is that I am a member of the Jarrahdale Community Collective who are currently pursuing a trail interest. The extent of the interest is that the trail interest may or may not benefit from the trail town heritage park precinct development.

Chief Executive Officer, Paul Martin declared a Financial Interest in item 10.5.2 – Status Report of CEO KPI's for the 2023/24 FY (SJ2071). The nature of the interest is that it relates to my KPIs. The extent of the interest is that Council is assessing the performance and achievements of Mr Martin's of KPIs.

7. Confirmation of minutes of previous Council meeting(s):

7.1 Ordinary Council Meeting – 19 February 2024

OCM031/03/24

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved Cr Duggin, seconded Cr Mack

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 19 February 2024 be CONFIRMED (E24/2398).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5/0

- 8. Receipt of minutes or reports and consideration of adoption of recommendations from Committee meetings held since the previous Council meeting:
 - 8.1 Audit, Risk and Governance Meeting 26 February 2024

Attachments (available under separate cover)

• 8.1 – attachment 1 – Audit, Risk and Governance Meeting Minutes – 26 February 2024 (E24/2980)

Voting Requirements: Simple Majority

OCM032/03/24

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved Cr Jerrett, seconded Cr Mack

That Council

1. RECEIVES the Unconfirmed Minutes of the Audit, Risk and Governance Meeting held on 26 February 2024 (E24/2980).



- 2. ADOPTS Audit, Risk and Governance Committee Resolution ARG03/02/24 and:
 - 1. APPROVES the 2023 Compliance Audit Return for the period 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023, as shown in attachment 1;
 - 2. AUTHORISES the Shire President and Chief Executive Officer to certify the Compliance Audit Return; and
 - 3. AUTHORISES the certified 2023 Compliance Audit Return being submitted to the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries.
- 3. ADOPTS Audit, Risk and Governance Committee Resolution ARG04/02/24 and:
 - 1. NOTES the Strategic Risk Register Review as contained within this paper.
 - 2. ENDORSES the updated Strategic Risk Register as contained within attachment 1 with the following amendments:
 - Add 'within 42 days' to the target date wording of Risk Mitigation Strategy Action 9 of risk 7.
- 4. ADOPTS Audit, Risk and Governance Committee Resolution ARG04/02/24 and:
 - 1. RECEIVES the Asset Management Audit report contained in Attachment 1
 - 2. NOTES the management comments prepared by Officers in Attachment 1
 - 3. REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer, as part of the 2024/25 budget process, prepare and submit a business case for additional resource consideration by Council to implement the 2023 Asset Management Audit actions.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5/0



9. Motions of which notice has been given:

9.1 - Notice of Motion – Lake Allambee, The Glades (SJ4374)		
Elected Member	Councillor Mack	
Disclosure of Officers Interest:	No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has an interest to declare in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1995.	

Notice of Motion

A Notice of Motion was received from Councillor Mack via email on 14 February 2024.

The Notice of Motion is "That Council REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer to:

- 1. Investigate the feasibility of putting a floating garden/habitat in Lake Allambee, The Glades, in collaboration with the Byford Community Garden.
- 2. Investigate external funding opportunities to install a floating garden/habitat in Lake Allambee, The Glades.
- 3. Provide a report back to Council at a future date advising of the outcomes of points 1 and 2."

Relevant Previous Decisions of Council

Nil.

Officer Comment

Lake Allambee captures localised stormwater and overflows downstream for approximately 1.2km, filtrating into the surrounding site and ground water. Multiple aerators are in place and following a recent inspection of the lake, a range of water birds were observed on the water and in the surrounding reed edge of the water body.

The installation of a floating garden would provide aesthetics and support for bird and turtle habitat, but there would be no significant benefit to the quality of water in the lake.

Costs obtained from the City of South Perth, who supplied, installed and established a $6 \times 1.8 \text{m}$ (10.8m2) floating wetland, with $3 \times 1.8 \text{m}$ nesting platforms and ramps for birds and turtles, $2 \times 1.8 \text{m}$ morings, anti-bird net and plants, in 2018 was \$6.341.00 ex qst.

Images of the floating garden are provided below:







Figure 1: Floating Garden - Turtle Access

Figure 2: City of South Perth floating garden

Shire Officers have engaged with the Byford Community Garden regarding the initiative and they have advised they are supportive of the floating garden for Lake Allambee and that they could grow the plants for the floating garden. External funding would need to be secured to deliver the project and grant funding opportunities would be explored if the Notice of Motion is supported.

Ongoing maintenance would be required by the Shire for weed control, rubbish removal, replacement and harvesting of plant stock to maintain appropriate densities, possible reanchoring to secure the wetland and remove any trapped birds from inside the bird netting. Quarterly monitoring would be required and all maintenance would have to be done by boat or kayak. Ongoing maintenance costs would be further explored through the development of the project, should the Notice of Motion be supported.

Following initial engagement with the Byford Community Garden, Shire Officers can progress the actions identified within the Notice of Motion within existing resources and a report can be presented back to Council at a future date when the outcomes of the feasibility and external funding opportunities are understood should the Notice of Motion be supported.

Attachments (available under separate cover)

Nil.

Voting Requirements: Simple Majority

OCM033/03/24

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / Elected Member Recommendation

Moved Cr Mack, seconded Cr Duggin

That Council REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer to:

- 1. Investigate the feasibility of putting a floating garden/habitat in Lake Allambee, The Glades, in collaboration with the Byford Community Garden.
- 2. Investigate external funding opportunities to install a floating garden/habitat in Lake Allambee, The Glades.
- 3. Provide a report back to Council at a future date advising of the outcomes of points 1 and 2.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5/0



9.2 - Notice of Motion - Gas gun usage within the areas of Jarrahdale (SJ4374)		
Elected Member	Councillor Duggin	
Disclosure of Officers Interest:	No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has an interest to declare in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1995.	

Notice of Motion

A Notice of Motion was received from Cr Duggin via email on 12 March 2024.

The Notice of Motion is "That Council REQUESTS the CEO to provide a report within three months of the date of resolution, setting out options and implications for enhanced management of gas gun usage within the areas of Jarrahdale used for commercial orcharding. This should include information on current and historical complaints; how complaints are currently dealt with; approaches utilised by other local governments and; input and recommendations from relevant State Government agencies of DBCA, DPIRD and DWER."

Relevant Previous Decisions of Council

Nil

Officer Comment

Officers note that commercial orcharding areas in the hills areas of the Shire do employ a range of bird management practices, including the use of audible gas guns. This notice of motion provides the opportunity to investigate options specific to enhancing management of such device usage, taking account of the range of issues and potential opportunities that may exist. A report within three months is considered viable to achieve.

Attachments (available under separate cover)

Nil

Voting Requirements: Simple Majority

OCM034/03/24

Reference: IN24/6982

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / Elected Member Recommendation

Moved Cr Duggin, seconded Cr Mack

That Council REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer to provide a report within three months of the date of resolution, setting out options and implications for enhanced management of gas gun usage within the areas of Jarrahdale used for commercial orcharding. This should include information on current and historical complaints; how complaints are currently dealt with; approaches utilised by other local governments and; input and recommendations from relevant State Government agencies of DBCA, DPIRD and DWER.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5/0



9.3 - Notice of Motion – Byford BMX Club sponsorship (SJ4374)		
Elected Member	President Coales	
Disclosure of Officers Interest:	No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has an interest to declare in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1995.	

Notice of Motion

A Notice of Motion was received from President Coales via email on 11 March 2024.

The Notice of Motion is "In accordance with Council Policy 5.1.14 - Community Contributions, APPROVES a sponsorship of \$1,500 ex GST to the Byford BMX Club to support the delivery of the 2024 AusCycling BMX Racing State Series – WA Round 4 event to be held at the Byford BMX track on Sunday 7 April 2024."

Officer Comment

On 7 April 2024, the Byford BMX Club (Club) will be hosting Round 4 of the eight BMX race rounds for Auscycling WA - State Series.

The Club has advised that last year, this event attracted 600 riders ranging in age from 2 to 70+ years, costing about \$10,000 to host and involving a lot of volunteer hours to prepare the track and grounds for the event. The Club uses this event to introduce new club riders to racing against other clubs, being a big event on the annual BMX racing calendar.

The event not only attracts visitors to the club on the day, but sees an increase in riders for the four weeks prior to the event on the regular Friday night race nights, helping to showcase the Club and the Shire. The Club have already submitted their public event application, indicating approximately 2,000 attendees for the event.

Typically, the Club leverages sponsorship from the local community to help fund the event, with a race subsequently being named after the sponsor. Sponsorship this year is proposed to support:

- temporary fencing and other requirements for this scale of event (including medics and marquees); and
- maintenance materials for the track (berms).

Officers would ordinarily encourage the Club to apply for a grant for these items, with the most recent round closing 11 March 2024. However, given the outcomes of the Major Event Grants will not be known until after their event, and operational/maintenance items are not eligible for General Grants, consideration of a financial contribution via Sponsorship (Council Policy 5.1.14 - Community Contributions) is most appropriate in this instance.

Officers have considered the details of the request and support its eligibility on the following basis:

Key Policy Conditions (Extracts)	Response
Acknowledgement/recognition to Shire: Sponsorship is not philanthropic. Sponsors can expect to receive a reciprocal benefit	Yes. It is expected a race will be named after the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale and opportunities to display branding material and receive acknowledgments will be discussed



Reference: IN24/6982

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Key Policy Conditions (Extracts)	Response
beyond a modest acknowledgement. Appropriate branding and profile raising opportunities.	with the Club if this Notice of Motion is supported by Council.
Ability to leverage support through community attendance or staging of display/complementary event where appropriate.	
Achieve greater community awareness or public profile for the Shire, or for a particular service, program or product, than may otherwise have been possible	
Ability to reach traditional and non-traditional audiences	Yes. The event attracts riders from all over WA, over a number of weeks. Many who would not otherwise ordinarily attend events or visit the Shire.
Is seen to be supporting a worthwhile cause or activity within the community.	Yes. This is a significant event on the Auscycling WA calendar.
Connection with a reputable sponsor to enhance the Shire's image and reputation, enhancing the Shire's ability to undertake beneficial non-core activities that could not otherwise be delivered or undertaken to the same extent.	Yes. The Byford BMX Club have hosted this event on previous occasions and are proactively working through the Public Event Application process. Council is requested to note that as a result of the expected attendance numbers, this is
	rated a High Risk event. An assessment fee may be applicable if all required information is not provided by the Club within two weeks of the event.
Reduce the cost of a particular event or activity, or enable it, to be expanded or enhanced to the overall benefit of the local community.	Yes. This sponsorship will reduce the cost of maintenance and event infrastructure for the Club, which allows the user and attendee experience to be enhanced.
Sponsorship arrangements may require the acquittal of funds. In these circumstances, a satisfactory acquittal must be submitted within six months of the completion of the event, project or activity demonstrating how the funding was spent to achieve the agreed outcomes	Officers would request an acquittal from the Club at the conclusion of the event, as this would assist in understanding how we may support this initiative/event through all available Shire channels in the future.



In 2023/24, \$11,000 was allocated for GL 4300-15430-6276 (Community Development – Advertising and Marketing). The following sponsorships and donations have been endorsed by Council this financial year:

- Byford Baptist Church Community Food Market \$2,000
- Sport Aircraft Builders Club Inc Annual Fly-In 50th Anniversary event \$10,797

There are no funds that remain available in the current 2023/2024 budget and the account will be overspent but this impact is immaterial in respect to the Shire's overall budget position (4300-15430-6276).

Attachments (available under separate cover)

Nil.

Voting Requirements: Simple Majority

OCM035/03/24

Reference: IN24/6982

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / Elected Member Recommendation

Moved President Coales, seconded Cr Mack

In accordance with Council Policy 5.1.14 - Community Contributions, APPROVES a sponsorship of \$1,500 ex GST to the Byford BMX Club to support the delivery of the 2024 AusCycling BMX Racing State Series – WA Round 4 event to be held at the Byford BMX track on Sunday 7 April 2024.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5/0



10. Chief Executive Officer reports:

En Bloc

As part of the Shire's efforts to ensure the efficiency and effectiveness of meetings, tonight's meeting included the opportunity for matters to be considered by Council en bloc.

Matters not to be included in en bloc decisions are those which require:

- Absolute Majority;
- Matters to be determined behind closed doors;
- Declared Interests made in relation to the item; and
- Deputations or Statements made in relation to the item.

Before commencing the process, the Presiding Member provided a brief explanation of the 'en bloc' method of decision making, for the benefit of any members of the public in the gallery.

The Presiding Member introduced the recommendations by reading the heading for each item. This allowed members and the public to follow the business of the meeting.

The Presiding Member invited Elected Members to identify any matters they wished to be removed from en bloc consideration.

On request from Councillor Mack, item 10.4.3 was removed from the en bloc motion.

The following reports were identified to be considered by voting en bloc:

Report number	Report Title	
10.1.3	Approval of Local Planning Policy 2.8 Public Open Space Standards (SJ4359)	
10.1.5	Brickwood Reserve Environmental Offset Proposal - Byford Rail Extension (SJ2201)	
10.2.1	Minutes of the Rivers Regional Council – Ordinary Council Meeting – 15 February 2024 (SJ2812)	
10.3.1	Confirmation of Payment of Creditors – February 2024 (SJ801)	
10.3.2	Monthly Financial Report – January 2024 (SJ4229)	
10.3.6	Community Budget Requests (SJ940-3)	
10.4.1	Execution of Sublease between Sports Aircraft Builders Club Inc. and Fire and Emergency Services Ministerial Body – Reserve 25911 Yangedi Road Hopeland (L066)	
10.5.1	Peel Regional Leaders Forum Minutes (SJ1350)	
10.5.2	Status Report of CEO KPI's for the 2023/24 FY (SJ2071)	



OCM036/03/24

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved Cr Duggin, seconded Cr Bishop

That the Officer Recommendations contained in Officer Reports 10.1.3, 10.1.5, 10.2.1, 10.3.1, 10.3.2, 10.3.6, 10.4.1, 10.5.1 and 10.5.2 be ADOPTED en bloc at 8.26 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5/0

Reference: IN24/6982 Page 45 of Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale 2024



10.1 Development Services reports:

10.1.1 - Proposed 'Liquor Store - Small' - Lot 8, 25 Richardson Street, Serpentine (PA23/920)		
Responsible Officer:	Manager Statutory Planning and Compliance	
Senior Officer:	Director Development Services	
Disclosure of Officer's Interest:	No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has an interest to declare in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1995.	

Authority / Discretion

Quasi-Judicial	When Council determines an application/matter that directly affect a person's right and interests. The judicial character arises from the obligation to abide by the principles of natural justice. Examples of quasi-judicial authority include local planning applications, building licences, applications for other permits/licences (e.g. under Health Act, Dog Act or Local Laws) and other decisions that may be appealable to the State Administrative Tribunal.
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Proponent: Harley Dykstra

Owner: Winterville Holdings Pty Ltd

Date of Receipt: 7 December 2023

Lot Area: 2.028.85m²

Local Planning Scheme No. 3 Zoning: 'Urban Development'

Metropolitan Region Scheme Zoning: 'Urban'

Report Purpose

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider a development application for a 'Liquor Store - Small' at Lot 8, 25 Richardson Street, Serpentine.

The application is presented to Council as variations are sought to Local Planning Policy 3.3 - Wellard and Richardson Street Design Guidelines (LPP3.3) by way of design, side setback and car parking. Variations are also sought to Local Planning Policy 4.20 - Licensed Premises (LPP4.20) by way of design and location. The application also received 55 objections. Officers do not have delegated authority to determine development applications where policy variations are proposed or where three or more objections are received, in accordance with Delegated Authority 12.1.1 - Determination of Development Applications.

It is considered that the proposal is consistent with the objectives of the planning framework and that the objections can be appropriately addressed. It is therefore recommended that Council approve the development application, subject to conditions.



Relevant Previous Decisions of Council

There are no previous Council decisions relating to this application.

Background

Existing Development

The subject site of 2,028.85m² is located on the corner of Richardson Street and Wellard Street in Serpentine and is developed with a tavern (Serpentine Falls Tavern). This place comprises an important heritage building, which is on the Shire's Heritage List and Local Heritage Survey, and designated as Category 2 (being very important to the heritage of the Serpentine locality). The building is currently undergoing renovations.

The site is zoned 'Urban Development' under Local Planning Scheme No. 3 (LPS3) and is subject to the Serpentine Townsite Local Structure Plan (LSP). An aerial image of site and surrounding area is shown following:



Aerial image

Proposed Development

The application seeks approval for a 'liquor store - small' with a drive-through. The proposed development includes the following:

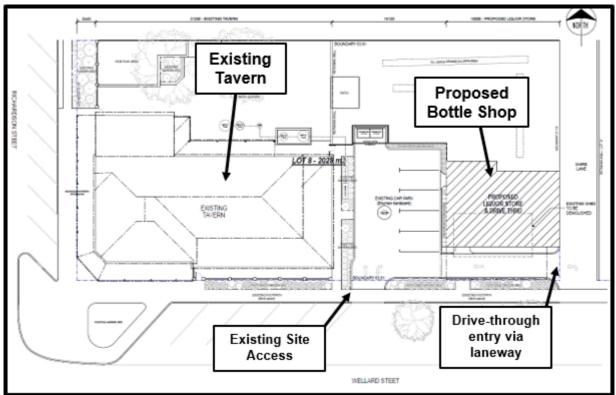
- A 169.5m² liquor store small located towards the south-east of the site;
- A drive-through service lane with a three-car bay capacity;
- Removal of an existing shed;
- Five parking bays;



- Resurfacing of a portion of the laneway to the east of the site, which will be utilised as a single way vehicle access point for the drive-through;
- Landscaping along the verges and building edges;
- A bin store located to the north of the existing car park;

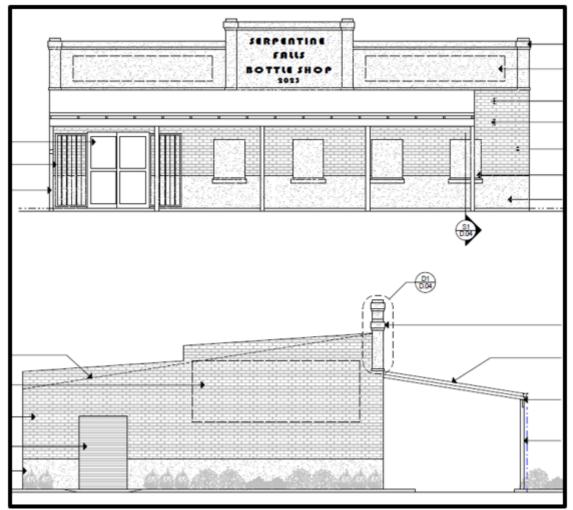
Hours of operation are proposed to be 10:00am to 8:00pm on Monday to Saturday and 10:00am to 6:00pm on Sunday.

The site plan and elevations are depicted following, full details of the proposal can be viewed in **attachment 1**.



Site plan





Elevations

Community / Stakeholder Consultation

The application was advertised for a period of 21 days from 20 December 2023 to 24 January 2024 (excluding the public holiday period) to surrounding landowners within a 200m radius of the subject site, in accordance with LPP1.4 - Consultation for Planning Matters. The application was also advertised on the Shire's website for the same period. At the conclusion of the consultation, 57 submissions were received. 55 submissions objected to or raised concerns with aspects of the proposal and two submissions were in support.

The majority of objections relate to the proximity the proposal would be from the existing liquor store on the adjacent lot. Concerns included the following:

- That there is already an existing bottle shop, and the new liquor store would adversely impact business for the existing shop; and
- That Serpentine requires other amenities and services, other than the proposal.

Officers acknowledge these concerns however these are not matters that are able to be considered as part of a merits-based planning assessment, in accordance with Clause 67 of the Deemed Provisions.



Firstly, business impact through increased competition is, in almost all cases, not a matter that can be considered. Courts hold that planning authorities are not to regulate competition. However, there can be a relevant planning consideration to focus on a community, and whether the introduction of a trade competitor would result in a loss of amenity to the community by reason of a loss of facilities that is not made good by the proposal itself.

To explain this in planning terms, if (for example) shopping facilities presently enjoyed by a community or planned for it in the future, are put in jeopardy by some proposed development, whether that jeopardy be due to physical or financial causes, and if the resultant community detriment will not be made good by a proposed development itself, such is a consideration proper to be taken into account. Thus, in this case, the risk of business competition is not relevant as it does not meet this threshold.

In terms of considering other development options needed in Serpentine, it is not relevant to consider that a proposal could be better or different. Rather, an applicant submits their proposal, and it is that proposal that must be considered and assessed.

Additional concerns were raised in submissions, relate to the following matters which are all considered relevant planning matters:

- Traffic;
- Emergency access;
- Dust and noise from vehicles using the laneway; and
- Social, health and wellbeing.

The full list of submissions together with the applicant's response and Officer comments is contained within **attachment 2**. The matters raised are addressed under the relevant headings of the report.

Statutory Environment

Legislation

- Planning and Development Act 2005
- Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015
- Environmental Protection (Noise) Regulations 1997

State Government Policies

- State Planning Policy 3.5 Historic Heritage Conversion (SPP3.5)
- State Planning Policy 3.7 Planning in Bushfire Prone Areas (SPP3.7)

Local Planning Framework

- Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale Local Planning Scheme No.3 (LPS3)
- Serpentine Townsite Local Structure Plan (LSP)
- Local Planning Policy 1.4 Public Consultation on Planning Matters Policy (LPP1.4)
- Local Planning Policy 3.3 Wellard and Richardson Street Serpentine Design Guidelines (LPP3.3)
- Local Planning Policy 4.16 Landscape and Vegetation Policy (LPP4.16)



Local Planning Policy 4.20 - Licensed Premises (Liquor) (LPP4.20)

Planning Assessment

Clause 67 of the *Deemed Provisions* lists matters to be considered in the determination of development applications. A full assessment was carried out against the planning framework in accordance with Clause 67 of the *Deemed Provisions* which can be viewed within **attachment 3**.

Land Use

The proposed development falls within the land use of 'Liquor Store - Small' defined under Local Planning Scheme No.3 (LPS3) as:

"premises the subject of a liquor store licence granted under the Liquor Control Act 1988 with a net lettable area of not more than 300 m²."

The subject site is zoned 'Urban Development' under LPS3 where the land use of 'Liquor Store - Small' is an 'A' use. This land use therefore requires the exercising of discretion and is subject to advertising.

Land use and development in the 'Urban Development' zone is generally guided by Structure Plans. The site is designated as 'Neighbourhood Centre' under the Serpentine Townsite Local Structure Plan (LSP). Under LPS3, a 'Liquor Store - Small' is a 'D' use in the 'Neighbourhood Centre' zone and as such considered consistent.

Car Parking

Section 4.3 of LPS3 sets out car parking requirements for developments based on the land use. A 'Liquor Store - Small' land use is required to provide one bay per 20m² of Net Leasable Area (NLA). The development proposes a NLA of 142m² resulting in a requirement of seven car parking bays for the proposed development. There are eight parking bays proposed, five adjacent to the building and three located within the drive-through area.

It is worth noting that whilst the proposal is compliant, the tavern on the same lot is not currently in operation. It should be ensured that there would still be sufficient bays for this land use should it recommence operations. Under LPS3 the 'tavern' land use requires one bay per 4m² of dining, drinking and/or lounge areas and one bay per 4m² of public assembly areas. This results in a requirement of approximately 61 bays. Based on this, the tavern has an existing shortfall of 55 bays.

As previously stated, the site is located within Serpentine Townsite Neighbourhood Centre, in this locality parking is provided on the main street and not within site boundaries. This is consistent for all the commercially designated land including the general store, the existing medical centre and liquor store, and the lunch bar located on Richardson Street as shown following:





The townsite Neighbourhood Centre seeks to "Provide services for the immediate neighbourhoods that are easily accessible, which do not adversely impact on adjoining residential areas" and "Encourage high quality, pedestrian-friendly, street-orientated development." The visual appearance of parking areas can detract from the character of a local townsite where patrons are likely to visit more than one commercial tenancy per visit. They may also walk to the townsite, given its proximity to residential areas and the nature of the goods and services provided. Street orientated development in such centres often relies on on-street parking. Furthermore, the sale of alcohol for consumption off the premises is often an ancillary development to a tavern. Customers not attending the tavern are likely to use the drive through and park for a shorter period of time.

In determining whether the parking is sufficient in this case, it is important to consider the available on street parking bays that could be utilised by patrons of the subject site, as depicted following.

Also, noting that this proposal provides one surplus bay in this respect.





On street bays (blue) and five long term bays on the site (yellow)

A Traffic Impact Statement (TIS) was submitted as part of the application detailing that most of the traffic generated by the development would be from the drive through and not the shop, the peak period being 5:00pm to 6:00pm.

The TIS provides the following justification in relation to parking provisions and considers that the proposal would not result in queuing on the laneway due to parking provision:

- Based on previous experience in similar projects, the liquor store drive-thru is assumed to serve 90 customers per day. If we adopt that PM peak hour traffic is 20% of the daily traffic, this calculates to 18 customers in peak hours = 36 vehicular trips per hour.
- The above calculates to an average of 1 customer arriving every 3.5 minutes. Therefore, if with a
 conservative 5 minutes turnaround time per customer, it will be highly unlikely that more than 3 vehicles
 are in the drive-thru queue in peak hours.
- o Therefore, Shire Lane is not expected to be blocked during peak hours of liquor store operation.

Based on this, five bays would remain available for patrons wishing to use the liquor store. Given the justification and the total bays available on and off site, there is sufficient parking to accommodate the proposal and the existing uses.

Traffic

Access to the site is primarily from Wellard Street, which is classified as an 'Access Street' under the Main Roads Western Australia (MRWA) road hierarchy and has a speed limit of 50 km/h. The TIS analysed traffic generation and modelled traffic growth over the next ten years.

The TIS includes the following table for traffic generated by the development:



Land Use Type	Rate above	Yield	Daily Traffic Generation	Peak Hou Gener AM	
	Existing				
Warehouse/Storage	Daily – 4 VPD per 100m ² GFA AM Peak – 0.5 VPH per 100m ² GFA PM Peak – 0.5 VPH per 100m ² GFA	67m²	4	1	1
	Proposed				
Liquor Store – Store component	Daily – 20 VPD per 100m ² GFA AM Peak – 1.25 VPH per 100m ² GFA PM Peak – 4 VPH per 100m ² GFA	78.95m² – sales area	16	1	3
Liquor Store – Drive-thru component	Daily – 2 VPD per patron AM Peak – 20% of the daily traffic PM Peak – 6.25% of the daily traffic	90 patrons expected	180	11	36
Total traffic from the proposed development (A)		elopment (A)	196	12	39
Total Existing Traffic from the subject site (A ⁰)		4	1	1	
Total Additional traffic from the proposed development (A-A ⁰)		192	11	38	

Traffic generation model from the applicant's TIS

The site is anticipated to generate a total of 38 trips in the PM traffic peak hour and 192 daily trips. The Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC) guideline document "Transport Impact Assessment Guidelines" (2016) states "As a general guide, an increase in traffic of less than 10 percent of capacity would not normally be likely to have a material impact on any particular section of road but increases over 10 percent may.

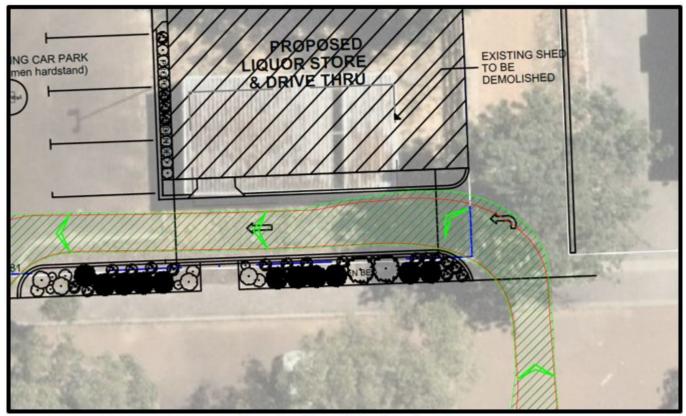
The TIS uses traffic counts from the LSP Traffic Impact Assessment to ascertain the capacity of the local road network. It states that Wellard Street currently accommodates approximately 1,000 vehicles per day (vpd). The maximum desirable traffic volume for this road is 3,000 vpd according to its classification. The proposed development would result in a total of 1,192 VPD on Wellard Street, less than a 10% increase in its capacity.

The TIS states that Richardson Street currently accommodates 569 vpd between Wellard Street and Tonkin Street and 1,096 vpd 100m south of Karnup Road. Richardson Street is also classified as an Access Street with a maximum desirable traffic volume of 3,000 vpd. The traffic generated by the development would also be less than 10% of the roads capacity and therefore would not have a material impact.

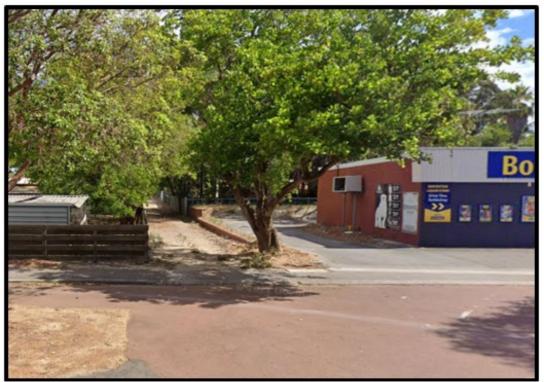
Service vehicles would attend the site outside of peak periods and would utilise the existing parking bays on site. A condition is recommended for service vehicles to service the site during off peak hours so as to not take up parking bays or impact upon traffic flow.

The TIS demonstrates that there is adequate turning room for vehicles entering and exiting the site, as seen in the figure following. There is a tree located on the lot boundary adjacent to the laneway and the neighbouring lot to the east. Whilst the turning diagrams adequately demonstrate that this tree would not be impacted upon, a condition is recommended to ensure the hardstand does not impact upon its root zone:





Swept path avoiding tree trunk



Tree pictured in centre

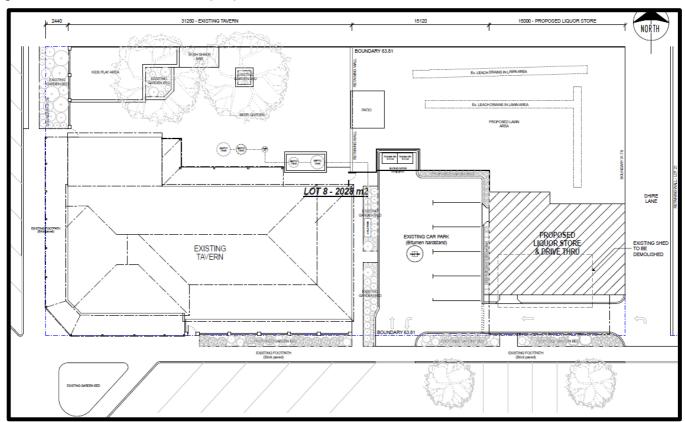


Form of Development

LPS3:

Schedule 4 of LPS3 contains development standards, including specific provisions for the 'Neighbourhood Centre' zone. Section 4.2 requires no greater than 50% site coverage and a maximum plot ratio of 1:0. The proposal complies and provides approximately 28.5% site coverage and a plot ratio of 0.285.

LPS3 requires 10% of the site to be landscaped, with 5% of this area located within the front setback. The site is considered to have more landscaping than is required under LPS3 however, with the building built up to the street boundary, 5% would not be within the setback area. The proposal includes a modest landscaping strip along the front of the proposed building and additional landscaping within the carparking area. Existing landscaping is established within the garden of the tavern and the proposed lawned area to the north-west.



It is considered that the landscaping within the site and on the verge would ensure the character and amenity of the streetscape is maintained and that and that the requirement for 5% landscaping within the front setback can be varied in this instance. A condition is recommended requiring a Landscaping Plan to ensure the details of the landscaping are to the Shire's satisfaction.

Serpentine Townsite Local Structure Plan (LSP):

The LSP provides guidance on the aims for development within the Serpentine Townsite. The LSP provides the following objective:

• The neighbourhood centre is intended to function as a 'main street' form of development which generates activity towards the street.



The proposed building addresses Wellard Street to the south. The form and design as a 'main street' development is considered broadly consistent with the LSP.

Heritage:

The site is identified as a place of local heritage significance under the Shire's Local Heritage Survey and LPS3. This pertains to the Serpentine Falls Tavern building to the west of the subject development. The Serpentine Falls Tavern is a Category 2 listing and is deemed important to the heritage of the locality. No works are proposed to the heritage building itself however it is important that new buildings do not detract from the existing heritage significance.

The existing tavern features a modified 'Federation Queen Anne' architectural style; a single storey building with a roof with a high-pitched hipped shape. The façade towards the street features timber treatments and a bullnose verandah over the footpaths. The façade includes heritage red brickwork walls, with an off-white rendered lower portion.



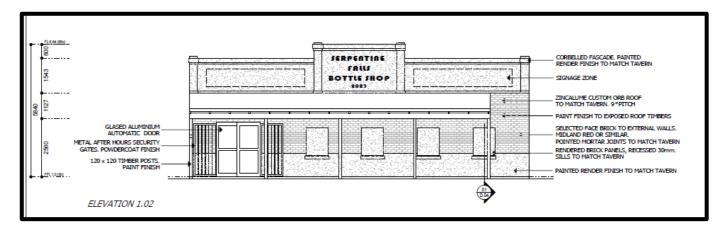
Existing tavern

The building is significant as it represents the influence of the railways and sawmills to Serpentine. Given its proximity to the railway, it meant that patrons had relatively easy access and was an important meeting place for visitors and residents. Its corner location gives it a landmark quality location and increase importance to the locality.

Under Part 1, Clause 9 of LPS3, the aims of the Scheme include the intent to, "*Preserve heritage values, amenity and areas of cultural significance and integrate new built environments with the existing local character*". Furthermore, State Planning Policy 3.5 - Historic Heritage Conservation provides relevant considerations for considering heritage elements in development assessments. These include ensuring the proposal is sympathetic to the heritage values of the area, considering the siting, scale, style, form, materials and finishes. The Shire's Local Planning Policy 3.3 - Wellard and Richardson Street Serpentine Design Guidelines (LPP3.3) also lists several design criteria requiring heritage design to be implemented for new buildings.

The proposed design seeks to demonstrate consistency with the existing heritage building on the site. It would be of red brick construction with elements of painted rendered finish. It would incorporate a corbelled façade projecting above the building which would be painted to match the tavern. In lieu of glazing, the applicant proposes rendered brick panels, recessed into the wall with sills to create blind windows, which attempt to follow the rhythm of the tavern building.





Whilst new development should be sympathetic to existing heritage buildings, it is considered that it should not aim to overly replicate it. Contemporary design incorporating elements of the historic significance of an adjacent heritage building can appear sympathetic whilst also distinguishing between the old and new.

In this case, it is considered that the roof projection would appear somewhat at odds with the design of the exiting tavern. The 'brick window' designs are not considered to replicate the design of the tavern windows and the roof form is inconsistent with the prominent gables typically found during this era of architecture. Furthermore, the security gates are considered to set the tone of an unwelcoming, guarded centre.

Notwithstanding these matters, the remainder of the building is of a modest form and scale that would not detract from the heritage building. The external appearance, in particular the front elevation, is considered to require some minor amendments to its design, to make it more sympathetic and to match the Local Planning Policy. The redesign should give the building the appearance of being subservient to the heritage building whilst acknowledging the history by incorporating subtle elements of red brick and timber.

For example, the use of a traditional facebrick material with prominent horizontal bands, common to the tavern building, could be integrated but adopt a more modern form through integrating contemporary angles and window patterns. This can also help create security into the building, in a more sympathetic manner than a tact on cage. This would only require minor changes to the street façade element of the building, and local examples that could be borrowed from include:

- recent addition to Highgate Primary School (character building area);





- recent addition to East Fremantle Workers Cottage (character building area);



A condition to modify the street elevation in this regard is proposed.

Local Planning Policy 3.3 - Wellard and Richardson Street Serpentine Design Guidelines (LPP3.3):

LPP3.3 provides specific design guidelines and requirements applicable to the subject site. A full assessment against these provisions is contained within the Technical Assessment. Variations are detailed in the table following:

LP3.3 Requirement	Comment
Setbacks: side A building shall have a minimum setback of one and a half metres (1.5) metres to a	The subject development proposes a nil setback to the side boundary adjacent to the laneway. The applicant details that as the site would take access from this laneway and as it



LP3.3 Requirement

common side boundary at the ground floor. This may be relaxed to nil in those circumstances described in the "Variation Criteria" criteria for this Guideline Statement.

Variation Criteria

A side setback may be relaxed to nil where:

- i) the subject development is proposed on those lots nominated to have a nil or two metre front setback (on Figure 5).
- ii) the proposed development is a shop, restaurant, café or office.

Windows: At Street Level

No less than sixty (60%) percent of the vertical area of a building façade facing a street (or formal public space such as a square) at street level shall comprise windows, or glazed doors.

Windows: Design

Windows shall generally have a vertical emphasis. Window frames visible from the street should be of a timber-famed casement or awning type. Window detailing should include a header or soldier lintel course, and a header sill course.

Signage on building fronts should be limited to panels no greater than 3.0metres² in area and situated on the façade above 4.0 metres.

Panel signs shall be limited to one per tenancy. Awning signs facing the street, and affixed to the street edge of the awning are permitted, but should not exceed 0.5 metres in vertical dimension. Under-awning signs are permitted. Painting out of more than 50% of the area of windows with signage is not permitted.

Comment

will operate as a 'shop' it is consistent with the variation criteria.

The relevant objectives of the LPP are to maintain the heritage character and encourage development forms that will enhance the character of the town and strengthen its identity as a desirable place to live and visit. In this case, the setback variation to the boundary with the laneway is not considered to compromise the objectives of the LPP and the development, by way of its siting, would maintain the desired form and streetscape outcomes.

The elevation facing the street does not include glazing consistent with the requirements of the LPP. It is considered that the frontage should be redesigned as discussed previously and as part of this the glazing elements should be addressed.

The application details that two 3.4m x 1.8m 'signage zones' are proposed on the building front and are located above 4m from ground level. An additional 5.2m x 1.9m panel sign is proposed for the eastern facade adjacent to the existing car parking area. These areas exceed the areas prescribed under the LPP.

To preserve the character of the site and surrounding area, a Condition is recommended to require a signage strategy prior to the display of any signage, and redesign of the street facade as previously mentioned. The signage strategy should demonstrate compliance with LPP3.3.



Amenity

Local Planning Policy 4.20 - Licenced Premises (LPP4.20) aims to ensure that licensed premises "protect and promote good levels of safety and amenity in our community centres" as well as ensuring licensed premises do not "adversely impact the character of the Shire". A full assessment is contained within the technical assessment, variations are addressed in the table as shown following:

Policy requirement	Comment		
Location			
Proposals should be located at least 200m from existing or proposed sensitive premises. However, where proposed to be located within 200m, consideration of the following is required: i. Orientation of design and frontage of development; ii. Whether signage and advertising is visible; iii. Whether the development forms part of a broader mixed-use development.	 The subject site is located adjacent to a medical centre (5 Wellard Street). This tenancy also contains a liquor store. i. The proposed development faces Wellard Street and does not front onto the sensitive premise. ii. As discussed previously, a Condition is recommended for the submission of a signage strategy. The strategy will be assessed in accordance with this LPP. iii. The development is supplementary to the existing tavern on site. 		
Licensed premises should be located in proximity to public transport facilities, and be integrated in respect of such facilities (linked with safe, well-lit footpaths, good signage).	The proposal is located opposite the Serpentine Train station. No bus service currently exists for the Serpentine Town area. The development forms part of the neighbourhood centre, the objective of which is to provide goods and services to local residents. It is considered that the footpath network is of a good standard in this area.		
	Design		
The form and external appearance of buildings should be responsive to local character.	Refer to Form of Development section of report		
Discourage large expanse of blank walls on important frontages, and instead encourage these buildings to have a public face that is organised for the benefit of the street.	Refer to Form of Development section of report		
Encourage large expanses of glazing at street level and upper levels to promote	There as no proposed glazing expanses proposed as part of the development. Refer to Form of Development section of report.		



Policy requirement	Comment
surveillance of the street, as well as upper level balconies.	
Access to the building should be from the active frontage and access from back lanes must be avoided. Building edges should provide at least one full active edge to the street, two aesthetic edges and no more than one service (loading/unloading/drive-through/waste management) edge.	Pedestrian access is proposed from the primary street. Whilst vehicular access is via the laneway. It is considered that the design of the building should be reconsidered to include aesthetic edges.
Signage should be integrated into the design of the building and be externally illuminated.	A signage strategy is recommended as a Condition to ensure the design is appropriate.

As detailed, variations are sought to the LPP in terms of design and location. These variations are supported in part, however, are not supported in respect of the current street façade design. The design of the façade, factoring in the need to unite the two buildings on the site but not attempt to mimic heritage, results in the recommendation that the street façade be redesigned in a manner that creates a design distinction that is discernible. Local examples identified in this report show this approach to be generally adopted elsewhere, in situations where important heritage character buildings are having additions proposed. The utilisation of facebrick materials, horizontal bands and windows arrangements are such that the design on requires minor adjustment to make it more respectful of the heritage context.

Officers thus consider that amendments to the design should be undertaken to ensure it is responsive to local character, respectful to the heritage building (by not trying to copy it) and more effective in addressing a relationship to the street (than through the current blind windows). A signage strategy is also recommended by way of a Condition to ensure that signage responds to LPP4.20.

It is noted that concerns were raised in relation to noise specifically from vehicles accessing the site via the laneway. With regard to noise, the proposal is not considered a noise generating development requiring an acoustic assessment. The activities are synonymous to a shop and the site is located within a Neighbourhood Centre. The laneway where the vehicles would access the site abuts a commercial development to the east and only a small section of the laneway would be used to access the site. Based on this, it is considered that noise associated with the development would not unduly impact the amenity currently afforded to local residents by way of noise.

Options

Option 1

That Council APPROVES the development application for the construction of a 'Liquor Store
- Small' as contained within attachment 1 at Lot 8, 25 Richardson Street, Serpentine subject
to the following Conditions:



a. The development is to be carried out in compliance with the plans and documentation listed below and endorsed with the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale stamp, except were amended by other Conditions of this consent.

Plans and Specifications	Development Plans (P1-P4) received at the Shire Offices on 7 December 2023.	
	Bushfire Management Plan (P5) dated 29 November 2023.	
	Traffic Impact Statement (P6) dated 29 November 2023.	

- b. Operating hours are permitted between 10:00am and 8:00pm on Monday to Saturday and 10:00am to 6:00pm on Sundays.
- c. Prior to the submission of a building permit, a revised plan shall be submitted to and approved by the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale showing the following information:
 - i. Repaying of the Shire laneway so as to achieve a suitable separation from the base of the tree partly in the laneway;
 - ii. A revised front (street) elevation, depicting a contemporary design incorporating facebrick materials, horizontal banding and windows set within a modern building face which does not attempt to mimic the heritage of the existing tavern building in either shape or form;
 - iii. A Signage Strategy which demonstrates compliance with all relevant Local Planning Polices, in association with redesign of the street elevation as per point (ii);
 - iv. A Lighting Plan, ensuring the car parking area and access points to the site and building are appropriately lit to mitigate the risk of antisocial behaviour.

Once approved, development shall be constructed in accordance with the plan.

- d. Prior to the submission of a Building Permit, plans and specifications shall be submitted to and approved by the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale depicting the detailed design of the carpark that ensures curbing design, drainage locations and landscaping areas will enable manoeuvrability of loading and unloading vehicles. Such plans and specifications are to also depict vehicle parking areas, access ways, customer paths and crossovers being designed, constructed, sealed, kerbed, drained, line marked and thereafter maintained to the satisfaction of the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale. This infrastructure must be fully constructed prior to commencement of the use.
- e. Prior to the submission of a Building Permit, A Landscaping Plan shall be submitted to and approved by the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale. The Landscaping Plan shall include all areas of retained vegetation and proposed additional planting. Once approved all landscaping is to be installed and maintained prior to occupancy of the development to the satisfaction of the Shire.
- f. All stormwater shall be directed so stormwater is disposed of within the property, to the satisfaction of the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale. Direct disposal of stormwater onto the road, neighbouring properties, watercourses, and drainage lines is not permitted.

Option 2

As per Option 1 but deleting Condition (c)(ii) so as to not require redesign of the front elevation.



Option 3

That Council REFUSES the application for the following reasons:

- a. The design of the development does not demonstrate a suitable street interface to Richardson Street;
- b. The development does not suitably demonstrate a positive relationship to the street, by virtue of lacking windows and openings onto Richardson Street.

Option 1 is recommended.

Conclusion

The application seeks approval for a 'Liquor Store - Small' within the lot boundaries of an existing tavern. The application seeks variations to Local Planning Policies and 55 objections were received. It is considered that, subject to conditions, the proposal is consistent with the objectives of the planning framework and the objections have been addressed. The application is therefore recommended for approval.

Attachments (available under separate cover)

- **10.1.1 attachment 1 -** Development Plans (E24/1696)
- **10.1.1 attachment 2 Summary of Submissions (E24/127)**
- **10.1.1 attachment 3 -** Clause 67 Assessment (E24/1697)

Alignment with our Council Plan 2023-2033

	Thriving
1.	Plan for the sustainable growth of the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale
2.	Advocate and attract businesses to grow and thrive, increasing opportunities for local employment
	Liveable
2.	Improve maintenance and investment in roads and paths

Financial Implications

Nil.

Risk Implications

Risk has been assessed on the Officer Options:

-				Risk Assessment			Risk
Officer Option	Risk Description	Controls	Principal Consequence Category	Likelihood	Consequence	Risk Rating	Mitigation Strategies (to further lower the risk rating if required)
1	There are no significant ri	sks associated witl	n this Option.				



	2	not required to improve its street frontage, which results in a suboptimal design outcome that does not reflect the planning framework and deteriorates the public		Social / Community Outcomes	Possible	Moderate	MODERATE	Nil.	
-	3	realm of Serpentine. That the development is refused and the decision is appealed to the SAT, which impacts costs of the Shire. Planning framework.		Financial	Possible	Moderate	MODERATE	Ensure valid reasons for refusal.	

Voting Requirements: Simple Majority

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COUNCIL RESOLUTION / Officer Recommendation

Moved Cr Duggin, seconded Cr Jerrett

- 1. That Council APPROVES the development application for the construction of a 'Liquor Store Small' as contained within attachment 1 at Lot 8, 25 Richardson Street, Serpentine subject to the following Conditions:
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Reference: IN24/6982

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iv. A Lighting Plan, ensuring the car parking area and access points to the site and building are appropriately lit to mitigate the risk of antisocial behaviour.

Once approved, development shall be constructed in accordance with the plan.

- d. Prior to the submission of a Building Permit, plans and specifications shall be submitted to and approved by the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale depicting the detailed design of the carpark that ensures curbing design, drainage locations and landscaping areas will enable manoeuvrability of loading and unloading vehicles. Such plans and specifications are to also depict vehicle parking areas, access ways, customer paths and crossovers being designed, constructed, sealed, kerbed, drained, line marked and thereafter maintained to the satisfaction of the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale. This infrastructure must be fully constructed prior to commencement of the use.
- e. Prior to the submission of a Building Permit, A Landscaping Plan shall be submitted to and approved by the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale. The Landscaping Plan shall include all areas of retained vegetation and proposed additional planting. Once approved all landscaping is to be installed and maintained prior to occupancy of the development to the satisfaction of the Shire.
- f. All stormwater shall be directed so stormwater is disposed of within the property, to the satisfaction of the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale. Direct disposal of stormwater onto the road, neighbouring properties, watercourses, and drainage lines is not permitted.

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10.1.2 - Section 31 Reconsideration - Proposed Educational Establishment - Lot 218, 575 Abernethy Road, Oakford (PA23/588)				
Responsible Officer:	Manager Statutory Planning and Compliance			
Senior Officer:	Director Development Services			
Disclosure of Officer's Interest:	No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has an interest to declare in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1995.			

Authority / Discretion

Quasi-Judicial	When Council determines an application/matter that directly affect a person's right and interests. The judicial character arises from the obligation to abide by the principles of natural justice. Examples of quasi-judicial authority include local planning applications, building licences, applications for other permits/licences (e.g. under Health Act, Dog Act or Local Laws) and other decisions that may be appealable to the State Administrative Tribunal.
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Proponent: Element Advisory Pty Ltd

Owner: Free Reformed School Association

Date of Receipt: 18 January 2024

Lot Area: 37.31 hectares

Local Planning Scheme No. 3 Zoning: 'Rural'

Metropolitan Region Scheme Zoning: 'Rural'

Report Purpose

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider a Responsible Authority Report (RAR) (**attachment 1**) prepared for a development application for an 'Educational Establishment' at Lot 218, 575 Abernethy Road, Oakford. The application proposes a combined kindergarten to year 12 campus, with an ultimate capacity of 1,200 students.

The development application was initially refused by the Metro Outer Joint Development Assessment Panel (MODAP) at its meeting of 5 December 2023 for the following reasons:

- "1. The development is considered to have an adverse impact on the existing road network, due to the volume of traffic generated by the development relying primarily on a single intersection to access the site.
- 2. The proposed development has not provided sufficient information to demonstrate appropriate road infrastructure will be provided to address traffic generated.
- 3. Inadequate provision of pedestrian infrastructure has been provided, inconsistent with Operational Policy 2.4 Planning for School Sites."



The reasons for refusal focussed on the issue of traffic, road and pedestrian infrastructure.

Subsequently, the applicant lodged an appeal with the State Administrative Tribunal (SAT). Through the SAT process, the applicant sought to address the reasons for refusal through offering additional information and seeking support for additional conditions for an approval (attachment 2). These additional conditions deal with, inter alia, the applicant seeking to construct roundabout intersection improvements to Abernethy Road and Kargotich Road, and the provision of additional pedestrian infrastructure.

Based on the additional information submitted, the SAT has invited the MODAP to reconsider its decision under Section 31 of the *Planning and Development (Development Assessment Panels) Regulations 2011.* As part of this process, the Shire is required to provide a new RAR to the MODAP for consideration.

The previous merits based assessment of the original application demonstrated a degree of alignment to the planning framework, but misalignment in terms of traffic, road and pedestrian infrastructure issues. The application, as mentioned, has been updated to include a response to these issues, and is subject to fresh assessment in this report.

Relevant Previous Decisions of Council

Ordinary Council Meeting - 14 December 2020 - OCM278/11/23 - COUNCIL RESOLUTION / Officer Recommendation

That Council RESOLVES the following Responsible Authority Report Recommendation:

- 1. That the Metro Outer Joint Development Assessment Panel REFUSES the development application for the proposed Educational Establishment at Lot 218, 575 Abernethy Road, Oakford, as contained within attachment 2, for the following reasons:
 - a. The development is considered to represent an adverse impact on the existing road environment, due to the volume of traffic generated by the development relying primarily on a single intersection to access the site and such intersection failing to provide a safe level of service.
 - b. The proposed development has not provided sufficient information to demonstrate how infrastructure issues will be addressed, or that the development is capable of being staged in a viable manner according to current infrastructure levels.
 - c. There is no certainty to the adequate provision of pedestrian or vehicle infrastructure, insofar that there is no allocated funding to undertake these works. The expected cost of full pedestrian and road infrastructure improvements is expected to be between \$5m to \$10m, taking account of the need for land acquisition, utility changes, clearing permits, offsets etc. The development is considered to have an adverse impact on the existing locality, due to the volume of traffic generated by the development relying primarily on a single intersection to access the site.

Background

Existing Development

The subject site is 37.31ha in area and located within the rural area of Oakford. The site is zoned 'Rural' under Local Planning Scheme No. 3 (LPS3) and adjoins Kargotich Road, beyond which is 'Rural Residential' zoned land to the east. The site is bound by Kargotich Road to the east and Abernethy Road to the north. The site consists of undeveloped pastureland and scattered mature trees. There are strands of vegetation along the lot boundaries and fence lines.





Figure 1: Aerial Locality

Initial Development

The initial application sought approval for an 'Educational Establishment' comprising of the following components:

- An ultimate capacity of 1,200 students across the primary and secondary campus:
 - 432 primary school students (Years K-6) two streams;
 - 768 secondary school students (Years 7-12) four streams;
 - 45 primary school teachers;
 - 80 secondary school teachers;
 - 25 Administration staff.
- A staged development, which would see the construction of the secondary school component developed prior to the primary school.
- Operational hours:
 - Students arriving at the site at approximately 8:15am;
 - First classes beginning at 8:40am;
 - School finish times 3:00pm for primary and 3:15pm for secondary;
 - Unspecified extracurricular or outside of school hour activities are likely to occur during evenings or on weekends.
- A series of classrooms and learning facilities including; science buildings, a library, visual arts and music.
- Administrative buildings.



- Courtyards and hardcourt play areas.
- · Ovals for sporting activities and events.
- Maintenance facilities.
- 564 carparking bays.
- Internal road network on the periphery of the site.
- Landscaping and a central vegetated drainage corridor.

The site plan and perspectives of the proposal are shown following. The development plans in full are contained within **attachment 3**.

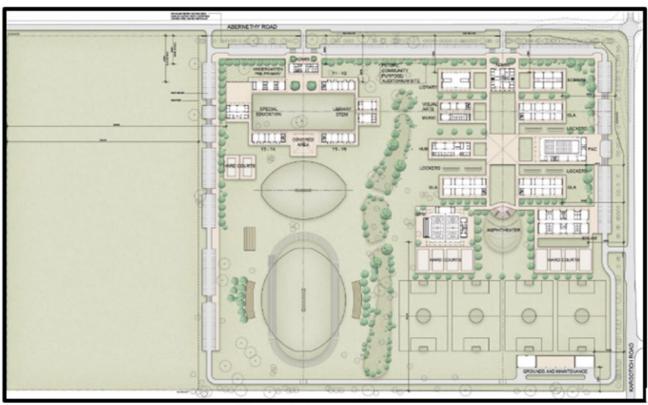


Figure 2: Site layout plan



Figure 3: Perspective of the gymnasium



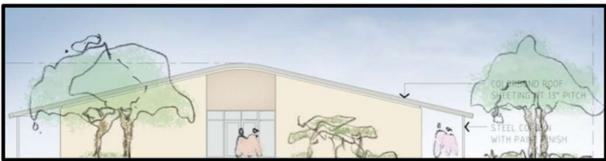


Figure 4: Perspective of a secondary classroom

The Officer assessment of that original application, is summarised in the following table:

Question orderly proper planning?	and	The Officer assessment concluded that, due to the issues pertaining to traffic, road and pedestrian infrastructure absences and uncertainties, the application was not consistent with orderly and proper planning of the locality.
Land	use	With the subject land being zoned Rural, the use class of Educational

acceptability?

ational Establishment was a 'D' or discretionary use within the 'Rural' zone. Discretion needed to be applied to determine whether or not to grant development approval.

This was assessed according to the zone based objectives of the Rural zone. This determined as follows:

Objective 1 - "To provide for the maintenance or enhancement of specific local rural character."

Whilst the proposal by way of land use, is a land use that can be considered within the 'Rural' zone, careful consideration should be given to the form, scale, degree and extent of development to ensure that it would not detract from the locality. The size of the site and setback of development were considered to help manage the form of development in a way that did not detract from the local rural character of the area.

Objective 2 - "To protect broad acre agricultural activities such as cropping and grazing and intensive uses such as horticulture as primary uses, with other rural pursuits and rural industries as secondary uses in circumstances where they demonstrate compatibility with the primary use."

In terms of established rural uses in the locality the dominant productive rural use is grazing. The Local Planning Strategy mapping of this site for other rural uses showed low capacity for annual horticulture, perennial horticulture and dryland cropping activities. Instead, 50-70% of the site was shown to have a moderate to high capability for grazing activities.

Objective 3 - "To maintain and enhance the environmental qualities of the landscape, vegetation, soils and water bodies including groundwater, to protect sensitive areas especially the natural valley and watercourse systems from damage."

The site was noted to be in an environmentally sensitive area, being within a 'floodplain'. Additionally, the site featured scattered local native Casuarina



Obesa or Swamp She-Oaks trees. These landscape features needed to be suitably responded to in the form of arrangement of development, management of fill and drainage, and revegetation / landscaping opportunities.

Objective 4 - "To provide for the operation and development of existing, future and potential rural land uses by limiting the introduction of sensitive land uses in the Rural zone."

The presence of a school was noted to potentially compromise the ability of neighbouring lots to be used for grazing purposes (i.e. cattle, sheep, horses), depending on scale and intensity of farming proposed.

Objective 5 - "To provide for a limited range of non-rural land uses, only where they have demonstrated a direct benefit to the local community and are compatible with surrounding rural uses."

It was noted that the intent of the zone under LPS3 was to allow for land uses which provide benefit to the local community and do not adversely impact surrounding rural uses. Officers considered the proposal for an 'Educational Establishment' could be consistent with this, by facilitating the expansion of the existing private community-based facility within the Shire.

Local
Planning
Policy 4.26 Development
in the Rural
Zone
(LPP4.26)

LPP4.26 acknowledged that a wide range of 'non-rural' land uses can be considered for approval within the 'Rural' zone, according to LPS3. LPP4.26 assists with the consideration of these 'non-rural' land uses in that it identifies potentially beneficial uses, which 'Educational Establishments' are identified as. Potentially beneficial land uses are to be assessed against the following considerations according to LPP4.26:

- A benefit analysis of the proposal to ensure the development is beneficial to the local community;
- Whether rural uses are impacted by the proposal on the site or on surrounding land;
- Built form character; and
- Impacts to traffic, amenity and other external impacts.

Officers considered that broadly the development as a private 'Educational Establishment' provided a degree of benefit to the local community. The size and extent of the proposal, as most of the site (25.7ha of the 37.3ha) is to be utilised for the school, did provide capability for the balance of the land for rural uses to occur (11.57ha). Built form character was considered to reflect rural character, with an approach which adopted expansive yet simple building forms, mimicking elements like large rural buildings.

Form of Development

Schedule 4 of LPS3. Section 4.2 required development in the 'Rural' zone to be set back 20m from the primary street boundary and 10m to other lot boundaries. The proposed site layout was compliant with this requirement. Given site layout and building spacing, it was considered that the built form of the site would not dominate the streetscapes adjacent to the site, and would ensure opportunities for natural landscape features such as rows of trees and vegetation to be prominent.



Perimeter fencing	The proposal proposed to install a black steel post, garrison styled fence of a 2.4m height on the perimeter of the school site. Officers noted that the height, form and material of the fence was not commonly associated with a rural landscape. It was recommended that the fence be adjusted, if approval was contemplated, to include earth blocks or rammed earth structure with infill garrison.
Operational Policy 2.4 - Planning for School Sites (OP24)	The original proposal was found to be generally not aligned with the Policy, due to the issues associated with traffic management, road and pedestrian infrastructure. The existing local road network was noted to be made up of rural roads, not designed to deal with the volume of traffic that would be generated by the development. In the technical opinion of Officers, it was concluded that the intersection of Abernethy Road and Kargotich Road was not capable of adequate safe operation, given level of service E (for right and through movements without upgrade) and level of service D and C (for right and through movements with minor upgrade of a right turn pocket on Abernethy Road approach).
	In respect of the objective for safe pedestrian and cyclist movement, Officers also considered the original proposal was not acceptable on the basis that it included no detail of extending the existing path network to connect to the development.
	The original Officer assessment did not specifically discuss the question of road frontages, which is contained within the Policy. Specifically, policy provision 3.5.1 states:
	All new school sites must be designed with at least three road frontages. For a primary school, at least one frontage shall be a neighbourhood connector and one frontage shall be a lesser order road (minimum Access Road B). For secondary schools, one frontage shall be an integrator arterial road and one frontage shall be a lesser order road (minimum Access Road B). Cul-de-sacs or laneways are not acceptable roads adjacent to school sites.
	It should be noted however, that policy provision 1.2 states:
	This policy is intended to assist in addressing <u>issues that may arise in residential areas</u> between schools and their surroundings, particularly for traffic and noise generating activities, and mitigation of impacts on existing transport network and services.
	Given the subject land is not within a residential area, the issue of traffic management is focussed primarily on the impacts on existing transport network and services (particularly safety for the community and potential school attendees). This is compared to built up residential neighbourhoods, where the additional 'traffic' issues are often parking, traffic flows, blocking of residential driveways, parking on footpaths, and the general congestion of residential streets. This is why in residential areas, road frontages on at least 3 sides, to distribute and spread traffic in concentrated environments, is relevant, whereas in rural areas such is not.
Traffic	This formed a key concern of the original proposal. In this regard:



- The impact of traffic generated by the development was a material consideration in the assessment of development applications.
- A total of six traffic accidents had occurred near the site between 2018 and 2022.
- A significant number of community objections raised serious concerns that the proposal would adversely impact the locality by way of traffic volume, safety and congestion.
- The TIA's traffic distribution modelling suggested that the majority of the traffic associated with the development would utilise the intersection of Kargotich Road/Abernethy Road. This equated to approximately an additional 700 vehicles travelling through the intersection during the peak AM and PM hour, at the full capacity scenario. This was a significant increase to traffic utilising the intersection, and could not be safely accommodated in the technical opinion of Officers, including traffic engineering assessment.
- The analysis undertaken showed that, with a roundabout, the intersection would generally perform at a sufficient level to manage traffic. However no roundabout was proposed by the application.
- The intersection was shown to include unreasonable and undesirable delays, and intersection close to failure. Specifically, it showed:
 - a. An undesirable saturation level (above 0.8);
 - b. A delay of 35s for through traffic, 45s for right hand turn traffic and 24s for left turn traffic;
 - c. Traffic ques of around 24m.
- With a limited upgrade, Level of service was only improved from D to E, which was still a concern as to safe operating capacity. The proposed turning lane for westbound traffic approaching along Abernethy Rd, was only 15m in length, only two or three vehicles could utilise it. Given the still significant wait times for traffic turning right from Abernethy Road onto Kargotich Road northbound, traffic may still queue beyond the turning lane, reducing the intersection back to a single lane in any case. This design solution was also based upon the first stage of the school only and did not address the full capacity of 1,200 students proposed. Accordingly, this secondary solution did not adequately address concerns regarding traffic volume and safety, pointing again towards the need to ensure a suitable intersection upgrade prior to this development proceeding.
- The traffic impacts were considered to have the potential to adversely impact driver behaviours. Behavioural impacts included an increased likelihood that vehicles would attempt to take risky manoeuvres or timing when entering the intersection.
- To contemplate either a staged or full development approval with the current intersection, would not represent orderly and proper planning.



- Moreover, the roundabout was considered fundamental to an approval of the development and without it the road network was incapable of adequately facilitating the traffic generated.
- The applicant also proposed to require their school buses to leave the site in a west direction on Abernethy Road. On review, the road quality to the west of the site on Abernethy Road was not of a sufficient quality to cater for the buses. Neither would this significantly reduce the number of vehicles or delays at the intersection, given the large volume of traffic expected to be generated by parents leaving the site.
- To the west, Abernethy Road was rated as a very poor asset. Further, it was very limited and highly restricted in terms of upgrading, given the significant arch of trees, known as the 'cathedral of trees', which required protection. Accordingly, it would be unsafe for bus movements to be directed in a west bound direction.



Figure 5: Abernethy Road extent

- Once through the intersection, Officers considered the provision of an auxiliary turn lane of approximately 32m would support efficient access to the site. The traffic turning into the high school (red) would not result in queues impacting buses or traffic moving to the primary school entry (blue).



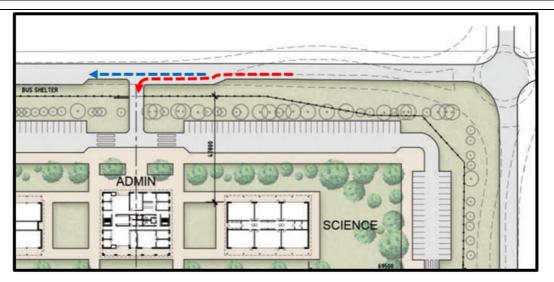


Figure 6: Provided auxiliary turn lane into first access point

Noise

- The acoustic report provided by the applicant considered the following key noise sources:
 - · Noise from vehicle movements within the development;
 - · Outdoor play areas such as basketball courts;
 - Mechanical services such as plant noise;
 - Breakout noise from the gymnasium and associated activities; and
 - Outdoor noise from the amphitheatre.
- The acoustic report provided a depiction of all noise generated accumulatively by the development in the following Figure:

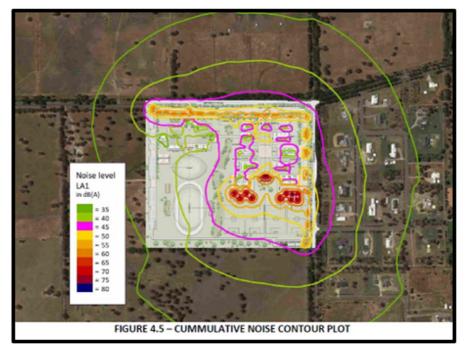


Figure 7: Cumulative noise generated by the development



	 The modelling demonstrated a general level of compliance with the <i>Noise Regulations</i>. The highest noise level received at the closest nearby residences would be between 40-45dB. This meets the assigned noise level for L_{A10} and L_{A1} noise which were 45dB and 55dB respectively. By way of additional justification, the acoustic report rationalised that the noise generated by existing traffic on Kargotich Road (50-55dB) was greater than that which would be generated by the development. Officers considered as the development maintained general compliance with the <i>Noise Regulations</i> it would be in keeping with the expected amenity of the locality, by way of noise. However, it was also considered reasonable that of approval was considered, additional design measures should be applied to further reduce and mitigate noise levels received by sensitive receptors in the locality.
Environment	- The mapped multi use wetland in the area no longer provided significant environmental value and functions, and would not be compromised by the proposed development.
	- Several submissions raised concern relating to the possible impacts on local fauna and removal of habitat for endangered Black Cockatoos.
	- The application would result in the removal of a significant portion of trees. However, the intent of the proposal was to retain the significant rows of trees on lot boundaries (shelter belts), as well as propose significant revegetation across the site.
	- The application would impact several native She-Oaks, scattered centrally within the site. The environment section of the applicant's preliminary site investigation report detailed that these native She-Oaks may provide nesting habitat for Black Cockatoos. However, the report also acknowledges that the site was historically cleared of vegetation for the purposes of farming and grazing. The earliest aerial imagery (70 years ago) indicated that overtime scattered regrowth had occurred, meaning many of the trees had been established for some time. This regrowth has been compromised overtime as some trees were removed. As there was not a significant volume or community of trees, it was considered there would be limited quality nesting habitats.
	 While removal of existing vegetation was proposed, which does form part of the character of the locality, the site was zoned 'Rural' enabling land uses to be contemplated that required the clearing to facilitate the use. Furthermore, the application provided a concept landscape masterplan which would see significant revegetation efforts undertaken throughout the site.
Stormwater	- The applicant supplied a Water Management Strategy (WMS) which proposed the following methodology:
	Creation of a 'living stream' centrally to the site, acting as a drainage swale to detain stormwater events.



	 The grading of the drainage swale from the north down to the south, to prevent extended ponding of water and to maintain the natural direction of surface water movement.
	 Overflow from large storm events to be discharged at a release point to the south of the drainage swale.
	 Managing water quality through filtering stormwater via grassed swales and the vegetated drainage swale.
	 Minimum habitable building floor levels having a 0.3m clearance from the top water level of the drainage swale.
	- The methods identified in the WMS were supported in principle, though their effectiveness would need to be confirmed through undertaking site analysis, engineering assessment and preparation of a detailed SWMP.
State Planning Policy 3.7 - Planning in Bushfire	- The subject site was located within a Bushfire Prone Area and subject to assessment under SPP3.7, which classifies Educational Establishments as 'vulnerable' land uses requiring the submission of a Bushfire Management Plan (BMP) to be jointly endorsed by the local government and the Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES).
Prone Areas (SPP3.7)	- DFES has provided a submission not objecting to the development. The BMP would be required to achieve consistency with the Guidelines for Planning in Bushfire Prone Areas (Guidelines).
	- DFES also commented on the Bushfire Emergency Evacuation Plan (BEEP) provided within the application, highlighting that the considerations within Clause 5.5.4 of the Guidelines would be relevant to the BEEP.
Local Planning Policy 1.6 - (LPP 1.6) - Public Art for Major Development s	- If approval had been contemplated, a condition for percent for art would have been imposed.
Servicing strategy	- The application indicated it would be connected to reticulated water, power and appropriate waste water system.
Decision	- The decision was for refusal, based on the issues which were considered to compromise orderly and proper planning. These being the noted traffic issues not adequately addressed, and the road and pedestrian infrastructure requirements not adequately provided for.

Revised Development

New information has now been proposed by the applicant, through the SAT process, in response to the planning refusal. There are no changes to the original proposed plans and technical reports, other than the additional information being added. Thus, the preceding analysis of the original



proposal, as undertaken, remains relevant except for new assessment of the additional information.

The additional information proposed by the applicant in relation to traffic, road and pedestrian infrastructure, is as follows:

- Proposing to make satisfactory arrangements to cede 2,167.58m² of land from Lot 218 on Deposited Plan 202681, free of cost, as required by the Hypergrowth Road Project to enable the construction of the Abernethy Road roundabout.
- Proposing to fully construct the roundabout at the intersection of Abernethy Road and Kargotich Road, prior to the commencement of the School's operations.
- Proposing to fully construct a suitable footpath along Abernethy Road, which links the development to the principal shared path designed along the Tonkin Highway extension.

The following planning assessment deals specifically with this additional information.

Community / Stakeholder Consultation

Initial Consultation Period

The application was initially advertised for a period of 21 days from 21 August 2023 to 11 September 2023 to surrounding landowners within a 500m radius of the subject site, in accordance with LPP1.4 - Consultation for Planning Matters. The application was also advertised on the Shire's website for the same period. At the conclusion of the consultation, 63 submissions were received. This consisted of 44 submissions either objecting or raising concerns with aspects of the proposal and 19 submissions in support of the proposal, or that did not object to it.

The objections and concerns related to the following issues:

- Orderly and proper planning principles lack of a Local Structure Plan or appropriate zoning/designation for this site.
- Traffic safety and existing road infrastructure capacity.
- Visual amenity and rural character.
- Noise and vibrations.
- Privacy impacts to nearby residents.
- Contradicts the intent for the Rural zone in the Local Planning Strategy.
- Strain on groundwater supply.
- Increase to bushfire threat.
- Tree removal and revegetation impacting local fauna and rural character.
- Environmental impacts.
- Burden to telecommunications infrastructure; and
- Lack of direct benefit to the local community.

The full submissions, the applicant's response and Officer comments for this period of advertising are contained within **attachment 4**.

Revised Consultation Period



Following notification of the reconsideration, advertising was undertaken for a period of 21 days from 22 January 2024 to 12 February 2024 to surrounding landowners within a 500m radius of the subject site. This specifically presented the additional information, pertaining to the details now forming part of the application (roundabout and pathway connection). At the conclusion of the second consultation, 17 submissions were received, 15 of which either object to or raise concerns with the proposal and two providing support. This was a reduction in the level of objection received, or concerns raised, compared to the original proposal.

The objections and concerns relate to the following issues with are discussed under the relevant headings of the report:

- Traffic safety and existing road infrastructure capacity;
- · Visual amenity and rural character;
- Noise and vibrations;
- Privacy impacts to nearby residents;
- Contradicts the intent for the Rural zone in the Local Planning Strategy;
- Strain on groundwater supply;
- Tree removal and revegetation impacting local fauna and rural character;
- Environmental impacts;
- Burden to telecommunications infrastructure; and
- · Lack of direct benefit to the local community.

The full submissions, the applicant's response and Officer comments for this advertising period are contained within **attachment 5**.

Government Agency Responses

As the additional information pertains to traffic, road and pedestrian infrastructure additions to the original proposal, Main Roads WA were re-referred the application for comment. MRWA provided a submission which raised no objections to the development.

In terms of other agencies that were referred the original application, the following outlines their respective positions.

Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER)

DWER do not support the development in its current form. However, DWER made recommendations to address issues including groundwater management, DWER's works licence process, site and soil evaluation, flood management, native vegetation clearing and stormwater management. Advice was also provided from DWER's Noise Branch providing considerations relating to amenity impacts of the proposal.

Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES)

DFES provided a submission that raised no objections to the development. DFES provided advice regarding the assessment of the Bushfire Emergency Plan and a minor modification to the Bushfire Attack Level assessment.

Department of Health (DoH)

DoH provided comments on wastewater management, drinking water management, mosquito management and chemical hazards.



Department of Education (DoE)

DoE provided a submission that raised no objections to the development.

Water Corporation

Water Corporation provided a submission advising that the development is situated 2.5km from the nearest extension of the water network and 3.2km from the nearest suitable connection point to the sewer network.

Statutory Environment

Legislation

- Planning and Development Act 2005
- Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015
- Environmental Protection (Noise) Regulations 1997
- Metropolitan Regional Scheme

State Government Policies

- State Planning Policy 2.5 Rural Planning
- State Planning Policy 3.7 Planning in Bushfire Prone Areas
- State Planning Policy 7.0 Design of the Built Environment
- Operational Policy 2.4 Planning for School Sites

Local Planning Framework

- Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale Local Planning Strategy (Strategy)
- Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale Local Planning Scheme No.3 (LPS3)
- Local Planning Policy 1.4 Public Consultation on Planning Matters Policy (LPP1.4)
- Local Planning Policy 1.6 Public Art for Major Developments (LPP1.6)
- Local Planning Policy 2.4 Water Sensitive Design (LPP2.4)
- Local Planning Policy 4.15 Bicycle Facilities Policy (LPP 4.15)
- Local Planning Policy 4.16 Tree Retention and Planting (LPP4.16)
- Local Planning Policy 4.26 Development in the Rural Zone (LPP4.26)

Planning Assessment

The applicant has provided additional information and draft conditions to support the reconsideration of the previous decision. These form the basis of discussion following:

Bus Turnaround

The applicant proposes to introduce a bus turnaround, in order to have buses utilise the Abernethy Road and Kargotich Road intersection for all inbound and outbound movements. The applicant has proposed a condition to require this.



Officer Comment

It is considered that the bus turnaround area will ensure the safe manoeuvring of buses given the local road network does not support bus movements in a western direction along Abernethy Road. This is supported by Officers and is considered to suitably address the issues about buses utilising Abernethy Road and Nicholson Road, west of the site.

Ceding of land for future roundabout

The applicant proposes to cede 2,167.58m² of land from Lot 218 (the subject land), free of cost, to enable the construction of the Abernethy Road roundabout.

Officer Comment

This reflects the required land to be able to deliver the future roundabout. Given this infrastructure is required for the development, the land ceding is supported.

Requirement to build the roundabout

The applicant now seeks to deliver the roundabout, at the intersection of Abernethy Road and Kargotich Road, and for this to be fully constructed by the applicant prior to the commencement of the School's operations. Associated with this proposal, however, is a request that the Shire would use its best endeavours in order to try to secure grant funding for the cost, estimated to be in the vicinity of \$6m.

Officer Comment

By proposing to be responsible to deliver the roundabout, the application now addresses what was a key reason for refusal. Officers do note, however, some uncertainty in respect of how securing of grant monies could impact this. The subject intersection does require upgrading, and it is possible that some grant monies may be provided for this to occur. Officers consider, therefore, that an associated condition needs to be worded such that:

- on the one hand, the applicant needs to be responsible to deliver the roundabout should no grant be secured;
- but, on the other hand, should the Shire receive a partial grant and thus be responsible to deliver the roundabout, the applicant should be required to make a contribution to bring up that grant to meet the full cost to deliver the roundabout.

In respect of the second point, given the intersection qualifies as a State Government blackspot (rather than a Federal), a grant would likely be received for up to two thirds of the cost (circa \$4m), meaning a shortfall of one third (\$2m) would remain. A suitable condition needs to be developed to address this issue, for such arrangement to be future proofed.

Footpath connection

The applicant has proposed to deliver a suitable footpath along Abernethy Road, which links the development to the principal shared path designed along the Tonkin Highway extension. This seeks to provide safe pedestrian connectivity to and from the School.

Officer comment

It is considered that this condition would satisfy the Shire's initial concerns in relation to the lack of pedestrian infrastructure. This would also need to be supported by suitable bike parking provision, with this needed to be captured through a condition.



Based on this additional information, Officers are now of the opinion, subject to suitable conditions, that the proposal can be recommended to the Development Assessment Panel, for approval.

Options

Option 1

That Council RESOLVES the following Responsible Authority Report Recommendation:

- 1. That the Metro Outer Joint Develoment Assessment Panel APPROVES the development application for the proposed Educational Establishment at Lot 218, 575 Abernethy Road, Oakford, suject to the following conditions:
 - a. The development is to be carried out in compliance with plans and documentation listed below and endorsed with the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale stamp, except where amended by other conditions of its consent.

Plans and Specification	Development Plans dated June 2022			
	Traffic Impact Assessment dated July 2023			
	Supplemental Traffic Impact Assessment dated October 2023			
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Option 1 is recommended.

Conclusion

This application seeks to address the reasons for refusal of the initial 'Educational Establishment' application. It is considered that the additional information provided, supported by suitable conditions, can adequately address the refusal reasons in relation to traffic and road and pedestrian infrastructure. It is therefore recommended that the application be recommended for approval to the DAP.

Attachments (available under separate cover)

- 10.1.2 attachment 1 Responsible Authority Report (E24/1694)
- 10.1.2 attachment 2 Additional information and conditions provided by the Applicant (IN24/2264)
- **10.1.2 attachment 3 Development Plans (E23/14510)**
- 10.1.2 attachment 4 Initial Summary of Submissions (E23/14511)
- 10.1.2 attachment 5 Second Summary of Submissions (E24/933)

Alignment with our Council Plan 2023-2033

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1.	1. Plan for the sustainable growth of the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale				
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	Liveable				
2.	2. Improve maintenance and investment in roads and paths				
	Connected				
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Thriving

Financial Implications

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Risk has been assessed on the Officer Options:

uo				Risk Assessment			Risk Mitigation
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Moved Cr Bishop, seconded President Coales

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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5/0

Reason for difference to Officer Recommendation:

- 1. Providing a shared use agreement enables the addition of community infrastructure to support recreation outside of school operating hours, and
- The establishment of a community reference group would enable the school to work collaboratively with the surrounding community to manage its development and ongoing operations.



10.1.3 - Approval of Local Planning Policy 2.8 Public Open Space Standards (SJ4359)					
Responsible Officer:	Manager Strategic Planning				
Senior Officer:	Director Development Services				
Disclosure of Officer's Interest:	No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has an interest to declare in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1995.				

Authority / Discretion

Legislative	Includes adopting local laws, local planning schemes and policies.
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Report Purpose

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider the submissions received on Draft Local Planning Policy 2.8: Public Open Space Standards (LPP2.8) (refer **attachment 1**) following public advertising. This is in accordance with Clause 4(3) of the Deemed Provisions of Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale Local Planning Scheme No. 3.

Officers recommend that Council endorse the policy, in light of submissions received and the policy purpose of updating the Shire's approach to public open space standards. Minor modifications are recommended in terms of the POS classification hierarchy, in order to align the classification of Neighbourhood Parks with that provided under 'Liveable Neighbourhoods', and with a preference for this general arrangement over smaller / pocket parks.

Relevant Previous Decisions of Council

Ordinary Council Meeting - 20 November 2023 - OCM275/11/23 - COUNCIL RESOLUTION / Officer Recommendation

That Council, pursuant to Clause 4(1) of the Deemed Provisions, RESOLVES to prepare Draft Local Planning Policy 2.8 Public Open Space Standards and REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer to advertise Local Planning Policy 2.8 Public Open Space Standards in accordance with Clause 87 of the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015.

Background

Local Planning Policies (LPPs) perform a function in the local planning framework to support planning decision making, by assisting in the guidance of discretion on planning matters.

Proposed Draft LPP 2.8 seeks to:

- Ensure that public open space (POS) is delivered in a manner which optimises community benefit:
- Provides local contextualisation of the Western Australian Planning Commission's (WAPC's) Liveable Neighbourhoods Operational Policy (Liveable Neighbourhoods); and
- Guide Council, Officers, and applicants in the planning for POS.



It also seeks to ensure sustainable, cost-effective maintenance and asset management throughout whole of life of POS.

The LPP is set up to address the following:

- Objective, scope, and purpose;
- 2. Policy provisions;

General		Distribution of POS	•	Development of POS
Sport POS design		Location of POS	•	Co-location of POS with School Sites
Community Purpose Sites		POS in Industrial Areas	•	Landscape and Vegetation Management Plans
Urban Water Management within POS	•	Irrigation of POS	•	Multiple Use Corridors
Playgrounds	•	Barbeques	•	Toilet Facilities
Cash-in-Lieu of POS	•	Viable asset management	•	Consultation

Schedule 1 - Public Open Space Requirements

Schedule 2 - Public Open Space Hierarchy & Development Requirements

Schedule 3 - Play Equipment Items

Community / Stakeholder Consultation

Draft LPP2.8 was publicly advertised for submissions pursuant to Clause 4 of the Deemed Provisions of the Scheme, from 6 December 2023 to 22 January 2024. Three submissions were received (refer **attachment 2** Summary of Submissions).

The submissions raised the following key points:

- support for a preference towards sustainably sourced wooden based nature play equipment over plastic equipment;
- preference to also consider natural playground surface treatments beyond rubberised 'soft-fall";
- encouragement to consider collaboration with local design companies which have been innovating in nature based design, and some more adventurous design options;
- general support for the policy provisions, though a request for further time to make submissions.

In respect of this feedback, the support for natura based sustainably sourced equipment remains an important part of the Policy, and is supported by the submissions received. This will also assist Council in considering options for playground renewal, which (if adopted) will see the Policy shape replacing existing plastic assets with these sustainably sourced wooden options.



In terms of playground surface treatments, the option to consider sand and wood chip treatments does at times come at the cost of accessibility and concerns of safety. In terms of accessibility, play equipment in the middle of a sand / woodchip surface becomes inaccessible to people in wheel chairs, and can create barriers to parents assisting an elder sibling with a swing (for example) if they have a younger sibling in a pram. There have been previously noted concerns as to safety, and the Shire has indeed chosen to replace some of its playground locations (Paterson Street, Mundijong) with soft fall materials which address these two issues. The Policy is considered appropriate to encourage the use of soft fall where appropriate, but can consider other options in limited circumstances where such could be justified.

In terms of the length of time of advertising the policy, this was extended to afford people time to provide feedback.

Statutory Environment

Legislation

- Planning and Development Act 2005
- Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015

State Government Policies

• Liveable Neighbourhoods

Local Planning Framework

• Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale Local Planning Scheme No. 3

Planning Assessment

The draft LPP seeks to articulate the Shire's position on the planning, provision, location, design, development, and interim maintenance of POS. It is intended to be considered by applicants, administration, stakeholders and Council in the design, assessment, and determination of Scheme amendments; structure plans; local development plans; subdivision applications and development applications.

The stated objectives of the draft LPP are to ensure Public Open Space areas provide a balance of the following:

- Sufficient area for active recreation sporting activities;
- A diversity of recreational uses and options for the community;
- Hydrozoned parks, ensuring that useable and sustainable areas of irrigated turf are provided;
- Natural areas protecting and enabling the enhancement of local natural assets and habitats whilst providing the community with managed access;
- Incorporation of water sensitive urban design principles;
- Appropriate levels of amenity, in accordance with Schedule 2;
- Environmental sustainability;
- Effective playground equipment with a preference to sustainable sourced wooden based nature play equipment over plastic equipment, that is accessible to all ages and abilities, in accordance with Schedule 2 and 3;



- Sufficient space and separation to enable shade trees and an increase in canopy cover;
- Economically sustainable parks that ensures easy and cost-effective maintenance.

With respect of formulating the draft LPP, a cross functional team was formed to analyse the current situation and issues that were emerging in terms of POS provision. The following was documented:

- Unclear policy guidance in respect of what constitutes 'suitable design' of POS, contemplating functionality, accessibility, connectivity, useability, asset provisions and safety in POS design;
- The acceptable circumstances for drainage integration within POS, especially the upper limits whereby drainage may be considered as a suitable integrated element;
- Absent policy guidance in respect of the situations whereby toilets may be suitable for design and inclusion within POS:
- How to manage shade within POS, which contributes both to year round useability and also achievement towards urban tree canopy objectives of the Shire's Urban and Rural Forest Strategy 2018-2028;
- Complementary infrastructure design to be associated with the provision of small activity nodes such as BBQ areas:
- How cash in lieu of POS matters outside Development Contribution Areas are to be considered in exceptional circumstance;
- How imperative it was to effect good design in circumstances of considering colocation, to ensure oval functionality (size / configuration / flexibility / accessibility) is not compromised;
- How multiple use corridors needed a closer design focus, given situations of inconsistent provision which has led (in some circumstances) to high asset costs associated with the maintenance and management.

State government has also required reduced allocations of groundwater for use when the rate of growth and new POS provision is only accelerating in the Shire. This is also compounded by the unique microclimate of the Shire, whereby cooling from the sea breeze is not achieved to the same degree which areas closer to the coast enjoy. This places a large expectation on POS to be a green and well hydrated component of the landscape, that can aid in cooling the microclimate, to combat the broader macroclimatic features of the weather on a particular day.

The modifications recommended as part of endorsement, pertain to the 'Hierarchy Table' section of the Policy that details land requirements (acceptable size) to the functional class (type) of open space. The modification will be specifically addressing the criteria set for 'Neighbourhood' POS type and amended to ensure that the draft LPP2.8 is consistent with the standard 'Liveable Neighbourhoods' POS provisions. The Policy also contains preference for this form of POS over pocket parks, which create high maintenance costs and provide limited functional use.

In considering the submissions received, and following final Officer review, it is recommended that Council proceed with the LPP with minor modifications.



Options Option 1

That Council:

- 1. Pursuant to Clause 4(3) of the Deemed Provisions of Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale Local Planning Scheme No. 3, RESOLVES TO PROCEED with Local Planning Policy 2.8: Public Open Space Standards, subject to modifications as contained within **attachment 3**.
- 2. Pursuant to Clause 4(4) of the Deemed Provisions of Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale Local Planning Scheme No. 3, PUBLISH notice of Local Planning Policy 2.8: Public Open Space Standards in accordance with Clause 87 of the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015.*

Option 2

That Council resolves NOT TO PROCEED with draft LPP2.8: Public Open Space Standards and provides reasons for the decision.

Option 1 is recommended.

Conclusion

The new LPP2.8 relates to the standards of the provisions of POS within the Shire, to ensure that POS is delivered in a manner which optimises community benefit, provides local interpretation of the WAPC Liveable Neighbourhoods Operational Policy, guides Council, Officers, and applicants in planning for POS. It seeks to ensure sustainable design and asset management, and across the landscape a more effective provision of this important element of land use.

The community consultation process resulted in three submissions being received, raising points regarding the implementation of future sustainable and natural playground equipment and materials, and support on the general approach towards the Shire's considerations to improved planning and provision for POS standards. Officers recommend minor modification to the 'Hierarchy table' in accordance with 'Liveable Neighbourhoods'.

Attachments (available under separate cover)

- 10.1.3 attachment 1 Draft LPP2.8 Public Open Space Standards (E23/14483)
- **10.1.3 attachment 2 Summary of Submissions (E23/16909)**
- **10.1.3 attachment 3 Schedule of Modifications (E24/1985)**

Alignment with our Council Plan 2023-2033

	Thriving					
1.	Plan for the sustainable growth of the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale					
2.	Advocate and attract businesses to grow and thrive, increasing opportunities for local employment					
3.	Strengthen and grow the local tourism industry					
4.	Ensure sustainable and optimal use of Shire resources and finances					
Liveable						
3.	Preserve and enhance our natural places, parks, trails and reserves					
4.	Invest in facilities and amenities to meet current and future needs					



5. Increase our capacity to reduce, recover and recycle waste to improve sustainability and reduce impacts on the environment

Connected

- 2. Contribute to a well-connected, accessible and health community
- **3.** Empower the community to engage with the Shire and collaborate on matters that are important to them
- 4. Facilitate an inclusive community that celebrates our history and diversity

Financial Implications

The draft policy also includes a draft provision on the consideration of specified area rating, where a developer seeks to impose a level of POS creation which exceeds the standard set through the LPP. Such examples could include created water bodies, elevated board walks and structure surrounding such water bodies, highly embellished boulevard treatments including ornamental lighting, significant adventure playgrounds, etc. There is also an alternative avenue to specified area rating identified, which includes an extended maintenance period because of POS development above set standards. This would be from the required two years to seven years.

The LPP may also create expectations for the standard of future public open spaces provided by the Shire (including upgrading and renewal) with possible additional costs. It would be important for the Shire to lead by example in providing improved POS as part of park renewal, which set the keynote for POS expectations to be delivered by developers.

Risk Implications

Risk has been assessed on the Officer Options and Implications:

u				Risk Assessment			Risk Mitigation
Officer Option	Risk Description	Controls	Principal Consequence Category	Likelihood	Consequence	Risk Rating	Strategies (to further lower the risk rating if required)
1	Option 1 is considered to address strategic risks for the Shire.						
2	If Council resolves not to proceed with the proposed LPP, the current situation will result in suboptimal POS outcomes for the Shire, community and new lot owners.	Planning Framework	Reputation	Possible	Moderate	MODERATE	Accept Officer Recommendation



Voting Requirements: Simple Majority

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COUNCIL RESOLUTION / Officer Recommendation

Moved Cr Duggin, seconded Cr Bishop

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10.1.4 - Consideration to Initiate Amendment No. 2 to Local Planning Scheme No. 3 - Amendment to Development Contribution Plans (SJ3048)				
Responsible Officer:	Manager Strategic Planning			
Senior Officer:	Director Development Services			
Disclosure of Officer's Interest:	No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has an interest to declare in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1995.			

Authority / Discretion

Legislative	Includes adopting local laws, local planning schemes and policies.
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Report Purpose

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider Scheme Amendment No. 2, which seeks to update the Development Contribution Plans contained within Local Planning Scheme No. 3. This report is the first step, being consideration to initiate the amendment to the Scheme. If initiated, the amendment will be considered by the Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC) for consent to advertise, and also be subject to Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) consideration.

It is recommended that the amendment be initiated, particularly noting it deals with ensuring the Shire's development contribution plans remain aligned to the State Planning Framework, and take account for changes in development areas as a result of recent additions of new urban land within the Shire.

Relevant Previous Decisions of Council

Ordinary Council Meeting - 17 December 2018 - OCM147/12/18 - COUNCIL RESOLUTION / Officer Recommendation - extract.

That Council:

- 2. Pursuant to Part 5, Division 2, Clause 37 of the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015 deems Scheme Amendment 208 to be a Complex scheme amendment in terms of clause 35(1) and deems it satisfactory for advertising.
- 3. Pursuant to Section 75 of the Planning and Development Act 2005 (as amended) and regulation 35(1) of the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015 resolves to proceed to advertise Scheme Amendment 208 Byford Development Contribution Scheme to the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale Town Planning Scheme No.2.

Background

The Shire has in place four Development Contribution Plans (DCPs) which enable collection of funds from developers for included infrastructure items within the urban areas of Byford, Mundijong-Whitby and the West Mundijong Industrial area.



These DCPs are as follows:

- The Byford Traditional Infrastructure DCP
- The West Mundijong Industrial Area DCP
- The Mundijong-Whitby Traditional Infrastructure DCP
- The Community Infrastructure DCP

Recent Amendments 207, 208 and 209 to Town Planning Scheme No. 2 (now replaced by Local Planning Scheme No. 3), updated a number of items within the Byford, West Mundijong and Community DCPs, and introduced a new DCP for the Mundijong-Whitby area.

The timeline from advertising the amendments, to final Ministerial approval, took over three years. During that time, the development front within those DCP areas has progressed and further updates to the DCAs and inclusions are now required.

This takes the form of a Complex Amendment to the Local Planning Scheme, and is Amendment No. 2 (attachment 1).

Community / Stakeholder Consultation

Byford and Mundijong Industry Reference Groups (MIRG & BIRG)

Consultation has been undertaken with the MIRG and BIRG groups between November and December 2023 in respect of the inclusions and detail of the proposed Amendment, and feedback received. The revised Amendment 2, which takes into account the feedback, has received agreement (in principle) from both groups.

Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage (DPLH) DCP Team

The Amendment, Scheme Report and updated costings have been shared with the newly formed DCP Team within the DPLH during January 2024. The DPLH DCP Team have advised that they have no objections to the content of the Amendment, and no issue with Council submitting the Amendment to the Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC) for permission to formally advertise the Amendment.

Statutory Environment

Legislation

- Planning and Development Act 2005;
- Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015.

A DCP is incorporated into the Local Planning Scheme by means of a Complex Amendment to that Planning Scheme.

The amendment is therefore required to follow the statutory process set out under the regulations for complex amendments. This process will commence once the amendment is assessed by the WAPC and deemed satisfactory for advertising. This will namely include a 60 day public consultation process.

State Government Policies

• State Planning Policy 3.6 - Infrastructure Contributions (SPP 3.6)

SPP 3.6 specifies the appropriate inclusions, provisions and operating principles for DCPs and the associated DCP Reports. The Amendment complies with those principles.



SPP 3.6 also provides that a DCP report that reflects the provisions of a new Amendment be advertised at the same time as the Scheme Amendment for the DCP. Updated DCP Reports reflecting the provisions of the proposed Amendment are provided as **attachment 2**, **attachment 3** and **attachment 4** to this report.

It is noted that the DCP Reports do not need to be adopted by Council at this time, as the current adopted Reports remain in force until such time that the Amendment is considered "Seriously Entertained" (being submitted to the WAPC for final Ministerial Approval post-advertising and submissions). That said, the Reports will be advertised concurrently with the Amendment, and therefore require Council approval as part of this authorisation to advertise process.

Comment

The key changes proposed in Amendment 2 are as follows:

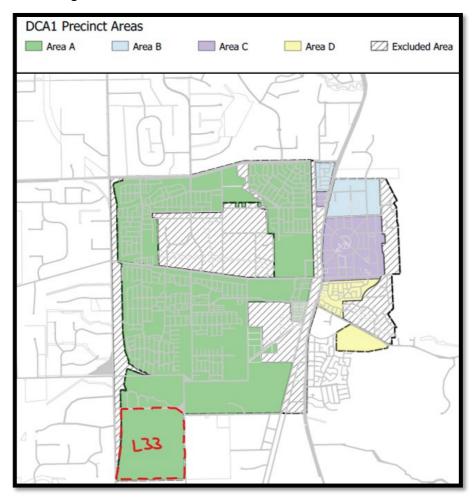
- The inclusion of Lot 33 Hopkinson Road within the DCA1 (Byford Traditional DCP) and DCA4 (Community DCP) boundaries, plus inclusion of the District Open Space (DOS) planned on this site (as detailed within the Local Structure Plan for this lot). The cost of the DOS is to be split between the Byford Traditional DCP (the oval and land) and the Community DCP (the building and lights). The requirements for the additional DOS reflects the now approved Structure Plan for Lot 33, which includes:
 - Provision for a new Public High School site;
 - Provision for a new Public Primary School site;
 - Provision for a centralised District Open Space, accommodating a senior AFL sized oval and space for Community Pavilion, with opportunity for shared use agreement with the adjoining Public Primary School site. This is shown following:



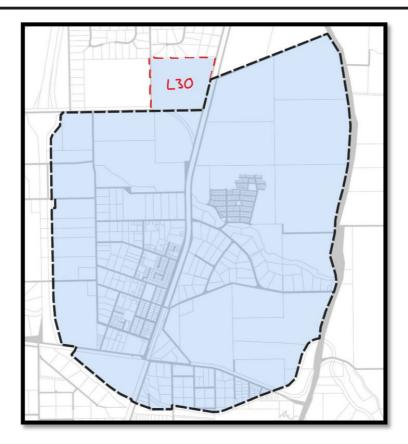


(Please note the above structure plan is still undergoing modifications to reflect the decision of the WAPC to approve the structure plan at the Statutory Planning Committee [SPC] meeting held 12 December 2023).

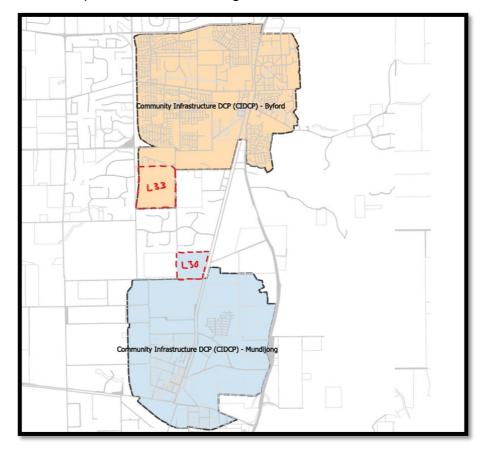
Lot 33 is shown following:



- The inclusion of Lot 30 Soldiers Road within DCA3 (Mundijong - Whitby Traditional DCP) and DCA4 (Community DCP boundaries). There are no additional infrastructure items required as a result of the inclusion of Lot 30, given that there are no further traditional or community items required which have not already been identified. For example, the traditional items already include provisions for Bishop Road, land for public open space and land for drainage which are the common costed items in the DCP. Lot 30 is at the final stages of being zoned Urban under the Metropolitan Region Scheme, and is therefore suitable for inclusion. Unlike DCA1 (Byford Traditional), there are also no Precincts under DCA3.



- The relevant DCP Map for DCA4 now being as follows:





- Extension of the DCP life by 10 years for the West Mundijong DCP (DCA2), and the reprioritisation of road infrastructure delivery to place Bishop Road above Kargotich Road. This reflects the delivery of Tonkin Highway, which will include an interchange at Bishop Road. Placing Bishop Road as short term, reflects this being delivered earlier than Kargotich Road. Also by placing Kargotich Road under longer term, enables grants to also be pursued to assist delivery of the Kargotich Road infrastructure.
- Inclusion of the "Adams Street" portion to the south of the existing "Taylor Street" infrastructure item in the Mundijong-Whitby Urban DCP (DCA3), and the associated Neighbourhood Open Space for that area. This reflects the likely development front and infrastructure requirements.
- Introduction of short, medium and long term timeframes for the staging of infrastructure delivery.

For the purposes of the WAPC review, all changes to the current Scheme are identified in the "comments" pane within the Amendment Report (**attachment 1**). It is noted that the marked-up comments will not be shown in the formally advertised copy (unless requested otherwise by the WAPC).

Details of the above changes and new inclusions, as well as the need and nexus for these items, is detailed within the Scheme Amendment Report text, which will form part of the advertised Amendment.

The forecast changes in DCP rates are discussed under the Financial Implications section.

Options

Option 1

- 1. Pursuant to Part 5 Division 2 Regulation 37(1) of the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015, resolves to PROCEED to advertise (subject to WAPC consents being received) the proposed Scheme Amendment No. 2 to Local Planning Scheme No. 3 for the Development Contribution Plan as contained in attachment 1, with modifications as follows:
 - 1.1 Replacing the text in 'Schedule 7.1 Byford Development Contribution Plan' with the following:

Development Contribution Plan	DCP1
Development Contribution Area Name	Development Contribution Area 1 - Byford
Reference Number on Scheme Map(s)	SCA6/DCA1
Items	Thomas Road (Primary Regional Road) between Tonkin Highway and Wungong South Road:
	Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve,



to achieve a 50-metre-wide road reserve, plus additional land where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections.

- Earthworks for the unconstructed carriageway.
- The construction and upgrade of one carriageway to a Primary Regional Road standard, including intersection treatments and traffic control devices as required.
- Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures.
- · Shared paths.
- Utility removal, relocation and insertion; and
- Associated costs including design and management.

Abernethy Road (Integrator A) between Tonkin Highway reserve and the Perth to Bunbury railway reserve where the portion of Abernethy Road adjacent to the Byford Trotting Complex area incurs only half the cost of road widening, construction and upgrade with the DCP:

- Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve, to achieve a 30-metre-wide road reserve, plus additional land where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections.
- Earthworks for the whole road reserve.
- Complete road construction to a Liveable Neighbourhoods Neighbourhood Connector A standard, including intersection treatments and traffic control devices as required.
- Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures.
- Shared paths.
- Utility removal, relocation and insertion; and
- Associated costs including design and management.

Orton Road (Integrator B) between Tonkin Highway and the South Western Highway:

- Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve, to achieve a 30-metre-wide road reserve, plus additional land where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections.
- Earthworks for the whole road reserve.
- One at-grade rail crossing.
- Complete road construction to a Liveable Neighbourhoods



Integrator B standard, including intersection treatments and traffic control devices as required.

- Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures.
- Shared paths.
- Utility removal, relocation and insertion; and
- Associated costs including design and management.

Note: The construction of the at-grade crossing is subject to agreement between the Road Manager and Rail Infrastructure Manager. The Local Government is responsible to manage communications between all stakeholders, obtain the required approvals and arrange for an Australian Level Crossing Assessment Model (ALCAM) Report and a Rail Safety Report to be undertaken.

In the event that an at-grade rail crossing is not approved, the local government is to apply any funds already collected to an approved alternate rail crossing or if no rail crossing is approved any collected funds shall be applied to the Orton Road infrastructure item generally or other infrastructure items in the DCP.

Kardan Boulevard (Neighbourhood Connector A) between Thomas Road and Abernethy Road:

- Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve, to achieve a 25-metre-wide road reserve from Abernethy Road to Fawcett Road and a 30m wide road reserve from Fawcett Road to Thomas Road, plus additional land where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections.
- Earthworks for the whole road reserve.
- Complete road construction to a Liveable Neighbourhoods Neighbourhood Connector A standard, including intersection treatments and traffic control devices as required.
- Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures.
- Shared paths.
- Utility removal, relocation and insertion; and
- Associated costs including design and management.

Indigo Parkway (Integrator B) between Thomas Road and Larsen Road:

 Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve, to achieve a 22.5-metre-wide road reserve adjacent to



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Public Open Space, a 30-metre-wide road reserve for the Malarkey Rd section, and a 27.5-metre-wide road reserve for the remaining areas, plus additional land where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections.

- Earthworks for the whole road reserve.
- Complete road construction to a Liveable Neighbourhoods Integrator B standard, including intersection treatments and traffic control devices as required.
- Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures.
- Shared paths.
- Utility removal, relocation and insertion; and
- Associated costs including design and management.

Sansimeon Boulevard (Integrator B) south of Larsen Road to Abernethy Road:

- Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve, to achieve a 22.5-metre-wide road reserve between Larsen Road and Armadan Court, and a 30m wide road reserve for the remaining areas, plus additional land where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections.
- Earthworks for the whole road reserve.
- Complete road construction to a Liveable Neighbourhoods Integrator B standard, including intersection treatments and traffic control devices as required.
- Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures.
- Shared paths.
- Utility removal, relocation and insertion; and
- Associated costs including design and management.

Doley Road (Neighbourhood Connector A) between Abernethy Road and Orton Road:

- Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve, to achieve a 30-metre-wide road reserve and where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections.
- Earthworks for the whole road reserve.
- Complete road construction to a Liveable Neighbourhoods Neighbourhood Connector A standard, including intersection treatments and traffic control devices as



required.

- Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures.
- Shared paths.
- Utility removal, relocation and insertion; and
- Associated costs including design and management.

Warrington Road (Neighbourhood Connector B) between Abernethy Road and Orton Road:

- Land required where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections.
- Earthworks for the whole road reserve.
- Complete road construction to a Liveable Neighbourhoods Neighbourhood Connector B standard, including intersection treatments and traffic control devices as required.
- Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures.
- · Shared paths.
- Utility removal, relocation and insertion; and
- Associated costs including design and management.

Byford Central District Open Space Improvements:

- · Earthworks.
- Grassing.
- Irrigation; and
- Associated costs relating to construction including design and management.

West Byford Primary School/Kalimna District Open Space Improvements (under JUA):

- Earthworks.
- Grassing.
- Irrigation; and
- Associated costs relating to construction including design and management.

The Glades District Open Space Improvements

This will be a district level Futsal space (hardcourts).

• Earthworks.



- Grassing and/or Hard Landscaping.
- Irrigation; and
- Associated costs relating to construction including design and management.

Orton Road District Open Space Improvements and REW Enhancement:

This is a shared project with the Community Infrastructure DCP to provide a District Open Space with one full sized AFL oval. The building and lights will be covered by the Community DCP, and the oval and land will be provided through the Byford Traditional Infrastructure DCP. Works covered under the Byford Traditional DCP include:

- Earthworks.
- Grassing.
- · Irrigation; and
- Associated costs relating to construction including design and management.

In addition to the above, the buffer associated with the Cardup Brook Resource Enhancement Wetland (REW) is considered a regionally valuable ecological and environmentally sensitive corridor. As such, the Shire requires the REW along the Cardup Brook to be developed to a standard considered above minimum standard.

Hopkinson Road DOS (Oval):

This is a shared project with the Community Infrastructure DCP to provide a District Open Space with one full sized AFL oval. The building and lights will be covered by the Community DCP, and the oval and land will be provided through the Byford Traditional Infrastructure DCP. Works covered under the Byford Traditional DCP include:

- Earthworks.
- · Grassing.
- · Irrigation; and
- Associated costs relating to construction including design and management.

Land for District Open Space, Public Open Space, Drainage and Roads:

All land required for district open space, public open space (including Community Purpose POS), multiple use drainage corridors and new roads or road widening (excluding the standard 20m road reserve).



Water Monitoring:

All expended and estimated future costs for the post development water monitoring programme required by the Byford Townsite Drainage and Water Management Plan.

Administrative:

All future costs associated with administration of the DCP, including:

- Costs to prepare and administer the DCP.
- Costs associated with the annual review of cost estimates.
- Cost associated with the review of the cost apportionment schedules based on land development undertaken since the last review.
- Costs for undertaking valuations.
- Fees for professional services directly linked to the preparation and implementation of the DCP.
- Costs for Computer software and/or hardware upgrades necessary to enable DCP preparation.
- Proportion of staff salaries directly related to DCP administration.
- Financial institution fees and charges associated with the administration of DCP funds; and
- Interest charged on loans taken out to pre-fund items included in the DCP.

Contribution Methodology

The Byford development contribution area is divided into five precincts as shown within Schedule 7.1.

Cost Contribution rate is to be calculated on a m² basis based on the remaining developable land in the DCP Precinct/Area identified in Schedule 7.1. The remaining DCP cost is shared proportionally across the remaining developable land in the DCP Precinct/Area as follows:

(Remaining Cost / Remaining Developable land = \$ contribution rate per m²).

For simplicity of calculation, all Residential lots/dwellings will be calculated as an average R20 (450m²) lot. For Non-Residential subdivision or development, the actual lot area is used for the calculation.

A cost review is to be undertaken at least annually, at which time the Contribution rate will be established based on:

Road Upgrades and Construction;



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- District Open Space Improvements;
- Land required for Roads, POS, Community Purposes POS, Drainage and DOS;
- Water monitoring costs;
- Administration costs;
- Yields and Lots completed and expected;
- Escalation Rates.

To ensure costs remain current between Cost Reviews all costs will be calculated on a daily basis based upon an annual escalation rate to be established through the Cost Review.

The start date for daily escalation is the approval date for the prevailing Cost Review.

The Contribution Rate is to be applied as follows where DER is the daily escalation rate and D is the number of days since the last cost review:

Standard residential subdivision or development

The number of additional dwellings/lots being created at the time of subdivision/development multiplied by the applicable development contribution rate.

(Precinct contribution rate per lot/dwelling x DER x D x number of additional lots or dwellings being created = Required development contribution)

Non-standard residential subdivision or development

E.g., Lifestyle village, retirement village, caravan park, park home estate or similar.

The number of additional dwellings, residential units or similar created at the time of subdivision/development multiplied by the applicable development contribution rate.

(Precinct contribution rate per lot/dwelling x DER x D x number of additional lots or dwellings being created = Required development contribution)

Non-residential subdivision or development

A development contribution is required for the creation of nonresidential lots based on the actual size and number of lots created (minus the equivalent of one lot), multiplied by the applicable development contribution rate. Where a subdivision creates a lot that accommodates an existing non-residential development, that lot shall be exempt from the requirement for a development contribution to be made.

For clarity purposes, the area of the lot accommodating the existing approved non-residential development is to be



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		subtracted from the overall subdivision area, before calculating the development contribution for the remaining balance of the subdivision area.		
		New non-residential development (including alteration and additions to existing non-residential development) will not be required to make a development contribution unless the new non-residential development results in increased traffic to the subject land, as identified by the information provided by the applicant in support of the development application for that new non-residential development. Where increased traffic is identified to occur, the applicable development contribution is to be calculated as follows:		
		 Square metre rate x square metre size of land being developed (including alterations and additions) = Required development contribution. 		
		 For new private education establishments and associated development, provided a shared use agreement for public access to district open space is agreed to the satisfaction of the Local Government, development contributions shall be levied at 0.3 percent of the total development costs of the site, as agreed with the Local Government based on the building licence application. 		
Mixed-use development				
		The R20 subdivision/development potential of the site, or the actual number of lots/dwellings being created at the time of subdivision/development, whichever is the greater (minus the equivalent of one lot or dwelling), multiplied by the applicable development contribution rate.		
		Where based on dwelling potential -		
S		(Precinct contribution rate per lot/dwelling x DER x D x R subdivision/development potential of the site - the equivalent one lot or one dwelling = Required contribution rate).		
		Where based on the actual number of dwellings -		
		(Precinct contribution rate per lot/dwelling x DER x D x actual number of residential lots/dwellings being created - the first dwelling being created = Required development contribution).		
Period operation	of	20 years (2034)		
Priority timing infrastructure provision		A summary of the estimated timing and priority for the delivery of each item of infrastructure is provided below to align with the Council's long-term strategic plan and infrastructure plan with		



the details outlined in the Development Contribution Plan Report.

The following infrastructure items are priority items at the time of this Amendment:

Indigo Parkway

The infrastructure items are to be delivered in the following broad timeframes with a more detailed timeline provided in the Development Contribution Plan Report.

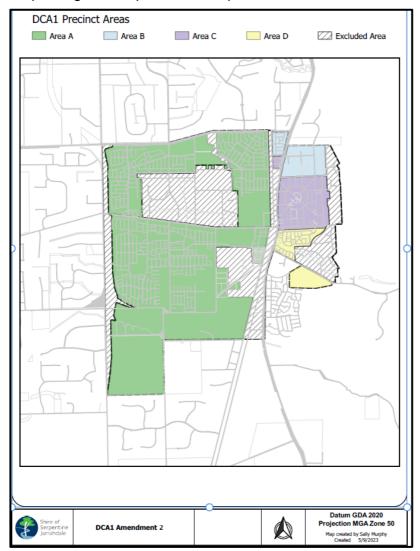
Priority	Project	Timeline (Completion)	
1.	Byford Central DOS	Completed	
2.	Kalimna DOS	Completed	
3.	Kardan Boulevard	Completed	
4.	Abernethy Road	Completed	
5.	Thomas Road	Completed	
6.	Sansimeon Boulevard	Completed	
7.	Indigo Parkway		
8.	The Glades DOS	–	
9.	Orton Road DOS & REW	Short Term: 2024 - 2029	
10.	Doley Road		
11.	Warrington Road		
12.	Orton Road	Medium Term:	
13.	Hopkinson Road DOS	2030 - 2032	

Review process

The development contribution plan will be reviewed when considered appropriate, having regard to the rate of subsequent development in the area since the last review and the degree of development potential still existing, but not exceeding a period of five years.



1.2 Replacing the map for "Development Contribution Area 1 - Byford"



- 1.3 Amending the Scheme Maps to replace the DCA1 boundary with the DCA boundary shown on the Proposed Zoning Map.
- 1.4 Replacing the text in 'Schedule 7.2 'West Mundijong Industrial Development Contribution Plan' with the following:

Development Contribution Plan	DCP2
Development Contribution Area Name	Development Contribution Area 2 – West Mundijong Industrial
Reference Number on Scheme Map(s)	



•	The development contribution plan generally aligns with the district and/or local structure plans (as approved) prepared for the development contribution area.	
Items	Mundijong Road (West) (Integrator B) between Kargotich Road and the Tonkin Highway reservation:	
	 Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve to achieve a 40m wide road reserve, plus additional land where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections. 	
	Earthworks for the whole road reserve.	
	The construction and upgrade of one carriageway to a Liveable Neighbourhoods Integrator B standard.	
	Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures.	
	 Traffic control devices including, intersection treatments incorporating slip lanes and associated works (to be confirmed by MRWA). 	
	Shared paths.	
	Utility removal, relocation and insertion; and	
	 Associated costs including design, administration, and management. 	
	Kargotich Road (Integrator B) between the freight rail crossing and Mundijong Road:	
	 Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve, to achieve a 30m wide road reserve, plus additional land where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections. 	
	Earthworks for the whole road reserve.	
	Complete road construction to a Liveable Neighbourhoods Integrator B standard.	
	Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures.	
	Traffic control devices including intersection treatments incorporating slip lanes and associated works.	
	Shared paths.	
	Utility removal, relocation and insertion; and	
	 Associated costs including design, administration, and management. 	



Bishop Road (West) (Integrator B) between Kargotich Road and Tonkin Highway reservation:

- Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve, to achieve a 30m wide road reserve, plus additional land where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections.
- Earthworks for the whole road reserve.
- Complete road construction to a Liveable Neighbourhoods Integrator B Standard.
- Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures.
- Traffic control devices including one set of traffic lights, intersection treatments incorporating slip lanes and associated works.
- · Shared paths.
- · Utility removal, relocation and insertion; and
- Associated costs including design, administration, and management.

North South Spine Road (Integrator B) between Bishop Road and Mundijong Road:

- Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve, to achieve a 27m wide road reserve between Scott Road and Leipold Road, and a 30m wide road reserve for the remaining length, plus additional land where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections.
- Earthworks for the whole road reserve.
- Complete road construction to a Liveable Neighbourhoods Integrator B standard.
- Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures.
- Traffic control devices including intersection treatments incorporating slip lanes and associated works.
- Shared paths; and
- Associated costs including design, administration, and management.

Land for drainage:

All land required for district drainage purposes.



Administrative:

All expended and estimated future costs associated with administration, planning, review and development of the District Structure Plan, District Water Management Plan/s, preparation and implementation of the West Mundijong Industrial Development Contribution Plan and any technical documents necessary for the implementation of the above, including:

- Planning studies.
- Traffic studies.
- Drainage studies.
- Road design costs where not allocated to specific road items under the DCP.
- Other related technical and professional studies.
- Legal Costs.
- Valuations and cost review estimates.
- Borrowing costs (including loan repayments); and
- Scheme Management Costs (including administration and management of the Development Contribution Plan).

Contribution Methodology

A Cost Contribution rate is to be calculated on a per hectare or square metre basis.

The formula for calculating cost contributions on a per hectare basis is as follows:

- Total Costs Outstanding / Total Remaining Developable Land = Contribution cost per hectare
- To ensure costs remain current between Cost Reviews all costs will be calculated on a daily basis based upon an annual escalation rate to be established through the Cost Review.

The weighted escalation rate (ER) is detailed below:

ER= (%IC/TC x IER) + (%LV/TC x LVER) + (%AC/TC x AER)
Where -

- ER is the weighted Escalation Rate
- DER is the daily escalation rate (ER/365)
- IC is the estimated Infrastructure Cost
- LV is the estimated Land Value
- AC is the estimated Administration Cost



	 TC - is the Total Cost being IC + LV+ AC IER - is the Infrastructure Escalation Rate LVER - is the Land Value Escalation Rate AER - is the Administration Escalation Rate; and 			
	D - is the number of days since the last cost review. The start date for daily escalation is the review date for the prevailing Cost Review. In 20 years (2038)			
Period of operation				
	A summary of the estimated timing and priority for the delivery of each item of infrastructure is provided below to align with the Council's long-term strategic plan and infrastructure plan with the details outlined in the Development Contribution Plan Report.			
	The following items are priority items at the time of this Amendment:			
	1. Kargotich Road			
	The infrastructure items are to be delivered in the following broad timeframes with a more detailed timeline provided in the Development Contribution Plan Report.			
	Priority Project Timeline (Completion)			
	1.	Bishop Road (West)	Short Term: 2024 - 2029	
	2. North South Sp		Medium Term: 2030 - 2034	
	3.	Kargotich Road	Long term:	
	4.	Mundijong Road (West)	2035 - 2038	
Review Process	The Plan will be reviewed when considered appropriate, though not exceeding a period of five years duration, having regard to the rate of subsequent development in the catchment area since the last review and the degree of development potential still existing.			
	The estimated costs will be reviewed at least annually to reflect the changes in the funding, indexing and revisions to remaining infrastructure or land costs. Revisions to costs of			



infrastructure and value of land will be undertaken by a suitably qualified person.
Contribution values will be adjusted to reflect these changes to estimated costs, as well as taking into account any adjustment for the DCP fund being in surplus or deficit revenue received versus expenditure incurred).

1.5 Replacing the text in 'Schedule 7.3 - 'Mundijong Urban Development Contribution Plan' with the following:

Development Contribution Plan	DCP3		
Development Contribution Area Name	Development Contribution Area 3 - Mundijong Urban		
Reference Number on Scheme Map(s)			
Items	Bishop Road (East) (Integrator B) upgrade between Tonkin Highway reserve and Bett Road:		
	 Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve, to achieve a 30m wide road reserve, plus additional land where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections. 		
	Earthworks for the whole road reserve.		
	 Complete road construction to a Liveable Neighbourhoods Integrator B standard. 		
	 Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures. 		
	 Traffic control devices including one set of traffic lights and one roundabout. 		
	Upgrade of one existing at-grade rail crossing.		
	Shared paths.		
	 Utility removal, relocation and insertion; and 		
	Associated costs including design, administration, management.		



Taylor Road/Adams Street (Integrator B) upgrade between Bishop Road and Mundijong Road:

- Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve, to achieve a 30m wide road reserve, plus additional land where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections.
- Earthworks for the whole road reserve.
- Complete road construction to a Liveable Neighbourhoods Integrator B standard.
- Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures.
- Traffic control devices, including one set of traffic lights and one roundabout.
- Shared paths.
- Utility removal, relocation and insertion; and
- Associated costs including design, administration, and management.

Town Centre Distributor Road (Whitby New Road) (Integrator B) construction between Taylor Road and South Western Highway:

- Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve, to achieve a 30m wide road reserve, plus additional land where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections.
- Earthworks for the whole road reserve.
- Complete road construction to a Liveable Neighbourhoods Integrator B standard.
- Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures.
- Traffic control devices including intersection treatments and associated works.
- Construction of one at-grade rail crossing.
- Costs associated with one rail crossing closure (Keirnan Street).
- Shared paths.
- Utility removal, relocation and insertion; and
- Associated costs including design and management.

Note: The construction of the at-grade crossing is subject to agreement between the Road Manager and Rail Infrastructure Manager. The Local Government is responsible to manage



communications between all stakeholders, obtain the required approvals and arrange for an Australian Level Crossing Assessment Model (ALCAM) Report and a Rail Safety Report to be undertaken.

Construction of the at-grade crossing should not be considered prior to the freight rail being realigned away from the Mundijong Urban area. In the event that an at-grade rail crossing is not approved, the local government is to apply any funds already collected to an approved alternate crossing or if no crossing is approved any collected funds shall be applied to the Town Centre Distributor Road item generally or other items in the DCP.

North-South Road (Integrator B) construction between Watkins Road and Galvin Road:

- Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve, to achieve a 30m wide road reserve, plus additional land where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections.
- Earthworks for the whole road reserve.
- Complete road construction to a Liveable Neighbourhoods Integrator B standard.
- Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures.
- Traffic control devices including intersection treatments and associated works.
- Shared paths.
- Utility removal, relocation and insertion; and
- Associated costs including design and management.

Skyline Boulevard (Neighbourhood Connector A) construction between Town Centre Distributor Road (Whitby New Road) and Tinspar Avenue:

- Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve, to achieve a 25m wide road reserve, plus additional land where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections.
- Earthworks for the whole road reserve.
- Complete road construction to a Liveable Neighbourhoods Connector A standard.
- Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures.
- Traffic control devices including intersection treatments and associated works.



- Shared paths.
- · Utility removal, relocation and insertion; and
- Associated costs including design and management.

Tinspar Avenue (Neighbourhood Connector A) construction between Skyline Boulevard and South Western Highway:

- Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve, to achieve a 25m wide road reserve, plus additional land where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections.
- Earthworks for the whole road reserve.
- Complete road construction to a Liveable Neighbourhoods Connector A standard.
- Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures.
- Traffic control devices including intersection treatments and associated works.
- Shared paths.
- Utility removal, relocation and insertion; and
- Associated costs including design and management.

Whitby High School District Sporting Space (LSP Precinct A):

Improvements for a single playing field with minimum dimension of 205m x 175m with costs shared with the Department of Education:

- · Earthworks.
- Grassing.
- Irrigation; and
- Associated costs relating to construction including design and management.

Kiernan Park Stage 3 District Sporting Space (LSP Precinct C):

Improvements for two playing fields, each having minimum dimension of 205m x 175m:

- Earthworks.
- Grassing.
- Irrigation; and
- Associated costs relating to construction including design and management.



Taylor Road/Scott Road Primary School Neighbourhood Open Space (LSP Precinct G):

Improvements for a single playing field with a minimum dimension of 205m x 175m with costs shared with the Department of Education:

- Earthworks.
- Grassing.
- Irrigation; and
- Associated costs relating to construction including design and management.

Adams Street / Cockram Street Primary School Neighbourhood Open Space (LSP Precinct E1):

Improvements for a single playing field with a minimum dimension of 205m x 175m with costs shared with the Department of Education:

- Earthworks.
- Grassing.
- Irrigation; and
- Associated costs relating to construction including design and management.

Land for District Open Space, Public Open Space, and Drainage:

All land required for district open space, public open space and/or drainage purposes.

Water Monitoring:

All expended and estimated future costs for the post development water monitoring programme required by the Mundijong Drainage and Water Management Plan.

Administrative:

All expended and estimated future costs associated with administration, planning, review and development of the District Structure Plan, District Water Management Plan/s, preparation and implementation of the Mundijong Urban Development Contribution Plan and any technical documents necessary for the implementation of the above, including:

- Planning studies.
- · Traffic studies.
- Drainage studies.
- Road design costs where not allocated to specific road items



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- Other related technical and professional studies.
- Legal Costs.
- · Valuation.
- Borrowing costs (Including loan repayments); and
- Scheme Management Costs (including administration and management of the DCP).

Contribution Methodology

A Cost Contribution rate is to be calculated on a m² basis based on the remaining developable land in the DCP Precinct/Area. The remaining DCP cost is shared proportionally across the remaining developable land in the DCP Precinct/Area as follows:

- (Remaining Cost / Remaining Developable land = \$ contribution rate per m²).
- For simplicity of calculation, all Residential lots/dwellings will be calculated as an average R25 (350m2) lot. For Non-Residential subdivision or development, the actual lot area is used for the calculation.

A Cost Review is to be undertaken at least annually at which time the Contribution Rate will be established based on:

- Summary of Costs.
- Estimated Future Lot Yield by approved Local Structure Plan by Precinct.
- Estimated Future Lot Yield by intended Local Structure Plan by Precinct.
- Contribution Rate Per Lot by cost Item.
- Outstanding Cost of Completed Works (Expenditure on All Cost Items - Value of All Contribution Received).
- Infrastructure Cost Escalator.
- Land Value Escalator.
- Administration Cost Escalator.
- Precinct Daily Escalation Rate.

To ensure costs remains current between Cost Reviews all costs will be calculated on a daily basis based upon an annual escalation rate to be established through the Cost Review.

The weighted escalation rate (ER) is detailed below -

 $ER = (\%IC/TC \times IER) + (\%LV/TC \times LVER) + (\%AC/TC \times AER)$

Where:



- ER is the weighted Escalation Rate
- DER is the daily escalation rate (ER/365)
- IC is the estimated Infrastructure Cost
- LV is the estimated Land Value
- AC is the estimated Administration Cost
- TC is the Total Cost being IC + LV + AC
- IER is the Infrastructure Escalation Rate
- LVER is the Land Value Escalation Rate
- AER is the Administration Escalation Rate; and
- D is the number of days since the last cost review.

The start date for daily escalation is the review date for the prevailing Cost Review.

R25 zoning (350m² average dwelling) has been selected as the most appropriate for the Mundijong Urban area, given the current and forecasted trends for subdivision applications, and high likelihood that much of the development will cater towards first-time homebuyers.

The Contribution Rate is to be applied as follows where DER is the daily escalation rate, D is the number of days since the last cost review and the R25 potential is the developable site/lot area divided by 350m^2 -

Standard residential subdivision or development

The number of additional dwellings/lots being created at the time of subdivision/development multiplied by the applicable development contribution rate.

(Contribution rate per lot/dwelling x DER x D) x number of additional lots or dwellings being created = Required development contribution

Non-standard residential subdivision or development (e.g. Lifestyle village, retirement village, caravan park, park home estate or similar)

The number of additional dwellings, residential units or similar created at the time of subdivision/development multiplied by the applicable development contribution rate.

(Contribution rate per lot/dwelling x DER x D) x number of additional lots or dwellings being created = Required development contribution

Non-residential subdivision or development

A development contribution is required for the creation of nonresidential lots based on the actual size and number of lots



created (minus the equivalent of one lot), multiplied by the applicable development contribution rate. Where a subdivision creates a lot that accommodates an existing approved non-residential development, that lot shall be exempt from the requirement for a development contribution to be made. For clarity purposes, the area of the lot accommodating the existing approved non-residential development is to be subtracted from the overall subdivision area, before calculating the development contribution for the remaining balance of the subdivision area.

New non-residential development (including alterations and additions to existing non-residential development) will not be required to make a development contribution unless the new non-residential development results in increased traffic to the subject land, as identified by the information provided by the applicant in support of the development application for that new non-residential development. Where increased traffic is identified to occur, the applicable development contribution is to be calculated as follows:

- Square metre rate x square metre size of land being developed (including alterations and additions) = Required development contribution
- For new private education establishments and associated development, provided a shared use agreement for public access to district open space is agreed to the satisfaction of the Local Government, development contributions shall be levied at 0.3 percent of the total development costs of the site, as agreed with the Local Government based on the building licence application.

Mixed-use development

The R25 subdivision/development potential of the site, or the actual number of lots/dwellings being created at the time of subdivision/development, whichever is the greater (minus the equivalent of one lot or dwelling), multiplied by the applicable development contribution rate.

Based on the R25 site calculation

(Precinct contribution rate per lot/dwelling x DER x D) x (R25 subdivision/development potential of the site - the equivalent of one lot or one dwelling) = Required contribution rate.

Based on the number of dwellings.

(Precinct contribution rate per lot/dwelling x DER x D) x (actual number of residential lots/dwellings being created - the first dwelling being created) = Required development contribution.



Reference: IN24/6982

Period of operation	15 years (2038)			
Priority and timing of infrastructure provision	A summary of the estimated timing and priority for the delivery of each item of infrastructure is provided below to align with the Council's long-term strategic plan and infrastructure plan with the details outlined in the Development Contribution Plan Report.			
	The follow this Amen	ring infrastructure items are priod dment -	ority items at the time of	
	1. Kie	rnan Park Stage 1 District Spor	ting Space	
	timeframe	tructure items are to be delivere s with a more detailed tim ent Contribution Plan Report.		
	Priority	Project	Timeline (Completion)	
	1.	Kiernan Park Stage 1 DSS		
	2.	Taylor Road / Adams Street	Short Term:	
	3.	Town Centre Distributor Road (Whitby New Road)	2024 - 2029	
	4.	Bishop Road (East)		
	5.	North South Road		
	6.	Whitby High School DSS		
	7.	Skyline Boulevard	Medium Term:	
	8.	Taylor Road / Scott Road NOS	2030 to 2034	
	9.	Adams Street / Cockram Street NOS		
	10.	Tinspar Avenue	Long Term: 2035 to 2036	
Review process	The Plan will be reviewed when considered appropriate, though not exceeding a period of five years duration, having regard to the rate of subsequent development in the catchment area since the last review and the degree of development potential still existing.			

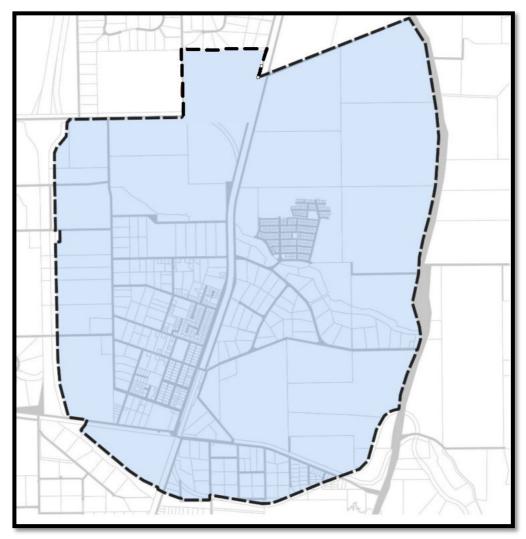


The estimated costs will be reviewed at least annually to reflect changes in funding, indexing and revisions to remaining.

infrastructure or land costs. Revisions to costs of Infrastructure and value of land will be undertaken by a suitable qualified person.

Contribution values will be adjusted to reflect these changes to estimated costs, as well as taking into account any adjustment for the DCP fund being in surplus or deficit (revenues received versus expenditure incurred).

1.6 Replacing the map for "Development Contribution Area 3 - Mundijong Urban"



- 1.7 Amending the Scheme Maps to replace the DCA3 boundary with the DCA boundary shown on the Proposed Zoning Map.
- 1.8 Replacing the text in 'Schedule 7.4 'Byford and Mundijong Community Infrastructure Development Contribution Plan' with the following:



Reference: IN24/6982

Development Contribution Plan	DCP4			
Development Contribution Area Name	Development Contribution Area 4 - Byford and Mundijong Community Infrastructure			
Reference Number on Scheme Map(s)	SCA9/DCA4			
•	The CIDCP generally conforms to:			
other planning instruments:	Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework (IPRF)			
instruments.	Strategic Community Plan (SCP)			
	Corporate Business Plan (CBP)			
	Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP)			
	State Planning Policy 3.6 (SPP3.6)			
	 Community Infrastructure and Public Open Space Strategy (CIPOSS) 			
	Community Infrastructure Implementation Plan (CIIP)			
	 Byford District Structure Plan & Development Contribution Plan (BDSP & DCP) 			
	 Mundijong District Structure Plan & Development Contribution Plan (MDSP & DCP) 			
Items	Byford Community Infrastructure:			
	B01: Byford Library & Multi-Agency Service Centre - Building			
	B02: Briggs Park Pavilion			
	B03: Briggs Park Youth Centre			
	B04: Briggs Park Recreation Centre Extension			
	B05: Orton Road District Sport Space - Building & Lights			
	B06: Byford Skate Park - Extension & Pump Track			
	B07: Cardup Brook Themed Playground - Nature Play			
	B08: Lindt Street Themed Playground - Adventure Playground			
	B09: The Glades District Community Facility - Building			
	B11: Hopkinson Road DOS - Building & Lights			
	Mundijong Community Infrastructure:			
	M01: Whitby District Sporting Space - Building & Lights			



M02: Mundijong Whitby Skate Park & Pump Track

M05: Themed Playground - Dog Park

M06: Keirnan Park Youth Centre

M07: Whitby Themed Playground - Adventure Playground

M11: Keirnan Park District Sporting Space -Building & Lights

Region wide at Keirnan Park:

S01: Keirnan Park BMX relocation Regional facility (Stage 2)

Administrative costs of the CIDCP:

- Costs to prepare and administer the CIDCP.
- Costs associated with the annual review of cost estimates.
- Costs associated with the review of the cost apportionment schedules based on land development undertaken since the last review.
- Costs for undertaking valuations.
- Fees for professional services directly linked to the preparation and implementation of the CIDCP.
- Costs for computer software and/or hardware upgrades necessary to enable CIDCP preparation.
- Proportion of staff salaries directly related to CIDCP administration.
- Financial institution fees and charges associated with the administration of CIDCP funds.
- Interest charged on loans taken out to pre-fund items included in the CIDCP.

Contribution Methodology

The Shire's Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework identifies the needs that impact on the CIDCP. The contributions outlined in this plan have been derived based on the need for facilities generated by additional development in DCA4. This calculation excludes the:

- demand for a facility that is generated by the current population;
- demand created by external usage the proportion of the use drawn from outside the main catchment area;
- future usage the proportion of usage that will be generated by future development outside the development contribution plan timeframe.

Infrastructure costs have been allocated to the DCA4 area which they will service, or if servicing both areas, have been apportioned proportionally to the forecasted growth of each area.



Reference: IN24/6982

	6.	Community Facility Byford Library	Medium Term:		
	5.	Briggs Park Pavilion The Glades District			
	3.	Keirnan Park Stage 1a DSS	Short Term: 2024 to 2029		
	2.	Kiernan Park Stage 1b BMX			
	1.	Byford Skate Park	Grant received covers this item		
	Priority	Project	Timeline (Completion)		
	timeframe	tructure items are to be delive s with a more detailed ti ent Contribution Plan Report.	meline provided in the		
		rnan Park DSS.	ation.		
	this Amendment - 1. Kiernan Park Stage 2 BMX relocation.				
infrastructure provision	Council's long-term strategic plan and infrastructure plan with the details outlined in the Development Contribution Plan Report. The following infrastructure items are priority items at the time of				
timing of	each item	y of the estimated timing and of infrastructure is provided	below to align with the		
Period of operation	The CIDC	36.			
	Details of the apportionment percentages and how they have been derived are included in the CIDCP Report.				
		red Development Contribution	1		
	Contribution Rate per lot/dwelling x number of additional lots/dwellings being created =				
	Costs of each DCA sub-area are then divided by the anticipated number of new lots. The cost per new lot can then be used in the following formula:				
	(Additional Forecasted Population/Total Forecasted Population) x 100 = Allocated%.				
	The Shire will carry a portion of these costs based on the existing population.				

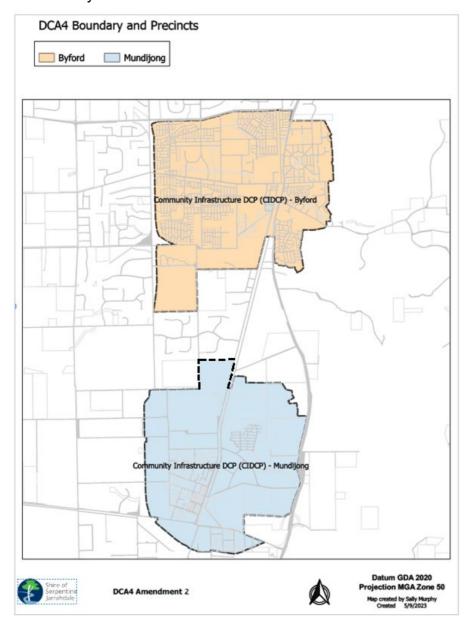


Reference: IN24/6982

		8.	Orton Road DSS	
		9.	Lindt Street Playground	
		10.	Whitby (Reilly Road) DSS	
		11.	Mundijong Dog Park	
		12.	Whitby Playground	
		13.	Briggs Park Recreation Centre Extension	
		14.	Cardup Brook Playground	
		15.	Mundijong Whitby Skate Park	
		16.	Hopkinson Road DSS	Long Term:
		17.	Keirnan Park Youth Centre	2036
of the local scheme government			P shall be reviewed five years of planning scheme or amendre incorporate the CIDCP, or not consider it appropriate havent in the area and the degree by.	ment to the local planning earlier should the local ving regard to the rate of
		apportionr reflect characteristics based on	mated infrastructure costs ment schedule shall be revie anges in funding and revent the Building Cost Index or of by the qualified person under	wed at least annually to ue sources and indexed ther appropriate index as



1.9 Replacing the map for "Development Contribution Area 4 - Byford and Mundijong Community Infrastructure"



- 1.10 Amending the Scheme Maps to replace the DCA4 boundary with the DCA boundary shown on the Proposed Zoning Map.
- 2. Provide two (2) copies of the proposed Scheme Amendment No.2 to Local Planning Scheme No. 3 for Development Contribution Plan to the Western Australian Planning Commission in accordance with Regulation 37(2) of the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015.*

Option 2

That Council, pursuant to Section 75 of the Planning and Development Act 2005 and Regulation 35(1) of the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015*, resolves to NOT ADOPT the proposed Scheme Amendment No.2.

Option 1 is recommended.



Conclusion

The Amendment complies with the relevant legislation and policies and is necessary to ensure that infrastructure needs from future growth, and the respective cost impost of this infrastructure is funded and shared appropriately between Developers and Shire ratepayers.

Attachments (available under separate cover)

- **10.1.4 attachment 1** Amendment 2 (E24/367)
- **10.1.4 attachment 2** Byford Traditional DCP Draft Report Revision 8 (E24/787)
- 10.1.4 attachment 3 West Mundijong Industrial Draft DCP Revision 5 (E24/788)
- 10.1.4 attachment 4 Mundijong-Whitby Urban Draft DCP Revision 2 (E24/789)
- 10.1.4 attachment 5 Community Infrastructure Draft DCP Revision 4 (E24/790)

Alignment with our Council Plan 2023-2033

Thriving

- 1. Plan for the sustainable growth of the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale
- **4.** Ensure sustainable and optimal use of Shire resources and finances

Liveable

- 2. Improve maintenance and investment in roads and paths
- **4.** Invest in facilities and amenities to meet current and future needs

Connected

- **1.** Invest in community recreation and support local clubs and groups to increase opportunities for participation
- 2. Contribute to a well-connected, accessible and health community

Financial Implications

The new infrastructure inclusions within the Traditional DCPs that are proposed within the Amendment are fully funded from the respective DCP. As such there is no financial implication to the Shire if the Amendment is approved.

If these items are not incorporated into the DCP(s) then there would be a likelihood of funding by the Shire, or responsibility for funding.

The District Open Space infrastructure item related to Lot 33 Hopkinson Road, Byford is a shared item between the Byford Traditional DCP and the Community DCP. The Amendment identifies the associated Building and Lights for the District Open Space to be part of the Community DCP. The Community DCP attracts a "Shire Share" component, and as such an additional \$338,325 is required over the life of the CIDCP Shire Cashback fund (to be funded from Municipal funds) with the inclusion of this item.



In terms of the changes associated with this Scheme amendment, the following updated rates of contribution apply:

DCA	Per lot rate (per sqm rate for DCA2)		
DCA1	\$14,120.65 (Area A)		
DCA2	\$20.33		
DCA3	\$17,339.50		
DCA4	\$3,000.42 (Byford) and \$2,930.94 (Mundijong)		

Risk Implications

Risk has been assessed on the Officer Options:

u				Risk Assessment			Risk Mitigation
Officer Option	Risk Description	Controls	Principal Consequence Category	Likelihood	Consequence	Risk Rating	Strategies (to further lower the risk rating if required)
1	There is no risk associated with this Option.						
2	Infrastructure items introduced in this Amendment will need to be fully funded by Municipal funds.	Unsure	Financial	Possible	Moderate	MODERATE	Approve Officer recommen dation

Voting Requirements: Simple Majority

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COUNCIL RESOLUTION / Officer Recommendation

Moved Cr Duggin, seconded Cr Jerrett

- 1. Pursuant to Part 5 Division 2 Regulation 37(1) of the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015*, resolves to PROCEED to advertise (subject to WAPC consents being received) the proposed Scheme Amendment No. 2 to Local Planning Scheme No. 3 for the Development Contribution Plan as contained in attachment 1, with modifications as follows:
 - 1.1 Replacing the text in 'Schedule 7.1 Byford Development Contribution Plan' with the following:



Development Contribution Plan	DCP1
Development Contribution Area Name	Development Contribution Area 1 - Byford
Reference Number on Scheme Map(s)	SCA6/DCA1
Items	Thomas Road (Primary Regional Road) between Tonkin Highway and Wungong South Road:
	 Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve, to achieve a 50-metre-wide road reserve, plus additional land where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections.
	Earthworks for the unconstructed carriageway.
	The construction and upgrade of one carriageway to a Primary Regional Road standard, including intersection treatments and traffic control devices as required.
	Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures.
	Shared paths.
	Utility removal, relocation and insertion; and
	Associated costs including design and management.
	Abernethy Road (Integrator A) between Tonkin Highway reserve and the Perth to Bunbury railway reserve where the portion of Abernethy Road adjacent to the Byford Trotting Complex area incurs only half the cost of road widening, construction and upgrade with the DCP:
	 Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve, to achieve a 30-metre-wide road reserve, plus additional land where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections.
	Earthworks for the whole road reserve.
	Complete road construction to a Liveable Neighbourhoods Neighbourhood Connector A standard, including intersection treatments and traffic control devices as required.
	Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures.
	Shared paths.
	Utility removal, relocation and insertion; and



• Associated costs including design and management.

Orton Road (Integrator B) between Tonkin Highway and the South Western Highway:

- Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve, to achieve a 30-metre-wide road reserve, plus additional land where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections.
- Earthworks for the whole road reserve.
- One at-grade rail crossing.
- Complete road construction to a Liveable Neighbourhoods Integrator B standard, including intersection treatments and traffic control devices as required.
- Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures.
- Shared paths.
- Utility removal, relocation and insertion; and
- Associated costs including design and management.

Note: The construction of the at-grade crossing is subject to agreement between the Road Manager and Rail Infrastructure Manager. The Local Government is responsible to manage communications between all stakeholders, obtain the required approvals and arrange for an Australian Level Crossing Assessment Model (ALCAM) Report and a Rail Safety Report to be undertaken.

In the event that an at-grade rail crossing is not approved, the local government is to apply any funds already collected to an approved alternate rail crossing or if no rail crossing is approved any collected funds shall be applied to the Orton Road infrastructure item generally or other infrastructure items in the DCP.

Kardan Boulevard (Neighbourhood Connector A) between Thomas Road and Abernethy Road:

- Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve, to achieve a 25-metre-wide road reserve from Abernethy Road to Fawcett Road and a 30m wide road reserve from Fawcett Road to Thomas Road, plus additional land where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections.
- Earthworks for the whole road reserve.
- Complete road construction to a Liveable Neighbourhoods Neighbourhood Connector A standard, including intersection treatments and traffic control devices as required.
- Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban



design measures.

- Shared paths.
- · Utility removal, relocation and insertion; and
- Associated costs including design and management.

Indigo Parkway (Integrator B) between Thomas Road and Larsen Road:

- Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve, to achieve a 22.5-metre-wide road reserve adjacent to Public Open Space, a 30-metre-wide road reserve for the Malarkey Rd section, and a 27.5-metre-wide road reserve for the remaining areas, plus additional land where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections.
- Earthworks for the whole road reserve.
- Complete road construction to a Liveable Neighbourhoods Integrator B standard, including intersection treatments and traffic control devices as required.
- Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures.
- Shared paths.
- Utility removal, relocation and insertion; and
- Associated costs including design and management.

Sansimeon Boulevard (Integrator B) south of Larsen Road to Abernethy Road:

- Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve, to achieve a 22.5-metre-wide road reserve between Larsen Road and Armadan Court, and a 30m wide road reserve for the remaining areas, plus additional land where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections.
- Earthworks for the whole road reserve.
- Complete road construction to a Liveable Neighbourhoods Integrator B standard, including intersection treatments and traffic control devices as required.
- Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures.
- Shared paths.
- Utility removal, relocation and insertion; and
- Associated costs including design and management.

Doley Road (Neighbourhood Connector A) between Abernethy Road and Orton Road:



- Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve, to achieve a 30-metre-wide road reserve and where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections.
- Earthworks for the whole road reserve.
- Complete road construction to a Liveable Neighbourhoods Neighbourhood Connector A standard, including intersection treatments and traffic control devices as required.
- Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures.
- · Shared paths.
- · Utility removal, relocation and insertion; and
- Associated costs including design and management.

Warrington Road (Neighbourhood Connector B) between Abernethy Road and Orton Road:

- Land required where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections.
- Earthworks for the whole road reserve.
- Complete road construction to a Liveable Neighbourhoods Neighbourhood Connector B standard, including intersection treatments and traffic control devices as required.
- Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures.
- Shared paths.
- Utility removal, relocation and insertion; and
- Associated costs including design and management.

Byford Central District Open Space Improvements:

- · Earthworks.
- Grassing.
- Irrigation; and
- Associated costs relating to construction including design and management.

West Byford Primary School/Kalimna District Open Space Improvements (under JUA):

- Earthworks.
- Grassing.
- Irrigation; and
- Associated costs relating to construction including design and



management.

The Glades District Open Space Improvements

This will be a district level Futsal space (hardcourts).

- Earthworks.
- Grassing and/or Hard Landscaping.
- Irrigation; and
- Associated costs relating to construction including design and management.

Orton Road District Open Space Improvements and REW Enhancement:

This is a shared project with the Community Infrastructure DCP to provide a District Open Space with one full sized AFL oval. The building and lights will be covered by the Community DCP, and the oval and land will be provided through the Byford Traditional Infrastructure DCP. Works covered under the Byford Traditional DCP include:

- · Earthworks.
- Grassing.
- Irrigation; and
- Associated costs relating to construction including design and management.

In addition to the above, the buffer associated with the Cardup Brook Resource Enhancement Wetland (REW) is considered a regionally valuable ecological and environmentally sensitive corridor. As such, the Shire requires the REW along the Cardup Brook to be developed to a standard considered above minimum standard.

Hopkinson Road DOS (Oval):

This is a shared project with the Community Infrastructure DCP to provide a District Open Space with one full sized AFL oval. The building and lights will be covered by the Community DCP, and the oval and land will be provided through the Byford Traditional Infrastructure DCP. Works covered under the Byford Traditional DCP include:

- · Earthworks.
- Grassing.
- Irrigation; and
- Associated costs relating to construction including design and management.



Land for District Open Space, Public Open Space, Drainage and Roads:

All land required for district open space, public open space (including Community Purpose POS), multiple use drainage corridors and new roads or road widening (excluding the standard 20m road reserve).

Water Monitoring:

All expended and estimated future costs for the post development water monitoring programme required by the Byford Townsite Drainage and Water Management Plan.

Administrative:

All future costs associated with administration of the DCP, including:

- Costs to prepare and administer the DCP.
- Costs associated with the annual review of cost estimates.
- Cost associated with the review of the cost apportionment schedules based on land development undertaken since the last review.
- Costs for undertaking valuations.
- Fees for professional services directly linked to the preparation and implementation of the DCP.
- Costs for Computer software and/or hardware upgrades necessary to enable DCP preparation.
- Proportion of staff salaries directly related to DCP administration.
- Financial institution fees and charges associated with the administration of DCP funds; and
- Interest charged on loans taken out to pre-fund items included in the DCP.

Contribution Methodology

The Byford development contribution area is divided into five precincts as shown within Schedule 7.1.

Cost Contribution rate is to be calculated on a m² basis based on the remaining developable land in the DCP Precinct/Area identified in Schedule 7.1. The remaining DCP cost is shared proportionally across the remaining developable land in the DCP Precinct/Area as follows:

(Remaining Cost / Remaining Developable land = \$ contribution rate per m^2).

For simplicity of calculation, all Residential lots/dwellings will be calculated as an average R20 ($450m^2$) lot. For Non-Residential subdivision or development, the actual lot area is used for the calculation.



A cost review is to be undertaken at least annually, at which time the Contribution rate will be established based on:

- Road Upgrades and Construction;
- District Open Space Improvements;
- Land required for Roads, POS, Community Purposes POS, Drainage and DOS;
- Water monitoring costs;
- Administration costs:
- Yields and Lots completed and expected;
- Escalation Rates.

To ensure costs remain current between Cost Reviews all costs will be calculated on a daily basis based upon an annual escalation rate to be established through the Cost Review.

The start date for daily escalation is the approval date for the prevailing Cost Review.

The Contribution Rate is to be applied as follows where DER is the daily escalation rate and D is the number of days since the last cost review:

Standard residential subdivision or development

The number of additional dwellings/lots being created at the time of subdivision/development multiplied by the applicable development contribution rate.

(Precinct contribution rate per lot/dwelling x DER x D x number of additional lots or dwellings being created = Required development contribution)

Non-standard residential subdivision or development

E.g., Lifestyle village, retirement village, caravan park, park home estate or similar.

The number of additional dwellings, residential units or similar created at the time of subdivision/development multiplied by the applicable development contribution rate.

(Precinct contribution rate per lot/dwelling x DER x D x number of additional lots or dwellings being created = Required development contribution)

Non-residential subdivision or development

A development contribution is required for the creation of non-residential lots based on the actual size and number of lots created (minus the equivalent of one lot), multiplied by the applicable development contribution rate. Where a subdivision creates a lot that accommodates an existing non-residential development, that lot



shall be exempt from the requirement for a development contribution to be made.

For clarity purposes, the area of the lot accommodating the existing approved non-residential development is to be subtracted from the overall subdivision area, before calculating the development contribution for the remaining balance of the subdivision area.

New non-residential development (including alteration and additions to existing non-residential development) will not be required to make a development contribution unless the new non-residential development results in increased traffic to the subject land, as identified by the information provided by the applicant in support of the development application for that new non-residential development. Where increased traffic is identified to occur, the applicable development contribution is to be calculated as follows:

- Square metre rate x square metre size of land being developed (including alterations and additions) = Required development contribution.
- For new private education establishments and associated development, provided a shared use agreement for public access to district open space is agreed to the satisfaction of the Local Government, development contributions shall be levied at 0.3 percent of the total development costs of the site, as agreed with the Local Government based on the building licence application.

Mixed-use development

The R20 subdivision/development potential of the site, or the actual number of lots/dwellings being created at the time of subdivision/development, whichever is the greater (minus the equivalent of one lot or dwelling), multiplied by the applicable development contribution rate.

Where based on dwelling potential -

(Precinct contribution rate per lot/dwelling x DER x D x R20 subdivision/development potential of the site - the equivalent of one lot or one dwelling = Required contribution rate).

Where based on the actual number of dwellings -

(Precinct contribution rate per lot/dwelling x DER x D x actual number of residential lots/dwellings being created - the first dwelling being created = Required development contribution).

Period of operation

20 years (2034)



Priority and timing of infrastructure provision

A summary of the estimated timing and priority for the delivery of each item of infrastructure is provided below to align with the Council's long-term strategic plan and infrastructure plan with the details outlined in the Development Contribution Plan Report.

The following infrastructure items are priority items at the time of this Amendment:

1. Indigo Parkway

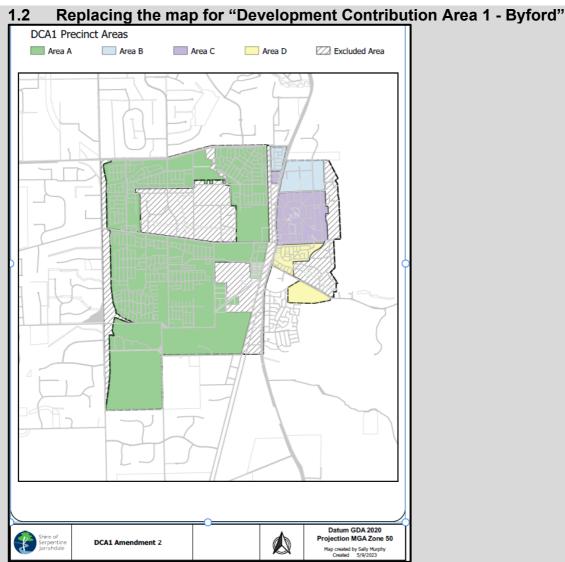
The infrastructure items are to be delivered in the following broad timeframes with a more detailed timeline provided in the Development Contribution Plan Report.

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Priority	Project	Timeline (Completion)		
1.	Byford Central DOS	Completed		
2.	Kalimna DOS	Completed		
3.	Kardan Boulevard	Completed		
4.	Abernethy Road	Completed		
5.	Thomas Road	Completed		
6.	Sansimeon Boulevard	Completed		
7.	Indigo Parkway			
8.	The Glades DOS			
9.	Orton Road DOS & REW	Short Term: 2024 - 2029		
10.	Doley Road	2027 2020		
11.	Warrington Road			
12.	Orton Road	Medium Term:		
13.	Hopkinson Road DOS	2030 - 2032		

Review process

The development contribution plan will be reviewed when considered appropriate, having regard to the rate of subsequent development in the area since the last review and the degree of development potential still existing, but not exceeding a period of five years.





- 1.3 Amending the Scheme Maps to replace the DCA1 boundary with the DCA boundary shown on the Proposed Zoning Map.
- 1.4 Replacing the text in 'Schedule 7.2 'West Mundijong Industrial Development Contribution Plan' with the following:

Development Contribution Plan	DCP2
Development Contribution Area Name	Development Contribution Area 2 – West Mundijong Industrial
Reference Number on Scheme Map(s)	SCA7/DCA2
Relationship to other planning instruments	The development contribution plan generally aligns with the district and/or local structure plans (as approved) prepared for the development contribution area.



Items

Mundijong Road (West) (Integrator B) between Kargotich Road and the Tonkin Highway reservation:

- Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve to achieve a 40m wide road reserve, plus additional land where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections.
- Earthworks for the whole road reserve.
- The construction and upgrade of one carriageway to a Liveable Neighbourhoods Integrator B standard.
- Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures.
- Traffic control devices including, intersection treatments incorporating slip lanes and associated works (to be confirmed by MRWA).
- Shared paths.
- Utility removal, relocation and insertion; and
- Associated costs including design, administration, and management.

Kargotich Road (Integrator B) between the freight rail crossing and Mundijong Road:

- Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve, to achieve a 30m wide road reserve, plus additional land where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections.
- Earthworks for the whole road reserve.
- Complete road construction to a Liveable Neighbourhoods Integrator B standard.
- Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures.
- Traffic control devices including intersection treatments incorporating slip lanes and associated works.
- Shared paths.
- Utility removal, relocation and insertion; and
- Associated costs including design, administration, and management.

Bishop Road (West) (Integrator B) between Kargotich Road and Tonkin Highway reservation:

 Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve, to achieve a 30m wide road reserve, plus additional land where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout



construction at intersections.

- Earthworks for the whole road reserve.
- Complete road construction to a Liveable Neighbourhoods Integrator B Standard.
- Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures.
- Traffic control devices including one set of traffic lights, intersection treatments incorporating slip lanes and associated works.
- Shared paths.
- · Utility removal, relocation and insertion; and
- Associated costs including design, administration, and management.

North South Spine Road (Integrator B) between Bishop Road and Mundijong Road:

- Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve, to achieve a 27m wide road reserve between Scott Road and Leipold Road, and a 30m wide road reserve for the remaining length, plus additional land where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections.
- Earthworks for the whole road reserve.
- Complete road construction to a Liveable Neighbourhoods Integrator B standard.
- Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures.
- Traffic control devices including intersection treatments incorporating slip lanes and associated works.
- Shared paths; and
- Associated costs including design, administration, and management.

Land for drainage:

All land required for district drainage purposes.

Administrative:

All expended and estimated future costs associated with administration, planning, review and development of the District Structure Plan, District Water Management Plan/s, preparation and implementation of the West Mundijong Industrial Development Contribution Plan and any technical documents necessary for the implementation of the above, including:



- Planning studies.
- Traffic studies.
- Drainage studies.
- Road design costs where not allocated to specific road items under the DCP.
- Other related technical and professional studies.
- Legal Costs.
- Valuations and cost review estimates.
- . Borrowing costs (including loan repayments); and
- Scheme Management Costs (including administration and management of the Development Contribution Plan).

Contribution Methodology

A Cost Contribution rate is to be calculated on a per hectare or square metre basis.

The formula for calculating cost contributions on a per hectare basis is as follows:

- Total Costs Outstanding / Total Remaining Developable Land = Contribution cost per hectare
- To ensure costs remain current between Cost Reviews all costs will be calculated on a daily basis based upon an annual escalation rate to be established through the Cost Review.

The weighted escalation rate (ER) is detailed below:

 $ER = (\%IC/TC \times IER) + (\%LV/TC \times LVER) + (\%AC/TC \times AER)$

Where -

- ER is the weighted Escalation Rate
- DER is the daily escalation rate (ER/365)
- IC is the estimated Infrastructure Cost
- LV is the estimated Land Value
- AC is the estimated Administration Cost
- TC is the Total Cost being IC + LV+ AC
- IER is the Infrastructure Escalation Rate
- LVER is the Land Value Escalation Rate
- AER is the Administration Escalation Rate; and
- D is the number of days since the last cost review.

The start date for daily escalation is the review date for the prevailing Cost Review.



Period of operation	20 years (2038)				
Priority and timing of infrastructure provision	A summary of the estimated timing and priority for the delivery of each item of infrastructure is provided below to align with the Council's long-term strategic plan and infrastructure plan with the details outlined in the Development Contribution Plan Report. The following items are priority items at the time of this Amendment: 1. Kargotich Road The infrastructure items are to be delivered in the following broad timeframes with a more detailed timeline provided in the Development Contribution Plan Report.				
	Priority	Project	Timeline (Completion)		
	1.	Bishop Road (West)	Short Term: 2024 - 2029		
	2.	North South Spine Road	Medium Term: 2030 - 2034		
	3.	Kargotich Road	Long term:		
	4.	Mundijong Road (West)	2035 - 2038		
Review Process	The Plan will be reviewed when considered appropriate, though not exceeding a period of five years duration, having regard to the rate of subsequent development in the catchment area since the last review and the degree of development potential still existing. The estimated costs will be reviewed at least annually to reflect the changes in the funding, indexing and revisions to remaining infrastructure or land costs. Revisions to costs of infrastructure and value of land will be undertaken by a suitably qualified person. Contribution values will be adjusted to reflect these changes to estimated costs, as well as taking into account any adjustment for the DCP fund being in surplus or deficit revenue received versus expenditure incurred).				
1.5 Replacing the text in 'Schedule 7.3 - 'Mundijong Urban Development Contribution Plan' with the following:			t		
Development Contribution Plan					
Development Contribution Area Name	Development Contribution Area 3 - Mundijong Urban				



Reference Number on Scheme Map(s)	SCA8/DCA3
Items	Bishop Road (East) (Integrator B) upgrade between Tonkin Highway reserve and Bett Road:
	 Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve, to achieve a 30m wide road reserve, plus additional land where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections.
	Earthworks for the whole road reserve.
	Complete road construction to a Liveable Neighbourhoods Integrator B standard.
	Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures.
	Traffic control devices including one set of traffic lights and one roundabout.
	Upgrade of one existing at-grade rail crossing.
	Shared paths.
	Utility removal, relocation and insertion; and
	Associated costs including design, administration, and management.
	Taylor Road/Adams Street (Integrator B) upgrade between Bishop Road and Mundijong Road:
	 Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve, to achieve a 30m wide road reserve, plus additional land where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections.
	Earthworks for the whole road reserve.
	Complete road construction to a Liveable Neighbourhoods Integrator B standard.
	Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures.
	Traffic control devices, including one set of traffic lights and one roundabout.
	Shared paths.
	Utility removal, relocation and insertion; and
	Associated costs including design, administration, and management.



Town Centre Distributor Road (Whitby New Road) (Integrator B) construction between Taylor Road and South Western Highway:

- Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve, to achieve a 30m wide road reserve, plus additional land where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections.
- Earthworks for the whole road reserve.
- Complete road construction to a Liveable Neighbourhoods Integrator B standard.
- Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures.
- Traffic control devices including intersection treatments and associated works.
- · Construction of one at-grade rail crossing.
- Costs associated with one rail crossing closure (Keirnan Street).
- · Shared paths.
- Utility removal, relocation and insertion; and
- Associated costs including design and management.

Note: The construction of the at-grade crossing is subject to agreement between the Road Manager and Rail Infrastructure Manager. The Local Government is responsible to manage communications between all stakeholders, obtain the required approvals and arrange for an Australian Level Crossing Assessment Model (ALCAM) Report and a Rail Safety Report to be undertaken.

Construction of the at-grade crossing should not be considered prior to the freight rail being realigned away from the Mundijong Urban area. In the event that an at-grade rail crossing is not approved, the local government is to apply any funds already collected to an approved alternate crossing or if no crossing is approved any collected funds shall be applied to the Town Centre Distributor Road item generally or other items in the DCP.

North-South Road (Integrator B) construction between Watkins Road and Galvin Road:

- Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve, to achieve a 30m wide road reserve, plus additional land where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections.
- Earthworks for the whole road reserve.
- Complete road construction to a Liveable Neighbourhoods Integrator B standard.
- Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban



design measures.

- Traffic control devices including intersection treatments and associated works.
- Shared paths.
- Utility removal, relocation and insertion; and
- Associated costs including design and management.

Skyline Boulevard (Neighbourhood Connector A) construction between Town Centre Distributor Road (Whitby New Road) and Tinspar Avenue:

- Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve, to achieve a 25m wide road reserve, plus additional land where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections.
- Earthworks for the whole road reserve.
- Complete road construction to a Liveable Neighbourhoods Connector A standard.
- Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures.
- Traffic control devices including intersection treatments and associated works.
- Shared paths.
- Utility removal, relocation and insertion: and
- Associated costs including design and management.

Tinspar Avenue (Neighbourhood Connector A) construction between Skyline Boulevard and South Western Highway:

- Land required that is in excess of a standard 20m reserve, to achieve a 25m wide road reserve, plus additional land where necessary to accommodate channelization and/or roundabout construction at intersections.
- Earthworks for the whole road reserve.
- Complete road construction to a Liveable Neighbourhoods Connector A standard.
- Associated drainage works including water sensitive urban design measures.
- Traffic control devices including intersection treatments and associated works.
- Shared paths.
- Utility removal, relocation and insertion; and



· Associated costs including design and management.

Whitby High School District Sporting Space (LSP Precinct A):

Improvements for a single playing field with minimum dimension of 205m x 175m with costs shared with the Department of Education:

- · Earthworks.
- Grassing.
- · Irrigation; and
- Associated costs relating to construction including design and management.

Kiernan Park Stage 3 District Sporting Space (LSP Precinct C):

Improvements for two playing fields, each having minimum dimension of 205m x 175m:

- Earthworks.
- Grassing.
- · Irrigation; and
- Associated costs relating to construction including design and management.

Taylor Road/Scott Road Primary School Neighbourhood Open Space (LSP Precinct G):

Improvements for a single playing field with a minimum dimension of 205m x 175m with costs shared with the Department of Education:

- Earthworks.
- Grassing.
- Irrigation; and
- Associated costs relating to construction including design and management.

Adams Street / Cockram Street Primary School Neighbourhood Open Space (LSP Precinct E1):

Improvements for a single playing field with a minimum dimension of 205m x 175m with costs shared with the Department of Education:

- · Earthworks.
- Grassing.
- · Irrigation; and
- Associated costs relating to construction including design and management.

Land for District Open Space, Public Open Space, and Drainage:



All land required for district open space, public open space and/or drainage purposes.

Water Monitoring:

All expended and estimated future costs for the post development water monitoring programme required by the Mundijong Drainage and Water Management Plan.

Administrative:

All expended and estimated future costs associated with administration, planning, review and development of the District Structure Plan, District Water Management Plan/s, preparation and implementation of the Mundijong Urban Development Contribution Plan and any technical documents necessary for the implementation of the above, including:

- Planning studies.
- Traffic studies.
- Drainage studies.
- Road design costs where not allocated to specific road items under the DCP.
- Other related technical and professional studies.
- Legal Costs.
- Valuation.
- Borrowing costs (Including loan repayments); and
- Scheme Management Costs (including administration and management of the DCP).

Contribution Methodology

A Cost Contribution rate is to be calculated on a m² basis based on the remaining developable land in the DCP Precinct/Area. The remaining DCP cost is shared proportionally across the remaining developable land in the DCP Precinct/Area as follows:

- (Remaining Cost / Remaining Developable land = \$ contribution rate per m²).
- For simplicity of calculation, all Residential lots/dwellings will be calculated as an average R25 (350m2) lot. For Non-Residential subdivision or development, the actual lot area is used for the calculation.

A Cost Review is to be undertaken at least annually at which time the Contribution Rate will be established based on:

- Summary of Costs.
- Estimated Future Lot Yield by approved Local Structure Plan by Precinct.



- Estimated Future Lot Yield by intended Local Structure Plan by Precinct.
- Contribution Rate Per Lot by cost Item.
- Outstanding Cost of Completed Works (Expenditure on All Cost Items - Value of All Contribution Received).
- Infrastructure Cost Escalator.
- Land Value Escalator.
- Administration Cost Escalator.
- Precinct Daily Escalation Rate.

To ensure costs remains current between Cost Reviews all costs will be calculated on a daily basis based upon an annual escalation rate to be established through the Cost Review.

The weighted escalation rate (ER) is detailed below -

 $ER = (\%IC/TC \times IER) + (\%LV/TC \times LVER) + (\%AC/TC \times AER)$

Where:

- ER is the weighted Escalation Rate
- DER is the daily escalation rate (ER/365)
- IC is the estimated Infrastructure Cost
- LV is the estimated Land Value
- AC is the estimated Administration Cost
- TC is the Total Cost being IC + LV + AC
- IER is the Infrastructure Escalation Rate
- LVER is the Land Value Escalation Rate
- AER is the Administration Escalation Rate; and
- D is the number of days since the last cost review.

The start date for daily escalation is the review date for the prevailing Cost Review.

R25 zoning (350m² average dwelling) has been selected as the most appropriate for the Mundijong Urban area, given the current and forecasted trends for subdivision applications, and high likelihood that much of the development will cater towards first-time homebuyers.

The Contribution Rate is to be applied as follows where DER is the daily escalation rate, D is the number of days since the last cost review and the R25 potential is the developable site/lot area divided by $350 \, \text{m}^2$ -

Standard residential subdivision or development



The number of additional dwellings/lots being created at the time of subdivision/development multiplied by the applicable development contribution rate.

(Contribution rate per lot/dwelling x DER x D) x number of additional lots or dwellings being created = Required development contribution

Non-standard residential subdivision or development (e.g. Lifestyle village, retirement village, caravan park, park home estate or similar)

The number of additional dwellings, residential units or similar created at the time of subdivision/development multiplied by the applicable development contribution rate.

(Contribution rate per lot/dwelling x DER x D) x number of additional lots or dwellings being created = Required development contribution

Non-residential subdivision or development

A development contribution is required for the creation of non-residential lots based on the actual size and number of lots created (minus the equivalent of one lot), multiplied by the applicable development contribution rate. Where a subdivision creates a lot that accommodates an existing approved non-residential development, that lot shall be exempt from the requirement for a development contribution to be made. For clarity purposes, the area of the lot accommodating the existing approved non-residential development is to be subtracted from the overall subdivision area, before calculating the development contribution for the remaining balance of the subdivision area.

New non-residential development (including alterations and additions to existing non-residential development) will not be required to make a development contribution unless the new non-residential development results in increased traffic to the subject land, as identified by the information provided by the applicant in support of the development application for that new non-residential development. Where increased traffic is identified to occur, the applicable development contribution is to be calculated as follows:

- Square metre rate x square metre size of land being developed (including alterations and additions) = Required development contribution
- For new private education establishments and associated development, provided a shared use agreement for public access to district open space is agreed to the satisfaction of the Local Government, development contributions shall be levied at 0.3 percent of the total development costs of the site, as agreed with the Local Government based on the building licence application.

Mixed-use development

The R25 subdivision/development potential of the site, or the actual number of lots/dwellings being created at the time of



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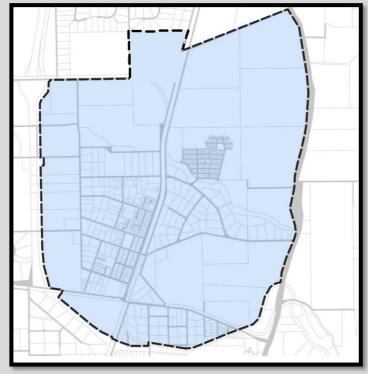
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	subdivision/development, whichever is the greater (minus the equivalent of one lot or dwelling), multiplied by the applicable development contribution rate.						
	Based on the R25 site calculation						
	(Precinct contribution rate per lot/dwelling x DER x D) x (R25 subdivision/development potential of the site - the equivalent of one lot or one dwelling) = Required contribution rate.						
	Based on the number of dwellings.						
	number o	inct contribution rate per lot/dwelling x DER x D) x (actual er of residential lots/dwellings being created - the first dwelling created) = Required development contribution.					
Period of operation	15 years (2038)						
Priority and timing of infrastructure provision	A summary of the estimated timing and priority for the delivery of each item of infrastructure is provided below to align with the Council's long-term strategic plan and infrastructure plan with the details outlined in the Development Contribution Plan Report. The following infrastructure items are priority items at the time of this Amendment -						
	1. Kiernan Park Stage 1 District Sporting Space The infrastructure items are to be delivered in the following broad timeframes with a more detailed timeline provided in the Development Contribution Plan Report.						
	Priority	Project	Timeline (Completion)				
	1.	Kiernan Park Stage 1 DSS					
	2.	Taylor Road / Adams Street	Short Term:				
	3. Town Centre Distributor Road (Whitby New Road) 4. Bishop Road (East)						
	5. North South Road 6. Whitby High School DSS Medium Terr						
	7. Skyline Boulevard						
	8. Taylor Road / Scott Road NOS						



	9.	Adams Street / Cockram Street NOS				
	10.	Tinspar Avenue	Long Term:			
	1		2035 to 2036			
Review process The Plan will be reviewed when considered appropriate, the exceeding a period of five years duration, having regard to the subsequent development in the catchment area since the last and the degree of development potential still existing.						
		stimated costs will be reviewed at least annually to refle es in funding, indexing and revisions to remaining.				
		frastructure or land costs. Revisions to costs of Infrastructure lue of land will be undertaken by a suitable qualified person. Ontribution values will be adjusted to reflect these changes timated costs, as well as taking into account any adjustment for penditure incurred).				
	estimated DCP fund					

1.6 Replacing the map for "Development Contribution Area 3 - Mundijong Urban"



- 1.7 Amending the Scheme Maps to replace the DCA3 boundary with the DCA boundary shown on the Proposed Zoning Map.
- 1.8 Replacing the text in 'Schedule 7.4 'Byford and Mundijong Community Infrastructure Development Contribution Plan' with the following:



Development Contribution Plan	DCP4					
Development Contribution Area Name	Development Contribution Area 4 - Byford and Mundijong Community Infrastructure					
Reference Number on Scheme Map(s)	SCA9/DCA4					
Relationship to other planning instruments:	 The CIDCP generally conforms to: Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework (IPRF) Strategic Community Plan (SCP) Corporate Business Plan (CBP) Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP) State Planning Policy 3.6 (SPP3.6) Community Infrastructure and Public Open Space Strategy (CIPOSS) Community Infrastructure Implementation Plan (CIIP) Byford District Structure Plan & Development Contribution Plan (BDSP & DCP) Mundijong District Structure Plan & Development Contribution 					
Items	Byford Community Infrastructure: B01: Byford Library & Multi-Agency Service Centre - Building B02: Briggs Park Pavilion B03: Briggs Park Youth Centre B04: Briggs Park Recreation Centre Extension B05: Orton Road District Sport Space - Building & Lights B06: Byford Skate Park - Extension & Pump Track B07: Cardup Brook Themed Playground - Nature Play B08: Lindt Street Themed Playground - Adventure Playground B09: The Glades District Community Facility - Building B11: Hopkinson Road DOS - Building & Lights Mundijong Community Infrastructure: M01: Whitby District Sporting Space - Building & Lights M02: Mundijong Whitby Skate Park & Pump Track M05: Themed Playground - Dog Park					



M06: Keirnan Park Youth Centre

M07: Whitby Themed Playground - Adventure Playground

M11: Keirnan Park District Sporting Space -Building & Lights

Region wide at Keirnan Park:

S01: Keirnan Park BMX relocation Regional facility (Stage 2)

Administrative costs of the CIDCP:

- Costs to prepare and administer the CIDCP.
- Costs associated with the annual review of cost estimates.
- Costs associated with the review of the cost apportionment schedules based on land development undertaken since the last review.
- Costs for undertaking valuations.
- Fees for professional services directly linked to the preparation and implementation of the CIDCP.
- Costs for computer software and/or hardware upgrades necessary to enable CIDCP preparation.
- Proportion of staff salaries directly related to CIDCP administration.
- Financial institution fees and charges associated with the administration of CIDCP funds.
- Interest charged on loans taken out to pre-fund items included in the CIDCP.

Contribution Methodology

The Shire's Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework identifies the needs that impact on the CIDCP. The contributions outlined in this plan have been derived based on the need for facilities generated by additional development in DCA4. This calculation excludes the:

- demand for a facility that is generated by the current population;
- demand created by external usage the proportion of the use drawn from outside the main catchment area;
- future usage the proportion of usage that will be generated by future development outside the development contribution plan timeframe.

Infrastructure costs have been allocated to the DCA4 area which they will service, or if servicing both areas, have been apportioned proportionally to the forecasted growth of each area. The Shire will carry a portion of these costs based on the existing population.

(Additional Forecasted Population/Total Forecasted Population) x 100 = Allocated%.



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		each DCA sub-area are then of new lots. The cost per new lots formula:	-					
	Contribution Rate per lot/dwelling x number of additional lots/dwellings being created =							
	Required Development Contribution							
		s of the apportionment percentaged are included in the CIDCP Rep						
Period of operation	The CIDC	P will be in operation until 2036.						
Priority and timing of infrastructure provision	each iter Council's details ou	A summary of the estimated timing and priority for the delivery of each item of infrastructure is provided below to align with the Council's long-term strategic plan and infrastructure plan with the details outlined in the Development Contribution Plan Report.						
	The follow	wing infrastructure items are prio ent -	rity items at the time of this					
	1. Kie	rnan Park Stage 2 BMX relocatio	n.					
	2. Ke	irnan Park DSS.						
	The infrastructure items are to be delivered in the following broad timeframes with a more detailed timeline provided in the Development Contribution Plan Report.							
	Priority	Project	Timeline (Completion)					
	1.	Byford Skate Park	Grant received covers this item					
	2.	Kiernan Park Stage 1b BMX						
	3.	Keirnan Park Stage 1a DSS	Short Term:					
	4.	Briggs Park Pavilion	2024 to 2029					
	5.	The Glades District Community Facility						
	6.	Byford Library						
	7.	Briggs Park Youth Centre						
	8.	Orton Road DSS	Medium Term:					
	9.	Lindt Street Playground	2030 to 2035					
10. Whitby (Reilly Road) DSS								
	11.	Mundijong Dog Park						
	12.	Whitby Playground						



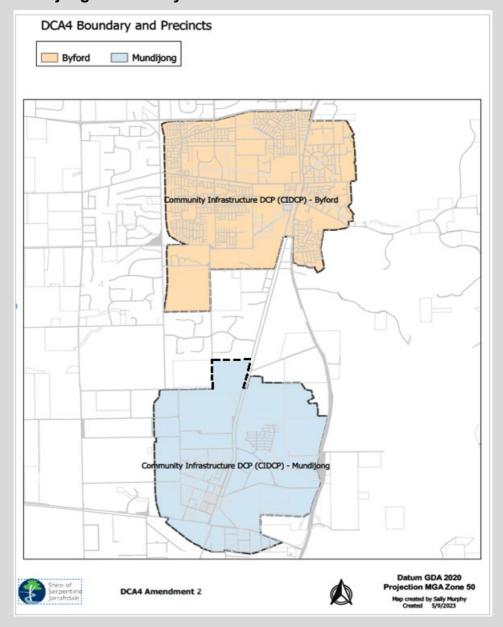
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	13.	Briggs Park Recreation Centre Extension		
	14.	Cardup Brook Playground		
	15.	Mundijong Whitby Skate Park		
	16.	Hopkinson Road DSS	Long Term:	
	17.	Keirnan Park Youth Centre	2036	
Review process	The CIDCP shall be reviewed five years from the date of gazettal of the local planning scheme or amendment to the local planning scheme to incorporate the CIDCP, or earlier should the local government consider it appropriate having regard to the rate of development in the area and the degree of development potential stiexisting.			
	schedule funding a Index or	mated infrastructure costs shown e shall be reviewed at least annotand revenue sources and indexed other appropriate index as appro- king the certification of costs.	ually to reflect changes in based on the Building Cost	



1.9 Replacing the map for "Development Contribution Area 4 - Byford and Mundijong Community Infrastructure"



- 1.10 Amending the Scheme Maps to replace the DCA4 boundary with the DCA boundary shown on the Proposed Zoning Map.
- 2. Provide two (2) copies of the proposed Scheme Amendment No.2 to Local Planning Scheme No. 3 for Development Contribution Plan to the Western Australian Planning Commission in accordance with Regulation 37(2) of the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015.*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5/0



10.1.5 - Brickwood Reserve Environmental Offset Proposal - Byford Rail Extension (SJ2201)				
Responsible Officer: Manager Economic Development				
Senior Officer/s:	Senior Officer/s: Director Development Services			
Disclosure of Officers Interest:	The state of the s			

Authority / Discretion

Executive	The substantial direction setting and oversight role of the Council such as adopting plans and reports, accepting tenders, directing operations and setting and amending budgets.
	setting and amending budgets.

Proponent: Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale

Owner: Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale

Date of Receipt: N/A

Lot Area: 12ha (Offset Management Area)

Local Planning Scheme No 3 Zoning:

Metropolitan Region Scheme Reservation: Parks and Recreation

Report Purpose

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider a proposal received from the Public Transport Authority (PTA), in which they seek to partner with the Shire in order for the Shire to deliver required environmental offsets on behalf of the PTA.

The PTA wrote to the Shire on 8 November 2023 (refer **attachment 1**) setting out as follows:

The PTA has identified an 'Offset Allocation Area' of approximately 7.5 ha within Brickwood Reserve that contains sufficient extent of SCP 3a and CCW to achieve State and Federal requirements for the BRE project. As Brickwood Reserve contains approximately 34 ha of SCP 3a in total, there would be ample unallocated area remaining should the Shire require it for other environmental offsets in the future.

In consultation with the Shire's environmental team, the PTA has also identified an 'Offset Management Area' of approximately 12 ha, within which the Offset Allocation Area is situated (Figure 1). This larger area is based on available access and will provide for practical on-ground management of the Offset Allocation Area and its buffer.

The PTA proposes to provide funding to the Shire for the implementation of on-ground management within the 12 ha 'Offset Management Area' as part of the environmental offset



package for the BRE project. On-ground management measures may include, but are not limited to, the installation of fencing and signage, formalisation of access, rehabilitation of degraded areas, rubbish removal, weed control, surveys and monitoring.'

The purpose of this report is to establish Council's position on this proposal, given it is the first of this nature received by the Shire.

Relevant Previous Decisions of Council

There are no previous Council decisions relating to this matter.

Background

The Byford Rail Extension (BRE) to extend the Armadale line to Byford as part of the Metronet State Government project was approved by the WA Minister for Environment on 1 February 2022 and the Federal Minister for the Environment on 7 February 2022.

The project identified significant residual impacts from the proposal which remain and require an offset. The significant impacts identified are:

- Threatened ecological community (TEC) Corymbia calophylla Kingia australis woodlands on heavy soils (SCP3a), listed as Endangered under the EPBC Act and assessed as Critically Endangered by the WA Threatened Ecological Communities Advisory Committee.
- Threatened ecological community Corymbia calophylla Xanthorrhoea preissii woodlands and shrublands (SCP3c), listed as Endangered under the EPBC Act and assessed as Critically Endangered by the WA Threatened Ecological Communities Advisory Committee.
- Carnaby's cockatoo Calyptorhynchus latirostris, listed as Endangered under the EPBC Act and the BC Act.
- Forest red-tailed black cockatoo Calyptorhynchus banksii, listed as Vulnerable under the EPBC Act and the BC Act.
- Baudin's cockatoo Calyptorhynchus baudinii, listed as Endangered under the EPBC Act and the BC Act.
- Conservation Category Wetlands wetlands which support a high level of attributes and functions and are the highest priority for management (DBCA 2012).
- Bush Forever identifies regionally significant bushland for protection in the Perth Metropolitan area (GoWA 2002a).

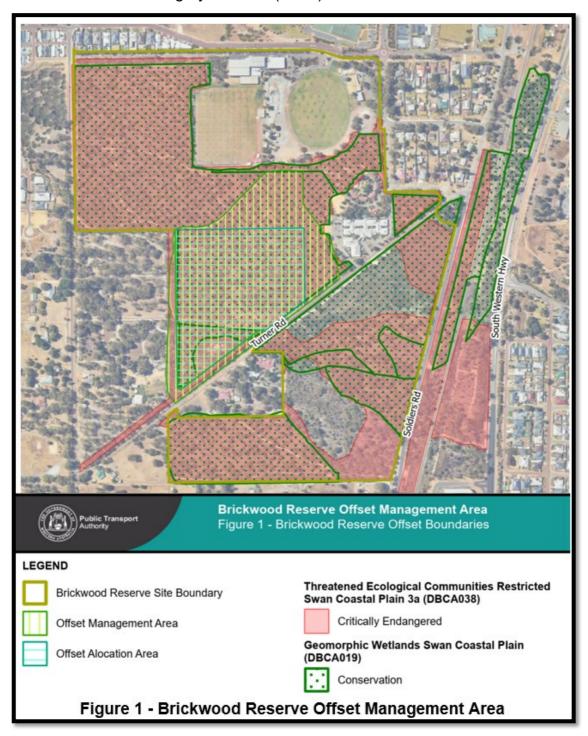
Under the approval conditions, the PTA is required to prepare and implement an environmental offset strategy, offset management plans and a research plan, that detail measures to counterbalance the projects environmental impacts.

The Ministerial Statement 1183 requires that the environmental offset measures are to be implemented at four locations, including Brickwood Reserve. The extent of the environmental values within Brickwood Reserve requiring environmental offset measures to be implemented are as follows.

The PTA has identified an 'Offset Management Area' of approximately 12ha, within which the Offset allocation area is situated:



- 6.5 ha of threatened ecological community (TEC) Swan Coastal Plain type 3a (SCP 3a) 'Corymbia calophylla - Kingia australis woodlands on heavy soils community of the Swan Coastal Plain';
- 4.2 ha of Conservation Category Wetland (CCW)



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Community / Stakeholder Consultation

<u>Stakeholder</u>

Key stakeholders include the State Government, specifically the PTA, Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) and Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA), and the relevant portfolio Ministers at both State and Federal Government levels. The community and community groups involved in active management of Brickwood Reserve, are also key stakeholders in respect of outcomes that may affect this important environmental asset.

Statutory Environment

State Government Policies

- State Planning Policy 2.8 (SPP2.8)
- Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016
- Environmental Protection Act 1986

Local Planning Framework

Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale Local Planning Scheme No. 3

Comment

The PTA have approached the Shire on the following basis:

- The PTA proposes to provide funding to the Shire for the implementation of on-ground management within the 12 ha 'Offset Management Area' as part of the environmental offset package for the BRE project.
- On-ground management measures may include, but are not limited to, the installation of fencing and signage, formalisation of access, rehabilitation of degraded areas, rubbish removal, weed control, surveys and monitoring.
- If supported by the Shire, the PTA would prepare a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) in consultation with the Shire, which would outline the obligations of each party, including in relation to financial management, on ground management, governance and reporting.
- The basis of such arrangement would seek to mirror established similar arrangements, formed between the DBCA and the PTA for other Metronet environmental offsets.

The PTA is seeking confirmation of the Shire's in-principle support to utilise a portion of Brickwood Reserve as an environmental offset for the BRE project.

In making this approach, Officers have noted the following aspects for consideration:

- The Shire is one of the fastest growing LGs in Australia, and has a number of planned infrastructure projects which (in and of themselves) may generate the need for offsets to occur.
- 2. Having an agency fund the Shire directly to improve one of its most important Natural Reserves (Brickwood Reserve) would deliver measurable positive outcomes for both the environment and the community of Byford.
- 3. By the Shire allowing an agency to (in this case) utilise 12 ha of Brickwood Reserve for 'Offset Management Purposes', could be regarded as reducing the Shire's flexibility in being able to deliver upon its own extensive infrastructure program, needed to meet the demands of a



doubling of population that is occurring every 17 years, which equates to an annual growth rate of 5%.

- 4. Officers note that, in taking account of the lack of knowledge about what future offsets may be required, there is some uncertainty as to the ability of the Shire to meet these. For example, current projects planned for Brickwood Reserve include the skatepark extension, Recreation Centre Extension, Pumptrack, new Clubroom and Youth Centre, all of which are yet to fully quantify the final offsets requirements.
- 5. The current application process for the skatepark extension, which involves the removal of five trees, is being faced with an offset requirements of 2.5ha, which could be inhibited by allowing parts of Brickwood Reserve to be used as offsets by agencies on other projects.
- 6. The Shire has significant demands on its budgets, so receiving a commitment of 20 years of funding to maintain and improve Brickwood Reserve would be a unique and positive circumstance for the Shire to utilise.

These complex observations / questions resulted in Officers seeking some independent review of the proposal, in order to better inform itself of whether it was something to be supportive of.

In this regard, the Shire engaged an environmental consultant to review the Shire's infrastructure road program planned for the next ten years, and look to whether there would likely be significant impacts on the Vegetation Type 3A (SCP3A). If there were foreseen impacts, the environmental consultant was then asked to note any potential issues that could inhibit the Shire offsetting such impacts, by supporting the proposal put forward by PTA to occur.

In this regard, the following advice was received (refer **attachment 2**).

- Based on the strategic road projects provided by the Shire, Emerge suggest that there will be situations whereby road expansion projects will encounter SCP 3a.
- Given the significance of SCP 3a under the environmental policy and approval frameworks, we would strongly recommend that avoidance be the first option pursued for road upgrades (i.e. design roads to avoid or minimise the extent to which SCP 3a is impacted/cleared).
- While the SCP 3a mapping shows the extent of potential impacts associated with the road projects, the same approach could also be used to find potential offset site opportunities beyond those already known in Brickwood Reserve (the reserve).
- In relation to the Brickwood Reserve offset proposal, we note that this would not take up all of the extent of SCP 3a, and therefore the extent of potential offset opportunities within the reserve.
- Emerge do not see any reason why the Shire should not progress with providing in-principle support for the offset proposal, but this would then subsequently provide more detail around the specifics of the offset proposal and the Shire's benefits and obligations arising from this.
- Emerge strongly suggest that the Shire avoid taking on any of the statutory compliance
 obligations associated with the offset delivery, and this would require careful consideration of
 the actual offset delivery agreement with the Public Transport Authority (PTA).
- More broadly, we would recommend that the Shire undertake a review of potential offset opportunities that might be available within land already under the control of the Shire, and this would assist with understanding the extent to which the Shire can respond to its own potential future offset requirements, as well as any requests that come in the future from Government or the private sector. With the policy expectation that offsets are moving from



averted loss to restoration based outcomes, this could provide an opportunity for funding for environmental restoration within the Shire.

This advice is useful, as it does reveal that (at a high level) there could be predicted impacts on the same vegetation type associated with future infrastructure provision by the Shire. This could need to be offset also within Brickwood Reserve, however there may be other occurrences on other land (public and private) that could be pursued to deal with the requirement for offset, if infrastructure could not avoid impact. Officers also concur with the recommendation of avoiding any and all statutory compliance obligations such arrangement could bring, and has been a point of concern expressed from the earliest approaches that were made to the Shire in this regard.

Establishing a Council Position

The approach received from the PTA is the first of its kind for the Shire. With the Shire to be receiving other major infrastructure investments in the short term (Tonkin Highway extension, Thomas Road upgrade, freight rail deviation, Anketell / Thomas Road Westport Freight Corridor etc), it is uncertain what level of environmental offsetting these projects may require. As a result, it is uncertain whether future approaches from agencies, like that received from PTA, will also be likely.

Officers consider that having as much land available for offsetting, will benefit whole of government in delivering upon the major infrastructure needs of the Shire over the coming decades. To this end, Officers are of the view that support for the proposal put forward by PTA should be subject to additional land being brought under Crown ownership that could be made available for offsets.

In this case, the Offset Management Area of 12ha is being proposed, which could conceivably reduce Shire or other agency abilities to meet offsets. A simple response to reduce that risk, could be to acquire additional land that could vest in the Crown as an offsets area, that could be utilised accordingly.

Further to this, Officers recommend that clarity would be needed prior to indicating an in-principle position of support (or otherwise), that any and all statutory compliance obligations would remain entirely with the agency required to offset, and not in any way fall upon the Shire.

These would consider to represent reasonable Council positions on offset partnerships proposed by State agencies within the Shire, namely:

- That additional land equivalent to the offset area be secured and vested for the purposes of future offsetting needs; and
- There be a written legal position provided by the State Solicitors Office, that clearly state the Shire would have no statutory compliance obligations in respect of fulfilling the offsets strategy imposed by way of State and Federal Government approvals of projects.

These forms the basis of the recommendation to Council.



Options

Option 1

That Council:

- 1. REQUESTS that the Chief Executive Officer write to the Public Transport Authority, in response to its letter dated 8 November 2023, advising that prior to further consideration of the matter, the Shire seeks the following additional information:
 - a. How additional land equivalent to the offset area (12ha) will be secured and vested for the purposes of future offsetting needs that can be utilised by the Shire; and
 - b. A written legal position provided by the State Solicitors Office, that clearly states the mechanisms by which the Shire will have no statutory compliance obligations in respect of fulfilling the offset requirements imposed by way of State and Federal Government statutory environmental approvals of the Public Transport Authority project.
- 2. Upon receipt of a response received under Part 1, REQUESTS a further report on the matter for Council's consideration.

Option 2

That Council:

- 1. SUPPORTS in principle, the Public Transport Authority to utilise part of the Brickwood Reserve for its offset needs in delivering the Byford Rail Extension project; and
- 2. AUTHORISES the Chief Executive Officer to write to the Public Transport Authority advising to commence the preparation of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to outline the obligations between the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale and the Public Transport Authority in this regard.

Option 1 is recommended.

Conclusion

Officers have recommended a cautious position in respect of the whole issue of offsets. This is primarily driven by the significant infrastructure obligations that must be delivered upon over the coming two decades, and that any project by project consideration could prevent (in the worse case) the Shire being able to meet its offset needs for critical future infrastructure like roads and community projects. The Officer recommendation provides this cautious approach, which while not closing the door on the request made by PTA, seeks further information to report back to Council on before a final decision is made.

Attachments (available under separate cover)

- **10.1.5 attachment 1 -** Letter from Public Transport Authority dated 8 November 2023 (E24/2617).
- 10.1.5 attachment 2 Independent environmental review dated 5 March 2024 (IN24/5429).



Alignment with our Council Plan 2023-2033

Thriving

- 1. Plan for the sustainable growth of the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale
- **2.** Advocate and attract businesses to grow and thrive, increasing opportunities for local employment
- 4. Ensure sustainable and optimal use of Shire resources and finances

Financial Implications

The PTA proposes to provide funding to the Shire for the implementation of on-ground management within the 12ha 'Offset Management Area' as part of the environmental offset package. This would provide a funding source not currently available to the Shire, to manage this natural reserve. However, as already discussed, the Shire could face its own significant offset requirements, which could be impacted by allowing other agencies to meet their needs on Shire managed land.

Further information is needed to better inform the degree of financial risk this could pose to the organisation.

Risk Implications

Risk has been assessed on the Officer Options and Implications:

L				Risk Assessment			Risk
Officer Option	Risk Description	Controls	Principal Consequence Category	Likelihood	Consequence	Risk Rating	Mitigation Strategies (to further lower the risk rating if required)
1	The Shire delays a position on the PTA proposal, which adds further uncertainty to the management of environmental impacts associated within the Byford Rail Extension (BRE).	Environmental protection framework	Strategic Stakeholder Relationships	Possible	Moderate	MODERATE	Continue to engage with PTA on the matter.



-	Risk Description	Controls	Principal Consequence Category	Risk Assessment			Risk
Officer Option				Likelihood	Conseduence	Risk Rating	Mitigation Strategies (to further lower the risk rating if required)
2	The Shire supports the proposal, which results in the Shire reducing its ability to meet its future offset obligations required by road and community infrastructure.	Environmental protection framework	Financial	Possible	Moderate	SIGNIFICANT	Accept Option 1.

Voting Requirements: Simple Majority

OCM041/03/24

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / Officer Recommendation

Moved Cr Duggin, seconded Cr Bishop

That Council:

- 1. REQUESTS that the Chief Executive Officer write to the Public Transport Authority, in response to its letter dated 8 November 2023, advising that prior to further consideration of the matter, the Shire seeks the following additional information:
 - a. How additional land equivalent to the offset area (12ha) will be secured and vested for the purposes of future offsetting needs that can be utilised by the Shire; and
 - b. A written legal position provided by the State Solicitors Office, that clearly states the mechanisms by which the Shire will have no statutory compliance obligations in respect of fulfilling the offset requirements imposed by way of State and Federal Government statutory environmental approvals of the Public Transport Authority project.
- 2. Upon receipt of a response received under Part 1, REQUESTS a further report on the matter for Council's consideration.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (en bloc at 8.26pm) 5/0



10.2 Infrastructure Services reports:

10.2.1 – Minutes of the Rivers Regional Council – Ordinary Council Meeting – 15 February 2024 (SJ2812)			
Responsible Officer:	Manager Waste and Fleet		
Senior Officer:	Director Infrastructure Services		
Disclosure of Officer's Interest:	No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has an interest to declare in accordance with the provisions of the <i>Local Government Act 1995</i> .		

Authority / Discretion

Information	For the Council / Committee to note.
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Report Purpose

The purpose of this report is to enable Council to note the minutes of the Rivers Regional Council Ordinary Meeting held on 15 February 2024.

Relevant Previous Decisions of Council

Nil.

Background

The Rivers Regional Council (RRC) is a regional local government established under s3.61 of the *Local Government Act 1995*. The Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale (the Shire) is a member of the RRC.

The RRC provides waste services on behalf of member local governments.

Community / Stakeholder Consultation

Nil.

Statutory Environment

From a legislative perspective, the RRC is a distinct local government entity. Except for the sections listed in s3.66 of the Act, RRC is required to comply with the Act as any other local government.

Comment

The RRC Council Meeting was held on 15 February 2024. The Shire was represented by Cr Mack and Cr Jerrett.

The following items were discussed and carried unanimously:

- Payments for the Period 1 December 2023 to 31 January 2024;
- Financial Report for the Period 1 December 2023 to 31 January 2024;



- Compliance Audit Return 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023;
- CEO Report;
- Audit Committee Meeting.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 17 April 2024 at the City of Armadale.

Options

Option1

That Council NOTES the unconfirmed minutes of the Rivers Regional Council Ordinary Meeting held on 15 February 2024 as contained in **attachment 1**.

Option 2

That Council DOES NOT NOTE the unconfirmed minutes of the Rivers Regional Council Ordinary Meeting held on 15 February 2024.

Option 1 is recommended.

Conclusion

As a member of the RRC, the unconfirmed minutes of the RRC Ordinary Council Meeting held on 15 February 2024 are attached for Council's information.

Attachments (available under separate cover)

• **10.2.1 - attachment 1** – Rivers Regional Council Ordinary Council Meeting Minutes – 15 February 2024 (IN24/4355)

Alignment with our Council Plan 2023-2033

Liveable

5. Increase our capacity to reduce, recover and recycle waste to improve sustainability and reduce impacts on the environment

Financial Implications

Nil.

Risk Implications

Nil.

Voting Requirements: Simple Majority

OCM042/03/24

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / Officer Recommendation

Moved Cr Duggin, seconded Cr Bishop

That Council NOTES the unconfirmed minutes of the Rivers Regional Council Ordinary Meeting held on 15 February 2024 as contained in attachment 1.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (en bloc at 8.26pm) 5/0



10.2.2 - Award Request for Tender - RFT 01/2024 - Green Waste Verge Collection (SJ4393)				
Responsible Officer:	Manager Waste and Fleet			
Senior Officer:	Director Infrastructure Services			
Disclosure of Officer's Interest:	No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has an interest to declare in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1995.			

Authority / Discretion

Executive	The substantial direction setting and oversight role of the Council such as
	adopting plans and reports, accepting tenders, directing operations and
	setting and amending budgets.

Report Purpose

The purpose of this report is to seek Council consideration of RFT 01/2024 – Green Waste Verge Collection.

Relevant Previous Decisions of Council

Ordinary Council Meeting – 11 December 2023 - OCM308/12/23 - COUNCIL RESOLUTION Extract

That Council:

- 1. NOTES the summary of the asbestos findings and planned actions and requests that the Chief Executive Officer present a follow-up report in 2024 to determine to future of the site.
- 2. CALLS TENDERS for procurement of:
 - a) 2 green waste verge collections per annum for a term of 2 years with the option to extend for a further 1 year; and
 - b) pre booked bulk waste collection services for the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale residents combined with illegal dumping collection services for a term of 2 years with the option for a further 1 year.

Background

As per Council resolution of 11 December Ordinary Council Meeting (OCM308/12/23), Shire Officers have tendered for the green waste verge collection services for a period of two years with an option to extend for a further 12 months. The service allows for two green waste verge collections per annum.

Community / Stakeholder Consultation

Nil.



Submissions

The Request for Tender RFT 01/2024 – Green Waste Verge Collection was advertised on Friday 26 January and closed at 2.00pm on Friday 16 February 2024

The Tender was advertised on Tenderlink and was also advertised in the following papers:

- West Australian Newspaper;
- Examiner (Serpentine Jarrahdale & Armadale);
- Pinjarra/Murray Times (Inc. Mandurah Coastal Times);
- Sound Telegraph (Rockingham & Kwinana).

One (1) submission was received, and the submissions are summarised in **CONFIDENTIAL** attachment 1.

All tender submissions comply with the request for tender guidelines and compliance criteria.

The Tender submission was received from the following company:

#	Company Name
1	Steann Pty Ltd

Evaluation Panel

An evaluation panel was convened and consisted of the following personnel:

- Manager Waste and Fleet;
- Coordinator Waste Services:
- Coordinator Fleet Services.

All members of the evaluation panel have made a conflict-of-interest declaration in writing confirming that they have no relationships with the respondent. Each member of the panel assessed the submissions separately.

Evaluation Criteria

The following evaluation criteria and weightings were used by the tender evaluation panel to assess tender submissions:

EVALUATION CRITERIA	WEIGHTING
Price with quantities	50%
Relevant experience with: Demonstrated relevant experience of the Company in providing the same or similar services to local government or the private sector over the past five years	20%
Tenderers' Resources, Key Personnel, Skills and Experience with: Capacity to deliver the services including: Key personnel / Professional skills; Describe the key personnel who will be involved in the work, including 	15%



EVALUATION CRITERIA	WEIGHTING
past work of a similar nature.	
Demonstrated Understanding with:	
Project schedule;	
 Process for delivery of goods/services; 	450/
Project Management Plan;	15%
Critical assumptions; and	
Any additional information.	

Comment

The tender submission received was assessed against the evaluation criteria and the qualitative and quantitative results of this assessment and prices are documented in **CONFIDENTIAL** attachment 1.

Following the assessment of the submission, against the selection criteria, the tender submitted by Steann Pty Ltd was assessed as being the best value for money that meets the Shire's requirements.

The tender evaluation panel therefore recommends the tender submission made by Steann Pty Ltd be accepted.

Following several enquiries received by the Shire regarding the need for additional services for green waste collection, Steann Pty Ltd (preferred contractor) was contacted by Shire Officers to establish if they were able to provide additional collections and the applicable cost. Steann confirmed that they are able to conduct an additional green waste verge collection in July/ August 2024 at the same contract rate submitted in their tender, if this service was requested by the Shire.

The amount of green waste collected through the last round of verge collection in November – December 2023 was 711 tonnes. Based on this data, it is estimated that 1,400 tonnes of green waste will be collected through the next two rounds of verge collections. It is anticipated that the amount of green waste collected through the additional third round will be lower.

Statutory Environment

Section 3.57 (1) of the *Local Government Act 1995* requires a local government to invite tenders before it enters into a contract of a prescribed kind under which another person is to supply the goods or services.

Division 2 under Part 4 of the *Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations* 1996 prescribes the kinds of contracts that must be publicly invited. Regulation 11(1) states:

Tenders are to be publicly invited according to the requirements of this Division before a local government enters into a contract for another person to supply goods or services if the consideration under the contract is, or is expected to be, more, or worth more, than \$250 000 unless subregulation (2) states otherwise.

The Regulations also prescribe requirements and processes to apply when undertaking a public tender.



Options

The following options have been identified:

Option 1

That Council:

- 1. AWARDS the contract as recommended in **CONFIDENTIAL attachment 1** RFT 01/2024 Green Waste Verge Collections for an initial period of two (2) years (1 April 2024 till 31 March 2026) with an option to extend for one (1) year at the Chief Executive Officer's discretion to Steann Pty Ltd allowing for two rounds of green waste verge collection per annum;
- 2. AUTHORISES the Chief Executive Officer to sign a contract on behalf of the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale for RFT 01/2024 Green Waste Verge Collections.

Option 2

That Council:

- 1. AWARDS the contract as recommended in **CONFIDENTIAL attachment 1** RFT 01/2024 Green Waste Verge Collections for an initial period of two (2) years (1 April 2024 till 31 March 2026) with an option to extend for one (1) year at the Chief Executive Officer's discretion to Steann Pty Ltd allowing for two rounds of green waste verge collection per annum;
- 2. AUTHORISES the Chief Executive Officer to sign a contract on behalf of the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale for RFT 01/2024 Green Waste Verge Collections;
- 3. AUTHORISES the Chief Executive Officer to vary the contract on behalf of the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale for RFT 01/2024 Green Waste Verge Collections, to allow for an additional green waste verge collection between June 2024 and February 2025.

Option 3

That Council DOES NOT AWARD RFT 13/2023 and REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer retender.

Option 1 is recommended.

Conclusion

Reference: IN24/6982

Steann Pty Ltd has been assessed as being able to meet the requirements of the contract. The respondent met all of the requirements for Relevant Experience, Key Personnel, Skills and Resources and Demonstrated Understanding and was assessed as providing the best value for money.

Therefore, it is recommended that Council support Option 1 and the contract be awarded to Steann Pty Ltd.

Attachments (available under separate cover)

• **10.2.2 – CONFIDENTIAL attachment 1** – RFT 01/2024 – Green Waste Verge Collections - Evaluation Report (E24/2182)



Alignment with our Council Plan 2023-2033

Liveable

5. Increase our capacity to reduce, recover and recycle waste to improve sustainability and reduce impacts on the environment

Financial Implications

The total annual cost of the contract is estimated to be approximately \$266,000 based on estimated 1,400 tonnes of green waste being collected through two rounds of collections. This cost is offset by the cost savings due to the Waste Transfer Station not being operational.

Inclusion of the third collection will likely result in an increase in total green waste being collected across the Shire. Based on estimated 700 tonnes of green waste being collected in each round, the estimated additional cost of the third round of collection could be as high as \$133,000, however this estimated cost is more likely to be lower.

Risk Implications

Risk has been assessed on the Officer Options:

				Risk Assessment			Risk Mitigation
Officer Option	Risk Description	Controls	Principal Consequence Category	Likelihood	Consequence	Risk Rating	Strategies (to further lower the risk rating if required)
1	Complaints from residents after April 2024 about insufficient number of options for green waste collections and public backlash.	Have the option available to introduce additional green waste collections if required.	Social / Community Outcomes	Possible	Minor	MODERATE	NA
2	Confusion with communications to residents at the time of the introduction of the new pre-booked bulk verge collection services, resulting in delays, additional costs and public backlash.	Avoid providing an additional green waste collection service in July/ August 2024 and consider delaying until January/Februar y 2025.	Social / Community Outcomes	Almost Certain	Moderate	SIGNIFICANT	Authorise amendmen ts to budgets for additional communica tions and staffing.
3 & 4	Delays in procurement of the green waste verge collection services	Award the tender to Steann Pty Ltd.	Social / Community Outcomes	Almost	Major	HIGH	NA



				Risk Assessment			Risk
Officer Option	Risk Description	Controls	Principal Consequence Category	Likelihood	Consequence	Risk Rating	Mitigation Strategies (to further lower the risk rating if required)
	resulting public backlash.						

Voting Requirements: Simple Majority

OCM043/03/24

MOTION / Officer Recommendation

Moved Cr Jerrett, seconded Cr Bishop

That Council:

- AWARDS the contract as recommended in CONFIDENTIAL attachment 1 RFT 01/2024 – Green Waste Verge Collections for an initial period of two (2) years (1 April 2024 till 31 March 2026) with an option to extend for one (1) year at the Chief Executive Officers discretion to Steann Pty Ltd allowing for two rounds of green waste verge collection per annum;
- 2. AUTHORISES the Chief Executive Officer to sign a contract on behalf of the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale for RFT 01/2024 Green Waste Verge Collections.

MOTION LOST 1/4

In accordance with section 5.21(4) of the Local Government Act 1995, the individual vote of each member of the Council was as follows:

Councillor Jerrett voted FOR the motion.

President Coales, Councillors Bishop, Duggin, and Mack voted AGAINST the motion.

OCM044/03/24

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved President Coales, seconded Cr Bishop

That Council:

- AWARDS the contract as recommended in CONFIDENTIAL attachment 1 RFT 01/2024

 Green Waste Verge Collections for an initial period of two (2) years (1 April 2024 till 31 March 2026) with an option to extend for one (1) year at the Chief Executive Officer's discretion to Steann Pty Ltd allowing for two rounds of green waste verge collection per annum;
- 2. AUTHORISES the Chief Executive Officer to sign a contract on behalf of the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale for RFT 01/2024 Green Waste Verge Collections;



Reference: IN24/6982

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3. AUTHORISES the Chief Executive Officer to vary the contract on behalf of the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale for RFT 01/2024 – Green Waste Verge Collections, to allow for an additional green waste verge collection between June 2024 and February 2025.

CARRIED 4/1

In accordance with section 5.21(4) of the Local Government Act 1995, the individual vote of each member of the Council was as follows:

President Coales, Councillors Bishop, Duggin, and Mack voted FOR the motion.

Councillor Jerrett voted AGAINST the motion.

Reason for difference to Officer Recommendation

To enable a further a green waste collection in response to the community's feedback.

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10.3 Corporate Services reports:

10.3.1 - Confirmation of Payment of Creditors – February 2024 (SJ801)							
Responsible Officer:	Manager Finance						
Senior Officer:	Director Corporate Services						
Disclosure of Officer's Interest:	No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has an interest to declare in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1995.						

Authority / Discretion

Legislative	Includes adopting local laws, local planning schemes and policies.	
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Report Purpose

The purpose of this report is to prepare a list of accounts paid each month, as required by the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996.

Relevant Previous Decisions of Council

There is no previous Council decision relating to this matter.

Background

Nil.

Community / Stakeholder Consultation

Not Applicable.

Statutory Environment

Section 5.42 of the *Local Government Act 1995* states that the local government may delegate some of its powers to the Chief Executive Officer. Council have granted the Chief Executive Officer Delegated Authority 1.1.17 - Payments from Municipal and Trust Fund.

Section 6.10 of the *Local Government Act 1995* states the Financial management regulations may provide for the general management of, and the authorisation of payments out of the municipal fund and the trust fund of a local government.

Regulation 13(1) of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* requires where a local government has delegated authority to make payments from the municipal or trust fund, that a list of accounts paid be prepared each month showing each account paid since last such a list was prepared.



Comment

In accordance with Regulation 13(1) of the *Local Government (Financial Management)* Regulations 1996, schedules of all payments made through the Council's bank accounts are presented to Council for their inspection. The list includes details for each account paid incorporating:

- a) Payees name;
- b) The amount of the payment;
- c) The date of the payment; and
- d) Sufficient information to identify the transaction.

A detailed list of invoices for the period 01 February 2024 to 29 February 2024 is provided in **attachment 1**.

Options

Option 1

That Council RECEIVES the Schedule of Accounts as paid under delegated authority from 01 February 2024 to 29 February 2024, totalling \$5,155,451.44

Option 2

That Council DOES NOT RECEIVE the Schedule of Accounts as paid under delegated authority from 01 February 2024 to 29 February 2024, totalling \$5,155,451.44

Option 1 is recommended.

Conclusion

Nil.

Attachments (available under separate cover)

- **10.3.1 attachment 1** List of Creditors Accounts Paid and Submitted to Council for the period ending 29 February 2024 (E24/2789)
- **10.3.1 attachment 2** Westpac Purchasing Card Report 28 December 2023 to 28 January 2024 Redacted (E24/2790)
- 10.3.1 attachment 3 Fuel Purchasing Cards Report 01 January 2024 to 31 January 2024
 Redacted (E24/2791)

Alignment with our Council Plan 2023-2033

	Thriving
4.	Ensure sustainable and optimal use of Shire resources and finances

Financial Implications

Expenditures were provided for in the adopted Budget as amended, or by any subsequent budget reviews and amendments.

The accounts paid under delegated authority for 01 February 2024 to 29 February 2024 totalled \$5,155,451.44



Risk Implications

Risk has been assessed on the Officer Options:

					Risk sessment		Risk Mitigation
Officer Option	Risk Description	Controls	Principal Consequence Category	Likelihood	Consequence	Risk Rating	Strategies (to further lower the risk rating if required)
1	There are no risks assoc	ciated with this optio	n.				
2	That Council does not accept the payments	Provision of sufficient information and records to support the recommendation	Financial	Unlikely	Insignificant	row	

Voting Requirements: Simple Majority

OCM045/03/24

Reference: IN24/6982

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / Officer Recommendation

Moved Cr Duggin, seconded Cr Bishop

That Council RECEIVES the Schedule of Accounts as paid under delegated authority from 01 February 2024 to 29 February 2024 totalling \$5,155,451.44 as contained in attachment 1.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (en bloc at 8.26pm) 5/0



10.3.2 - Monthly Financial Report – January 2024 (SJ4229)							
Responsible Officer:	Manager Finance						
Senior Officer:	Director Corporate Services						
Disclosure of Officer's Interest:	No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has an interest to declare in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1995.						

Authority / Discretion

Legislative	Includes adopting local laws, local planning schemes and policies.
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Report Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide a monthly financial report, which includes rating, investment, reserve, debtor, and general financial information to Councillors in accordance with Section 6.4 of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

This report is about the financial position of the Shire as at 31 January 2024.

Relevant Previous Decisions of Council

Special Council Meeting – 31 July 2023 – SCM016/07/23 - COUNCIL RESOLUTION – extract

- 7. That Council, in accordance with regulation 34 (5) of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996, and AASB 1031 Materiality, the level to be used in statements of financial activity in 2022/23 for reporting material variances shall be:
 - a) ≥ 10% of the amended budget and ≥ \$10,000 of the amended budget; or
 - b) $\geq $150,000$ of the amended budget

In addition, the material variance limit will be applied to each Nature and Type Classification for Operating and Financing Activities and each Project for Investing Activities (Capital).

Background

The Local Government Act 1995 and Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 require that the Shire prepare a Statement of Financial Activity each month by Nature and Type.

The Council has resolved to report Nature and Type and to assess the performance of each category, by comparing the year-to-date budget and actual results. Furthermore, Council has resolved that each Capital project outside of the materiality thresholds be reported on separately. This gives an indication that the Shire is performing against expectations at a point in time.

Community / Stakeholder Consultation

Nil.



Statutory Environment

Section 6.4 of the *Local Government Act 1995* requires a local government to prepare an annual financial statement for the preceding year and other financial reports as are prescribed.

Regulation 34 (1) of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* as amended requires the local government to prepare monthly financial statements and report on actual performance against what was set out in the annual budget.

Comment

Monthly Financial Report

The attached report shows the month end position as at the end of 31 January 2024.

The municipal surplus as at 31 January 2024 is \$22,586,304 which is favourable, compared to a budgeted amount of \$18,495,465. This is primary due to a higher than anticipated opening position which will be resolved once the prior year surplus is allocated by Council.

Further information on material variances that may have an impact on the outcome of the budgeted closing surplus position are listed below:

Operating Activities

Operating Revenue

Rates

No variance analysis required, variance to budget is less than 10%.

Operating Grants, Subsidies and Contributions

No variance analysis required, variance to budget is less than 10%.

Fees and Charges

Favourable variance of \$175,817 primarily due to:

- Increase in Building and Development Application fees higher than antipated for the period of \$123,576
- Permanent variance Refuse Charges higher than anticipated due to interim rate service charges for new properties \$78,009

Interest Earnings

Favourable variance of \$850,138 primarily due to:

- Higher than anticipated interest received on reserve backed Term Deposits \$658,683
- Higher than anticipated interest received on municipal backed Term Deposits \$152,501
- Interest on rate installment due to higher than anticipated rate payers chosing installment payment option - \$57,698

Other Revenue

Favourable permanent variance of \$55,655 primarily due to:

Refund received from Telstra due to overcharge in prior months - \$82,672

Profit on Asset Disposal

No variance analysis required, variance to budget is less than 10%.



Operating Expenses

Employee Costs

Favourable variance of \$785,829 primarily due to vacancies across organisation.

Materials and Contracts

Favourable variance of \$283,172 primarily due to:

 Permanent variance of bulk waste disposal due to unanticipated closure of Waste Transfer Station – \$225,263.

Utility Charges

No variance analysis required, variance to budget is less than 10%.

Depreciation

Unfavourable variance of \$2,256,457 primarily due to an higher than anticipated asset value following the 2022/23 revaluation, resulting in higher than anticipated depreciation.

Finance Costs

No variance analysis required, variance to budget is less than \$10,000.

Insurance Expenses

No variance analysis required, variance to budget is less than 10%.

Other Expenditure

No variance analysis required, variance to budget is less than 10%.

Loss on Disposal of Assets

No variance analysis required, variance to budget is less than 10%.

Investing Activities

Contributions/Grants for the Construction of Assets

No variance analysis required, variance to budget is less than 10%.

Proceeds from Disposal of Assets

No variance analysis required, variance to budget is less than 10%.

Capital Expenditure

Unfavourable variance of \$137,194 primarily due to:

- 80280 Briggs Park Dugouts: Project completed last financial year. There are no additional cost expected. The over spent was due to design certification cost were more than anticipated. - \$15,598.
- 80202 Drainage Renewal: Timing of project delivery \$26,465.
- 80314 Nettleton Road: Project completed. There are no additional cost expected. Officers
 are awaiting line marking to be completed before submitting the final claim which will cover
 the overrun \$10,318.



- 80411 Mundijong Road: Project completed. There are no additional cost expected.
 Officers will be submitting the final claim for this project which will cover the overrun \$28,209.
- 80366 and 80367 Kubota Mower: 1 large Machine purchase instead of 2 smaller mowers.
- 80441 Dual Cab CEO: Purchase less than anticipated \$11,168.

Financing Activities

Proceeds from new Borrowings

No variance analysis required, variance to budget is less than 10%.

<u>Transfer from Reserve</u>

No variance analysis required, variance to budget is less than 10%.

Repayment of new Borrowings

No variance analysis required, variance to budget is less than 10%.

Payment for principal portion of lease liabilities

No variance analysis required, variance to budget is less than \$10,000.

Transfer to Reserve

Variance of \$609,676 due primarily to

Higher than anticipated interest earned on reserved backed Term Deposits - \$658,683

Options

Option 1

That Council RECEIVES the Monthly Financial Report for January 2024 in accordance with Section 6.4 of the *Local Government Act 1995* and Regulation 34 of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* as contained in **attachment 1**.

Option 2

That Council DOES NOT RECEIVE the Monthly Financial Report for January 2024, in accordance with Section 6.4 of the *Local Government Act 1995* and Regulation 34 of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* as contained in **attachment 1**.

Option 1 is recommended.

Conclusion

Nil.

Attachments (available under separate cover)

• **10.3.2 - attachment 1** – Monthly Financial Report – January 2024 (E24/2431)



Alignment with our Council Plan 2023-2033

Thriving

- 1. Plan for the sustainable growth of the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale
- 2. Advocate and attract businesses to grow and thrive, increasing opportunities for local employment
- 3. Ensure sustainable and optimal use of Shire resources and finances

Liveable

- 1. Improve maintenance and investment in roads and paths
- 2. Invest in facilities and amenities to meet current and future needs

Connected

1. Invest in community recreation and support local clubs and groups to increase opportunities for participation

Financial Implications

As at 31 January 2024, the Shire's respective cash position was as follows:

Municipal Fund: \$14,435,363 Trust Fund: \$304,221

Risk Implications

Risk has been assessed on the Officer Options:

				_	Risk Assessment		Risk Mitigation	
Officer Option	Risk Description	Controls	Principal Consequence Category	Likelihood	Consequence	Risk Rating	Strategies (to further lower the risk rating if required)	
1	Nil.							
2	That Council does not receive the Monthly Financial Report for May leading to the Shire not meeting legislative requirements on financial reporting.	sufficient information and records to	Financial	Unlikely	Insignificant	row	Accept Officer Recommen dation	



Voting Requirements: Simple Majority

OCM046/03/24

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / Officer Recommendation

Moved Cr Duggin, seconded Cr Bishop

That Council RECEIVES the Monthly Financial Report for January 2024 in accordance with Section 6.4 of the *Local Government Act* 1995 and Regulation 34 of the *Local Government* (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 as contained in attachment 1.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (en bloc at 8.26pm) 5/0

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10.3.3 – Budget Adjustment for Unallocated Surplus (E24/166)							
Responsible Officer: Manager Finance							
Senior Officer:	Director Corporate Services						
Disclosure of Officers Interest:	No officer involved in the preparation of this report has an interest to declare in accordance with the provisions of the <i>Local Government Act 1995</i> .						

Authority / Discretion

Executive	The substantial direction setting and oversight role of the Council such as adopting plans and reports, accepting tenders, directing operations and setting and amending budgets.
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Report Purpose

Reference: IN24/6982

The purpose of this report is to seek approval from Council to adjust the 2023-2024 Budget to redistribute the unallocated surplus from the 2022-2023 financial year.

Relevant Previous Decisions of Council

Ordinary Council Meeting – 19 February 2024 - OCM020/02/24

That the Council DEFER the matter to the next Policy Concept Forum to discuss the Keirnan Park BMX project overspend.

Ordinary Council Meeting – 11 December 2023- OCM310/12/23 – Extract

That Council APPROVES the schedule of variations to the 2023/24 Budget as presented below, in accordance with section 6.8 of the Local Government Act 1995, resulting in a decrease to the opening municipal surplus (net current assets) of \$3,013,839 as at 1 July 2023

Special Council Meeting – 31 July 2023 - SCM016/07/23 – COUNCIL RESOLUTION - **extract** The Council ADOPTS, in accordance with section 6.2 of the Local Government Act 1995, the Municipal Fund Budget as contained in attachment 1, Amended Statutory Statements and Notes (including supplementary information) for the year ending 30 June 2024 incorporating amendments as per the following table:

Description	Expenditure Type	Amount
Increase Transfer to Reserve – Investment Reserve	Transfer to Reserve	\$55,789



Background

At the time the 2023-2024 Budget was adopted by Council on 31 July 2023, the Annual Financial Statements for the 2022-2023 year end had not been complete, therefore any surplus or deficit resulting from the 2022-2023 financial year was not known.

Community / Stakeholder Consultation

Nil

Statutory Environment

Section 6.8 of the *Local Government Act 1995* requires a local government is not to incur expenditure from municipal funds for an additional purpose except where the expenditure:

- is incurred in a financial year before the adoption of the annual budget by the local government;
- is authorised in advance by Council resolution; and
- is authorised in advance by the President in an emergency.

Comment

The 2022-2023 Annual Financial Statements have now been audited and the actual income and expenditure to be carried forward has been finalised.

Summary of Overall Financial Performance 2022-2023

The year ended 30 June 2023 has seen the Shire continue to deal with the impacts of being a fast-growing local government. This is reflected in the Financial Health indicator (FHI) and ratio information presented below.

Description	OAG Benchmark	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Current Ratio	1.00	1.55	1.80	2.72	1.45	1.46
Asset Consumption Ratio	0.45	0.82	0.75	0.75	0.73	0.74
Asset Renewal Funding Ratio	0.6	1.04	0.71	1.02	0.93	0.70
Asset Sustainability Ratio	0.8	0.90	0.95	0.55	0.85	0.94
Debt Service Cover Ratio	1.9	6.04	6.21	5.92	10.61	9.94
Operating Surplus Ratio	0.00	(0.09)	(0.12)	(0.11)	(0.05)	(0.05)
Own Source Revenue Coverage Ratio	0.35	0.82	0.80	0.82	0.85	0.86
Financial Health Indicator Score	40	75	73	69	72	73

These ratios indicate a slight improvement to the Shire's financial sustainability in the 2022-23 financial year despite facing continued inflationary pressures. The 2022/23 year saw Perth experience an CPI increase of 4.9% year on year. Although this is considerably less than the prior 12 month with Perth CPI of 7.3% in June 2022, the combined impact of a 12.2% increase in a short period of 24 months has had a significant impact to the cost of delivering services to the community.



Despite continued economic pressures, through sound financial management the Shire has not only been successful in maintaining its financial health it has also been able to demonstrate a slight improvement.

The Shire has been able to do so by continuing to focus heavily on assets renewal programs whilst simultaneously keeping operational cost creep to a minimum.

The Shire needs to continue to focus on improving the Operating Surplus ratio, which reflects the amount of municipal funds used to fund Operational activities. With uncertainty around the continued inflationary pressures, costs associated with the undertaking of operational activities will potentially continue to increase. Any improvement to the Operating Surplus ratio will continue to be challenging.

2022/23 Surplus Position

After all adjustments are processed, an additional \$2,200,501 has become available to be allocated in the 2022-2023 Budget.

	Surplus/(Deficit)
2021/22 Total Surplus	8,013,900
Less Carryforwards	-5,813,399
Remaining Unallocated Surplus/(Deficit)	2,200,501

The surplus of \$2,200,501 is comprised of the following:

Category	Surplus/(Deficit)
Operating Activities (including Rates)	2,474,358
Investing Activities	59,815
Financing Activities	(333,672)
Total Surplus/(Deficit)	2,200,501

The 2022/23 Surplus is made up of the following key variances:

Operating Activities including rates (*Under budget*, \$2,373,132, favourable)

This is made up of the following:

Rates

Over budget \$101,226, favourable

The Shire income relating to rates in higher than anticipated due to higher than anticipated interim rates.

Operating Grants and Subsidies

Over budget \$111,047, favourable

The Shire income relating to fees and charges was higher than anticipated primarily due to receiving the following unbudgeted grants/contributions:

- Higher than anticipated Financial Assistance grants \$38,252
- All Clubs sports grant \$30,000
- Road Maintenance Contribution for King Road \$19,187
- Street Lighting Subsidy \$17,212



Main Road Maintenance Agreement Contribution - \$13,317

Fees and Charges

Over budget \$325,321, favourable

The Shire income relating to fees and charges was higher than anticipated primarily due to:

- Higher than anticipated Development applications, building permits and subdivision fees -\$166,662
- Higher than anticipated fines and penalties \$93,456
- Higher than anticipated traffic Management fees \$12,554
- Higher than anticipation Cemetery fees \$10,692

Interest Earnings

Over budget \$934,818, favourable

The Shire income relating to interest earnings was higher than anticipated primarily due to higher than anticipated term deposit interest rates. Officers are expecting to see this trend continue in the 2023/24 financial year.

Other Revenue

Over budget \$199,833, favourable

The Shire income relating to other revenue was higher than anticipated primarily due to:

- Higher than anticipated reimbursement of legal costs from Rates collections \$102,528
- Insurance claim reimbursements including worker compensation \$78,133
- Severe Weather Road Flooding funds received from DFES \$28,371

Employee Cost

Under budget \$1,451,888, favourable

Throughout the 2022/23 financial year that Shire experiences a significant number of vacant positions which has resulted in lower than anticipated Employee costs to the amount of \$1,451,888.

Materials and Consumable

Over budget \$663,672, unfavourable

The Shires expenditure relating the materials and consumables was higher than anticipated by \$663,672.

This overspend was primarily due to the following:

- Agency and Labour hire across the organisation due to vacancies \$520,230 over budget
- Rates revaluation higher than anticipated due to triannual GRV revaluation \$113,375 over budget
- Landlines phone charges higher than budget a credit has been issued in 2023/24 -\$105,671 over budget
- Community Infrastructure grants not awarded in 2022/23 and not required to be carried forward- offset with a reduction in transfers from reserve - \$75,000 under budget



Investing Activities (Under Budget, \$59,815, favourable)

This is made up of the following:

Non-Operating Grants

Over Budget, \$25,930, favourable

The majority of this favourable variance is a result of the Shire being successful in attaining additional grant funds including:

- Karnup and Yangedi \$52,309
- Anketell Road \$6,657

Furthermore, the Shire was required to return unspent grants of \$32,946 due to projects being completed under budget.

Capital Expenditure

Under budget, \$42,937, favourable

After adjusting for any unfinished projects which required the budgets to be carried forward into the 2022/23 Financial year, the Shires capital expenditure on completed projects was lower than anticipated by \$42,937.

The overspend is made up of the following:

Capital Works Program	Under/(Over)
The following capital projects/progoverspent	rams were
Keirnan Park BMX Relocation Detailed Design*	(275,623)*
Parks	(7,291)
Total Overspends	(282,914)
The following capital projects/progunderspent Engineering Capital (roads, bridges,	rams were 186,459
drainage etc) Facilities	80,155
Plant	56,313
ICT	2,924
Total Underspends	(325,851)
Total Under/(over) spends	53,868

^{*}This is due to allocation of internal costs.

This result is reflective of the better controls put in place due to the implementation of the Project Management Framework. This requires regular project updates from project managers, as well as the introduction of change management mechanisms for tracking changes in scope and price which may have an impact on project budgets.



Financing Activities (Over budget, \$333,672, unfavourable)

This is made up of the following:

Loan and Lease Repayments

Overbudget, \$29,449, unfavourable

The Shire lease repayments were higher than anticipated due to the Shire entering into new leases for photocopiers upon the expiry of the previous leases.

Transfers To Reserve

Overbudget, \$150,633, unfavourable

The Shire transferred more to reserve than anticipated by \$150,633 primarily due to:

- Reserve Interest income being more than anticipated, resulting in a more than anticipated interest being transferred to the reserves \$185,318 more transferred to reserve.
- Jarrahdale Communication Tower Reserve The transfer to the reserve in relation to income received in 2022/23 was not processed prior to end of financial year- this will be processed in the 2023/24 financial and is reflected in the surplus allocation below \$36.646 less transferred to reserve.

Transfers From Reserve

Under budget, \$153,589, unfavourable

The Shire transferred less from reserves than anticipated by \$153,589 primarily due to:

- Community Grants Reserve Major Events and Community Infrastructure grant applications were less than anticipated in 2022/23 which resulted in lower than anticipated transfer from reserve \$97,979 less transferred from reserve.
- Plant and Fleet Reserve Some vehicles were purchased for less than anticipated budget.
 This resulted in lower than anticipated transfer from reserve \$60,296 less transferred from reserve.
- Waste Reserve Reuse shop fit out costs slightly higher than anticipated resulting in a higher reserve draw down - \$10,931 additional transferred from reserve.

Additional Information

Surplus Allocation

Officers recommend that the 2022/23 surplus funds be allocated in the 2023/24 budget as follows:

Account Number	Туре	Account Description	Debit \$	Credit \$	
5300-17302-5200-0000	Increase Transfer to Reserve	Reserve Transfer – Trf To Administration Building Reserve	800,000		
Reason: Funds to provide for future works on the Administration Building.					
5300-17302-NEW-0000	Increase Transfer to Reserve	Reserve Transfer – Trf To Operations Optimisation Reserve	750,000		



\$						
Reason: Funds to provide for future operational and capital requirements of the Shire's Operations function to optimise service delivery to the community.						
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Reason: Funds for future waste initiatives						
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Reason: Revenue received for the Jarrahdale Communications Tower was not processed in the 2022/23 financial year and will need to be transferred in 2023/24.

Options

Option 1

That Council:

1. APPROVES the schedule of variations to the 2023-2024 Budget as presented below, in accordance with section 6.8 of the *Local Government Act 1995*:

Account Number	Туре	Account Description	Debit \$	Credit \$
5300-17302- 5200-0000	Increase Transfer to Reserve	Reserve Transfer – Trf To Administration Building Reserve	800,000	
5300-17302- NEW-0000	Increase Transfer to Reserve	Reserve Transfer – Trf To Operations Optimisation Reserve	750,000	



Account Number	Туре	Account Description	Debit \$	Credit \$
5300-17302- 5243-0000	Increase Transfer to Reserve	Reserve Transfer – Trf To Oakford Fire Brigade Reserve	350,000	
5300-17302- 5202-0000	Increase Transfer to Reserve	Reserve Transfer – Trf To Building Asset Management Reserve	200,000	
5300-17302- 5239-0000	Increase Transfer to Reserve	Reserve Transfer – Trf To Waste Reserve	63,855	
3510-30028- 5216-0000	Increase Transfer to Reserve	Reserve Transfer – Trf To Jarrahdale Communications Tower Reserve	36,646	
10-9000-9000- 3900-0	Increase Equity	Accumulated Surplus - Municipal		2,200,501

2. APPROVES the establishment of the following reserve and purpose:

Name: Operations Optimisation Reserve

Purpose: To provide funds for future operational and capital requirements of the Shire's Operations function to optimise service delivery to the community.

Option 1 is recommended.

Conclusion

At the time the 2023-2024 Budget was adopted by Council on 31 July 2023, the Annual Financial Statements for the 2022-2023 year end had not been completed. Any surplus or deficit resulting from the 2022-2023 financial year was not known.

Following finalisation of the 2022-2023 Annual Financial Statements and subsequent adoption by council, the surplus position has now been finalised and surplus funds are recommended to be allocated as per above.

Attachments (available under separate cover)

Nil.

Alignment with our Council Plan 2023-2023

	Thriving
1	 Plan for the sustainable growth of the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale
4	4. Ensure sustainable and optimal use of Shire resources and finances

Financial Implications

The financial implications are detailed in this report.



Risk Implications

Risk has been assessed on the Officer Options:

				Risk Ass	(essm	ent	Risk
Officer Option	Risk Description	Controls	Principal Consequence Category	Likelihood	Consequence	Risk Rating	Mitigation Strategies (to further lower the risk rating if required)
1	There is no significant risk associated with Council adopting option 1.						

Voting Requirements: Absolute Majority (s 6.8 of the *Local Government Act 1995*)

OCM047/03/24

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / Officer Recommendation

Moved Cr Duggin, seconded Cr Mack

That Council:

1. APPROVES the schedule of variations to the 2023-2024 Budget as presented below, in accordance with section 6.8 of the *Local Government Act* 1995:

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5300-17302-NEW- 0000	Increase Transfer to Reserve	Reserve Transfer – Trf To Operations Optimisation Reserve	750,000	
5300-17302-5243- 0000	Increase Transfer to Reserve	Reserve Transfer – Trf To Oakford Fire Brigade Reserve	350,000	
5300-17302-5202- 0000	Increase Transfer to Reserve	Reserve Transfer – Trf To Building Asset Management Reserve	200,000	
5300-17302-5239- 0000	Increase Transfer to Reserve	Reserve Transfer – Trf To Waste Reserve	63,855	
3510-30028-5216- 0000	Increase Transfer to Reserve	Reserve Transfer – Trf To Jarrahdale Communications Tower Reserve	36,646	
10-9000-9000-3900-0	Increase Equity	Accumulated Surplus - Municipal		2,200,501



2. APPROVES the establishment of the following reserve and purpose:

Name: Operations Optimisation Reserve

Purpose: To provide funds for future operational and capital requirements of the Shire's Operations function to optimise service delivery to the community.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5/0

Reference: IN24/6982 Page 202 of © Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale 2024



10.3.4 – Statutory Budget Review (SJ801)				
Responsible Officer:	Manager Finance			
Senior Officer:	Director Corporate Services			
Disclosure of Officer's Interest:	No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has an interest to declare in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1995.			

Authority / Discretion

The substantial direction setting and oversight role of the Council such as adopting plans and reports, accepting tenders, directing operations and setting and amending budgets.
setting and amending budgets.

Report Purpose

The purpose of this report is to present the Statutory Budget Review for the 2023/24 Budget as at 31 January 2024. This review includes proposed budget variations, which results in no change in projected net current assets as at 30 June 2024.

Relevant Previous Decisions of Council

Special Council Meeting – 21 July 2023 - SCM016/07/23 - COUNCIL RESOLUTION – extract

The Council ADOPTS, in accordance with section 6.2 of the Local Government Act 1995, the Municipal Fund Budget as contained in attachment 1, Amended Statutory Statements and Notes (including supplementary information) for the year ending 30 June 2024 incorporating amendments as per the following table:

Description	Expenditure Type	Amount
Increase Transfer to Reserve – Investment Reserve	Transfer to Reserve	\$55,789

Background

This is a statutory review of the budget, undertaken, in accordance with the Local Government Act 1995 and Regulation 33A of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996. The purpose of this review is to identify significant variations from the Annual Budget and to recommend any amendments that may be necessary.

Changes to the Annual Budget are required during the year, as circumstances change from when the annual Budget was adopted by Council at the beginning of the financial year. Amendments to the Annual Budget will ensure that tight fiscal control is maintained on the Shire's finances.

Community / Stakeholder Consultation

Nil.



Statutory Environment

Regulation 33A of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* requires that:

- "(1) Between 1 January and the last day of February in each financial year a local government is to carry out a review of its annual budget for that year.
- (2A) The review of an annual budget for a financial year must
 - (a) consider the local government's financial performance in the period beginning on 1 July and ending no earlier than 31 December in that financial year; and
 - (b) consider the local government's financial position as at the date of the review; and
 - (c) review the outcomes for the end of that financial year that are forecast in the budget.
 - (d) include the following
 - (i) the annual budget adopted by the local government;
 - (ii) an update of each of the estimates included in the annual budget;
 - (iii) the actual amounts of expenditure, revenue and income as at the date of the review;
 - (iv) adjacent to each item in the annual budget adopted by the local government that states an amount, the estimated end of year amount for the item.
- (2) The review of an annual budget for a financial year must be submitted to the council on or before 31 March in that financial year.
- (3) A council is to consider a review submitted to it and is to determine* whether or not to adopt the review, any parts of the review or any recommendations made in the review.
 - *Absolute majority required
- (4) Within 14 days after a council has made a determination, a copy of the review and determination is to be provided to the Department."

Comment

The mid-year review of the 2023/2024 Budget includes all proposed budget adjustments to amend the adopted budget for 2023/2024 as presented in the body of this report.

Forecast Financial Position

The following is a summary of the Shire's forecast financial position as at 31 January 2024 of actuals against the amended budget.

Operating Revenue

Rates

Over budget \$115,901 favourable, immaterial permanent difference.



This is due to higher than anticipated interim rates during the first half of the 2023/24 Financial year. Adjustment is included as part of this budget review.

Operating Grants, Subsidies and Contributions

Over budget \$90,350 favourable, immaterial permanent difference.

This is primarily as a result of:

 Supplementary grant payment received from DFES in relation to overspends in prior years of \$109,567.

Fees and Charges

Over budget \$175,817, favourable, material permanent difference.

Variance is primarily as a result of:

- Increase in Building and Development Application fees higher than anticipated for the period \$123,576 and,
- Increase in Refuse Charges higher than anticipated due to interim rate service charges for new properties - Permanent variance.

Interest Earnings

Over budget \$850,138, favourable, material permanent difference.

Variance is primarily as a result of:

- Higher than anticipated interest received on reserve backed Term Deposits \$658,683
- Higher than anticipated interest received on municipal backed Term Deposits \$150,000
- Interest on rate instalment due to higher than anticipated rate payers choosing instalment payment option \$38,954

Other Revenue

Over budget \$55,655, favourable, material permanent difference.

This is primarily as a result of:

Refund received from Telstra due to overcharge in prior months

Operating Expenses

Employee Costs

Under budget \$785,829, favourable, material difference.

This is due to various vacancies throughout the organisation.

Materials and Contracts

Under budget \$264,798 favourable, material permanent difference.

The permanent variance is primarily due to:

 Permanent variance of bulk waste disposal due to unanticipated closure of Waste Transfer Station – \$225,263.



Operating Budget Adjustments

The 2023/2024 Operating Budget has been reviewed and approval is sought for the following budget operating budget adjustments for the reasons specified.

These adjustments result in additional funding requirements of \$224,799 in Capital which will be funded from savings in the Shire's Operating budget.

Account Number	Туре	Account Description	Debit	Credit	
4100-16000-6003-0000	Increase Expenditure	Communications - Salaries - Casual	48,668		
Reason : Engagement of Casual Communications officer to support increase in communications expectations and requirements e.g., the Waste Transfer station closure, the North Ward election and increased videography completed in house. If Council wants to maintain this increased level of service in communications an additional FTE will need to be considered as part of the 2024/25 Budget process.					
5300-17300-4562-0000	Decrease Income	General Purpose Funding - Discounts	29,000		
Reason: Discounts are n	o longer being o	ffered by suppliers for early pay	ment of inv	oices.	
4800-12100-6230-0000	Increase Expenditure	Fire and Emergency Management - Consultancy	28,000		
Reason: Increase budge to match co-contribution		he CESM (Community emerge	ncy service	manager)	
3210-13300-4304-0000	Decrease Income	Subdivision - Subdivision Fees	20,000		
Reason: Subdivision fee	s anticipated to c	come in lower than budget			
2100-12300-6326-0000	Increase Expenditure	Development Compliance - Legal Fees	20,000		
2100-12504-6326-0000	Increase Expenditure	Town Planning - Legal Fees	20,000		
2100-12504-6230-0000	Increase Expenditure	Town Planning - Consultancy	20,000		
Reason : Additional legal and consultancy budget required for compliance and town planning activities due to an increased number of cases being referred to SAT as well increased complexity of applications requiring additional expert advice and legal opinions.					
5200-17101-6374-0000	Increase Expenditure	Members of Council - Elections	20,000		



Reason: Additional funds required to conduct North Ward Election.				
5300-17302-various- 0000	Increase Trf to Reserve	Reserve Transfer - Trf to Reserve (Interest)	588,684	
5300-17300-4511-0000	Increase Income	General Purpose Funding - Interest on Investments - Reserves		588,684
Reason: Recognising ad reserves.	ditional interest o	n Reserves received. Funds tra	nsferred to	respective
5300-17300-4501-0000	Increase Income	General Purpose Funding - Interest on Investments - General Funds		140,000
Reason: Recognising ac	lditional interest r	eceived in quarter over what ha	as been buc	lgeted
5300-17501-4004-0000	Increase Income	Rates - Interim Rates		115,900
Reason: Recognising ac	Iditional revenue	received in quarter from new p	roperty inte	rim rates
4800-12102-4127-0000	Increase Income	Volunteer Bushfire Brigade – Grant – Operating – LG Grants Scheme		109,567
		received from DFES due to in the 2021/22 financial year.	overspends	s in items
2310-12600-4335-0000	Increase Income	Building Service - Building Permits		40,000
2100-12504-4300-0000	Increase Income	Town Planning - Development Applications		15,000
2310-12600-4303-0000	Increase Income	Building Service - Footpath/Kerb Inspections		10,000

Reason: Recognising anticipated revenue from building permit applications, development applications and footpath/kerbing inspections

Capital Expenditure

The expenditure year to date is \$7,277,680 which is 30% of the overall Capital Works budget.

Please refer to the Capital Works Expenditure detailed in **attachment 1** for further information with regard to Capital Works.

The following Capital projects have been identified as requiring adjustments to the current budget and the resulting shortfall of \$224,799 will be covered by savings from Operating budget:



Account Number	Туре	Type Account Description		Credit \$	
6400-80403-4808-0000	Decrease Revenue	Larsen Road (SLK 0.2- SLK1.64)	111,528		
6400-80403-6610-0000	Decrease Expenditure	Larsen Road (SLK 0.2- SLK1.64) - Carryforward Expenditure		156,729	
Reason: Project is finished will not be received.	ed under budget	t due to a reduction in scope	e - remaining	grant funds	
6200-80445-6600-0000	Increase Expenditure	Depot Asphalt - Capital Expenditure	220,000		
stages including earthwor	·ks, drainage an	nplete entire project in one s id asphalt at the Depot as c rk. This project is an Ope	onsidered in a	accordance	
6410-80201-6600-0000	Increase Expenditure	Gravel Resheeting - Capital Expenditure	50,000		
	•	mplete additional gravel re- red in accordance with th			
6300-80438-6600-0000	Increase Expenditure	Skidsteer Loader – Capital Purchase	100,000		
6300-80438-5021-0000	Increase Trf from Reserve	Skidsteer loader - Trf From Reserve - Plant and Fleet		65,000	
6300-80438-4611-0000	Increase Income	Skidsteer loader - Proceeds of Sale		35,000	
Reason: Skid steer was due for replacement in the 2023/24 renewal schedule however was inadvertently omitted from the plant renewal program as part of the budget process. Funds exist in the reserve to fund this renewal. Officers believes this needs to be replaced as soon as possible.					
6000-89000-4908-0000	Increase Income	Byford Developer Contributions - Capital Contributions - Byford DCP	16,599		



Account Number	Туре	Type Account Description		Credit \$	
6000-89000-5204-0000	Increase Transfer to Reserve	Byford Developer Contributions - Transfer to Reserve - Byford DCP		16,599	
_	Reason: Recognition of Developer Contribution funds received year to date as well as the corresponding transfer to reserve.				
6000-89001-4909-0000	Increase Income	Community Infrastructure DCP Contributions - Capital Contributions - Community Infrastructure DCP	7,311		
6000-89001-5210-0000	Increase Transfer to Reserve	Community Infrastructure DCP Contributions- Transfer to Reserve - Community Infrastructure Reserve		7,311	

Reason: Recognition of Developer Contribution funds received year to date as well as the corresponding transfer to reserve.

Options

Option 1

That Council:

- 1. ADOPTS the 2023/2024 Statutory Budget Review report as per **attachment 1** and APPROVES the schedule of variations as contained within this report.
- 2. REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer to submit a copy of the review and determination to the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries.

Option 2

That Council:

- 1. DOES NOT ADOPT the 2023/2024 Statutory Budget Review report as per **attachment 1** and DOES NOT APPROVE the schedule of variations as contained within this report.
- 2. DOES NOT REQUEST the Chief Executive Officer to submit a copy of the review and determination to the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries.

Option 1 is recommended.

Conclusion

The formal review of the 2023/2024 budget has been completed. A list of budget variations requiring approval has been identified.



Attachments (available under separate cover)

• **10.3.4 - attachment 1** – 2023/2024 Budget Review (E24/2597)

Alignment with our Council Plan 2023-2033

	Thriving					
1.	Plan for the sustainable growth of the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale					
4.	Ensure sustainable and optimal use of Shire resources and finances					

Financial Implications

Any material variances that have an impact on the outcome of the budgeted closing surplus position are detailed in this report.

Risk Implications

Reference: IN24/6982

Risk has been assessed on the Officer Options:

uo					c essm	ent	Risk Mitigation
Officer Option	Risk Description	Controls Co	ntrols Category Category Category S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S	Strategies (to further lower the risk rating if required)			
1	There is no significant proposed amendments		Council adopting t	he qu	arterl	y bud	get review and
2	If Council DOES NOT adopt budget adjustments, this leads to poor fiscal management resulting in financial risk due to overspending, in addition to being noncompliance with Financial Regulations.	The organisation undertakes a quarterly finance and costing review prior to making council recommendation. Law restricts expenditure when expenditure from municipal funds are not included in annual budget unless authorised by resolution.	Financial	Unlikely	Moderate	MODERATE	Accept Officer Recommend ation (Option 1)



Voting Requirements: Part 1: Absolute Majority (Regulation 33A of the Local Government

(Financial Management) Regulations 1996)

Part 2: Simple Majority

OCM048/03/24

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / Officer Recommendation

Moved Cr Duggin, seconded Cr Bishop

1. ADOPTS the 2023/2024 Statutory Budget Review report as per attachment 1 and APPROVES the schedule of variations as contained within this report:

Account Number	Туре	Account Description	Debit	Credit
4100-6000-6003-0000	Increase Expenditure	Communications - Salaries - Casual	48,668	
5300-7300-4562-0000	Decrease Income	General Purpose Funding - Discounts	29,000	
4800-12100-6230-0000	Increase Expenditure	Fire and Emergency Management - Consultancy	28,000	
3210-13300-4304-0000	Decrease Income	Subdivision - Subdivision Fees	20,000	
2100-12300-6326-0000	Increase Expenditure	Development Compliance - Legal Fees	20,000	
2100-12504-6230-0000	Increase Expenditure	Town Planning - Consultancy	20,000	
2100-12504-6326-0000	Increase Expenditure	Town Planning - Legal Fees	20,000	
5200-17101-6374-0000	Increase Expenditure	Members of Council - Elections	20,000	
5300-17302-various-0000	Increase Trf to Reserve	Reserve Transfer - Trf to Reserve (Interest)	588,684	
5300-17300-4511-0000	Increase Income	General Purpose Funding - Interest on Investments - Reserves		588,684
5300-17300-4501-0000	Increase Income	General Purpose Funding - Interest on Investments - General Funds		140,000
5300-17501-4004-0000	Increase Income	Rates - Interim Rates		115,900



Account Number	Туре	Account Description	Debit	Credit
4800-12102-4127-0000	Increase Income	Volunteer Bushfire Brigade – Grant – Operating – LG Grants Scheme		109,567
2310-12600-4335-0000	Increase Income	Building Service - Building Permits		40,000
2100-12504-4300-0000	Increase Income	Town Planning - Development Applications		15,000
2310-12600-4303-0000	Increase Income	Building Service - Footpath/Kerb Inspections		10,000
6400-80403-4808-0000	Decrease Revenue	Larsen Road (SLK 0.2- SLK1.64)	111,528	
6400-80403-6610-0000	Decrease Expenditure	Larsen Road (SLK 0.2- SLK1.64) - Carryforward Expenditure		156,729
6200-80445-6600-0000	Increase Expenditure	Depot Asphalt - Capital Expenditure	220,000	
6410-80201-6600-0000	Increase Expenditure	Gravel Resheeting - Capital Expenditure	50,000	
6300-80438-6600-0000	Increase Expenditure	Skidsteer Loader – Capital Purchase	100,000	
6300-80438-6600-0000	Increase Trf from Reserve	Skidsteer loader - Trf From Reserve - Plant and Fleet		65,000
6300-80438-6600-0000	Increase Income	Skidsteer loader - Proceeds of Sale		35,000
6000-89000-4908-0000	Increase Income	Byford Developer Contributions - Capital Contributions - Byford DCP	16,599	
6000-89000-5204-0000	Increase Transfer to Reserve	Byford Developer Contributions - Transfer to Reserve - Byford DCP		16,599
6000-89001-4909-0000	Increase Income	Community Infrastructure DCP Contributions -	7,311	



Reference: IN24/6982

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Account Number	Туре	Account Description	Debit	Credit
		Capital Contributions - Community Infrastructure DCP		
6000-89001-5210-0000	Increase Transfer to Reserve	Community Infrastructure DCP Contributions- Transfer to Reserve - Community Infrastructure Reserve		7,311

2. REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer to submit a copy of the review and determination to the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5/0



10.3.5 – Corporate Busi (SJ940-3)	10.3.5 – Corporate Business Plan Performance Report – October to December 2023 (SJ940-3)				
Responsible Officer:	Manager Corporate Performance				
Senior Officer:	Director Corporate Services				
Disclosure of Officer's Interest:	No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has an interest to declare in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1995.				

Authority / Discretion

Information	For the Council to note.
Executive	The substantial direction setting and oversight role of the Council such as adopting plans and reports, accepting tenders, directing operations and setting and amending budgets.

Report Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with a quarterly performance report against the 2023-27 Corporate Business Plan (CBP) for the period 1 October to 31 December 2023 and an amended CBP for consideration.

Relevant Previous Decisions of Council

Ordinary Council Meeting – 20 November 2023 – OCM286/11/23 - COUNCIL RESOLUTION / Officer Recommendation

That Council:

- 1. NOTES the performance report against the 2023-27 Corporate Business Plan for the period 1 July to 30 September 2023 as contained in this report and attachment 1.
- 2. ADOPTS the amendments to the Corporate Business Plan 2023-27 as outlined in this report and attachment 2.

Background

On 31 July 2023, Council adopted the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale Corporate Business Plan 2023-2027 (SCM017/07/23), and subsequently amended it in November 2023 following the quarterly report (OCM286/11/23).

The Corporate Business Plan 2023-27 is the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale's four-year delivery program, aligned to the Shire's Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework (i.e. Strategic Community Plan, Annual Budget, Long Term Financial Plan and other supporting strategies). The purpose of the plan is to operationalise the Community's vision and the Shire's strategic objectives through the establishment of actions that address each strategy contained within the Strategic Community Plan.



The Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale has established periodic performance reporting against the 2023-27 Corporate Business Plan to provide Council and the Community with an update towards the achievement of these actions, such as the delivery of key projects and the successful implementation of service level changes.

Community / Stakeholder Consultation

Nil.

Statutory Environment

Local governments have a statutory obligation under s5.56(1) of the *Local Government Act* 1995 (WA) ('the Act') to plan for the future of their district. Regulations have been made under s5.56(2) of the Act to provide minimum requirements for IPR.

Regulations 19C and 19DA of the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996* (WA) ('the Regulations') require a local government to ensure that a Strategic Community Plan and Corporate Business Plan are made for its district. Any amendments to a Corporate Business Plan must be adopted by absolute majority (Regulation 19DA(6)).

Guidelines for the monitoring and reporting against the Corporate Business Plan are outlined in the Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework and Guideline September 2016 issued by the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries. The Guideline states, "it is open to local governments to design complementary means of reporting progress and outcomes to the community".

Reform of the Local Government Act 1995

The State Government is reforming the *Local Government Act 1995*. Theme 6 – 'Improved Financial Management and Reporting' proposes to amend the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996* to replace the Strategic Community Plan with a Council Plan. Advice from the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries obtained during the Shire's major review of the Strategic Community Plan advised that the Department are currently progressing the policy work behind the Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework reforms. From a compliance perspective, Regulation 19C of the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996* remains in place until new regulations are in effect and provisions commence and as such, any plan made by the Shire should be in line with existing regulations.

On 11 December 2023, Council adopted the Council Plan 2023-2033 (OCM313/12/23). This change has a flow on impact on the Corporate Business Plan, including alignment with the Council Plan's three strategic pillars (Thriving, Liveable, Connected). This work is in underway and will be included within the major review of the Shire's Corporate Business Plan 2024-2028, for adoption as part of the annual Integrated Planning and Reporting (IPR) process.

Comment

The Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale has completed a quarterly performance report against the 2023-2027 Corporate Business Plan for the period 1 October to 31 December 2023 ('the Report'). The Report is contained in **attachment 1** for the Council to note.

As the Report relates to the period up to 31 December 2023, changes to projects that have occurred in the period from 1 January 2024 will be reflected in subsequent reports.



Report Structure

Grouped under each key objective area of the Strategic Community Plan (People, Place, Prosperity, Progressive), the Report provides a narrative update against each respective action of the CBP's Delivery Program. To ensure consistency and to enable summary reporting, each action is also allocated a traffic light status in accordance with the following key:

	Status	Selection Criteria
	On Track or Complete	Action is complete or on target.
		Minor issues have put achievement of the project due date or level of service at risk.
	At Risk or Behind	or
	Target	Minor issues have put the project/service behind target.
		The causes for this are being managed by routine procedures and the issues are likely to be resolved by the next reporting period.
	Critical	Major issues have prevented the service/project from commencing or continuing. The causes for this do/will require significant action to rectify and the issues are likely to be ongoing into future reporting periods
	On hold	Work is unable to commence due to a dependency (e.g. awaiting grant funding or completion of another project).
		Action is no longer proceeding within its planned year of the Corporate Business Plan but will be occurring within a future year of the Corporate Business Plan.
	Deferred or Not	Or
	Proceeding	Action is no longer proceeding within the timeframe of the current Corporate Business Plan. This may be due to a change in direction caused by external factors (e.g. loss of grant funding / change of government) or a change of direction by Council.

Report Summary

The Report provides an update against 116 actions in the Corporate Business Plan. Statistics this period show:

- 79% are on track or complete (92/116);
- **19%** are at risk or behind target (22/116);
- 0% are critical;
- 2% are on hold (2/116); and
- 0% are deferred or not proceeding.



Key achievements and highlights this reporting period are as follows:

- Adoption of the Council Plan 2023-2033.
- Adoption of the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale 2022-2023 Annual Report.
- Adoption of the Vulnerable Communities Plan, for inclusion in the Local Emergency Management Arrangements.
- Award of Tenders for the following projects:
 - Cardup Siding Road and Keirnan Street Roundabout Upgrades
 - Kingsbury Drive Road Widening and Improvement
 - Provision of Electrical Services
 - Provision of Plumbing Services
 - Provision of Minor Building Maintenance Services
 - Supply of Irrigation Pipe Sprinklers and Fittings
 - Mundijong / King Road Intersection Upgrade
- Adoption of Local Planning Policy 4.26 Development in the Rural Zone and Local Planning Policy 4.6 – Telecommunications Infrastructure
- Adoption of revisions to the following Council Policies:
 - Farmland Concessions
 - Flags
 - Christmas Closure
- Award of an Outgoing Sponsorship (Community Contribution) to Sport Aircraft Builders Club Inc for the Annual Fly-In 50th Anniversary event.
- Award of funding to the Activate Byford Inc to deliver three projects in 2023-24: Byford Pictures, Byford Theatre and Artisan Markets.
- Delivery of the 2023 SJ Christmas Street Festival.
- Delivery of the Christmas Lights Competition, with winners across four categories.
- Delivery of Seniors Week 2023 including 'Lawn Bowls and Lunch' day at the Byford and Districts Country Club.
- Launch of the SJ SMS Alert Service, providing real-time information to residents about total fire bans, harvest vehicle movement bans and suspension of burning permits.
- Completion of 2023-24 planned works on the Clondyke Footpath replacement project.
- Completion of Tuart Road, Oakford resurfacing.
- Completion of the following Metropolitan Regional Road Group Renewals:
 - Briggs Road Rehabilitation (SLK 0.7 to 1.11)
 - Nettleton Road Rehabilitation



 Completion of a Road Upgrade Advocacy Plan – Road Condition and Treatment, identifying 30 road upgrades for advocacy and potential delivery in funding partnership with the State and Federal Governments.



The 22 actions identified as at risk or behind target are:

	Future Development at Lampiter Drive, Mardella		Sta	tus		
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	
Action 1:	Prepare a Concept Plan for future development at 10 (Lot 500) Lampiter Drive, Mardella.					
	,	G	rant f	unde	d:	
		Υ		Ζ	\boxtimes	
Comment:	The Shire received formal correspondence from the Dep Emergency Services (DFES) on 6 December 2023 stating the Reserve site is not the preferred location and no longer planning for the WA Emergency Training Academy. Other polare currently being investigated.	hat the	e Shir s part	e's W of fu	/ebb uture	
Remedial Action:	Officers are currently obtaining further feedback from DFES and reviewing potential other commercial opportunities at the site.					

	Puilding Sorvices		Sta	tus			
	Building Services	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		
Action 2:	Provide efficient and effective building compliance services.						
	Services.	G	rant f	unde	d:		
		Υ		Ν	\boxtimes		
Comment:	The average percentage of certified building permits deter day statutory time frame) increased to 83% in this quarter (quarter). The average percentage of uncertified building (within the 25-day statutory time frame) increased to 85% 65% in the last quarter).	(from perm	76% i its de	in the eterm	last ined		
Comment	Given the current high growing rate of new building a particularly in the residential sector, and the fact that services Team have not achieved the KPIs of 100%, replac Officer positions and additional staff are urgently required.	the c	urrent	Buil	ding		
Remedial Action:	Interviews are currently being conducted for the replacement of the existing positions and additional staff.						

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	Environmental Health		Sta	tus	
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Action 3:	Provide efficient, effective, compliant environmental health services.				
	nealth services.	G	rant f	unde	d:
		Υ		Ν	\boxtimes
Comment:	This quarter was a period of establishing performance experinto the regular use of the Shire's processes and procedure members. A substantial increase in statutory inspections comparison to the previous quarter. In addition to a high team achieved 9 rounds of adult mosquito trapping, treatment first draft of the Shire's Mosquito Management Plan 2024 sand drift complaints in the lead up to the Christmas breastrain on resources, with exceptionally strong easterly we complaints regarding sand. As a result of this, Officers improvements to the sand drift complaints handling and enfowell as increased stringency requirements on dust generating subdivisions. We expect these efforts will reduce the number and also increase the efficiency and effectiveness in dealing do arise.	es for s was volument and -27. The was inds made orcement of seriof s	three comme of comme of comme of comme of the content period of th	new aplete work, pleteconumber ing irrustation in sider roces sucrift iss	staff ed in the ed the er of ential en 48 eable es as the assues
Remedial Action:	Whilst recruiting for the full-time EHO position, engage contundertake health premises inspections to assist to minspection targets for Q3.				

	Asset Management Maturity		Sta	tus		
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	
Action 4:	Enhance the Shire's Asset Management capability through development of processes to improve data					
	capture, data quality and integration across the	G	rant f	unde	d:	
	organisation to allow appropriate levels of reporting to support business asset management aims.	Y		Z	\boxtimes	
Comment:	The Shires Asset Management capability is on track the improve data capture and data quality. Integration across ongoing with work to resolve spatial mapping nearing implementation of a new structure for Transport currently under the structure of the structure	the comp	orgar letion	nisatio	n is	
Remedial Action:	Continue to implement data information and presentation in Intramaps. Next steps for asset management maturity to be detailed in the Corporate Business Plan following the major review.					



	Gravel Resheeting		Status		
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
	Resheet gravel roads in the Shire:	-			
Action 5:	- Jarrah Road	G	rant f	unde	d:
, touch of	Bird RoadManning RoadO'Neil RoadJackson Road	Υ		Ν	\boxtimes
Comment:	Work towards the annual Gravel Resheeting program haworks on Bird Rd underway. Works on the other scheduled to reactive works that have been undertaken on Lingdon Ln, Rd and Transit Rd.	roads	is de	layed	due
Remedial Action:	Manage the scope change in accordance with the P Framework.	rojec	t Maı	nager	nent

	Haritago Bark Rusinoss Casa		Sta	tus	
	Heritage Park Business Case	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Action 6:	Development of Heritage Park Business Case.				
		G	rant f	unde	d:
		Υ		Ν	\boxtimes
Comment:	During this reporting period, the Shire gave Statewide proposes to undertake a major land transaction in accordant of the <i>Local Government Act 1995</i> : to enter a lease with twestern Australia for Lot 200 Foster Way, Jarrahdale; a Jarrahdale Road, Jarrahdale; excluding the Jarrahdale Mill No1 Jarrahdale Mill and a portion of Lot 2090, Jarrahdale; Jarrahdale Heritage Park. Taking into consideration the sur and to ensure the maximum level of community engasubmission period has been provided for 60 days and cl 2024. The public comment has been promoted acros including Your Say SJ, social media, notice boards, newsp Jarrahdale residents, and in person community engagement.	ice wi the Na a port Il Mai other mmer ageme oses s var aper a	th Serational control on ager wise holidates on 25 ious	ction al Tru f Lot 's Ho know ay pe he po Jan platfo	3.59 st of 801 use, n as riod, ublic uary
Remedial Action:	Following the public submission period, Officers will prepar to consider the Jarrahdale Heritage Park Business Plan.	e a re	port t	o Co	uncil



	Administration Accommodation		Sta	tus						
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4					
Action 7:	Upgrades to the Administration Accommodation including Staff Amenities, Staff Offices and Council Chambers.									
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		Υ		Ν	\boxtimes					
	A status update for the Administration Accommodation proj Stage 2A - Staff Amenities - On track: Construction phase to completion approximately April - May 2024.									
Comment:	, ,	Stage 2B - Council Chambers - On track: Detail design phase due to be completed February - March 2024, in readiness for pre-tender estimate and review of budget alignment.								
	Stage 2C - Staff Accommodation Refurbishment - At risk: F however not yet adopted.	easib	ility c	omple	eted					
Remedial Action:	Stage 2C needs to be progressed.									

	Byford Skatepark (Construction of Stage 2)		Sta	tus			
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		Q2	Q3	Q4		
Action O	Construct stage 2 of the Byford Skatepark - extension, 3 on 3 basketball and parkour elements, shade and						
Action 8:	landscaping.	G	rant f	unde	d:		
	1 3	Υ	\boxtimes	Ν			
		D	LGS	C grar	nt		
Comment:	As previously reported, detailed design is complete however target due to a request for further information from the Depa Environmental Regulation (DWER), regarding the clearing trees to be removed. Until the clearing permit is resolved, proceed.	artme perm	nt of V it for t	Vater the or	and nsite		
Remedial Action:	The clearing permit is to be issued by DWER, and the Shire will work with the Department until they are satisfied that the clearing of the trees has been suitably addressed and the permit for clearing is issued. This project continues to be managed in accordance with the Project Management Framework.						



	Depot Accommodation Upgrades		Sta	tus				
Action 9:	- · · - · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
	Refurbishment to the current Depot Accommodation.							
		G	rant f	unde	d:			
		Υ		N	\boxtimes			
	As previously reported, pending items on this project includ	e:						
	- Completion of Universal access ramp							
	- Workshop extension scope							
Comment:	These items are being addressed and managed the Management Framework. Trades and material for the outbeen arranged and booked in during this reporting period commence in January 2024, with anticipated completion a first half of 2024.	stand d, an	ing ite d wor	ems h ks ar	nave re to			
Remedial Action:	Works on outstanding items are to commence in January 2024, with anticipated completion and handover by 30 June 2024.							

	Kaiman Dark Dagraption Draginat (Construction of Stage		Sta	tus	us			
	Keirnan Park Recreation Precinct (Construction of Stage 1A)	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
Action 10:	Construct Stage 1A of the Keirnan Park Sports Recreation Precinct – AFL/cricket oval, pavilion and							
		G	rant f	unde	d:			
	supporting infrastructure (FAA with Department of Local	Υ	\boxtimes	N				
	Government).	D	LGS	C grar	nt			
	As previously reported, project is at risk until a water source the clearing permit is complete. During the reporting period to work on these matters and an update is provided below:							
Comment:	Water Investigation - Site testing for H2 assessment has results are pending. Following this, reports will be sent to DV expected by February 2024.		-					
	Clearing Permit - Procurement is underway for the completion of a Dieback Management plan and a Black Cockatoo Impact Mitigation plan. It is anticipated the reports will be submitted to the department by March 2024.							
Remedial Action:	Continue to progress outstanding matters. Consequential project schedule will be managed in accordance with the Framework, in due course.							



	Fire Danger Sign Upgrade (2022-23 Carry-Forward)		Sta	tus	
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Action 11:					
		G	rant f	unde	d:
		Υ		Ν	\boxtimes
Comment:	Fire danger sign has been delivered and is in the process of	f beir	ng ins	talled	-
Remedial Action:	Installation will be complete by 31 January 2024.				

	Minor Facility Renewals (2022-23 Carry-Forwards)	0.4		itus	0.4				
	Briggs Pavilion Main Hall Refurbishment	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4				
	Men's Shed Upgrade								
	Operations Depot Compliance and Security Upgrade								
Action 12:	Bush Fire Brigade Management Program and Projects: Byford Changerooms								
	- Serpentine Changeroom								
		G	rant f	unde	d:				
		Υ		N	\boxtimes				
	This reporting period, recruitment for an extra resource was completed. An update towards each project is as follows:								
	- Briggs Pavilion Main Hall Refurbishment: Procurement fo completed the ceiling must be completed before the blind floor repairs can be actioned. These elements are in procurement. Consultation with the user groups continu works cannot be commenced until March 2024. All works a for completion by 30 June 24.	s, car the i es, c	rpet a final urren	ind da stage tly ce	ance s of eiling				
Comment:	- Men's Shed Upgrade: An application for the upgrade of power has been lodged with Western Power and procurement for the works is underway.								
	- Operations Depot Compliance and Security Upgrade: Access gates and security swipe card access are installed awaiting access fobs to activate. Procurement for CCTV is underway. (Project is 50% complete)								
	- Bush Fire Brigade Management Program and Projects:								
	Byford Changerooms: Design is underway and site meetings have occurred with the builder. Final design is expected in January 2024 due to changes based on initial planning feedback. This project is currently behind target and								



	amendments to delivery timelines may be required and will be managed in accordance with the Project Management Framework.
	• Serpentine Changeroom: Builder is engaged. Works to commence when building permit is in place, estimated to be late January 2024. On track to be completed by end of May 2024.
	With additional resources now on board, good progress has been made towards these projects, during this reporting period.
Remedial Action:	Continue to progress projects and work through schedule issues, in accordance with the Project Management Framework.

	Minor Facility Renewals (2021-22 Carry-Forward)		Sta	tus				
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
	- SJ Recreation Centre doors, septic and stage							
Action 13:	- Mundijong Landcare Building (electrical wiring and switchboard)							
	,	G	rant f	unde	d:			
		Υ		Ν	\boxtimes			
	This reporting period, recruitment for an extra resource was completed and as such, work has now commenced on the projects. An update towards each project is as follows:							
Comment:	- Mundijong Landcare Building (electrical wiring and switchboard): An electrical consultant has been engaged to assess the electrical installation. Due to heritage requirements, consultation with the Heritage Council is required before a planning application can be actioned. This is likely to delay / put at risk the completion of the project by its due date.							
	- SJ Recreation Centre doors, septic and stage: Septic tank removal discussed on site and is pending quotation based on works required.							
Remedial Action:	Continue to progress projects and work through schedule issues in accordance with the Project Management Framework.							

	Scrivener Road – Gravel Pit	Status					
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		
Action 14:	Investigation of gravel pit at Scrivener Road for Shire use.						
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		Grant funded:					
		Υ		Ν	\boxtimes		
Comment:	During this reporting period, further data analysis and detailed assessment of costs is underway, as requested by the Executive Management Group.						



Remedial	Detailed assessments of costs will progress to the Executive Management
Action:	Group for consideration.

	Bike Pump Track Feasibility		Sta	tus	
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Action 15:	Undertake a feasibility study for a pump track in Byford.				
		G	rant f	unde	d:
		Υ		Ν	\boxtimes
Comment:	The feasibility documentation is complete and was presented to the Project Board in December 2023. Officers are investigating options within the feasibility to determine next steps on how to progress with requesting the State Government to reallocate the \$1.3 million election commitment funding. Consequential amendments will be managed in accordance with the Project Management Framework, in due course.				
Remedial Action:	Present feasibility study to Council at a future meeting.				

Action 16:	Byford Memorial Feasibility and Site Selection	Status				
	Development of a project proposal to inform the undertaking of a feasibility and site selection study for the relocation of the Doley Road Cenotaph.	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	
		G	rant f	unde	d:	
		Υ		Ν	\boxtimes	
Comment:	Consultation with stakeholders remains ongoing. Internal review of Policy is complete with final recommendations/Policy to be presented to Council in Q3.					
Remedial Action:	Presentation of consultation outcomes to be presented to Council Q3.					

Action 17: Hopeland Road Upgrade Rehabilitate the existing pavement on Hopeland Road (MRRG) - from south of Karnup Rd to 100m south of Punrak Rd (Section A) and 100m south to 1km south of Punrak Rd (Section B).	Hopeland Road Upgrade		Status					
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
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	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Υ	\boxtimes	N				
	MRRG funding							
Comment:	Design is complete. Preparation of tender documents underway, with procurement scheduled to occur in Q3.							
Remedial Action:	Variation request and extension of time has been reviewed and approved by Main Roads in December 2023 - 6 months extension ending 31/12/2024 - and							



amendments are being managed in accordance with the Project Management Framework and are progressing to the Project Board for review and to realign delivery dates in the Corporate Business Plan.

	Minor Facility Renewals and Upgrades (Facilities)	Status					
	- Youth Centre	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		
Action 18:	- Landcare Building Refurbishment						
		G	rant f	unde	d:		
		Υ		Ν	\boxtimes		
	Overall, good progress has been made on these projects period. An update is as follows:	durin	g the	repo	rting		
	- Youth Centre: Project design is due for completion by designer by end of January 2024. Following this, the design will be provided to the Shire's recently appointed preferred builder for quotation.						
Comment:	- Landcare Building Refurbishment: Work is underway with to detail the scope of works for the project. As this is consultation with the Heritage Council is required prior to app This process is likely to delay delivery of the project amendments will be worked through in accordance with the Framework, as required.	a he olicati and	ritage on for any	build planr sche	ding, ning. dule		
Remedial Action:	Continue to progress projects and work through schedule issues in accordance with the Project Management Framework.						

	Minor Facility Renewals and Upgrades (Civils))		Sta	tus			
Action 19:		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		
	 Cement floor for the Darling Downs Residents Association shed and undercover area 						
	- Upgrade road surface at Shire Depot	G	rant f	unde	d:		
		Υ		N	\boxtimes		
	An update on these projects during this reporting period, is as follows:						
Comment:	- Cement floor for the Darling Downs Residents Association shed and undercover area: Shed floor has been completed (90%) and remaining minor section to be completed by end of February 2024. Procurement for remaining works is underway.						
	- Upgrade road surface at Shire Depot: Quotes for the works have been obtained and indicate additional budget will be required to complete the ideal scope of works. Options are being explored in accordance with the Project Management Framework.						



Remedial	Work through budget and scope issues regarding the depot road surface in
Action:	accordance with the Project Management Framework.

	Minor Facility New (Projects)		Sta	tus				
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
Action 20:	Depot Refurbishment - Outdoor Canopy							
		G	rant f	unde	d:			
		Υ		Ν	\boxtimes			
	As previously reported, pending items on this project include:							
Comment:	- Canopy supply and installation to the Depot offices. Project delivery is being managed through the Project Mana Trades and material for these items have been arranged a the reporting period. Works are to commence in Jan 20 completion and handover within the first half of 2024.	ind bo	ooked	in du	ıring			
Remedial Action:	Works on outstanding items are to commence in January 2 completion and handover by 30 June 2024.	024, v	with a	nticip	ated			

Action 21:	Indigo Parkway	Status					
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		
	Create road reservation, prepare detailed design and documentation for future construction.						
	documentation for future construction.	G	rant f	unde	d:		
		Υ	\boxtimes	Ν			
		F	Byford	DCF)		
		funding					
Comment:	Comment: During this reporting period, liaison with residents continued, and the draft project brief finalised, in preparation for procurement of a design consultant. Draft brief is currently under internal review and once approved, procurement will commence.						
Remedial Action:	Procurement will commence once prepared brief is review internally.	ewed	and	appro	oved		

Action 22:	ICT Disaster Recovery Plan		Status			
			Q2	Q3	Q4	
	Develop an ICT Disaster Recovery Plan with a failover internet connection.					
		G	rant f	unde	d:	
		Υ		N	\boxtimes	



Comment:	Works continue on the network design and whilst this project is currently behind schedule, full implementation is expected by the end of April 2024, and the ICT Disaster Recovery Plan is expected to be completed by June 2024.
Remedial Action:	With the recruitment of a new ICT Manager, project is now progressing.

The **2** actions identified as **on hold** are:

	Drainage Weste Material Dianage		Sta	tus	
	<u>Drainage Waste Material Disposal</u>		Q2	Q3	Q4
Action 1:	Removal and disposal of stockpiled waste material and investigation of ongoing solution.				
	Sinvestigation of origoning solution.	Grant funded:			d:
		Υ		Ν	\boxtimes
Comment:	A report was presented at the December 2023 Ordinary update Council on the Watkins Road Waste Transfer Statemanagement of bulk waste in 2024. This report covered the to deliver on the 12 recommendations detailed in the Wareview conducted by the Glen Flood Group, which includes remove stockpiled waste material from the site. As the site huntil the contaminated site works can be completed, stockfrom the transfer station cannot be removed at this time uncertainty in regard to remediation of the site, the 12 recommendation of the waste Transfer Station Review will be considered for as part of the mid year CEO KPI review process. Additional be presented to Council in 2024 to consider remediation of the Waste Transfer Station site.	tion a progr ste T ludes nas be piled e. Giv comm deferra ly, a f	nd places a fransforthis een ald draina ven the endate al or cuture	an foi nd im er Sta project pando age water ions cessa repor	the pact ation of to be ned aste rrent from tion, t will

	Waste Transfer Station Planning		Status			
			Q2	Q3	Q4	
Action 2:	Undertake detailed site planning to enhance control measures for accepting and processing waste.		0			
	Theasures for accepting and processing waste.	Grant funde			d:	
		Υ		Z	\boxtimes	
Comment:	A report was presented at the December 2023 Ordinary Confor the management of bulk waste in 2024. This report cover impact to deliver on the 12 recommendations detailed in Station Review conducted by the Glen Flood Group, including. A future report will be presented to Council i remediation options, and this project is on hold until further don the future of the Waste Transfer Station site.	red th the \ cludin n 20:	e prog Vaste g det 24 to	gress Trar ailed cons	and sfer site sider	

Details of the remaining 88 actions **on track** and 4 actions **completed** this reporting period are outlined in **attachment 1.**

Further commentary on these results is provided later in this report under the conclusion.



Corporate Business Plan Amendments

To uphold the principle of an Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework and to ensure the Corporate Business Plan (CBP) remains aligned to the Shire's Annual Budget and other supporting strategies, Officers recommend Council amend the CBP following each quarterly budget review and corporate business plan performance reporting process. Conscious of the requirement to uphold the integrity of reporting against the CBP Key Performance Indicators, the following principles are applied when considering whether to amend the CBP:

- 1. If there is a Council resolution, projects may be amended to match. This can include amendments to project descriptions, start and finish dates, and milestones. It can also include the removal of a project and the addition of a project.
- 2. If the project has not commenced for a planned reason (such as awaiting grant funds, recruitment of a resource or the completion of another project), once this dependency is no longer the project can be updated to reflect its new timeline.
- 3. Any amendments made as a result of quarterly budget reviews and formal change requests approved in accordance with the Project Management Framework are to be reflected.

In line with the above-mentioned principles, the following amendments to the Corporate Business Plan are proposed:

Under Principle One:

- Amendment to Mundijong Town Centre Precinct Structure Plan Strategic Operating Project title, description and Q3 and Q4 milestones to reflect Council noting at the November 2023 Ordinary Council Meeting the recent approval, subject to modifications, of the Mundijong District Structure Plan and completion of modifications using funds and to subsequently inform the Precinct Structure Plan (OCM281/11/23).
- Increase of Soldiers Road Principal Shared Path by \$200,000 to continue design elements
 of the project, as approved by Council at the February 2024 Ordinary Council Meeting
 (OCM015/02/24). The project is now a Major Capital Project within the Corporate Business
 Plan, and project description, milestones and funding have been updated accordingly.

Under Principle Two:

Nil.

Under Principle Three:

- Extension of time to 30 June 2024 for completion of Depot Accommodation Upgrades, as approved in accordance with the Project Management Framework.
- As outlined in the July to September 2023 Budget Review at agenda item 10.3.3 of the November 2023 Ordinary Council Meeting:
 - Increase of Minor Facility Renewals and Upgrades by \$92,400 for Civic Centre Council Chamber Minor Refurbishment, within the Capital Works Program.
 - Increase of Plant and Fleet New by \$55,000 for Manager Waste, Plant and Fleet new vehicle, within the Capital Works Program.
- As outlined in Statutory Budget Review at agenda item 10.3.4 of the March 2024 Ordinary Council Meeting, subject to Council adoption:
 - Increase of Minor Facility Renewals and Upgrades by \$220,000 for asphalt to upgrade the road surface at the Shire Depot, within the Capital Works Program.



- Increase of Gravel Resheeting by \$50,000, within the Capital Works Program.
- Increase of Plant and Fleet Renewal by \$100,000 for replacement of Skidsteer Loader, within the Capital Works Program.

These amendments are detailed in tracked changes at attachment 2.

Corporate Business Plan Key Performance Indicators

The Corporate Business Plan 2023-27 contains the following Key Performance Indicators:

- 1. 80% of strategic operating projects are completed by their due date
- 2. 80% of road projects planned to be constructed are delivered
- 3. Improvement is seen in all key result areas of the community perceptions survey
- 4. Improvement is seen in the Performance Index Score of the Employee Scorecard Survey
- 5. Financial Sustainability maintain a financial health indicator above 70.

A progress update on each KPI, including a projected end of year result, is provided below for the Council to note.

KPI 1: 80% of strategic operating projects are completed by their due date

Projected Result: 71% (15/21)

Comment:

The Corporate Business Plan 2023-27 contains 23 Strategic Operating Projects due between 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024. Of these, as at 31 December:

- twelve (12) are on track;
- five (5) are flagged as 'at risk / behind schedule;
- one (1) has been completed on time;
- three (3) have not been completed by their due date; and
- two (2) are 'on hold'.

The projected result for this KPI is 71% (15/21), which assumes:

- The two (2) projects reported 'on hold' are either realigned or removed following the outcome of the Transfer Station matter and are excluded from the calculation.
- The twelve (12) projects reported on track in this report, remain on track and are completed by their due dates.
- The following two (2) projects 'at risk or behind target' will get back on track in a future reporting period for the following reasons:
 - Bike Pump Track Feasibility project will be realigned in accordance with the Project Management Framework, pending the outcome of a request for funding reallocation with the State Government.
 - Asset Management Maturity project as reported within the Strategic Risk Register Quarterly Review, the Asset Management Maturity project details will be realigned, pending a Council resolution to consider the Audit, Risk and Governance Committee resolution at the March 2024 Ordinary Council Meeting.



- The following (3) projects identified as 'at risk or behind target' in this report (Scrivener Road Gravel Pit, Byford Memorial Feasibility and Site Selection and ICT Disaster Recovery Plan) do not get back on track.
- The Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2022-27 was completed on time (due 30 September 2023, completed 18 September 2023).
- The following three (3) Strategic Operating Projects have not been completed by their due date:
 - Hypergrowth Road Priorities (due for completion on 30 September 2023, completed 31 October 2023)
 - Heritage Park Business Case (due for completion on 30 September 2023)
 - Future development at Lampiter Drive, Mardella (due for completion 31 December 2023)

KPI 2: 80% of road projects planned to be constructed are delivered

Projected Result: 93% (14/15)

Comment:

There are ten (10) major capital road projects and five (5) minor capital road projects due to be constructed by 30 June 2024. Of these, nine (9) are 'on track', one (1) is 'at risk or behind schedule' and the following five (5) projects are complete:

- Whitby Street, Mundijong
- Nicholson Road and Foxton Drive
- Briggs Road Rehabilitation (SLK 0.7 to 1.11)
- Nettleton Road Rehabilitation
- Tuart Road, Oakford

The projected result for this KPI is 93% (14/15) which assumes:

- One (1) project identified as 'at risk or behind target' in this report (Hopeland Road Upgrade) does not get back on track.
- The nine (9) projects reported on track in this report, remain on track and are completed by their due dates.

KPI 3: Improvement is seen in all key result areas of the community perceptions survey

<u>Comment:</u> Not applicable – the survey is carried out biannually and is not due again until 2024-25.

<u>KPI 4:</u> Improvement is seen in the Performance Index Score of the Employee Scorecard Survey <u>Comment:</u> Not applicable – the employee survey is conducted biannually and is not due again until 2024-25.

KPI 5: Financial Sustainability – maintain a financial health indicator above 70

Comment: 75 for the 2022-23 financial year.

A result for 2023-24 will be reported on completion of the financial year, subject to completion of the audited financials.



Options

Option 1

That Council:

- 1. NOTES the performance report against the 2023-27 Corporate Business Plan for the period 1 October to 31 December 2023 as contained in this report and **attachment 1**.
- 2. ADOPTS the amendments to the Corporate Business Plan 2023-27 as outlined in this report and **attachment 2**.

There are no implications associated with this option.

Option 2

That Council:

- 1. NOTES the performance report against the 2023-27 Corporate Business Plan for the period 1 October to 31 December 2023 as contained in this report and **attachment 1.**
- 2. ADOPTS the amendments to the Corporate Business Plan 2023-27 as outlined in this report and **attachment 2**, with the following amendments.
 - [Elected Member moving motion to specify]

Option 3

That Council:

- 1. NOTES the performance report against the 2023-27 Corporate Business Plan for the period 1 July to 30 September 2023 as contained in this report and **attachment 1.**
- 2. DOES NOT ADOPT the amendments to the Corporate Business Plan 2023-27 as outlined in this report and **attachment 2**.

Refer to Risk Implications for the implications associated with this option.

Option 1 is recommended.

Option 2 is recommended if the budget item at item 10.3.4 is not resolved as recommended.

Conclusion

The performance reporting against the Corporate Business Plan this reporting period details 19% of actions are currently 'at risk or behind target', 79% are 'on track or complete' and 2% of actions 'on hold'. Major Capital Projects managed in accordance with the Project Management Framework continue to be handled in a consistent manner to rectify any issues, as well as assess and implement next steps. Strategic Operating Projects 'at risk or behind target' continue to be closely monitored, including two actions 'on hold' due to the closure of the Waste Transfer Station. Road projects scheduled for delivery in 2023-24 remain predominantly on track, with 5 actions already completed. Additionally, the Road Upgrade Advocacy Plan was finalised during this reporting period, identifying road upgrades for future advocacy and potential delivery in funding partnership with State and Federal Governments.



Attachments (available under separate cover)

- **10.3.5 attachment 1** Corporate Business Plan 2023-27 Performance Report 1 October to 31 December 2023 (E24/3055)
- **10.3.5 attachment 2** Corporate Business Plan 2023-27 Quarter Two Review Tracked Changes (E24/1356)

Alignment with our Council Plan 2023-2033

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4.	. Ensure sustainable and optimal use of Shire resources and finances

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications associated with the Officer Options.

Risk Implications

<u> </u>			Risk Assessment			Diele Mitientien	
Officer Option	Risk Description	Controls	Principal Consequence Category	Likelihood	Consequence	Risk Rating	Risk Mitigation Strategies (to further lower the risk rating if required)
1	There are no signi	ificant risks associat	ed with Option 1 a	and Op	otion	2.	
3	If Council do not adopt the CBP, this will result in documents that are not aligned with the annual budget. This will create a fragmented environment for the Shire to operate in.	Corporate Business Plan	Organisational Performance	Unlikely	Minor	ПОМ	Nil.



Voting Requirements: Absolute Majority (Regulation 19DA(6) of the *Local Government*

(Administration) Regulations 1996)

OCM049/03/24

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / Officer Recommendation

Moved Cr Duggin, seconded Cr Mack

That Council

Reference: IN24/6982

1. NOTES the performance report against the 2023-27 Corporate Business Plan for the period 1 October to 31 December 2023 as contained in this report and attachment 1.

2. ADOPTS the amendments to the Corporate Business Plan 2023-27 as outlined in this report and attachment 2.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5/0

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10.3.6 – Community Budget Requests (SJ940-3)				
Responsible Officer:	Manager Corporate Performance			
Senior Officer:	Director Corporate Services			
Disclosure of Officer's Interest:	No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has an interest to declare in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1995.			

Authority / Discretion

Executive	The substantial direction setting and oversight role of the Council such as adopting plans and reports, accepting tenders, directing operations and setting and amending budgets.
	Setting and amending budgets.

Report Purpose

The purpose of this report is provide options for community submissions in the 2024/2025 annual budget process that can be undertaken within existing resources.

Relevant Previous Decisions of Council

Ordinary Council Meeting - 19 February 2024 - OCM022/02/24 - COUNCIL RESOLUTION

- 1. NOTES the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale's Integrated Planning, Reporting and Budget Timetable for the 2024-2028 Corporate Business Plan, 2024-2025 Budget and 2024-2034 Long Term Financial Plan as contained within this report
- 2. REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer prepare and report to Council in March 2024, on options for community participation in the annual budget process that can be undertaken with existing resources, supported by a proposed framework that outlines the:
 - Eligibility criteria and types of submissions permitted
 - Minimum timeframe for public advertising
 - Format of submissions
 - Criteria and process for assessing and prioritising submissions

Background

At the February 2024 Ordinary Council Meeting, Council noted the Shire's Integrated Planning, Reporting and Budget Timetable:

Date:	Milestone / Event:	Purpose:
Wednesday, 28 February 2024	Corporate Business Plan workshop with Elected Members	Present Elected Members with a draft 2024-2028 Corporate Business Plan.



Date:	Milestone / Event:	Purpose:
Wednesday, 27 March 2024	Strategic Forum workshop with Elected Members	To discuss future possible initiatives for inclusion in the Corporate Business Plan.
Wednesday, 24 April 2024	Budget Workshop with Elected Members	Rates Modelling, Long Term Financial Plan and Fees and Charges
Wednesday, 1 May 2024	Budget Workshop with Elected Members	Capital Budgets and final draft Corporate Business Plan
Wednesday, 8 May 2024 Wednesday, 15 May 2024	Budget Workshop with Elected Members	Operating Budgets
Monday, 20 May 2024	Ordinary Council Meeting	Council Consideration to advertise Rates
Wednesday, 2 July 2024	Question and Answer Session with Elected Members	Pre Special Council Meeting Budget Adoption Question and Answer Session
Monday, 8 July 2024	Special Council Meeting	Council consideration of the Annual Budget, Corporate Business Plan and Long Term Financial Plan

At this meeting, Council resolved to request the Chief Executive Officer look into options for community participation in the process that can be achieved within existing resources. This request forms the basis of this paper.

Community / Stakeholder Consultation

Nil.

Statutory Environment

Section 6.2 of the *Local Government Act 1995* requires that no later than 31 August in each financial year, or such extended time as the Minister allows, each local government is to prepare and adopt by absolute majority, in the form and manner prescribed, a budget for its municipal fund for the financial year ending on the 30 June next following that 31 August.

Section 6.36 of the *Local Government Act 1995* requires notice of certain rates and submissions to be invited from electors or ratepayers within 21 days or such longer period of the notice.

Comment

The following formal processes currently exist for community engagement in the Shire's annual budget process, which are undertaken within the Shire's current resources:

 Petitions submitted in accordance with the Shire's Standing Orders Local Law 2002 considered by Council at an Ordinary Council Meeting.



- Decisions made at an electors' meetings considered by Council at an Ordinary Council Meeting.
- Community Perceptions Survey undertaken every two years in accordance with Council Policy 5.1.10 – Community Perceptions Survey.
- Council Plan reviewed every four years via a comprehensive community engagement process as required under the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996* (WA).
- Notice of Motions requested by Elected Members in accordance with the Shire's Standing Orders Local Law 2002.
- Notice and submissions regarding certain rates as required under the Local Government Act 1995.
- Budget Breakfast traditionally held once a year prior to budget adoption to inform the community of the major initiatives within the draft budget.

Options for additional community engagement within existing resources

Since the implementation of the Customer Resource Management (CRM) module in May 2021, the Shire has been collating a wealth of knowledge regarding community requests for projects and services by categorising CRM's that are unable to be actioned because they require additional resourcing and/or budget. These CRM's range in complexity from an increase in service (such as additional street sweeping and tree maintenance) to new capital projects (such as upgrades to roads). As at the time of writing this report, there are approximately 100 CRM's that meet this criteria.

Officers propose that as part of this year's annual budget process, these CRM's are provided to Council for consideration and integrated into the 2024/2025 annual budget process following the below process:

- CRM's printed and provided to Elected Members for review following the Ordinary Council Meeting on 18 March 2024;
- At the Strategic Forum Workshop with Elected Members on 27 March 2024, Elected Members select (by way of simple majority) those CRM's they would like Officers to complete business cases on. A business case considers an initiatives cost, scope, risks and timing.
- Business cases are developed by Officers and presented to Council for consideration at the Budget Workshops with Elected Members between April and May 2024 as appropriate.

Any other additional processes for community engagement in this years annual budget process is not achievable without additional resources, process development and delay of budget adoption.

Recommendations for future maturity regarding community engagement in the annual budget process

The following strategic work underway that Officers believe will significantly improve the Shire's ability to undertake improved community engagement in the annual budget process include:

- Development and implementation of maintenance schedules and levels of service
- Development and implementation of asset management and forward works plans, and review of the Asset Management Strategy and Policy.



Given the above work, including realisation of its benefits is likely to take 2-3 years, it is recommended the following 5 year maturity journey is noted by Council as it pertains to community engagement in the annual budget process:

- For future budget years 2024-2025, 2025-2026 and 2026-2027, the above-mentioned CRM process is undertaken, reviewed and refined as required.
- During this time, the Council could also consider reintroducing the Community Infrastructure Grant Program albeit in a revised format from previous iterations.
- For future budget year 2027-2028, a business case to consider options for enhanced community engagement in the annual budget process is undertaken, with a view to implement the enhancement for the 2028-2029 annual budget process.

Options

Option 1

That Council

- 1. REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer include Customer Requests not resourced for Council consideration in the 2024-2025 annual budget process
- 2. NOTES the proposed 5-year maturity journey as it pertains to community engagement in the annual budget process as:
 - o For future budget years 2024-2025, 2025-2026 and 2026-2027, the above-mentioned CRM process is undertaken, reviewed, and refined as required.
 - Consider reintroducing the Community Infrastructure Grant Program albeit in a revised format from previous iterations.
 - o For future budget year 2027-2028, a business case to consider options for enhanced community engagement in the annual budget process is undertaken, with a view to implement the enhancement for the 2028-2029 annual budget process.

Option 2

That Council:

 NOTES the contents of this report and RESOLVES to maintain status quo pertaining to community engagement in the annual budget process.

Option 1 is recommended.

Conclusion

This report proposes an option for Council to consider feedback received from the community within the annual budget process that can be achieved within existing resources.

Attachments (available under separate cover)

Nil.

Alignment with our Council Plan 2023-2033

Connected

3. Empower the community to engage with the Shire and collaborate on matters that are important to them



Financial Implications

Nil

Risk Implications

Nil

Voting Requirements: Simple Majority

OCM050/03/24

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / Officer Recommendation

Moved Cr Duggin, seconded Cr Bishop

That Council

Reference: IN24/6982

- 1. REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer include Customer Requests not resourced for Council consideration in the 2024-2025 annual budget process
- 2. NOTES the proposed 5-year maturity journey as it pertains to community engagement in the annual budget process as:
- For future budget years 2024-2025, 2025-2026 and 2026-2027, the above-mentioned CRM process is undertaken, reviewed, and refined as required.
- Consider reintroducing the Community Infrastructure Grant Program albeit in a revised format from previous iterations.
- For future budget year 2027-2028, a business case to consider options for enhanced community engagement in the annual budget process is undertaken, with a view to implement the enhancement for the 2028-2029 annual budget process.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (en bloc at 8.26pm) 5/0

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10.3.7 - Consideration of Motions Carried at the Annual General Meeting of Electors held on 31 January 2024 (SJ4384)				
Responsible Officer:	Manager Corporate Performance			
Senior Officer:	Director Corporate Services			
Disclosure of Officer's Interest:	No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has an interest to declare in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1995.			

Authority / Discretion

Executive	The substantial direction setting and oversight role of the Council such as adopting plans and reports, accepting tenders, directing operations and setting and amending budgets.
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Report Purpose

The purpose of this report is to enable Council to consider the motions carried at the Annual General Meeting of Electors held on 31 January 2024.

Relevant Previous Decisions of Council

There are no previous Council decisions relating to this matter.

Background

In accordance with section 5.27 of the *Local Government Act 1995* (the Act), the Annual General Meeting of Electors was held on 31 January 2024. Notice of the media was provided in accordance with the requirements for the Act in the Examiner Newspaper, public notice boards and the Shire's social media on 9 January 2024.

There were 16 members of the public recorded as being in attendance.

Community / Stakeholder Consultation

Nil

Statutory Environment

Under section 5.27 of the Act, a general meeting of the electors of a district is to be held once every financial year. A general meeting is to be held on a day selected by the local government but not more than 56 days after the local government accepts the annual report for the previous financial year.

Under section 5.33 of the Act all decisions made at an electors' meeting are to be considered at the next ordinary council meeting or, if that is not practicable at the first ordinary council meeting after that meeting; or at a special meeting called for that purpose whichever happens first.

If at a meeting of the council a local government makes a decision in response to a decision made at an electors' meeting, the reasons for the decision are to be recorded in the minutes of the Council Meeting.



Comment

Section 5.33 of the Local Government Act 1995 states:

- "5.33. Decisions made at electors' meetings
- (1) All decisions made at an electors' meeting are to be considered at the next ordinary council meeting or, if that is not practicable
 - (a) at the first ordinary council meeting after that meeting; or
 - (b) at a special meeting called for that purpose, whichever happens first.
- (2) If at a meeting of the council a local government makes a decision in response to a decision made at an electors' meeting, the reasons for the decision are to be recorded in the minutes of the council meeting."

In addition to receiving the Annual Report for the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale for the year 2022-2023 incorporating the 2022-2023 Annual Financial Statements and the 2022-2023 Auditor's Report, the following nine motions were carried by electors for Council's consideration but not necessarily requiring any action:

GME002/01/24

MOTION

Moved Mr Ball, seconded Mr Tomlinson

That this meeting of ratepayers recommends that the Shire makes no change from 26 January for Australia Day unless the Australian Government makes a change, and the conduct of Naturalisation Ceremonies on Australia Day will continue.

MOTION CARRIED

GME003/01/24

MOTION

Moved Mrs Rich, seconded Ms Berry

That Council REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer:

- 1. As part of the 2024/2025 budget process, prepare and submit a business case for funding consideration by Council to design and construct an approximately 53 metre extension to the footpath on the south side of Jarrahdale Road, opposite the Nettleton Road intersection as shown in attachment 1 to provide safe pedestrian access to visitors and residents of Jarrahdale:
- 2. As part of the 2024/2025 budget process, prepare and submit a business case for funding consideration by Council to engage external consultants to undertake community consultation, investigation, concept design and costing for implementation of appropriate traffic calming treatments along Jarrahdale Road through the Jarrahdale townsite to better manage the anticipated increase in traffic and pedestrian movement in preparation for Trails Town Status and Tonkin Highway Extension.

MOTION CARRIED



GME004/01/24

MOTION

Moved Mrs Rich, seconded Mr Ball

That Council REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer as part of the 2024/2025 budget process to prepare and submit a business case for funding consideration by Council to design and construct a fence above the retaining wall that separates the Byford Scout Hall Land and the Byford and Districts Country Club car park.

MOTION CARRIED

GME005/01/24

MOTION

Moved Mrs Rich, seconded Mr Atwell

That Council REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer as part of the 2024/2025 budget process to prepare and submit a business case for funding consideration by Council to design and construct the remaining length of the Baskerville Road, between Tonkin Street and Keirnan Street Mundijong.

MOTION CARRIED

GME006/01/24

MOTION

Moved Mrs Rich, seconded Mr Atwell

That Council REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer as part of the 2024/2025 budget process to prepare and submit a business case for funding consideration by Council to design and construct the length of unmade road between Windmill Avenue North and Windmill Avenue South Serpentine.

MOTION CARRIED

GME007/01/24

MOTION

Moved Mrs Bond, seconded Mr Wigg

That the Footpath linking Graceford Village to Byford Town Centre on Soldiers Road and Gordon Way be reconstructed.

MOTION CARRIED

GME008/01/24

MOTION

Moved Mrs Rich, seconded Mr Atwell

That Council REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer as part of the 2024/2025 budget process to prepare and submit a business case for funding consideration by Council to design and construct a replacement fence around the storm water retention basin between 14 and 18 Mardja Loop Mardella.

MOTION CARRIED



GME009/01/24

MOTION

Moved Mrs Rich, seconded Mr Atwell

That Council REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer as part of the 2024/2025 budget process to prepare and submit a business case for funding consideration by Council to design and construct substantial hardstand for the safe collection of water during fire emergencies at the water hydrant located west of the rail crossing, Elliot Road Keysbrook.

MOTION CARRIED

GME010/01/24

MOTION

Moved Mr Atwell, seconded Mrs Rich

That Council REQUEST the Chief Executive Officer present a report to Council on increasing the retention of trees during all subdivision processes.

MOTION CARRIED

Options

Option 1

That Council:

1.	RECEIVES	the	minutes	of	the	Annual	General	Meeting	of	Electors	held	on
31 January 2024.								_				

2. _____

[Elected Member moving the motion in response to a decision made at the electors' meeting to specify]

Option 2

That Council RECEIVES the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Electors held on 31 January 2024.

Option 1 is recommended.

Conclusion

Reference: IN24/6982

In accordance with legislation, the motions carried at the Annual General Meeting of Electors are presented for Council's consideration.

Attachments (available under separate cover)

• **10.3.7 – attachment 1** – Minutes General Meeting of Electors – 31 January 2024 (E24/2001)



Alignment with our Council Plan 2023-2033

Connected

- **3.** Empower the community to engage with the Shire and collaborate on matters that are important to them
- 4. Facilitate an inclusive community that celebrates our history and diversity

Financial Implications

Nil

Risk Implications

Nil

Voting Requirements: Simple Majority

Officer Recommendation

Moved, seconded

That Council:

1. RECEIVES the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Electors held on 31 January 2024.

2. _____

[Elected Member moving the motion in response to a decision made at the electors' meeting to specify]

In accordance with clause 10.6 of the *Standing Orders Local Law 2002 (as amended)*, the Presiding Member, President Coales broke the question down into the form of several motions, which were put in sequence.

Presiding Member, President Coales, advised Elected Members of the process that would be taken for debate and voting on the motions.

Following the announcement of each Elector's Motion number by the Presiding Member, Elected Members would have the opportunity to move a motion for consideration by Council.

OCM051/03/24

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / GME002/01/24

Moved Cr Duggin, seconded President Coales

That this meeting of ratepayers recommends that the Shire makes no change from 26 January for Australia Day unless the Australian Government makes a change, and the conduct of Naturalisation Ceremonies on Australia Day will continue.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5/0



OCM052/03/24

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved Cr Duggin, seconded Cr Bishop

That Council REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer include the design and construction of approximately 53m of footpath on the south side of Jarrahdale Road, opposite the Nettleton Road intersection for consideration as part of the Footpath Forward Works Plan proposed to be developed during the 2024/2025 financial year.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5/0

Reason for difference to Officer Recommendation

To allow equitable consideration for projects in the shire.

OCM053/03/24

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / GME004/01/24

Moved Cr Duggin, seconded Cr Jerrett

That Council REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer as part of the 2024/2025 budget process to prepare and submit a business case for funding consideration by Council to design and construct a fence above the retaining wall that separates the Byford Scout Hall Land and the Byford and Districts Country Club car park.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5/0

OCM054/03/24

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved Cr Duggin, seconded Cr Bishop

That Council REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer include the design and construction of Baskerville Road, between Tonkin Street and Keirnan Street, Mundijong for consideration as part of the Roads Forward Works Plan proposed to be developed during the 2024/2025 financial year.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5/0

Reason for difference to Officer Recommendation

To allow equitable consideration for projects in the shire.

OCM055/03/24

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved Cr Duggin, seconded President Coales

That Council REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer prepare a business case for the design and construction of the unmade road between Windmill Road North and Windmill Road South for consideration as part of the 2025/2026 annual budget process.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5/0

Reason for difference to Officer Recommendation

To allow appropriate time for consideration and implementation.



OCM056/03/24

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved Cr Duggin, seconded Cr Jerrett

The council REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer conduct a review of the footpath linking Graceford Village to Byford Town Centre and prepare a business case for the:

- design of appropriate upgrades as part of the 2024/2025 annual budget process, and
- construction of the appropriate upgrades as part of the 2025/2026 annual budget process.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5/0

Reason for difference to Officer Recommendation

To respond to urgent concerns raised to council regarding aged resident safety.

OCM057/03/24

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / GME008/01/24

Moved Cr Jerrett seconded Cr Duggin

That Council REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer as part of the 2024/2025 budget process to prepare and submit a business case for funding consideration by Council to design and construct a replacement fence around the storm water retention basin between 14 and 18 Mardja Loop Mardella.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5/0

OCM058/03/24

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / GME009/01/24

Moved Cr Jerrett, seconded Cr Duggin

That Council REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer as part of the 2024/2025 budget process to prepare and submit a business case for funding consideration by Council to design and construct substantial hardstand for the safe collection of water during fire emergencies at the water hydrant located west of the rail crossing, Elliot Road Keysbrook.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5/0

OCM059/03/24

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / GME010/01/24

Moved Cr Duggin, seconded Cr Jerrett

That Council REQUEST the Chief Executive Officer present a report to Council on increasing the retention of trees during all subdivision processes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5/0



OCM060/03/24

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / Officer Recommendation

Moved Cr Jerrett, seconded Cr Duggin

That Council:

1. RECEIVES the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Electors held on 31 January 2024.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5/0

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10.4 Community Engagement reports:

10.4.1 - Execution of Sublease between Sports Aircraft Builders Club Inc. and Fire and
Emergency Services Ministerial Body – Reserve 25911 Yangedi Road Hopeland (L066)

Responsible Officer:	Community Projects Specialist						
Senior Officer:	Director Community Engagement						
Disclosure of Officer's Interest:	No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has an interest to declare in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1995.						

Authority / Discretion

Executive	The substantial direction setting and oversight role of the Council such as adopting plans and reports, accepting tenders, directing operations and setting and amending budgets.
	setting and amending budgets.

Report Purpose

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider authorising the Director Community Engagement to co-sign the sublease between the Sport Aircraft Builders Club of WA Inc. and FES Ministerial Body, a body corporate, pursuant to the *Fire and Emergency Services Act 1998* (WA), located at Reserve 25911, 286 Yangedi Road, Hopeland.

The sublease is in accordance with the Head Lease agreement between the Shire and Sport Aircraft Builders Club of WA Inc.

Relevant Previous Decisions of Council

Ordinary Council Meeting - 23 July 2018 - OCM071/07/18 - COUNCIL DECISION / Alternate Councillor Recommendation - extract

That Council:

- 1. Requests the Minster for Lands amend the Management Order for Lot 164 Yangedi Road (Reserve 25911) to increase the Power to Lease to a term of 32 years and the permitted purpose amended to Recreation and Weather Radar Activities.
- 2. Notes the key lease terms between the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale and the Sports Aircraft Builders Club as:
 - a) Lease term of 32 years;
 - b) Annual rental of \$1.00 in accordance with Council Policy 5.1.3 Lease and License Management;
 - c) Permitted purpose of Recreational Airfield and associated activities including light aircraft maintenance, aerial firefighting aircraft, Shire Bushfire Services and air rescue and weather radar activities;



Background

The Shire has a Management Order over Reserve 25911, 286 Yangedi Road, Hopeland for the designated purpose of Recreation, Weather Radar Activities and Emergency Services only, with the power to lease (sub-lease or licence) for a term not exceeding 32 years, subject to the approval, in writing, of the Minister for Lands.

The Reserve, known as 'Yangedi Airfield' consists of the Sports Aircraft Builders Club Inc. (SABC) and infrastructure erected by the Commonwealth of Australia Bureau of Meteorology (BOM) and the Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES).

At the June 2018 Ordinary Council Meeting, Council noted the key lease terms agreed between the Shire, as Lessor, and SABC, as Lessee, for a new lease of the reserve for a term of 32 years. The resolution included that the permitted purpose of the lease should include Recreational Airfield and associated activities, including light aircraft maintenance, aerial firefighting aircraft, Shire Bushfire Services and air rescue and weather radar activities.

Following the commencement of the lease between the Shire and SABC on 27 May 2019, SABC entered into discussions with Bureau of Meteorology to draft a sublease agreement as per the resolution. The sub lease was approved by Council at its 16 November 2020 Ordinary Council Meeting OCM369/11/20.

In July 2020, SABC entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with DFES to document the arrangements for the use of the Serpentine Airfield as the Nominated Operational Base for DFES Aviation Services Operations. The MOU provides that DFES would pay a fee of \$2,000 per annum in return for specified services to be provided by SABC and relating to DFES use of the premises. SABC then commenced discussions with FES Ministerial Body to draft a sublease over a portion of Reserve 25911 (approximately 4000m2) for the purpose of housing aerial firefighting aircraft as per the 2018 Council Resolution.

Following questions raised from Council at its May 2023 the sub lease was returned for update and all changes requested have been taken into consideration within the updated sub lease agreement.

Community / Stakeholder Consultation

Policy Concept Forum

Nil.

Statutory Environment

Local Government Act 1995

Associated Council Policies

- Council Policy 1.1.4 Execution of Documents and Use of the Common Seal
- Council Policy 5.1.3 Lease and Licence Management

Comment

The 64.7-hectare reserve contains the Yangedi Airfield, weather radar and the DFES helicopter for emergency services purposes. The area utilised by FES Ministerial Body is approximately 4000m2, as shown hachured blue below:





Figure 1 - Location of DFES lease area

The Lease between the Shire and SABC (see **CONFIDENTIAL** attachment 2) specifies the Lessee (SABC) must not assign, sub let or dispose of any part of the land without the prior written consent of the Lessor, the Minister for Lands and any other person whose consent is required under the lease or at law.

It further provides that if the Lessee receives the prior consent of the Minister for Lands the Lessor consents to the lessee granting a sub lese of a portion of the land to:

- 1. Department of Fire and Emergency Services, for the purpose of housing a helicopter and required ancillary infrastructure for regional and emergency fire response activities; and
- 2. The Bureau of Meteorology, for the purpose of weather monitoring.

For all other sub lettings, the Lessor (Shire) may not unreasonably withhold its consent to sublease subject to the following:

- 1. The proposed sub lessee is respectable and responsible of good financial standing and capable of adequately carrying on the business permitted.
- 2. There are no outstanding payments by SABC;
- 3. SABC procures the execution by a deed of sublease.
- 4. The amount of Rent payable is prior approved by the Shire.

The terms of the sub lease between SABC and FES Ministerial Body are:



Term: 3 years

Option: 2 successive options for a further term of 12 months in each case

Area: Part of the reserve area totalling approximately 4000m2

Rent: \$2000 per annum in line with the prior Memorandum of Understanding.

Permitted use: The Tenant may use the Premises for fire and emergency purposes to house

a helicopter and necessary infrastructure related thereto and for all ancillary

uses unless the Landlord consents to another use.

Minister for Lands Consent is required: This will be obtained following Council approval.

The deed of sub lease is consistent with the provisions of the head lease and with Council resolution OCM07107/18 from the Ordinary Council Meeting 23 July 2018. The deed also complies with both the Council Policy 5.1.3 Lease and Licence Management.

The draft FES Sublease is enclosed as CONFIDENTIAL attachment 1.

Options

Option1

That Council:

1. APPROVES the deed of sublease between the Sports Aircraft Builders Club Inc (SABC) and Fire and Emergency Services Ministerial Body, located at Reserve 25911, 286 Yangedi Road, Hopeland based on the following terms:

Term: 3 years

Option: 2 successive options for a further term of 12 months in each case

Area: Part of the reserve area totalling approximately 4000m2

Rent: \$2000 per annum

Permitted use: The Tenant may use the Premises for fire and emergency purposes to house

a helicopter and necessary infrastructure related thereto and for all ancillary

uses unless the Landlord consents to another use.

2. AUTHORISES the co-signing of the deed of sublease as shown in CONFIDENTIAL attachment 1 (subject to the consent of the Minister for Lands) in accordance with Council Policy 1.1.4 – Execution of Documents and Use of the Common Seal.

Option 2

That Council:

- 1. DOES NOT APPROVE the deed of sublease;
- 2. DOES NOT AUTHORISE the co-signing of the deed of sublease between SABC and FES Ministerial Body.

Option 1 is recommended.



Conclusion

In accordance with Council Policy 5.1.3 Lease and Licence Management, it is recommended Council authorises the co-signing of the deed of sublease between Sports Aircraft Builders Club Inc and Fire and Emergency Services Ministerial Body.

The deed of sub lease is consistent with the provisions of the head lease and with Council resolution OCM07107/18 from the Ordinary Council Meeting 23 July 2018.

Attachments (available under separate cover)

- **10.4.1– CONFIDENTIAL attachment 1** Draft FES Sublease (E24/2562)
- 10.4.1 CONFIDENTIAL attachment 2 SABC Executed Lease (E19/6403)

Alignment with our Council Plan 2023-2033

	Liveable					
3.	Preserve and enhance our natural places, parks, trails and reserves					
4.	Invest in facilities and amenities to meet current and future needs					
Connected						
2.	Contribute to a well-connected, accessible and health community					

Financial Implications

There are no costs to the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale for preparation of the sub lease.

Risk Implications

Risk has been assessed on the Officer Options:

				Risk Assessment			Risk Mitigation	
Officer Option	Risk Description	Controls	Principal Consequence Category	Likelihood	Consequence	Risk Rating	Strategies (to further lower the risk rating if required)	
1	There are no significant risks associated with this option.							
2	Impacts to stakeholder relationships between SABC and FES Ministerial Body, as the sub-lease is permitted in the headlease between the Shire and SABC	between the Shire and	Strategic Stakeholder Relationships	Unlikely	Moderate	гом	Option 1	

Voting Requirements: Simple Majority



OCM061/03/24

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / Officer Recommendation

Moved Cr Duggin, seconded Cr Bishop

That Council:

1. APPROVES the deed of sublease between the Sports Aircraft Builders Club Inc (SABC) and Fire and Emergency Services Ministerial Body, located at Reserve 25911, 286 Yangedi Road, Hopeland based on the following terms:

Term: 3 years

Option: 2 successive options for a further term of 12 months in each case

Area: Part of the reserve area totalling approximately 4000m2

Rent: \$2000 per annum

Permitted use: The Tenant may use the Premises for fire and emergency purposes to

house a helicopter and necessary infrastructure related thereto and for

all ancillary uses unless the Landlord consents to another use.

2. AUTHORISES the co-signing of the deed of sublease as shown in CONFIDENTIAL attachment 1 (subject to the consent of the Minister for Lands) in accordance with Council Policy 1.1.4 – Execution of Documents and Use of the Common Seal.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (en bloc at 8.26pm) 5/0

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Councillor Reece Jerrett declared an Impartiality Interest in item 10.4.2

10.4.2 - Proposed Disposition of Lot 1 Evelyn Street, Mundijong (L049)						
Responsible Officer:	Community Projects Specialist					
Senior Officer:	Director Community Engagement					
Disclosure of Officer's Interest:	No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has an interest to declare in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1995.					

Authority / Discretion

Executive	The substantial direction setting and oversight role of the Council such as adopting plans and reports, accepting tenders, directing operations and
	setting and amending budgets.

Report Purpose

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider options for the future use of 1 Evelyn Street Mundijong.

Relevant Previous Decisions of Council

Ordinary Council Meeting - 20 November 2023 – OCM283/11/23 – COUNCIL RESOLUTION / Officer Recommendation

That Council:

- 1. REQUESTS in accordance with section 3.58(3) of the Local Government Act 1995 that the Chief Executive Officer gives local public notice of the proposed disposition of lot 1, Evelyn Street, Mundijong to Graham Michael Melling ABN No. 72 587 402 133 as contained within attached 2;
- 2. REQUESTS that any submissions received are presented to Council.

Ordinary Council Meeting - 21 November 2022 - OCM278/11/22 - COUNCIL RESOLUTION In accordance with clause 12.1 of the Standing Orders Local Law 2002 (as Amended) that the Council proceed to the next business.

Ordinary Council Meeting - 18 May 2020 - OCM124/05/20 - COUNCIL RESOLUTION That Council:

1. APPROVES the Shire President and Chief Executive Officer to engross the lease agreement as contained within confidential attachment 1 with Mundijong Markets for Lot 1 Evelyn Street, Mundijong subject to the inclusion in Appendix B of the requirement to prepare a Weed Management Plan and Weed Management Schedule to the satisfaction of the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale; and



2. INSTRUCTS the Chief Executive Officer to undertake a facility audit and inspection prior to engrossing the lease for the purposes of safety and environmental health.

Ordinary Council Meeting – 16 December 2019 - OCM305/12/19 - COUNCIL RESOLUTION / Officer Recommendation

That Council:

- 1. NOTES the request received from Serpentine Jarrahdale Food and Farm Alliance Inc. to allow the lease application to lapse, as per confidential attachment 2 of this report and;
- 2. In accordance with section 3.58 of the Local Government Act 1995, ADVERTISES for a period of 21 days, its intent to dispose of the land at Lot 1 Evelyn Street, Mundijong to Mundijong Markets for a term of 5 years plus a further 5 year extension, at a rental rate of \$6,840 per annum (inclusive of GST) and annual CPI increase, plus outgoings to be paid by the tenant and no further renewal option and;
- 3. NOTES that a report detailing any submissions received will be presented to Council for consideration at the February 2020 Ordinary Council Meeting.

Ordinary Council Meeting - 18 February 2019 – OCM 030/02/19 - COUNCIL RESOLUTION / Officer Recommendation:

That Council:

- 1. a) INSTRUCTS the Chief Executive Officer to call for Expressions of Interest for a commercial or community lease of Lot 1 Evelyn Street, Mundijong and;
 - b) NOTES that a report detailing all submissions will be presented to Council for consideration at the July 2019 Ordinary Council Meeting;
- 2. INSTRUCTS the Chief Executive Officer to obtain a market valuation for Lot 1 Evelyn Street, Mundijong to a maximum value of \$4,000.00 ex GST, and records the expenditure as per the following budget variation:

Account code	Description	Debit \$	Credit \$
CDO532	Property Valuation Expenses	\$4,000	
CDO531	Legal Expenses		\$4,000

Background

Lot 1 Evelyn Street, Mundijong has been operating as the Mundijong Saleyards/Markets for over 30 years. The Shire purchased the lot in 1999 for the purpose of land banking for future development. The land has been earmarked for major urban development in the Mundijong/Whitby District Structure Plan. It is anticipated that development of the area where this lot is located will commence in 2032.

The land was managed under a lease agreement with Statewide Livestock, which expired in 2009. In December 2018, Statewide Livestock advised the Shire that it wished to terminate its occupancy arrangement. Statewide advised that they had sold the business to Grahame Michael



Melling, who has continued to operate the Mundijong Markets. In February 2019, Council called an invitation for Expressions of Interest for commercial or community leases for the property.

No rental has been charged on this property over this time and the Mundijong Markets have covered all outgoings for the property.

Property valuation was undertaken in May 2019 with a market value appraisal of between \$5,000 - \$10,000 per annum, plus outgoings. In October 2023, a follow up independent market evaluation was procured and confirmed the property in "as is condition" was valued at \$6,000 per annum plus outgoings.

The proposed rental amount is \$6,840 per annum plus outgoings.

At its meeting of 18 May 2020, Council resolved to engross a lease agreement with Grahame Michael Melling, operating as Mundijong Markets, subject to the requirement for the proponent to prepare a Weed Management Plan and Weed Management Schedule to the satisfaction of the Shire. Council further resolved to instruct the Chief Executive Officer to undertake a facility audit and inspection prior to engrossing the lease for the purposes of safety and environmental health.

A satisfactory weed management plan was subsequently received by the Shire and in October 2020, the Shire's building surveyors undertook a site audit focusing on the building structures. The audit identified defects in most structures which could affect the health and safety of the occupiers and visitors to the site. The subsequent report found that the site required extensive repairs and the removal/closure of some structures.

The proposed lease which was presented to Council at the Ordinary Council Meeting on 18 May 2020, provides that the Lessee takes the premises in its existing condition and the Lessor does not warrant that the premises are adequate for the purposes of the Lessee. The Shire does however, as owner of the land, have a duty of care to those that use the premises to the extent covered by legislation.

Considering that the site has continued to be used as the venue for Mundijong Markets, operated by Grahame Michael Melling without a formal lease or agreement, the Shire may be liable if an incident occurs due to the defects noted. It is therefore important that appropriate action is taken to address the issues of concern raised in the building surveyors report should the site continue to be used as a venue for markets and be accessible by the public.

Shire Officers have engaged with the operator of Mundijong Markets via email communication and face to face meetings to discuss the current building condition and remediation works that are required. Whilst the Shire owns the structures on site, the operator has indicated they would be willing to undertake some of the remediation works at their cost. This is detailed in the Comment section of this report.

At its meeting of 20 November 2023, Council resolved that in accordance with section 3.58(3) of the *Local Government Act 1995*, the Chief Executive Officer gives local public notice of the proposed disposition of Lot 1, Evelyn Street, Mundijong to Grahame Michael Melling and that any submissions received are presented to Council.

Community / Stakeholder Consultation

Policy Concept Forum

Nil.



Public Notice

In accordance with section 3.58(3) of the *Local Government Act 1995* the Chief Executive Officer gave local public notice of the proposed disposition of lot 1, Evelyn Street, Mundijong to Grahame Michael Melling.

This was advertised online and in print between 7 December 2023 and 4 January 2024.

The Shire received one submission during the public notice period from the Serpentine Jarrahdale Food and Farm Alliance (SJFFA), operators of the SJ Farmers Market, which is provided at **CONFIDENTIAL** attachment 2.

On Friday, 16 February, the Shire received a response from Dimer Heritage, which was outside of the public notice period, this is provided at **CONFIDENTIAL attachment 3**. The respondent was advised their response has not been considered.

Engagement has occurred with SJFFA, and the outcome of this engagement is covered in the comments section of this report.

Statutory Environment

- Work Health and Safety Act 2020
- Land Administration Act 1997
- Building Code of Australia (BCA) (volumes 1 and 2 of the National Construction Code Series)

Section 3.58 of the *Local Government Act 1995* regulates the disposal of Council property. With the following conditions:

A local government can dispose of property if, before agreeing to dispose of the property —

- (a) it gives local public notice of the proposed disposition
 - (i) describing the property concerned; and
 - (ii) giving details of the proposed disposition; and
 - (iii) inviting submissions to be made to the local government before a date to be specified in the notice, being a date not less than 2 weeks after the notice is first given;

and

(b) it considers any submissions made to it before the date specified in the notice and, if its decision is made by the council or a committee, the decision and the reasons for it are recorded in the minutes of the meeting at which the decision was made.

Comment

Response to Public Notice of Proposed Disposition

Mundijong Market Operators Consultation

Following this submission Shire Officers have engaged with the operator of Mundijong Markets via phone and email communication that one other application has been received from SJFFA. The Mundijong Markets preference is to be the leaseholder of the whole property but would be open to sub leasing to the SJFFA and to accept the responsibility of the sublessee and their management.



The Mundijong Markets are also open to a split lease arrangement of the land parcel, if this was feasible, and ensured they remained with lease over the saleyards amenities that they have proposed to undertake rectification works for.

Mundijong Markets were not prepared to sub lease the facilities from the SJFFA.

SJFFA Consultation

Shire Officers have engaged with the SJFFA via face-to-face meetings and email communication.

SJFFA has provided a comprehensive submission with many community benefits that align with the Shire's vision for community. SJFFA propose to develop a Food and Regenerative Farming Hub that is a home for the Serpentine Jarrahdale Farmers Market, onsite workshop facilities and undertaking small scale regenerative farming practices.

SJFFA have also requested subsidised rent and outgoings whilst they would undertake a host of works to the site to enable it to become operational.

There are works onsite that SJFFA have requested to be completed or subsidised if they were to be successful in their application to ensure a smooth handover comprising:

- Removal of disused buildings, ablution block and rubbish from property
- Ensure reticulated water and electricity is available at the property
- Assistance with acquisition and installation of temporary transportable toilets or a new ablution facility
- Replacement of boundary fencing
- Removal of weed infestation from the property
- · Implementation of firebreaks to the property
- Negotiation of a 1st year rent free period and a lower than market rate rent due to the SJFFA
 undertaking to remediate the property to operational standards and the community benefit that
 SJFFA will bring to management of the site.

The property will need to be made safe as it is will be open to the general public. The SJFFA will seek grant funding for modern toilet block, commercial kitchen, teaching space, cool room, café front, retail space.

Currently the Shire has no indicative costs to undertake the above works.

The SJFFA preference is to be the sole leaseholder of the property but would be open to sub leasing to the Mundijong Markets and to accept the responsibility of the sublessee and their management.

The SJFFA were not open to sub leasing from the Mundijong Markets or entering into a split lease arrangement for the property.

Whilst neither party is agreeable to become the sub-lessee a lease arrangement with one party who then may undertake negotiation of a sub-leasing arrangement as per the sub-leasing clause within the head lease would be a preferred option to a split lease for the Shire. This arrangement allows the lease holder to assume the delegation of responsibilities and manage timing site usage and split of utilities costs and formalise other agreements that are currently in place. The Lessee would be under no obligation to undertake a sub lease arrangement.



Property Inspection

Following the last Council resolution, a full inspection was undertaken of the property and the structures.

The Shire's Building Surveyors report found that the structures at the Saleyards have degraded to a poor condition and are subpar in terms of compliance with current building standards. Overall, the site requires attention in the form of repairs or removal of some structures and replacement with compliant structures with the necessary approvals.

The table below shows summary findings for each of the structures.

Table 1 – Building Rectification requirements

	Building	Report Findings		
Α	Kitchen with server window	Servery hatch door poses WH&S risk – remove and replace		
В	Site Office	Significant deterioration of structure (ceilings, wall lining) - repair or replace structure.		
С	Shed converted to kitchen	Significant deterioration to structure (internal and external) – repair or replace		
D	Patio adjoining Kitchen Server	Generally good condition – engage structural engineer to inspect & certify		
Е	Stock yard Shelter	Structures severely rusted – repair or replace		
F	Second Stock Yard Shelter	Structures severely rusted – repair or replace		
G	Roof covered stock yard	Roof gutters sagging, structural timbers rotting – engage structural engineer to inspect and provide sizes for replacement members, remove & replace structural timbers, check roof fasteners		
H1	Female toilet	Outhouse buildings in poor condition and require replacing		
H2	Male Toilet	Outhouse buildings in poor condition and require replacing		

Following an extensive consultation process to determine a mutually beneficial solution, the Mundijong Markets have indicated their intent to undertake the required remediation works on the structures utilised for the market operation, including replacing the site office. During the interim period the Mundijong Markets have installed and paid the cost of three transportable toilets for the site at a cost of \$11,000 on the basis that a long-term lease is granted by the Shire. It is proposed that these conditions will be contained within the lease document.

The term of the draft lease was five (5) years with a five (5) year extension option. Council approved the lease to be engrossed at its meeting of 18 May 2020. Shire Officers confirmed that the operators considered this to be a long-term lease. The operators were advised that a proposal would be submitted for Council consideration based on the options discussed.

Following a meeting on 27 September 2023, the Mundijong Markets operators confirmed that they would be willing to undertake the proposed actions summarised in the table below:



Table 2 – Building rectification action and responsibilities

Building	Action	Responsibility		
Structure A (Blue Kitchen)	Replace servery door with roller door or rehinge so downward opening	Saleyards Operator		
Structure B (Office Building)	Remove and replace existing structure	Saleyards Operator Building approval required		
Structure C (Office Building)	Close and secure building and cease use	Saleyards Operator		
Structure D (Pation Area)	Rectify cantilevered attachment to adjoining building and undertake any modifications required subject to engineer's report	Saleyards Operator - modifications arising from the Building Surveyors Report		
Structure E (Stockyard Shelter)	Close to public access. Undertake repairs required subject to Structural Engineers report if continued use as storeroom proposed	Operator - repairs arising from Building Surveyors Report		
Structure F (Second Stockyard Shelter)	Close to public access (completed) Undertake repairs required subject to Structural Engineers report if continued use as storeroom proposed	Saleyards Operator - repairs arising from Building Surveyors Report		
Structure G (Roo covered stockyard)	Replace rotted structural timbers an undertake repairs in accordance with Structural Engineers report	Saleyards Operator - repairs arising from Building Surveyors Report		
Structure H1 & H2 (Toilets)	Close and secure existing structures and replace with transportable units. Arrange connection of plumbing.	Completed by Saleyards Operator		

Completion of the proposed actions above will effectively rectify the health and safety issues identified in the Building Surveyors Report. Shire Officers have identified that replacing the toilets with a modular portable unit would be the most cost-effective option and this was undertaken by the Mundijong Markets at a cost of \$11,000.

In response to questions raised following consideration of this item by Council at the Ordinary Council Meeting on 21 November 2022, the Shire sought legal advice on the potential risks associated with Council not proceeding with the disposal of property as previously endorsed. The advice is included as at **CONFIDENTIAL attachment 6**.

The advice concluded that allowing the present situation to continue exposes the Shire to a considerable degree of risk and recommended that the Shire either proceed to:

- (a) grant the lease in accordance with the earlier Council resolution on the basis recommended in the officer's report as detailed in the minutes to Council's Ordinary Council Meeting on 21 November 2022; or
- (b) renegotiate the terms of a potential lease with the Proponent.



Given the extensive elapsed time period and the Shire's Land Asset Management Plan identifies the property for development in 2032, it would be proposed a lease of 5 years + 3 years would be negotiated.

Table 2 - Map and Legend and Indicative costs report for building structures





Structure
Kitchen with server window
Office Building
Shed converted to Kitchen
Patio area adjoining Kitchen
server
Stockyard Shelter
A second stock yard shelter
Roof covered Stock Yard
Female toilets
Male Toilets
Steel frame dome structure for grow tunnels

Options

Option 1

That Council:

- 1. NOTES the submission received from Serpentine Jarrahdale Food and Farm Alliance at **CONFIDENTIAL attachment 2** and the response received from Dimer Heritage at **CONFIDENTIAL attachment 3**.
- 2. AUTHORISES the Chief Executive Officer, in accordance with Section 3.58 of the *Local Government Act 1995* to negotiate and sign lease with conditions for 1 Evelyn Street Mundijong to original applicant Mundijong Markets Grahame Michael Melling of Mundijong Markets on the following terms.

Term: 5 years

Option: 1 option for a further term of 3 years.

Area: Part of the reserve area totalling approximately 32,309m2

Rent: \$6,284 Inc GST per annum



Permitted use: Saleyards, grazing of livestock

3. REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer to undertake discussions with Serpentine Jarrahdale Food and Farm Alliance to look at alternative Shire owned land that may be suitable for lease for their proposed undertakings.

Option 2

That Council:

- 1. RESOLVES NOT TO PROCEED with the proposed disposition of Lot 1 Evelyn Street Mundijong to Grahame Michael Melling ABN No 72 8740 2133.
- 2. AUTHORISES the Chief Executive Officer to call for tenders for the lease of the property at Lot 1 Evelyn Street Mundijong.

Option 1 is recommended.

Conclusion

At its Ordinary Council Meeting on 18 May 2020 Council resolved to instruct the Chief Executive Officer to undertake a facility audit and inspection prior to engrossing the lease for the purposes of safety and environmental health. The subsequent report found that the site required extensive repairs and the removal/closure of some structures.

Following an extensive consultation process the operator of the Mundijong Markets, Mr Melling, has indicated his willingness to undertake the required remediation works on the structures utilised for the Market operation if the Shire bears the cost of replacing the toilets and grants a long-term lease for the site. Subsequently, Mr Melling has also replaced the current ablutions at a cost of approximately \$11,000.

A lease agreement with conditions to complete the remediation action proposed in this report within a 12-month timeframe will effectively rectify the health and safety issues identified in the Building Surveyors Report.

Public notice to dispose of the property was undertaken and following further engagement, recommendation is to proceed with Mr Melling/Mundijong Markets.

The extensive length of time to undertake this process means that a reduced length of lease is proposed and negotiations with both applicants has concluded that undertaking a lease agreement with a single applicant is the preferred outcome.

Council can consider taking this process to tender, which will further delay leasing for the property at Lot 1 Evelyn Street Mundijong.

Attachments (available under separate cover)

- 10.4.2 CONFIDENTIAL attachment 1 Mundijong Markets EOI Submission (IN19/11505)
- 10.4.2 CONFIDENTIAL attachment 2 SJ Food and Farm Alliance Inc. EOI Submission (IN24/1998)
- **10.4.2 CONFIDENTIAL attachment 3** Dimer Heritage Response (IN24/3967)
- 10.4.2 attachment 4 Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale Property Inspection Report (E22/10788)
- **10.4.2 attachment 5** 1 Evelyn Street Property Valuation October 2023 (IN23/24852)



 10.4.2 – CONFIDENTIAL attachment 6 — Legal Advice – Lot 1 Evelyn Street Mundijong – 20 December 2022 (IN22/26073)

Alignment with our Council Plan 2023-2033

	Thriving				
1.	1. Plan for the sustainable growth of the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale				
2.	Advocate and attract businesses to grow and thrive, increasing opportunities for local employment				
4.	Ensure sustainable and optimal use of Shire resources and finances				
	Liveable				
3.	3. Preserve and enhance our natural places, parks, trails and reserves				
4.	Invest in facilities and amenities to meet current and future needs				
	Connected				
2.	Contribute to a well-connected, accessible and health community				
4.	Facilitate an inclusive community that celebrates our history and diversity				

Financial Implications

This lease is proposed with leasing income of \$6,840 per annum. The lessee funds all maintenance, payment of outgoings, utilities and government rates and charges of the lease area. The Lessee is required to undertake works to ensure the property is in a condition suitable to conduct business within a required timeframe.

Risk Implications

Risk has been assessed on the Officer Options:

				Risk Ass	essm	ent	Risk Mitigation
Officer Option	Risk Description	Controls	Principal Consequence Category	Likelihood	Consequence	Risk Rating	Strategies (to further lower the risk rating if required)
1	Extensive delay in lease negotiations If not leased as proposed.		Organisational Performance	Possible	Moderate	MODERATE	Ensure lease negotiations are started at least 6 months prior to end of lease.
2	Property is not suitable for public use. Liability risk for the Shire to allow operations on a		Organisational Performance	Likely	Major	SIGNIFICANT	Do not allow any operations without lease in place or negotiations in process.



agre Fina Shir mai and	erty with no legal ement in place. ncial risk with the e having to ntain the property costs associated going to tender			Shire to ensure property is at useable standard and works requirements are undertaken.
	tal income not ived.			

Voting Requirements: Simple Majority

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

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Permitted use: Saleyards, grazing of livestock

3. REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer to undertake discussions with Serpentine Jarrahdale Food and Farm Alliance to look at alternative Shire owned land that may be suitable for lease for their proposed undertakings.

MOTION / Officer Recommendation

Moved Cr Duggin, seconded Cr Mack

That Council:

- 1. NOTES the submission received from Serpentine Jarrahdale Food and Farm Alliance at CONFIDENTIAL attachment 2 and the response received from Dimer Heritage at CONFIDENTIAL attachment 3.
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3. REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer to undertake discussions with Serpentine Jarrahdale Food and Farm Alliance to look at alternative Shire owned land that may be suitable for lease for their proposed undertakings.

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AMENDMENT

Moved President Coales, seconded Cr Bishop

4. REQUEST the CEO incorporate 6 monthly reviews into the lease to ensure the terms of lease are being adhered to.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5/0

OCM063/03/24

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / SUBSTANTIVE MOTION

Moved Cr Duggin, seconded Cr Mack

That Council:

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- AUTHORISES the Chief Executive Officer, in accordance with Section 3.58 of the Local Government Act 1995 to negotiate and sign lease with conditions for 1 Evelyn Street Mundijong to original applicant Mundijong Markets – Grahame Michael Melling of Mundijong Markets on the following terms.

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Rent: \$6,284 Inc GST per annum

Permitted use: Saleyards, grazing of livestock

- 3. REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer to undertake discussions with Serpentine Jarrahdale Food and Farm Alliance to look at alternative Shire owned land that may be suitable for lease for their proposed undertakings.
- 4. REQUEST the CEO incorporate 6 monthly reviews into the lease to ensure the terms of lease are being adhered to.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5/0

Reason for difference to Officer Recommendation

To allow review of compliance required of necessary works and to allow shorter term of the lease.



10.4.3 – Development of a Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale Entry Statement Signage Strategy (SJ514)				
Responsible Officer:	Community Projects Specialist			
Senior Officer:	Director Community Engagement			
Disclosure of Officer's Interest:	No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has an interest to declare in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1995.			

Authority / Discretion

Executive	The substantial direction setting and oversight role of the Council such as
	adopting plans and reports, accepting tenders, directing operations and
	setting and amending budgets.

Report Purpose

This purpose of this report is for Council consider a Project Initiation Document regarding an Entry Statement Strategy for the Shire and to determine next steps for the project.

Relevant Previous Decisions of Council

Ordinary Council Meeting – 11 December 2023 – OCM301/12/23 - COUNCIL RESOLUTION / Councillor Recommendation

That Council REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer prepare and report to Council in March 2024 a "Project Initiation Document" in accordance with the Shire's project management framework an Entry Statement Strategy for the Shire. The report to Council in March should address the following matters for the development and implementation of an Entry Statement Strategy:

- 1. resources required
- 2. proposed locations of entry statements
- 3. recommended community engagement approach
- 4. A high-level project budget
- 5. A proposed implementation strategy, including indicative timeframe.

Background

This project has been initiated to investigate the possibilities for entry statement signage throughout the Shire and the development of an Entry Statement Signage Strategy.

The initial stage of the project is to provide a report to Council detailing the various options for Entry Statement Signage Strategy development and includes the following information:

- 1. Resources required
- 2. Proposed locations
- 3. Recommended community engagement approach



- 4. High level budget
- 5. Proposed implementation strategy including indicative timeframe

This outcome of this Council report will provide recommendations for the development of a Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale Entry Statement Signage Strategy, inclusive of an implementation plan, and the resourcing required to undertake the development of the strategy.

Community / Stakeholder Consultation

Nil.

Statutory Environment

Nil.

Comment

The development of an Entry Statement Signage Strategy is a holistic branding exercise that needs to consider a range of factors within a location.

Following Council's decision to investigate the development of an Entry Statement Strategy for the Shire, a Project Initiation Document had been developed to consider a range of factors including factors such as current signage, community expectations, budget and resource considerations and local topography.

The Entry Statement Signage Strategy – Project Initiation Document is provided at **attachment** 1 and is discussed in further detail below.

Current Entry Statement Signage - Desktop and site review

After initial desktop research on current Shire branding guidelines, research of other Shire plans and site review of all Shire "entry points" below are some observations for the development of this strategy:

- Entry statements can vary hugely in price, style, size, and structure so therefore it is difficult
 to estimate exact costs for the development of entry signage. An indicative budget based on
 a set of hierarchical signage designs should be part of the Entry Statement Signage Strategy
 via an implementation plan.
- An Entry Statement Signage Strategy should provide a number of design options with a hierarchy in place to ensure flexibility whilst also aligning to a brand.
- An implementation plan should be considered and provided with the Entry Statement Signage Strategy that also considers a process and indicative costs for an entry statement project to be undertaken whilst ensuring ongoing alignment of projects over time.
- Peel entry signage to each townsite is already in place although dated much of this signage, if not all of it, is placed in strong locations at good distance from townsites and the hard infrastructure is still in good condition. Some of this signage has been reskinned at minimal cost for the Jarrahdale Trails Project and a similar process should be considered as a cost effective and quick win solution if undertaken within Shire branding guidelines.
- Overall, Shire branding and design guidelines are becoming due for renewal in the near future and this project may be best aligned or incorporated with this to ensure consistency and structured development of our townsite signage. Any strategy will also need to consider



Jarrahdale Trails Project signage as the two will need to integrate and be "talking the same language."

- Many townsites have quite significant community developed entry statements (Byford, Keysbrook) that will need to be taken into consideration on how they are incorporated within the overall strategy. These sites will have strong community connection and can provide an entrance of interest and pride for the community. They often include public art and landscaping/hardscaping that will need to be considered, and feasibly budgeted, within the entry statement strategy.
- Ongoing maintenance and upkeep will also need to be considered in the Entry Statement Signage Strategy, this is mostly landscape or hardscape maintenance as any entry statements proposed should have minimal maintenance requirements.
- Serpentine Jarrahdale has a large amount of main entrance points meaning cost and resourcing could become a factor for this project. There are 7-8 possible regional entrances and 11-13 town site entrances for consideration.
- Two large freeway signs exist that are used by the Shire for promotional purposes that also may need consideration.
- Some locations need to look at signage rationalisation which is a common issue where towns have had multiple additions to entry signage alongside private and govt signage at various times.
- Most entrance road verges in the Shire are wide and can easily incorporate entry statement opportunities meaning flexibility for proposals within the strategy.

Serpentine Jarrahdale Entry Signage Examples













SWOT Analysis

The SWOT analysis below is based on the review of the Shire's current signage situated throughout the Shire. Strengths and weaknesses focus on the current situation and the opportunities and threats take into account what the entry statement signage could encompass in the future.



Strengths

- Good site options
- Able to use current infrastructure that is well placed
- Community led statements already in place
- Townsites have strong individual personalities
- Trails signage shows what can be easily done
- Overall Shire branding guidelines need to be reviewed so well aligned

Weaknesses

- Current sites are old and/or run down/not completed and are not aligned style wise
- · Falling behind other Shire's in undertaking this
- Could be costly due to number of entry points to the Shire

Opportunities

- Tourism and economic benefit from good design
- Able to provide good information points for the Shire
- Townsite safety by slowing traffic & provide wayfinding
- Undertake a strong design and community consultation process

Threats

- Current entry points random, deteriorating or unfinished
- Other local governments undertaking projects already so risk of being left behind
- Other local governments will connect to tourist market first, other iconic sights take first preference



Entry statement examples - other Shires/townsites





City of Bunbury entry statement

City of Wanneroo Yanchep entry signage



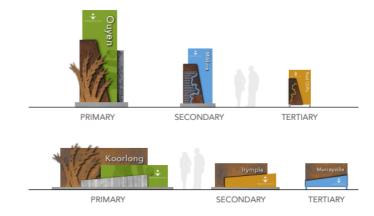
Cowaramup Community Entry Statement

A hierarchy of signs enables any township to attribute the scaling of proposed signs to suit the prominence of each roadway type.

For example

- Primary Signage Branding suit highway roads
- Secondary Signage Branding suit main roads
- Tertiary Signage Branding suit local roads

A township community may choose to only adopt a highway sign at each approach to the town due to cost or through basic necessity. A larger town with several access points may adopt a combination of 2 to 3 hierarchy options if that best represents their needs.



Hierarchal design structures courtesy of Mildura Rural City Council Township Entrance Signage Guidelines



Objectives of the Entry Statement Signage Strategy

The Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale currently has a wide variety of entry signage to townsites and the region, the signage varies from major community led undertakings to the simple but dated Peel region signage (Image 1). Current signage lacks consistency and information that would provide the following benefits through an Entry Statement Signage Strategy:

- Create sense of arrival to the Shire and townsites.
- Consistency, cohesion and strength of messaging and branding for entry to the Shire and subsequent townsites.
- Clear wayfinding and visitor information enhancing visitor experience and promoting local economic and tourism development.
- Increases road traffic safety through slowing vehicles to anticipate arrival at townsite entry points.
- Enhance sense of pride, place, and community.
- Promote local culture and history.

An Entry Statement Signage Strategy would consider all the above and include proposed optimum sites for entry statements, design principles including hierarchy, scale, colour concepts, typography, theme, materials, community engagement and collaboration considerations and recommended options for implementation (Shire or community led).

The Entry Statement Signage Strategy should also provide a draft high-level indicative budget for implementation of the proposed statements, rationalisation of current signage and processes for undertaking an entry signage project by either the Shire or community. An Entry Statement Signage Strategy could also look at additional landscaping and hardscaping of signage sites and integration of public art if it were felt these items should also be considered and costed within the proposed strategy.

The implementation of the entry statements from the strategy would then be dependent on future resource allocation and would be feasibly undertaken in a staged approach such as below:

- Stage 1 Primary Regional Entry Statements
- Stage 2 Secondary Regional Entry Statements
- Stage 3 Primary Townsite Entry Statements
- Stage 4 Secondary Townsite Entry Statements

Primary sites are located on a major freeway, highway or roads and secondary sites on minor roads. Recommendations for which sites are considered major and minor would be contained within the strategy.

Community Engagement approach

A strong Entry Statement Signage Strategy will require community buy in. Often these entry statements have community input, not only in the consultation, but also in the actual project implementation. In the case of our Shire, we already have a number of sites that have been community led in their development and therefore have strong local connection.

Any Shire-led entry statement development will need to bring community and business stakeholders along the journey and complement existing community-led entry statement projects.



The Shire will need to show commitment in not only undertaking these entry statements but committing to upkeep and maintenance over time alongside the community.

Through the development of the Entry Statement Signage Strategy, the level of community engagement would be considered in accordance with Shire's Community Engagement Policy. Shire Officers recommend that the public participation goal for the project would be "involve".

	INCREASING IMPACT ON T				
	INFORM	INFORM CONSULT		COLLABORATE	EMPOWER
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION GOAL	To provide the public with balanced and objective information to assist them in understanding the problem, alternatives, opportunities and/or solutions.	To obtain public feedback on analysis, alternatives and/or decisions.	To work directly with the public throughout the process to ensure that public concerns and aspirations are consistently understood and considered.	To partner with the public in each aspect of the decision including the development of alternatives and the identification of the preferred solution.	To place final decision making in the hands of the public.
PROMISE TO THE PUBLIC	We will keep you informed.	We will keep you informed, listen to and acknowledge concerns and aspirations, and provide feedback on how public input influenced the decision.	We will work with you to ensure that your concerns and aspirations are directly reflected in the alternatives developed and provide feedback on how public input influenced the decision.	We will look to you for advice and innovation in formulating solutions and incorporate your advice and recommendations into the decisions to the maximum extent possible.	We will implement what you decide.

Project options

It would be proposed the development of an Entry Statement Signage Strategy and Implementation Plan would be undertaken with the support of an external consultant that works within the master planning and branding development fields.

The strategy development would be a one-off project completed within a 12-month period on confirmation of budget approval.

As part of the strategy a proposed implementation plan would be included. This plan would provide options for implementation that would consider costs, components, and critical infrastructure requirements.

Budget allocation would need to be considered in line with the implementation plan recommendations.

Options should be detailed within the strategy for undertaking implementation following the strategy endorsement and based on Council approved resourcing:

- Option 1- Provide a staged approach to implementing an Entry Statement Signage Strategy over several years taking into consideration cost, need and hierarchy of entry statements (manages cost and internal resourcing with schedule of delivery).
- Option 2 Allocate all costings to develop a suite of entry statements across the Shire within a 12–18-month timeframe (prohibitive cost and internal resourcing).



- Option 3 The Shire funds implementation of major regional entry statements and that a community led process would be provided within the guidelines to allow community groups to resource and fund developing their own statements within the guideline recommendations (risk of implementation under required guidelines, budgets, and timeframes).
- Option 4 Do not progress the development of an Entry Statement Signage Strategy.

It is recommended Option 1 will provide the most cost effective and rational approach to implementation allowing budget to be allocated each year for development and to ensure appropriate resources are in place. It will incorporate design and branding controls whilst also providing for community led opportunities for each entry statement as required.

Options

Option 1

That Council:

- 1. APPROVES the Entry Statement Signage Strategy Project Initiation Document as contained in **attachment 1**.
- 2. REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer to include \$70,000 in the Draft 2024/25 Budget for the development of an Entry Statement Signage Strategy and Implementation Plan.

Option 2

That Council:

- 1. RECEIVES the Entry Statement Signage Strategy Project Initiation Document as contained in **attachment 1.**
- 2. RESOLVES NOT TO PROGRESS the Entry Statement Signage Strategy project.

Option 1 is recommended.

Conclusion

Development of an Entry Statement Signage Strategy and Implementation Plan for the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale will guide the planning, development and rationalisation of entry statements through the Shire and provide significant wayfinding, economic and community benefits.

It is important that branding and design is considered in line with other Shire branding whilst also retaining a sense of place and individualism that attracts visitors and instils community pride.

Shire Officers recommend that a Business Case for an Entry Statement Signage Strategy is prepared and considered by Council as part of the 2024/25 Budget setting process.

Attachments (available under separate cover)

• **10.4.3 - attachment 1 -** Entry Statement Signage Strategy – Project Initiation Document (E24/2386)



Alignment with our Council Plan 2023-2033

	Thriving				
2.	Advocate and attract businesses to grow and thrive, increasing opportunities for local				
	employment				
3.	Strengthen and grow the local tourism industry				
Connected					
4	Facilitate an inclusive community that celebrates our history and diversity				

Financial Implications

The estimated budget for the Entry Statement Signage Strategy and Implementation Plan component of the project is \$70,000. If supported, a Business Case for the development of an Entry Statement Signage Strategy for consideration by Council as part of the 2024/25 Budget setting process.

Costs for developing entry statements is wide ranging and unable to be developed without a strategy in place and indicative budgets for entry statement development would be included in the strategy via the implementation plan.

Risk Implications

Risk has been assessed on the Officer Options:

				Risk Ass	essm	ent	Risk Mitigation
Officer Option	Risk Description	Controls	Principal Consequence Category	Likelihood	Consequence	Risk Rating	Strategies (to further lower the risk rating if required)
1	High cost of implementation and therefore not undertaking the work following community consultation and strategy development.	an Implementation Plan will provide	Financial	Likely	Moderate	MODERATE	Shire's Project Management Framework.
2	Lack of visual entrance statements to Shire in line with what is experienced in other regions.	community developed	Reputation	Possible	Minor	МОЛ	Development of Strategy and implementation plan.



Voting Requirements: Simple Majority

OCM064/03/24

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / Officer Recommendation

Moved President Coales, seconded Cr Jerrett

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CARRIED 4/1

In accordance with section 5.21(4) of the Local Government Act 1995, the individual vote of each member of the Council was as follows:

President Coales, Councillors Bishop, Duggin, Jerrett voted FOR the motion.

Councillor Mack voted AGAINST the motion.

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Councillor Tricia Duggin declared an Impartiality Interest in item 10.4.4.

10.4.4 – Jarrahdale Heri	ritage Park Business Plan (SJ3712)		
Responsible Officer:	Jarrahdale Trail Coordinator		
Senior Officer:	Director Community Engagement		
Disclosure of Officer's Interest:	No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has an interest to declare in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1995.		

Authority / Discretion

Executive	The substantial direction setting and oversight role of the Council such as adopting plans and reports, accepting tenders, directing operations and setting and amending budgets.
	setting and amending budgets.

Report Purpose

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider the Jarrahdale Heritage Park Business Plan and consider the next step in the project development process.

Relevant Previous Decisions of Council

Ordinary Council Meeting – 17 August 2020 – OCM268/08/20 - COUNCIL RESOLUTION That Council:

- 1. NOTES the letter from the National Trust extending an opportunity to negotiate a lease for a component of Lots 200, 801 and 2090 Jarrahdale; known as Jarrahdale Heritage Park.
- 2. REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer negotiate a lease with the National Trust for Lot 200 Foster Way, Jarrahdale, a portion of Lot 801 Jarrahdale Road, Jarrahdale; excluding the No1 Jarrahdale Mill and a portion of Lot 2090, Jarrahdale; with the following terms:
 - A lease period of 21 years with an option of extension of 21 years;
 - The Shire be given the power to sub-lease;
 - A \$1 annual lease fee to be payable to the National Trust by the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale for the term of the lease with no rent review or CPI increases;
 - The Shire to include the leased portion of Heritage Park (and the Mill Managers House if secured) on the Shire's insurance policies and meet the costs associated with this:
 - All funds generated through commercial lease of the land to be placed into a reserve account to offset maintenance, additional development works or major asset renewals at the Park.
 - The Shire to incur all costs associated with the maintenance and provision of utilities to the leased area.



- 3. REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer prepare an expression of interest submission for the Mill Managers House as a multi-use facility with the above terms;
- 4. REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer prepare a Business Plan pursuant to section 3.59 of the Local Government Act 1995;
- 5. AUTHORISES the Chief Executive Officer to advertise the draft Business Plan pursuant to section 3.59 of the Local Government Act 1995 and;
- 6. REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer provide a report to Council as soon as practicable outlining the results of the negotiations with the National Trust, a formal operational cost estimate, the submissions received for the draft Business Plan, the outcome of the expression of interest submission, and further recommendations in regards to the development of a lease.
- 7. RESOLVES that the key commercial terms of the negotiated lease will be subject to Council approval, before proceeding to final lease negotiations.

Background

Jarrahdale is listed by the Trust as an Historic Town, important from the 1830s when valuable timber was exported across the world.

Heritage Park has been the subject of numerous concept designs, conservation, and management plans, as well as operational reports. It is unclear what has been adopted, noted, or rejected by key stakeholders, and the Project has lost its momentum.

The adoption of the Jarrahdale Trail Town Business Case in 2021 has provided a fresh context and opportunity for the Project.

At the 17 August 2020 Ordinary Council Meeting, Council requested the Chief Executive Officer prepare a Business Plan in accordance with Section 3.59 of the *Local Government Act 1995* to determine the viability of developing Jarrahdale Heritage Park (the Site), which included negotiations to enter a lease of the Site from the National Trust of WA (NTWA).

As per the Council resolution, the Jarrahdale Heritage Park Business Plan has been developed and advertised and is now presented to Council for its consideration.

Community / Stakeholder Consultation

State-Wide Public Notice

The Project was prepared in accordance with section 3.59 of the *Local Government Act 1995*, prior to the execution of a potential lease with NTWA, and for potential commercial sub-leasing (disposal). The requirement is to give State-wide public notice and make the Plan available for public submissions should Council opt to proceed with the project.

The public notice was advertised between 20 November 2023 and 25 January 2024 in newspapers (The Examiner, The West), noticeboard, hard copy at Administration Building, mail-out to Jarrahdale residents, email to local businesses, digital platforms (Your Say SJ, social media campaign), and in-person, via Shire Officers. 18 submissions were received, including 15 from the general public and three from stakeholders (included as **attachment 4**).



Face to face engagement

As part of its ongoing community engagement, the Shire consulted with stakeholders, including local businesses, and shared their feedback and aspirations for the Project to the consultant. Popup engagement also occurred in Jarrahdale at Bruno Gianatti Hall with the Mobile Library Service on 7 December 2023 and 4 January 2024, where members of the public had the opportunity to ask questions of the Shire Officers regarding the Plan.

National Trust of WA

The Shire presented in person the Plan to NTWA on 6 December 2023, before inviting the Trust to formally provide their comment as part of the State-wide Public Notice.

Policy Concept Forum

Meeting Date	26 February 2024
Elected Members in Attendance	President Coales, Cr Duggin, Cr Jerrett, Cr Mack

Statutory Environment

- Local Government Act 3.59. Commercial enterprises by local governments
 - (1) In this section —

acquire has a meaning that accords with the meaning of dispose;

dispose includes to sell, lease, or otherwise dispose of, whether absolutely or not;

land transaction means an agreement, or several agreements for a common purpose, under which a local government is to —

- (a) acquire or dispose of an interest in land; or
- (b) develop land;

major land transaction means a land transaction other than an exempt land transaction if the total value of —

- (a) the consideration under the transaction; and
- (b) anything done by the local government for achieving the purpose of the transaction, is more, or is worth more, than the amount prescribed for the purposes of this definition:

major trading undertaking means a trading undertaking that —

- (a) in the last completed financial year, involved; or
- (b) in the current financial year or the financial year after the current financial year, is likely to involve, expenditure by the local government of more than the amount prescribed for the purposes of this definition, except an exempt trading undertaking;

trading undertaking means an activity carried on by a local government with a view to producing profit to it, or any other activity carried on by it that is of a kind prescribed for the purposes of this definition, but does not include anything referred to in paragraph (a) or (b) of the definition of **land transaction**.



(2) Before it —

- (a) commences a major trading undertaking; or
- (b) enters into a major land transaction; or
- (c) enters into a land transaction that is preparatory to entry into a major land transaction, a local government is to prepare a business plan.
- (3) The business plan is to include an overall assessment of the major trading undertaking or major land transaction and is to include details of
 - (a) its expected effect on the provision of facilities and services by the local government; and
 - (b) its expected effect on other persons providing facilities and services in the district; and
 - (c) its expected financial effect on the local government; and
 - (d) its expected effect on matters referred to in the local government's current plan prepared under section 5.56; and
 - (e) the ability of the local government to manage the undertaking or the performance of the transaction; and
 - (f) any other matter prescribed for the purposes of this subsection.
- (4) The local government is to
 - (a) give Statewide public notice stating that
 - (i) the local government proposes to commence the major trading undertaking or enter into the major land transaction described in the notice or into a land transaction that is preparatory to that major land transaction; and
 - (ii) a copy of the business plan may be inspected or obtained at any place specified in the notice; and
 - (iii) submissions about the proposed undertaking or transaction may be made to the local government before a day to be specified in the notice, being a day that is not less than 6 weeks after the notice is given;

and

- (b) make a copy of the business plan available for public inspection in accordance with the notice; and
- (c) publish a copy of the business plan on the local government's official website.
- (5) After the last day for submissions, the local government is to consider any submissions made and may decide* to proceed with the undertaking or transaction as proposed or so that it is not significantly different from what was proposed.
- (6) If the local government wishes to commence an undertaking or transaction that is significantly different from what was proposed it can only do so after it has complied with this section in respect of its new proposal.
- (7) The local government can only commence the undertaking or enter into the transaction with the approval of the Minister if it is of a kind for which the regulations require the Minister's approval.



- (8) A local government can only continue carrying on a trading undertaking after it has become a major trading undertaking if it has complied with the requirements of this section that apply to commencing a major trading undertaking, and for the purpose of applying this section in that case a reference in it to commencing the undertaking includes a reference to continuing the undertaking.
- (9) A local government can only enter into an agreement, or do anything else, as a result of which a land transaction would become a major land transaction if it has complied with the requirements of this section that apply to entering into a major land transaction, and for the purpose of applying this section in that case a reference in it to entering into the transaction includes a reference to doing anything that would result in the transaction becoming a major land transaction.
- (10) For the purposes of this section, regulations may
 - (a) prescribe any land transaction to be an exempt land transaction;
 - (b) prescribe any trading undertaking to be an exempt trading undertaking.
- Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996.
 - 8A. Amount prescribed for major land transactions; exempt land transactions prescribed (Act s. 3.59)
 - (1) The amount prescribed for the purposes of the definition of **major land transaction** in section 3.59(1) of the Act is
 - (a) if the land transaction is entered into by a local government the district of which is in the metropolitan area or a major regional centre, the amount that is the lesser of
 - (i) \$10 000 000; or
 - (ii) 10% of the operating expenditure incurred by the local government from its municipal fund in the last completed financial year;

or

- (b) if the land transaction is entered into by any other local government, the amount that is the lesser of
 - (i) \$2 000 000; or
 - (ii) 10% of the operating expenditure incurred by the local government from its municipal fund in the last completed financial year.
- (2) A land transaction is an exempt land transaction for the purposes of section 3.59 of the Act if
 - (a) the total value of
 - (i) the consideration under the transaction; and
 - (ii) anything done by the local government for achieving the purpose of the transaction, is more, or is worth more, than the amount prescribed under sub-regulation (1); and
 - (b) the Minister has, in writing, declared the transaction to be an exempt transaction because the Minister is satisfied that the amount by which the total value exceeds the amount prescribed under sub-regulation (1) is not significant taking into account
 - (i) the total value of the transaction; or



- (ii) variations throughout the State in the value of land.
- 8. Exempt land transactions prescribed (Act s. 3.59)
- (1) A land transaction is an exempt land transaction for the purposes of section 3.59 of the Act if the local government enters into it
 - (a) without intending to produce profit to itself; and
 - (b) without intending that another person will be sold, or given joint or exclusive use of, all or any of the land involved in the transaction.
- (2) For the purposes of sub-regulation (1)(b) a person is given joint use of land if the land is to be jointly used for a common purpose by the local government and that person (whether or not other persons are also given joint use of the land).
- (3) A transaction under which a local government disposes of a leasehold interest in land is an exempt land transaction for the purposes of section 3.59 of the Act if
 - (a) all or any of the consideration to be received by the local government under the transaction is by way of an increase in the value of the land due to improvements that are to be made without cost to the local government; and
 - (b) although the total value referred to in the definition of **major land transaction** in that section is more, or is worth more, than the amount prescribed for the purposes of that definition, it would not be if the consideration were reduced by the amount of the increase in value mentioned in paragraph (a).
- 10. Business plans for major trading undertaking and major land transaction, content of
- (1) If a local government is required to prepare a business plan because of a major trading undertaking or major land transaction that it is to carry on or enter into jointly with another person
 - (a) the business plan is to include details of the whole undertaking or transaction, even though the local government is not the only joint venturer; and
 - (b) the business plan is to include details of
 - (i) the identity of each joint venturer other than the local government; and
 - (ii) the ownership of, and any other interests in, property that is involved in, or acquired in the course of, the joint venture; and
 - (iii) any benefit to which a joint venturer other than the local government may become entitled under or as a result of the joint venture; and
 - (iv) anything to which the local government may become liable under or as a result of the joint venture.
- (2) In sub-regulation (1) —

joint venture means the major trading undertaking or major land transaction that is to be jointly carried on or entered into;

joint venturer means the local government or another person with whom the local government is to carry on or enter into the joint venture.



Comment

The Jarrahdale Heritage Park Business Plan (the Plan), which is provided at **attachment 1**, has been developed, and:

- Provides details of the Plan:
- Outlines and responds to the legislative framework for the Plan;
- Considers implementation approach for the Plan; and
- Provides a review and analysis of the operations, including income generation options, and risks associated with the Plan.

The Site, as shown in Figure 1 shaded area, includes:

- Lot 200 Foster Way;
- · A portion of Lot 801 Jarrahdale Road; and
- A portion of Lot 2090.

The Site, as shown in Figure 1 orange area, excludes:

- The Mill Manager's House; and
- No1 Jarrahdale Mill.

The Site proposed lease area is also provided at **attachment 2**.

Jarrahdale Heritage Park Business Case

The Plan is also supported by a Business Case (attachment 3), developed to follow considerable previous investigation into the potential for developing the 30-acre site, and takes a fresh approach in the current context – including the Shire's aspirations for Jarrahdale to become a trail and tourism destination.



Figure 1: Proposed area to retain/lease (source: NTWA)

The Plan has been prepared to support the Shire's work towards positioning Jarrahdale as a trail destination of choice in the Perth Hills. Considering its location, the Site represents:

 An iconic regional attraction where local and visitors alike can immerse in a scenic natural and historic landscape;



- A place at the heart of Jarrahdale where trails network meets the unique Jarrah forest and history as WA's first timber town; and
- A place for people to gather, connect, and contribute to the town's values and identity.

The Site can be considered as a series of zones (Figure 2 below), to help understand the specific opportunities of each, as well as allocate budgets or stage works.

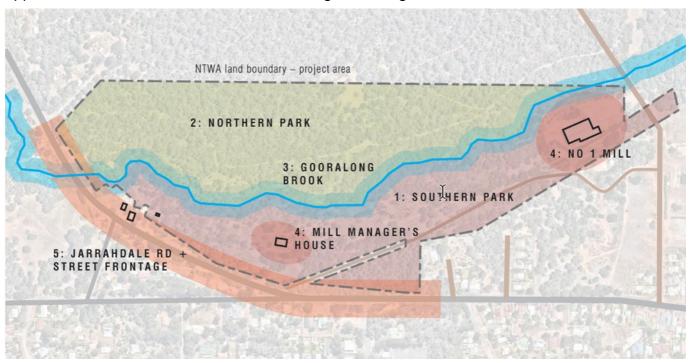


Figure 2: Site Zoning Diagram (source: Jarrahdale Heritage Park Business Case, page 25)

The general approach of the Project purposely limits intensive infrastructure works to provide best value and raise profile of the Site as a destination. The Site should be considered contextually in relation to coincidental projects, such as:

- No1 Jarrahdale Mill and Mill Manager's House potential commercial lease/s
- Lots 814 development as a trail hub
- Jarrahdale Oval future development (linked to new Jarrahdale Horse Trails)

The development of the Site aspires to embody the town centre by design, enable social interaction, support sport and recreational activities, as well as a range of activation events all year around. The Project has considered activities such as nature play, orienteering, fitness exercise (including trail running), sculpture walks (ephemeral and permanent public arts), as well as cultural and heritage walks. The Site builds its potential around offering a safe environment to experience the forest, while celebrating the unique identity of the place.



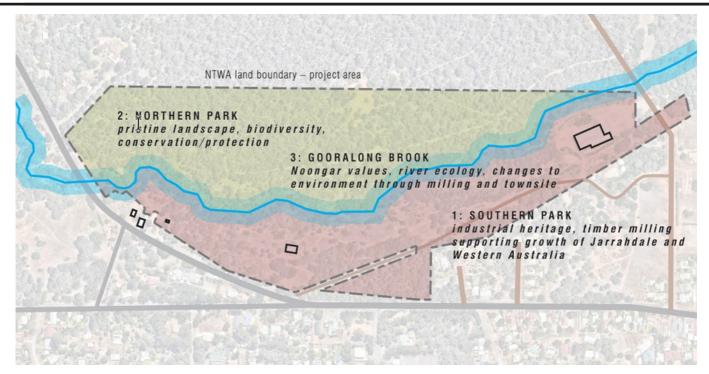


Figure 3: Sub-Theme Layers Diagram (source: Jarrahdale Heritage Park Business Case, page 28)

Key details of the Plan's activation approach are outlined below, and include developing:

- A walking trail encompassing the three themed zones (#2 Overview below)
- A central destination / community space (#4 Overview below)
- Small spaces to spend time, reflect and meet.
- A Heritage Park Style Guide to inform signage, furniture, interpretation, public artworks, and level of maintenance required.
- Potential commercial adventure attraction (#12 Overview below)
- Integration of Mill Manager's House and No1 Mill (under separate leases from NTWA) (#8 and #9 Overview below)



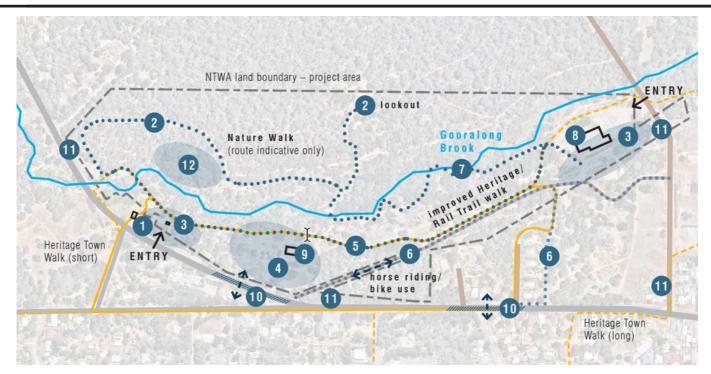


Figure 4: Spatial Activation Strategies Overview (source: Jarrahdale Heritage Park Business Case, page 31)

Responsibilities

The Project outlines responsibilities as follow:

- The Shire to manage: the lease, the design and construction, the brand and marketing, the
 activation, the ongoing maintenance, as well as the engagement with community groups and
 supportive organisations.
- Community groups to work collaboratively with Landcare SJ (annual planting) and the Shire (activation, including Old Post Office and Museum, Heritage Walks, Park Run)

Implementation approach

The Project broke down anticipated costs and resources into strategies, grouped in tiers (A + B + C) to reflect their recommended priority level. A tiered approach provides the following benefits for the implementation of tiers B + C particularly:

- Flexibility (to move strategies between tiers B and C)
- Scalability (to meet certain budget and funding opportunities).

Staging

The Business Case outlines the strategies, tiers, and likely impacts on the Shire should it progress with the lease of the Site.

There are three tiers: A (Establishment), B (Attractions + Connections) and C (Strengthening) with a cumulative costs of tiers A + B + C is \$6.690,000.

The Shire will seek external fundings to support the delivery of the three tiers.



Phase One

	Tier	Preferred capital cost total	Reduced capital cost total
A: Establishment \$770K + GST \$575K + GST	A: Establishment	\$770K + GST	\$575K + GST

The initiation phase is expected to be a minimum of two years and includes strategies such as formalising the lease and other governance agreements, developing the Heritage Park Style Guide and Detailed Design (including community consultation) and constructing the proposed new trail.

Phase Two

B: Attractions + Connections	\$7.7M + GST	\$5.8M + GST
C: Strengthening	\$420K + GST	\$315K + GST

Tiers B and C include a broader range of strategies such as developing trailheads, community spaces, expand interpretative signage, formalising road-crossings and progressing commercial opportunities.

Ongoing Costs + Resources

Considering the leading role it would undertake for the Site, the Shire will incure ongoing maintenance costs from the completion of Phase One.

Annual maintenance costs for the leased Site are estimated as per below.

Ongoing Maintenance – Option 1

Option 1 proposes that a full-time position (labour cost) covers the Parks and Reserves Maintenance Schedule for the entire town, covering the cemetery, all reserves' ground maintenance and facilities in Jarrahdale, in order to consistently deliver to the quality set for Jarrahdale as trails destination and accredited Trail Town.

	Year 1	Year 2 onwards
Labour Cost – 38 hours per week (1)	\$156,500	\$156,500
Material (2)	\$5,000	\$5,000
Small Plan and Equipment	\$5,000	\$5,000
Electric Service Vehicle	\$65,000 ⁽³⁾	\$5,000 ⁽⁴⁾
Lease to NTWA (5)	Cost neutral	Cost neutral
TOTAL	\$231,500	\$171,500

- 1. Estimated at \$79.20 per hour, for 38 hours per week, including Workers Comps, Super, Leave Loading, as well as support Officers' time (Manager Operations, Trail Coordinator).
- 2. Material includes items such as chemical for weed control and fencing.
- 3. Indicated cost is based on purchasing a new vehicle and includes, road licensing, \$3,800 maintenance cost + \$1,200 fuel per year.
- 4. Indicated cost of \$3,800 for maintenance + \$1,200 for fuel per year.



5. The lease from NTWA would require taking into consideration the costs of archaeological surveys, and potential impact on the project if artefacts were to be found.

Ongoing Maintenance - Option 2

Option 2 proposes that a 3 day per week, 4 hours per day level of service, as outlined below:

	Year 1	Year 2 onwards
Labour Cost – 3 days per week, 4 hours	\$49,420.80	\$49,420.80
Material ⁽²⁾	\$5,000	\$5,000
Small Plan and Equipment	\$5,000	\$5,000
Electric Service Vehicle	\$30,700 ⁽³⁾	\$6,700 ⁽⁴⁾
Lease to NTWA (5)	Cost neutral	Cost neutral
TOTAL	\$90,120.80	\$66,120.80

- Estimated at \$79.20 per hour, for 4 hours per day over 3 days per week, including Workers Comps, Super, Leave Loading, as well as support Officers' time (Manager Operations, Trail Coordinator).
- 2. Material includes items such as chemical for weed control and fencing.
- 3. Indicated cost is based on purchasing a second-hand vehicle and includes road licensing, \$5,500 maintenance cost + \$1,200 fuel per year.
- 4. Indicated cost of \$5,500 for maintenance + \$1,200 for fuel per year.
- 5. The lease from NTWA would require taking into consideration the costs of archaeological surveys, and potential impact on the project if artefacts were to be found.

Return on Investment

When considering the level of financial investment that will be required to develop and maintain the Site, it is not anticipated that any sub-lease or activities within the park will generate a profit. The Project provides a good foundation to assess the return on investment over the suggested life of the proposed lease of 21 years with a 21-year option, beyond the direct development of the Site, and for the benefit of the Trail Town accreditation.

Income Generation Options

Income opportunities are linked to the following aims for Jarrahdale more broadly as a trail and tourism destination:

- Optimise experience and stay
- Increase investors' confidence
- Raise destination awareness

As a result of leasing and developing the Site, the Project identified a range of potential incomes:

- Visitors expenditure within the town
- Revenues for commercial operators at No1 Mill + Mill Manager's House
- Sub-lease or license fees from temporary commercial uses



- Sub-lease from permanent adventure attraction
- Ticketed events
- Guided tour offerings
- · Hiring fees and permits
- Equipment hire

The Project anticipates that the cost of capital works and ongoing maintenance will significantly exceed any direct commercial revenue within the Site. But benefits will have a flow-on effects on the town's development, beyond the Trail Town accreditation (e.g., employment, property value)

Next steps:

Council has two options to proceed with this project, detailed below:

Option 1: Council could support the entire project in principle and negotiate a lease of the site from NTWA.

Option 2: Council could determine that the project is unviable and be closed and notify NTWA of its decision.

Options

Option 1

That Council:

- 1. NOTES the submissions received about the draft Jarrahdale Heritage Park Business Plan.
- 2. DECIDES TO PROCEED with the implementation of the Jarrahdale Heritage Park Business Plan, as at **attachment 1**.
- 3. NOTES that the estimated annual costs of maintenance for the new level of service are:

	Year 1	Year 2 onwards
Labour Cost – 38 hours per week (1)	\$156,500	\$156,500
Material (2)	\$5,000	\$5,000
Small Plan and Equipment	\$5,000	\$5,000
Electric Service Vehicle	\$65,000 ⁽³⁾	\$5,000 ⁽⁴⁾
Lease to NTWA (5)	Cost neutral	Cost neutral
TOTAL	\$231,500	\$171,500

excluding lease negotiations/costs with NTWA.

- 4. AUTHORISES the Chief Executive Officer to enter into negotiation for a lease with the National Trust of WA for the Heritage Park site.
- 5. REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer to present the draft lease back to Council for consideration following negotiation.



Option 2

That Council:

- 1. NOTES the submissions received about the draft Jarrahdale Heritage Park Business Plan.
- 2. RECEIVES the Jarrahdale Heritage Park Business Plan.
- 3. DOES NOT PROCEED with entering a lease for the Heritage Park site and request the Chief Executive Officer to notify the National trust of WA of Council's decision.

Option 1 is recommended.

Conclusion

Heritage Park has been the subject of numerous concept designs, conservation, and management plans, as well as operational reports. It is unclear what has been adopted, noted, or rejected by key stakeholders, and the Project has lost its momentum.

The adoption of the Jarrahdale Trail Town Business Case in 2021 has provided a fresh context and opportunity for the Project.

The Jarrahdale Heritage Park Business Plan outlines an argument for the lease of the Heritage Park from National Trust WA based around its strong potential to develop the site as a meaningful attraction for visitors and locals alike.

Considering its location, the Site represents a prime "landing point" for visitors, and a potential trail head connecting Jarrahdale trails network. The Site is foreseen as playing a function for Jarrahdale aspiration to gain Trail Town accreditation and develop as a tourism destination.

Following public advertising of the Heritage Park Business Plan, public comments received indicated community support for the Shire to progress with negotiating a lease for the site with the National Trust of WA.

Attachments (available under separate cover)

- 10.4.4 attachment 1 Jarrahdale Heritage Park Business Plan (E23/14984)
- 10.4.4 attachment 2 Heritage Park Proposed lease areas (E24/1452)
- **10.4.4 attachment 3** Jarrahdale Heritage Park Business Case (E23/7133)
- **10.4.4 attachment 4** Jarrahdale Heritage Park Business Plan Public Comment Summary (E24/1430)

Alignment with our Council Plan 2023-2033

	Thriving				
3.	Strengthen and grow the local tourism industry				
	Liveable				
3.	Preserve and enhance our natural places, parks, trails and reserves				
4.	Invest in facilities and amenities to meet current and future needs				
Connected					
1.	Invest in community recreation and support local clubs and groups to increase opportunities				
	for participation				
2.	Contribute to a well-connected, accessible and health community				



- **3.** Empower the community to engage with the Shire and collaborate on matters that are important to them
- 4. Facilitate an inclusive community that celebrates our history and diversity

Financial Implications

The Project provides a total value of investment to develop the Site (estimated at \$6.690,000), with financial implications (lease and ongoing annual maintenance costs) to be considered as part of the Shire's Corporate Business Plan and Project Priority Setting process.

Ongoing Maintenance Costs

Considering the leading role it would undertake for the Site, the Shire will incure ongoing maintenance costs from the completion of Phase One.

Annual maintenance costs for the leased Site are estimated with two service level options below, and the approximate rate increase required to cover this new level of service, which is not currently funded:

Option 1 Service Level	Year 1 = \$231,500	0.76% rate increase
	Year 2 onwards = \$171,500	0.56% rate increase
Option 2 Service Level	Year 1 = \$90,120.80	0.30% rate increase
	Year 2 onwards = \$66,120.80	0.22% rate increase

Risk Implications

Risk has been assessed on the Officer Options:

			Ri As		: essm	ent	Risk Mitigation
Officer Option	Risk Description	Controls	Principal Consequence Category	Likelihood	Consequence	Risk Rating	Strategies (to further lower the risk rating if required)
1	The Shire does not have the capacity to implement the tiered approach of investment	Business Case which identified the tiered approach to support seeking external funding opportunities for implementation of Business Case recommendations	Financial	Unlikely	Major	MODERATE	
2	The Shire does not improve the level of amenity within Heritage	Development of Business Case, Business Plan and	Reputation	Possible	Moderat Major	MODER	Option 1



impacts its ability to stakeholders who attract visitors and investment, which could impact the Shire's ability to achieve Trail Town accreditation	attract visitors and investment, which could impact the Shire's ability to achieve Trail Town
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Voting Requirements Absolute Majority (s3.59(5) of the *Local Government Act 1995*) **OCM065/03/24**

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / Officer Recommendation

Moved Cr Duggin, seconded Cr Jerrett

That Council:

- 1. NOTES the submissions received about the draft Jarrahdale Heritage Park Business Plan.
- 2. DECIDES TO PROCEED with the implementation of the Jarrahdale Heritage Park Business Plan, as at attachment 1.
- 3. NOTES that the estimated annual costs of maintenance for the new level of service are:

	Year 1	Year 2 onwards
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- 4. AUTHORISES the Chief Executive Officer to enter into negotiation for a lease with the National Trust of WA for the Heritage Park site.
- 5. REQUESTS the Chief Executive Officer to present the draft lease back to Council for consideration following negotiation.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5/0



10.5 Executive Services reports:

10.5.1 – Peel Regional Leaders Forum Minutes (SJ1350)				
Responsible Officer:	Executive Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer			
Senior Officer:	Chief Executive Officer			
Disclosure of Officer's Interest:	No Officer involved in the preparation of this report has an interest to declare in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1995.			

Authority / Discretion

Information

Report Purpose

The purpose of this report is to enable Council to note the minutes of the Peel Regional Leaders Forum (PRLF) meetings held on:

- 24 August 2023;
- 23 November 2023; and
- 22 February 2024.

Relevant Previous Decisions of Council

There are no previous Council decisions relating to this matter.

Background

The PRLF was established in 2010 to provide a vehicle for the coordination and prioritisation of project funding across the Peel Region. Its membership comprises the local governments of the Region (the City of Mandurah and the Shires of Boddington, Murray, Serpentine Jarrahdale and Waroona) together with Regional Development Australia (RDA) Peel, the Peel Community Development Group and the Peel Harvey Catchment Council. The Peel Development Commission (PDC) attends meetings of the PRLF as a non-voting member.

Community / Stakeholder Consultation

Nil.

Statutory Environment

Nil.



Comment

A summary of the matters discussed at each meeting is provided in the table below:

Meeting date	Matters discussed			
24 August 2023	Peel Regional Water Supply Initiative			
	 Operational Funding Plan 23/24 and 3 Year Forecast 			
	Peel Trails Committee Update			
	Regional Priorities for Advocacy			
	Finance Report			
	Mining and Extractive Industries Policy Position Statement			
23 November 2023	Proposed meeting dates for 2024			
	Peel Regional Water Supply Initiative			
	Work Health and Safety Management System			
	Peel Trails Committee Update			
	Finance Report			
	Mining and Extractive Industries Policy Position Statement			
22 February 2024	Joint Position Statement on Mining in the Peel Region			
	Work Health and Safety Management System			
	2025 State and Federal Election Advocacy Update			
	Finance Report			

The full minutes from the meetings are attached for Council to note in attachments 1 through 3.

Options

Option 1

That Council NOTES the Peel Regional Leaders Forum meeting minutes held on:

- 24 August 2023;
- 23 November 2023; and
- 22 February 2024.

Option 1 is recommended.

Conclusion

As a member of the PRLF the minutes of the last three meetings are presented for Council to note.

Attachments (available under separate cover)

- **10.5.1 attachment 1** PRLF Minutes 24 August 2023 (E24/2585)
- **10.5.1 attachment 2** PRLF Minutes 23 November 2023 (E24/2586)
- **10.5.1 attachment 3** PRLF Minutes 22 February 2024 (IN24/5165)



Alignment with our Council Plan 2023-2033

Thriving

1. Plan for the sustainable growth of the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale

Financial Implications

Nil.

Risk Implications

Nil.

Voting Requirements: Simple majority

OCM066/03/24

COUNCIL RESOLUTION / Officer Recommendation

Moved Cr Duggin, seconded Cr Bishop

That Council NOTES the Peel Regional Leaders Forum meeting minutes held on:

24 August 2023;

- 23 November 2023; and
- 22 February 2024.

Reference: IN24/6982

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (en bloc at 8.26pm) 5/0

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Chief Executive Officer, Paul Martin declared a Financial Interest in item 10.5.2.

10.5.2 – Status Report of CEO KPI's for the 2023/24 FY (SJ2071)				
Responsible Officer:	Chief Executive Officer			
Senior Officer:	Chief Executive Officer			
Disclosure of Officer's Interest:	Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Mr Paul Martin, has declared Financial Interest in item 10.5.2 as, as CEO, Council is assessing the performance and achievement of Mr Martin's KPIs.			
	As the performance criteria and any changes to that performar criteria must be mutually agreed between the local government at the CEO, it is not appropriate for Mr Martin to leave the room, as been customary.			
	Per the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries Operational Guidelines, there is no legislative requirement for employees to leave the meeting when a disclosure has been made. Disclosures of interest will be recorded in accordance with the legislative requirements of section 5.70 of the Act.			

Authority / Discretion

Executive	The substantial direction setting and oversight role of the Council such as adopting plans and reports, accepting tenders, directing operations and
	setting and amending budgets.

Report Purpose

The purpose of this report is to present to Council the outcomes of the workshop between Councillors and the CEO including:

- 1. A report on the Status of CEO KPIs.
- 2. Allowing Council to formally consider any mutually agreed changes to the CEO KPIs.

Relevant Previous Decisions of Council

Ordinary Council Meeting – 21 August 2023 – OCM185/08/23 - COUNCIL RESOLUTION

- 1. RECEIVES the Unconfirmed Minutes of the CEO Employment Committee Meeting held on 7 August 2023 (E23/10342).
- 2. ADOPTS CEO Employment Committee Resolution CEO009/08/23 and:
 - 1. AGREES to the Chief Executive Officer Key Performance Indicators as stated in 'Attachment 1: Proposed CEO Performance Criteria (KPIs) for 2023-24' as contained in CONFIDENTIAL attachment 1, noting that the CEO's AGREEMENT to Key Performance Indicator 2 is conditional, subject to the conditions stated in CONFIDENTIAL attachment 2.



- 2. REQUESTS that the Shire President write to Mr Paul Martin, Chief Executive Officer, informing the Chief Executive Officer of Council's resolution.
- 3. RESOLVES that the Key Performance Indicators agreed by Council and the CEO in CONFIDENTIAL attachment 1, including conditions set out in CONFIDENTIAL attachment 2 become publicly available in accordance with Regulation 21 of the Local Government (Model Code of Conduct) Regulations 2021.

Background

This report presents to Council the outcomes of the annual mid cycle status report and workshop to review CEO KPI's as per the Council Policy 3.3.12– CEO Performance Review Cycle.

Community / Stakeholder Consultation

Policy Concept Forum

A workshop (facilitated by the independent consultant) was held on Monday 26 February 2024 between Elected Members, the CEO and Directors where a report on progress on CEO KPI's was presented and discussion and agreement occurred on amendments to the CEO KPI's as per the Council Policy 3.3.12 – CEO Performance Review Cycle.

Statutory Environment

Part 5 Division 4 of the *Local Government Act 1995* addresses employment arrangements for local government employees, including the CEO. Section 5.39A of the Act sets out that local governments must adopt model standards for CEO recruitment, performance and termination. The Shire adopted the model standards in June 2021 and is published on the Shire's website.

While a report on progress of CEO KPI's is not a requirement of the model standards, it could assist in meeting the requirement of clause 17 of the standards to "Collect evidence regarding the CEO's performance in respect of the contractual performance criteria and any additional performance criteria in a thorough and comprehensive manner".

The <u>Department's Guidelines for Local Government CEO Recruitment and Selection,</u>
<u>Performance Review and Termination</u> notes the importance of providing the CEO regular feedback where it states:

"It is recommended that the council engages in regular discussions with the CEO regarding their performance against the performance criteria, including progress and ways that the CEO can be supported. Any changes to the CEO's performance agreement such as changes to the performance criteria should also be discussed, and agreed to, between the council and the CEO, as the matter arises."

Clause 16 of the model standards states that the local government and the CEO must agree on any performance criteria to be met by the CEO that are in addition to the contractual performance criteria. This means that the performance criteria and any changes to that performance criteria must be mutually agreed.

Council Policy 3.3.12 – CEO Performance Review Cycle provides guidance on this process of mid cycle KPI review and monitoring.



Comment

The status of the CEO KPI's and any mutually agreed changes discussed at the workshop are reflected in the report prepared by the independent consultant attached at **CONFIDENTIAL attachment 1** for Council's consideration.

If Council wants to ask questions or make changes to this report it is recommended the Council goes behind closed doors.

Options

Option 1

That Council ADOPTS the recommendations outlined in **CONFIDENTIAL attachment 1**.

Option 2

That Council DOES NOT ADOPT the recommendations outlined in **CONFIDENTIAL** attachment 1.

Option 1 is recommended.

Conclusion

The workshop to consider the CEO KPI's Status Report was conducted in accordance with the Council Policy on Monday 26 February 2024. The Workshop was facilitated by an independent consultant who also facilitates the annual CEO performance review.

The outcomes report of the workshop prepared by the independent consultant is now presented to Council for consideration.

Attachments (available under separate cover)

• **10.5.2– CONFIDENTIAL - attachment 1** – CEO Performance Criteria 23-24 Summary Report Status Review (IN24/5552)

Alignment with our Council Plan 2023-2033

Thriving

- 1. Plan for the sustainable growth of the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale
- 2. Advocate and attract businesses to grow and thrive, increasing opportunities for local employment
- **3.** Strengthen and grow the local tourism industry
- 4. Ensure sustainable and optimal use of Shire resources and finances

Liveable

- 1. Advocate for public transport and focus on connectivity within communities
- 2. Improve maintenance and investment in roads and paths
- 3. Preserve and enhance our natural places, parks, trails and reserves
- 4. Invest in facilities and amenities to meet current and future needs
- **5.** Increase our capacity to reduce, recover and recycle waste to improve sustainability and reduce impacts on the environment

Connected

- 1. Invest in community recreation and support local clubs and groups to increase opportunities for participation
- 2. Contribute to a well-connected, accessible and health community



- **3.** Empower the community to engage with the Shire and collaborate on matters that are important to them
- 4. Facilitate an inclusive community that celebrates our history and diversity

Financial Implications

The cost of the consultant facilitating the Workshop with Councillors and preparing the summary report is included as part of the overall engagement for the CEO's annual performance review and KPI setting.

Risk Implications

Risk has been assessed on the Officer Options:

				Risk Assessment			Risk Mitigation
Officer Option	0		Principal Consequence Category	Likelihood	Consequence	Risk Rating	Strategies (to further lower the risk rating if required)
1	There are no material risks as	sociated with t	his option.				
2	If Council was not to adopt the recommendations in CONFIDENTIAL attachment 1, it may constrain the capacity to undertake an effective performance review consistent with the provisions of the Standards into the future.	Nil	Organisational Performance	Unlikely	Moderate	MODERATE	

Voting Requirements: Simple Majority

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COUNCIL RESOLUTION / Officer Recommendation

Moved Cr Duggin, seconded Cr Bishop

That Council ADOPTS the recommendations outlined in CONFIDENTIAL attachment 1.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (en bloc at 8.26pm) 5/0



10.6 Nil.	Confidential reports:
11. Nil.	Urgent business:
12. Nil.	Elected Member questions of which notice has been given:
13.	Closure:
There	being no further business, the Presiding Member declared the meeting closed at 9.24pm.
Office	rs assisting the meeting stopped the recording of the meeting.
	I certify that these minutes were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 15 April 2024
	Presiding Member – President Coales
	17 APR 24. Date