



**Bulloo**  
Shire

I hereby give notice that  
an Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held on:

**Date:** Tuesday, 25 October 2022  
**Time:** 9:00am  
**Location:** Council Chambers, 68 Dowling Street  
Thargomindah Queensland 4492

## **BUSINESS PAPER**

**Ordinary Council Meeting**

**25 October 2022**

**Tiffany Dare**  
**Admin & Finance Manager**



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**1 OPENING OF MEETING****2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS**

The Bulloo Shire Council acknowledges the traditional owners of the land on which the meeting is being held, and pay respects to their elders, past and present.

**3 ATTENDANCE INCLUDING APOLOGIES****4 CONDOLENCES****5 DECLARATION OF MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST/CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

- Pursuant to section 172 of the Local Government Act 2009, a councillor who has a material personal interest in an issue to be considered at a meeting of the local government, or any of its committees
  - (a) must disclose the interest to the meeting; and
  - (b) must not be present at or take part in the meeting while the issue is being considered or voted on.
- A councillor who is barred from a meeting under subsection (1) must not be in the chamber where the meeting is being conducted, including any area set apart for the public.

## **6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

### **6.1 MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING - 20 SEPTEMBER 2022**

**File Number:** 138413

**Author:** Debra Souvlis, EA

**Authoriser:** Donna Hobbs, Manager Rural Services

**Attachments:** 1. Minutes of Council Meeting - 20 September 2022

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Tuesday 20 September 2022 be received and the recommendations therein be adopted.

Council held the Ordinary Council Meeting on Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> September 2022 at the Bulloo Shire Council Chambers, Thargomindah.



# **MINUTES**

**Ordinary Council Meeting**

**20 September 2022**

**MINUTES OF BULLOO SHIRE COUNCIL**

**ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING**

**HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 68 DOWLING STREET THARGOMINDAH QUEENSLAND 4492**

**ON TUESDAY, 20 SEPTEMBER 2022 AT 9:00AM**

**PRESENT:** Cr John Ferguson (Mayor), Cr Shirley Girdler, Cr Vaughan Collins, Cr Glyn Dare, Cr Stewart Morton

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Ms Tiffany Dare (Acting CEO), Ms Tamie Warner (Tourism & Economic Development Manager), Ms Donna Hobbs (Rural Service Manager) and Ms Debra Souvlis (Minute Taker), Mr Daniel Gray.

**1 OPENING OF MEETING**

The Mayor welcomed all Councillors and guests and declared the meeting open at 8:57am

**2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS**

The Bulloo Shire Council acknowledges the traditional owners of the land on which the meeting is being held, and pay respects to their elders, past and present.

**Attendance:**

Mr Daniel Gray left the meeting at 8:58am

**3 ATTENDANCE INCLUDING APOLOGIES**

Nil

**4 CONDOLENCES**

Council acknowledges the recent passing of Her Majesty The Queen. The meeting observed one minute's silence in remembrance.

**5 DECLARATION OF MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST/CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

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Councillor	COI	Meeting Item
Nil		

## **6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

### **6.1 MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING - 23 AUGUST 2022**

#### **RESOLUTION 2022/229**

Moved: Cr Glyn Dare

Seconded: Cr Shirley Girdler

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Tuesday 23 August 2022 be received and the recommendations therein be adopted.

**CARRIED**

## **7 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

Nil

## **8 RECEPTION OF PETITIONS**

Nil

## **9 NOTICE OF MOTION**

Nil

## **10 RESCISSION MOTIONS**

Nil

## **11 MAYORAL REPORTS**

### **11.1 MAYORS REPORT**

#### **RESOLUTION 2022/230**

Moved: Cr Vaughan Collins

Seconded: Cr Stewart Morton

That Council receive and note the Mayors Report for the month of August 2022.

**CARRIED**

**12 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORTS**

Nil

**13 COMMITTEE AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES & BUSINESS ARISING**

Nil

**14 GENERAL BUSINESS & MATTERS FOR NOTING REPORTS****Attendance:**

Ms Leanne Smith, Accountant, attended the meeting at 9:10am.

**14.1 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE REPORT****RESOLUTION 2022/231**

Moved: Cr Shirley Girdler

Seconded: Cr Glyn Dare

That Council adopt the Financial Performance Report for period ending 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022 in accordance with Section 204 of the *Local Government Regulations 2012*.

**CARRIED**

**Attendance:**

Ms Leanne Smith, left the meeting at 9:31am.

**14.2 ADMIN & FINANCE REPORT****RESOLUTION 2022/232**

Moved: Cr Glyn Dare

Seconded: Cr Shirley Girdler

That Council receive and note the Administrative & Finance Services Report for August 2022.

**CARRIED**

**Adjournment:**

Council adjourned the meeting at 9:38am for morning tea.

**Resumption:**

Council resumed the meeting at 10:00am.

**14.3 FEES AND CHARGES 2022/23 AMENDMENT****RESOLUTION 2022/233**

Moved: Cr Glyn Dare

Seconded: Cr Shirley Girdler

That Council include a rental fee of \$140/week for the Independent Living Units in the Fees and Charges 2022/2023 in accordance with Chapter 4 Part 2 Sec 97 of the Local Government Act 2009.

**CARRIED**

**14.4 OUTBACK CAR RENTAL****RESOLUTION 2022/234**

Moved: Cr Vaughan Collins

Seconded: Cr Stewart Morton

That Council receive and note the report.

**CARRIED**

**14.5 REPLACEMENT OF RAV4****RESOLUTION 2022/235**

Moved: Cr Vaughan Collins

Seconded: Cr Shirley Girdler

That Council endorse the purchase of the second-hand 2022 Toyota RAV4 GX Auto 2WD – White 30km for \$46,995 in accordance with the 2022/23 Budget.

**CARRIED**

**14.6 CHANGE OF OCTOBER 2022 ORDINARY MEETING DATE****RESOLUTION 2022/236**

Moved: Cr Shirley Girdler

Seconded: Cr Glyn Dare

That Council change the date of the October 2022 Ordinary Meeting of Council from Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> October 2022 to Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> October 2022.

**CARRIED**

**14.7 T2022-2023-102 SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF MOBILE BATCHING PLANT****RESOLUTION 2022/237**

Moved: Cr Glyn Dare

Seconded: Cr Stewart Morton

That Council accept the tender submitted by Thomas Manufacturing for \$242,660 Inc GST for T2022-2023-102 for One (1) New Mobile Batching Plant.

**CARRIED**

**14.8 T2022-2023-101 SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF 4 X NEW AUTO 4WD SR DUAL CAB UTILITIES, 1 X NEW MEDIUM SUV AND 1 LANDCRUISER WORKMATE UTE.****RESOLUTION 2022/238**

Moved: Cr Stewart Morton

Seconded: Cr Shirley Girdler

That Council accept the Tendered prices totalling **\$395,836.08 Inc GST** for T2022-2023-101 Supply and Delivery of 4 x New Auto 4WD SR Dual Cab Utilities, 1x New Medium SUV and 1x Landcruiser Workmate Ute submitted by O'Brien Motors as below.

- 4 X New Toyota 4WD Dual Cab 2022 SR Hilux Diesel \$72,771.11ea = \$291,084.44
- 1 x New Toyota Fortuna GX Wagon Diesel \$54,544.70ea = \$ 54,544.70
- 1 X New Toyota Landcruiser Workmate \$89,790.55ea = \$ 89,790.55

**CARRIED**

**14.9 RURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT REPORT****RESOLUTION 2022/239**

Moved: Cr Shirley Girdler

Seconded: Cr Stewart Morton

That Council receive and note the Rural Services Department Report for August 2022.

**CARRIED**

**14.10 TOURISM & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT****RESOLUTION 2022/240**

Moved: Cr Glyn Dare

Seconded: Cr Shirley Girdler

That Council receive and note the Corporate Services report for the month of August 2022.

**CARRIED**

**14.11 CULTURAL AWARENESS PAMPHLET PROJECT****RESOLUTION 2022/241**

Moved: Cr Glyn Dare

Seconded: Cr Stewart Morton

That Council provide \$5,000 to support the Cultural Awareness Pamphlet project being coordinated by Queensland Police.

**CARRIED**

**14.12 COMMUNITY DROUGHT SUPPORT PROGRAM 2022****RESOLUTION 2022/242**

Moved: Cr Shirley Girdler

Seconded: Cr Glyn Dare

1. That Council approve the following allocations from the Community Drought Support Program (community events and activities) to fund 2022 Community Christmas Celebrations across the shire:
  - Hungerford Progress Association \$3,255
  - Thargomindah P&C Association \$3,255
  - Noccundra Sports & Gymkhana Club \$3,255
2. That each committee provides two (2) photos and a summary of the event including number of attendees and items funded by 31 January 2023.

**CARRIED**

**14.13 CHRISTMAS SHUTDOWN 2022****RESOLUTION 2022/243**

Moved: Cr Glyn Dare

Seconded: Cr Shirley Girdler

That Council

- a) Endorse that the Administration Offices (Administration Centre and Depot) be closed during the Christmas/New Year period from Monday the 19<sup>th</sup> December 2022 to Friday 30<sup>th</sup> December 2022, returning to work Tuesday 03<sup>rd</sup> January 2023.
- b) Endorse that Administration Officers be allowed to take the leave period from accumulated leave entitlements.
- c) Endorse that Operational employees take leave for the Christmas/New Year period from Monday the 19<sup>th</sup> December 2022 to Friday 06<sup>th</sup> January 2023, returning to work Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

**CARRIED**

**14.14 INFRASTRUCTURE REPORT****RESOLUTION 2022/244**

Moved: Cr Stewart Morton

Seconded: Cr Shirley Girdler

That Council received and noted the Infrastructure Report for August 2022.

**CARRIED**

**Attendance:**

Mr Andrew Gordon-Crothers, Engineer, attended the meeting at 11.16am.

**14.15 PROJECTS REPORT****RESOLUTION 2022/245**

Moved: Cr Glyn Dare

Seconded: Cr Vaughan Collins

That Council received and noted the Projects Report for August 2022.

**CARRIED**

**14.16 THARGOMINDAH SWIMMING POOL MAINTENANCE ADVISORY REPORT****RESOLUTION 2022/246**

Moved: Cr Glyn Dare

Seconded: Cr Shirley Girdler

That Council approves the updated project plan and accept the Splash King Pool & Spa Temporary option.

**CARRIED**

**14.17 FREW STREET STORMWATER DRAINAGE - PROPOSE PROJECT SCOPE UPDATE****RESOLUTION 2022/247**

Moved: Cr Stewart Morton

Seconded: Cr Glyn Dare

That Council approves the revised project scope including:

- (a) Approval of expenditure of \$34,950 for the necessary engineering design and amend the budget accordingly.
- (b) Acknowledgement of the increased scope of works, including necessary works outside the scope of the current QRA funding agreement which will have to be self-funded by council.

**CARRIED**

**Attendance:**

Mr Andrew Gordon-Crothers, Engineer, left the meeting at 11.43am.

**14.18 THARGOMINDAH HOSPITAL AUXILIARY - REQUEST TO WAIVE FEES FOR HIRE FO HALL**

**RESOLUTION 2022/248**

Moved: Cr Shirley Girdler

Seconded: Cr Stewart Morton

That Council approve the hire of the Thargomindah Hall to the Thargomindah Hospital Auxiliary for Bingo Night on 28<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at no charge. A security deposit of \$100 will be required.

Accepted.

**CARRIED**

**Attendance:**

Mr Robert Ferguson, attended the meeting at 11:51pm.

**14.19 ROADS MANAGER REPORT & WORKSHOP REPORT**

**RESOLUTION 2022/249**

Moved: Cr Glynn Dare

Seconded: Cr Shirley Girdler

That Council receive and note the Roads Manager Report and Workshop report for the month of August 2022.

**CARRIED**

**Attendance:**

Mr Robert Ferguson, left the meeting at 12:10pm

**15 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS**

**RESOLUTION 2022/250**

Moved: Cr Shirley Girdler

Seconded: Cr Glyn Dare

**CLOSURE OF MEETNG**

**RECOMMENDATION**

THAT pursuant to Section 275 (1) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the meeting be closed to the public at 12.11pm to discuss the confidential matters listed below:

**16.1 Thargomindah Post Office**

This matter is considered to be confidential pursuant to Section 254J(3)(1) (c) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* as it deals with the local government's budget.

**To be discussed:**

to discussed matters which will impact Councils budget

**CARRIED**

**OPEN MEETING**

**RESOLUTION 2022/251**

Moved: Cr Glyn Dare

Seconded: Cr Stewart Morton

That Council moves out of Closed Meeting into Open Meeting at 12.30pm.

**CARRIED**

**16.1 THARGOMINDAH POST OFFICE**

**RESOLUTION 2022/252**

Moved: Cr Shirley Girdler

Seconded: Cr Glyn Dare

That Council

- a) Provide Mrs Anne Beetson a purchase offer based on the recommended valuation presented in this report;
- b) authorise the Acting CEO to execute any documents and take any other action necessary to expedite Council's decision.

**CARRIED**

***Adjournment:***

Council adjourned the meeting at 12:31pm for lunch.

***Resumption:***

Council resumed the meeting at 1:43pm.

**Attendance:**

Mr Andrew Gordon-Crothers, Engineer, attended the meeting at 1:43pm.



## **16 LATE ITEMS**

### **16.1 ERGON ENERGY - NETWORK CONNECTION FOR SAMS/FREW ST SUBDIVISION**

#### **RESOLUTION 2022/253**

Moved: Cr Glyn Dare

Seconded: Cr Vaughan Collins

That Council

- a) Endorse the Acting Chief Executive Officer to execute the Summary of Offer Document for Network Connection Services for Lot 7 on SP265340, Lot 11-20 on T1916 – Sams Street, Thargomindah – Frew Street, Thargomindah – Reconfiguration of 11 allotments into 48 lots for an New Residential Estate (Subdivision).
- b) Amend the Capital Works budget for Electricity Connection 4x Two Bedroom Units to Electricity Connection for Sams St /Frew St, Thargomindah Subdivision to \$254,046 (an additional \$54,046)

**CARRIED**

### **16.2 APPLICATION FOR PURCHASE OF UNALLOCATED STATE LAND**

#### **RESOLUTION 2022/254**

Moved: Cr Shirley Girdler

Seconded: Cr Glyn Dare

That Council accept the Agreement to Offer for Lots 1-3 on SP289775 and Part of Lot 30 on WN8 – Reserve for Pasturage and amend the budget accordingly.

**CARRIED**

### **16.3 BUILDING OUR REGIONS ROUND 6 PLANNING APPLICATION OFFER**

#### **RESOLUTION 2022/255**

Moved: Cr Shirley Girdler

Seconded: Cr Stewart Morton

That Council endorse the Building our Regions Round 6 – Proposed Planning Project application for Replacement of Thargomindah Sewerage Treatment Plant including Councils contribution of \$33,000 and if successful, amend the budget accordingly.

**CARRIED**

#### 16.4 SPORTS GROUND CANTEEN AND BAR

##### RESOLUTION 2022/256

Moved: Cr Glyn Dare

Seconded: Cr Shirley Girdler

That Council

- a) Select option 1 and proceed with the purchase of the Canteen Building from OSM Transportables
- b) Present revised design and costings for the Toilet Block to the October Meeting.
- c) Amend the budget accordingly.

**CARRIED**

#### 16.5 THARGOMINDAH SPA GAZING CENTRE

##### RESOLUTION 2022/257

Moved: Cr Glyn Dare

Seconded: Cr Shirley Girdler

That Council

- a) nominate alternative projects for the LRCI Phase 3 funding to be completed by 30 June 2023;
- b) obtain an alternative design for the Spa Gazing Facility to apply for future funding.

**CARRIED**

#### 177 NEXT MEETING

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held on Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> October 2022.

#### 188 CLOSURE

**The Meeting closed at 2:27pm**

**The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 18 October 2022.**

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**CHAIRPERSON**

**7 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

**8 RECEPTION OF PETITIONS**

**9 NOTICE OF MOTION**

Nil

## 10 RESCISSION MOTIONS

### 10.1 NOTICE OF RESCISSION - RESOLUTION 2022/252 THARGOMINDAH POST OFFICE

**File Number:** 138606

**Attachments:** Nil

I, Mayor John Ferguson, give notice that at the next Ordinary Meeting of Council be held on 25 October 2022, I intend to move the following rescission motion:-

#### **MOTION**

That Council rescind the following motion moved at the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 20 September 2022.

RESOLUTION 2022/252

Moved: Cr Shirley Girdler

Seconded: Cr Glyn Dare

That Council

- a) Provide Mrs Anne Beetson a purchase offer based on the recommended valuation presented in this report;
- b) authorise the Acting CEO to execute any documents and take any other action necessary to expedite Council's decision.

**If successful, I intend to move the following resolution;**

That Council not proceed with any further negotiations regarding the Purchase of 17 Gilmore St, Thargomindah including the Thargomindah Post Office and 3 Bedroom House.

#### **RATIONALE**

Council has made an offer to purchase 17 Gilmore St, Thargomindah including the Thargomindah Post Office, 3 Bedroom House, business licence and stock in value which has now been postponed twice by the owner upon receiving alternative offers.

Council formally withdrew the latest offer on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2022 when the owner did not accept Council's offer and proceeded negotiations with another party.

I commend this Notice of Rescission to Council.

## 11 MAYORAL REPORTS

### 11.1 MAYORS REPORT

**File Number:** 137962

**Author:** John Ferguson, Mayor

**Authoriser:** Donna Hobbs, Manager Rural Services

**Attachments:** Nil

#### RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive and note the Mayors Report for the month of September 2022.

### MEETINGS

The Mayor and Councillors, as part of their roles attend a range of meetings. Accordingly, meetings, appointments, functions, media commitments, civic receptions and committee meetings have been listed below.

Consultation and Engagement for the month of September 2022.

#### **Meetings and Consultations**

6 September 2022 SWHHS Meeting Re Transport – Mayor Ferguson & Cr. Shirley Girdler

11 September 2022 SWQROC - Delegation to Canberra

12 September 2022 SWQROC - Hon Kristy McBain MP, Minister for Regional Development, Local Government and Territories

13 September 2022 SWQROC - Assistant Minister Emma McBride MP, Minister for Rural & Regional Health, and Anna Dawes (Advisor to the Minister)

13 September 2022 SWQROC - Senator the Hon Murray Watt MP, Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry and Minister for Emergency Management PLUS Senator the Hon Anthony Chisholm MP, Assistant Minister for Education and Assistant Minister for Regional Development and Senator for Qld

13 September 2022 SWQROC - Louise Moyes, Senior Regional, Local Government and Cities Partnership Advisor and Ms Audrey Marsh, Advisor for the Hon Catherine King MP, Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government

13 September 2022 SWQROC - Hon Dr Jim Chalmers, Treasurer and Senator Anthony Chisholm, Senator for Queensland and Assistant Minister for Education and Assistant Minister for Regional Development

20 September 2022 Ordinary Council Meeting – Mayor Ferguson, Cr. Shirley Girdler, Cr. Vaughan Collins, Cr. Glyn Dare, Cr. Stewart Morton

28 September 2022 LGAG Elected Member Update – Mayor Ferguson, Cr. Shirley Girdler, Cr. Glyn Dare, Cr. Stewart Morton

28 September 2022 Post Office Meeting – Mayor Ferguson, Cr. Shirley Girdler, Cr. Vaughan Collins, Cr. Glyn Dare, Cr. Stewart Morton

29 September 2022 Deputy Premier and Mayors Teleconference – Mayor Ferguson

**Media**

ABC

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**Attachments**

Nil

**12 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORTS**

Nil

## **13 COMMITTEE AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES & BUSINESS ARISING**

### **13.1 MINUTES OF BULLOO LOCAL DISASTER MANAGMENT GROUP - OCTOBER 2022**

**File Number:** 138598

**Author:** Tiffany Dare, Admin & Finance Manager

**Authoriser:** Donna Hobbs, Manager Rural Services

**Attachments:**

1. Bulloo LDMG Meeting Minutes 13 October 2022
2. Bulloo LDMG Meeting Minutes 17 October 2022
3. QFES Letter of Support and TMR Advice

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Minutes of the Bulloo Local Disaster Management Group Meeting held on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October and Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October be received and the recommendations therein be adopted.

- support permission for Australia Post Contractor and Emergency Services to cross the closed/flooded Bulloo River Bridge (Thargomindah) and Paroo River Bridge (Eulo) for essential resupply as per LDMG approval.
- support permission for the Council Flood Truck to cross the closed/flooded Bulloo River Bridge (Thargomindah) to 1m over the bridge.
- recommend the Bulloo Shire reimburse the Australia Post Contractor for the additional costs for the resupply on the 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> October 2022.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Following the rain on the 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> of October and subsequent rising of the Bulloo River, Council held a flood response meeting on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October.

Council then held an official LDMG Meeting on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October and Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October.

#### **11<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER**

In preparation for a flood, the LDMG Committee discussed potential issues with the recent rainfall and rising river including:

- Paroo River at Eulo; no access for the local mail courier once the crossing reached 0.3m
- Quilpie Road access; once Council opened our end of the Quilpie/Thargomindah Road access would be open via Neapolitan Road,
- Hungerford crossing; the Hungerford Community may also be cut off from Bourke if the Cuttaburra River rises and they could possibly be without supplies
- The status of the Flood Trucks and SES Boat
- Council resources to operate the Flood Truck and SES resources to operate the SES Boat.
- Regular Social Media posts, similar to Quilpie's posts to keep the community informed.

The LDMG moved to 'Lean Forward'.

**13<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER**

The Acting CEO provided an update on correspondence between Council and Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR), primarily that the local courier contractor no longer requires a TMR permit to cross the Paroo at Eulo, they stated that the LDMG can pass a resolution for the local mail contractor to pass through 0.6m. The risk is entirely on Bulloo Shire LDMG.

They further advised that to proceed a letter of Support would be required from Paroo Shire LDMG as the Eulo Bridge is in their area.

*The Paroo Shire did not provide a Letter of Support stating that TMR has to carry out a bridge inspection prior to traffic passing over the bridge.*

As the local mail contractor had to travel via Eromanga to resupply, the Committee also passed a resolution recommending the Bulloo Shire reimburse the Australia Post Contractor for the additional costs for the resupply, the cost being \$4,890.60.

Council is following up on having these costs reimbursed by another government agency.

The Committee also discussed SES resources and the Hungerford resources if they are cut off from Bourke.

The LDMG formally moved to 'Stand Up' and a SITREP (1) was issued.

**17<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER**

The Acting CEO provided an update on the Bulloo River height and Council operations including the Flood Truck recommencing on Monday following the river height drop below 1m.

The Paroo at Eulo is still closed and no date has been set for the TMR bridge inspection yet.

The local mail contractor will travel via Eromanga today in hopes to travel back Wednesday via Eulo, pending TMR inspection.

The Committee thanked David Bennett and the Yowah SES volunteers for their assistance to operate the SES Boat over the weekend.

Council expressed their disappointment in how the operation worked out, more embarrassed from a community perspective that the local SES didn't want to work the weekend without being paid by Council. David Bennett suggested we could look at amalgamating the Rural Fire and SES to increase membership (dual membership).

The Committee also discussed the weather forecast, NOTAM issued for Thargomindah Airport, Quilpie Shire's assistance during the resupply efforts and potential damage to road infrastructure following flooding.

A SITREP (2) was issued.





# Minutes

## Bulloo Shire Local Disaster Management Group Meeting

Date: 12<sup>th</sup> October 2022  
Time: 9:00am  
Venue: Boardroom  
Bulloo Shire Administration Centre  
68 Dowling Street, Thargomindah Q 4492

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### 1. Welcome by Chairperson

The Chairperson welcomed the committee to the meeting.

### 2. Attendance and Apologies

Attendance:

Mayor John Ferguson, Donna Hobbs, Tamie Warner, Tiffany Dare, Robert Ferguson, Allan Girdler (SES), Kym McNamara, Kitsa Warner, Doug Clifford, Brendon Blackford (QPS), Noel Cooper (QPS), David Bennet (QFES), Stg Paul Spence (QPS), Lea MacKen (QPS), Annabelle Johnson, Timothy Mowle

Apologies:

Scott Walsh

### 3. Flood Update

- **TMR Advice**

Council spoke to TMR who advised that the local courier contractor no longer require a TMR permit to cross the Paroo at Eulo, they stated that the LDMG can pass a resolution for the mail contractor to pass through .6. The risk is entirely on Bulloo Shire LDMG.

To proceed a letter of Support is required from Paroo Shire LDMG as the Eulo Bridge is in their area. QFES has already provided Council will a letter of support.

*Council will contact the Paroo Shire today, this 'approval' is pending the letter of support from Paroo Shire.*

TMR must be advised of the movement.

**Committee Resolution 2022/15**

Moved: Mayor John Ferguson

Seconded: Tamie Warner

That the LDMG

- support permission for Australia Post Contractor and Emergency Services to cross the closed/flooded Bulloo River Bridge (Thargomindah) and Paroo River Bridge (Eulo) for essential resupply as per LDMG approval.
- support permission for the Council Flood Truck to cross the closed/flooded Bulloo River Bridge (Thargomindah) to 1m over the bridge.

**CARRIED**

**• Recovery of Costs**

As the mail contractor is required to travel additional kms (approx. 800km) and seek overnight accommodation in Cunnamulla to resupply affect the whole community, it is recommended that the Committee endorse the reimbursement of extra travel and accommodation expenses by Council.

David Bennett asked if Council has considered redirecting mail to Charleville. As the other freight contractor, St George Freightliners, comes from Brisbane to Cunnamulla it becomes difficult.

**Committee Resolution 2022/16**

Moved: Donna Hobbs

Seconded: Mayor John Ferguson

That the LDMG recommend the Bulloo Shire reimburse the Australia Post Contractor for the additional costs for the resupply on the 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> October 2022.

**CARRIED**

**• SES Resources**

Tamie Warner asked David Bennett, if the Bulloo River height gets to 1m and the local SES are not willing to work weekends, have you touched based with Yowah.

David advised Council he has spoken to Yowah SES and everything is ready on their side if we need people to operate the flood boat.

David advised the Committee that SES members cannot operate the 2<sup>nd</sup> boat (back up boat) in Orange. The boat must be clear of all SES sticker.

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AGENDA – BULLOO LOCAL DISASTER MANAGEMENT GROUP MEETING 12 November 2019

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- **Formally ‘Stand Up’**

The Bulloo LDMG officially moved into ‘Stand Up’

Council is to formally notify the DDMG and they will change status with State.

A reminder to notify DDMG when the Bulloo LDMG ‘stand down’

- **Hungerford:**

Lea Macken advised the LDMG Committee that the Hungerford community is okay for now as they can go via Bourke for resupply.

- **General**

Provide a copy of TMR email to Stg Paul Spence, with letter of support from Scott Walsh.

**4. Close Meeting at 9:30am**

**5. Next Meeting Date – 17<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at 10am.**



# Minutes

## Bulloo Shire Local Disaster Management Group Meeting

Date: 17<sup>th</sup> October 2022  
Time: 10:00am  
Venue: Boardroom  
Bulloo Shire Administration Centre  
68 Dowling Street, Thargomindah Q 4492

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### 1. Welcome by Chairperson

The Chairperson welcomed the committee to the meeting.

### 2. Attendance and Apologies

Attendance:

Mayor John Ferguson, Donna Hobbs, Tiffany Dare, Robert Ferguson, David Bennett (QFES), Scott Walsh (QFES), Paul Spence (QPS), Branden Blackford (QPS), Noel Cooper (QPS), Maree Tully, Kitsa Warner

### 3. Flood Update

The Bulloo River is still holding up well, it has dropped enough to commence operation the Flood Truck again.

The Paroo at Eulo is still closed, Council has spoken to Paroo Shire and they have advised they have been in contract TRM and have requested a bridge inspection which cannot be done until all the water is completely off the bridge. No date has been set for the inspection yet.

The Bulloo mail truck contractor will depart today via Eromanga, Quilpie in the hope to come back via Eulo Wednesday.

### SES Operations

Council thanked David Bennett and the Yowah crew for their assistance to operate the SES Boat over the weekend.

Council was disappointed in how the operation worked out, more embarrassed from a community perspective that the local SES didn't want to work the weekend without being paid by Council.

Council would like to encourage SES membership so that there is a bigger pool of members to pull from. Perhaps a membership drive.

David Bennett suggested we could look at amalgamating the Rural Fire and SES to increase membership (dual membership). He will talk to Rural Fire members when he is in Thargomindah next time.

#### **Weather Forecast**

Scott Walsh provided an update on forecast for the week.

BOM is predicting 25-50ml over the next 5 days and they are expecting severe storms in the South West which may be an issue with a heavy downpour and hail.

David on Scott will continue to monitor the systems and update Council as required.

#### **General Matters**

##### *Airport:*

Donna Hobbs advised the Committee that Council has issued a NOTAM that the Airport is out of Jet A1 until we receive our next order, we are currently looking at getting Fuel via Eromanga.

##### *Assistance:*

The Quilpie Shire were great on Friday, offered an escort to take the mail truck around the road through any roads of concern, and updating Council on the running creeks.

The detour took 11 hours from Cunnamulla to Thargomindah.

##### *Damage to Infrastructure:*

Robert, the Roads Manager advised that there has been no damage to roads out West. Council will just need to touch up the creeks which left silt on the road which will be minimal cost to Council. He hasn't been over to inspect the other side yet due to Bulloo being up.

Robert did note that Council will need to talk to TMR about river height depth markers on Bundeena Road at the Wilson as these are incorrect and need to be fixed. We also need to install the depth markers at the Hungerford Crossing at Hungerford.

##### *Changes to Legislation*

Donna asked David Bennet if there had been any legislative changes since the last flood event that would have impacted/changed the boat operations, and he stated no. The only change was what the staff wanted to do.

#### **4. Next Meeting:**

Next meeting is scheduled for 9:00am Thursday 20th October 2022.

**5. Closed:**

The meeting was closed at 10:27am



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Queensland Fire and  
Emergency Services

State Emergency Service  
Unit: South West  
Division: Roma Area

12th October 2022

To Whom It May Concern

I wish to support the Local Government and the community of Thargomindah in the application of a permit to allow the freight truck access through flooded waters.

This service allows the community to continue as best as possible given the conditions and the remoteness of being isolated for long durations.

The service provides vital commodities such as basic food supplies, postal services, medical supplies and parts to maintain critical infrastructure.

The service is a vital link when the water is of a depth that our floodcraft are unable to be used, which is usually up to the depth of 600mm above the road. The operators of the service are well versed with the operation of the truck, it is well maintained and a vital commodity within the locality.

Should further information be required please contact me.

Yours Sincerely

David Bennett  
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**Donna Hobbs**

**From:** SouthWest.Office <SouthWest.Office@tmr.qld.gov.au>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 12 October 2022 12:28 PM  
**To:** Donna Hobbs  
**Cc:** John Ferguson; Tamie Warner; Tiffany Dare  
**Subject:** RE: Email for LDMG  
**Attachments:** Info sheet 08\_RRUN Info.pdf; RRUN Permit Form\_ F5065\_Oct2014.pdf

Good afternoon Donna,

Further to Councillor Ferguson's conversation with Kumar Panchal, the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) would like to confirm that the Drive past a Restricted Road Use Notice Application can only be utilised to cross road closure signage to access vital food/medicines or for access to property, residence, and so on.

This application does NOT permit the holder to drive past a 'no entry' sign or cross a body of water on the road. These are stated clearly as restrictions on page 2 of the form (snapshot of the form attached).

It is understood that the Bulloo Shire Council (BSC) Local Disaster Management Group (LDMG) is requesting permission for the delivery truck to cross the closed/flooded Bulloo River Bridge (Thargomindah) and Paroo River Bridge (Eulo). The LDMG, with Local Councils, QPS & QSES being the core members, can facilitate this movement. The LDMG will bear full responsibility for this decision. If the LDMG proceeds with facilitating this movement, or not, the application to drive past a RRUN would not be applicable.

Also, one more point TMR would like to note is that collaboration with the Paroo Shire Council (PSC) LDMG would be required as the Eulo Bridge is in the PSC area.

We hope this information clarifies the matter further for the BSC LDMG.



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### **Drive past a Restricted Road Use Notice Approval (during wet weather and flooding)**

installed under s46(2) of the Transport Infrastructure Act 1994

**This approval does not permit access past a No Entry sign**

**Restrictions: The holder must not:**

- use this approval on local government roads; approval is for state-controlled roads only
- access areas or roads, including the road for which this approval is given, if signed with 'No Entry'
- use the road if:
  - the road is flooded or any part of the road is flooded
  - a reasonable person would not consider the road safe to drive.
- exceed speed limit of ..... km/h under this approval
- for 3. Transport Inspectors only- must not use this approval to stop vehicles that fail to stop at a Restricted Road Use Notice or No Entry sign.

Kind regards

**Jude Osborne**

Coordinator (Program Support – South West District) | Southern Queensland Region  
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**14 GENERAL BUSINESS & MATTERS FOR NOTING REPORTS****14.1 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE REPORT**

**File Number:** 138054

**Author:** Leanne Smith, Accountant

**Authoriser:** Tiffany Dare, Admin & Finance Manager

**Attachments:** Nil

**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to present the Council Monthly Financial Statements.

**APPLICABLE LEGISLATION**

Section 204 of the *Local Government Regulations 2012*.

**POLICY CONSIDERATIONS**

Nil

**CORPORATE & OPERATIONAL PLAN CONSIDERATIONS**

Nil

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council adopt the Financial Performance Report for period ending 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022 in accordance with Section 204 of the *Local Government Regulations 2012*.

**BACKGROUND**

In accordance with Section 204 of the *Local Government Regulations 2012*, Council must prepare a financial report and present the report at each meeting of government.

**Previous Council Resolutions related to this Matter**

Nil

**DISCUSSION**

Financial statements including Councils Operating Statement, Statement of Financial Position (Balance Sheet), and Cash Flow Statement are included for the information of Council as at 30 September 2022.

**Financial Sustainability Indicators**

The current and cash expense ratios are in excess of our target guidelines. The negative Operating Surplus Ratio is a result of our Operating Expenditure being more than our Operating income.

**Key Local Government Performance Indicators**

Indicator		Target	As at 30 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2022	Comment
<b>Current Ratio</b> Is Council able to pay off its short-term liabilities with its current assets?	<i>Current Assets/Current Liabilities</i>	Greater than 3.0	8%	Better than Target
<b>Operating Surplus Ratio</b> Does Council have sufficient operating revenue to meet Council operating costs?	<i>Surplus (Deficit) from council operations / Revenue generated from Council operations</i>	0 to 10%	(5%)	Below Target
<b>Cash Expense Ratio</b> Has Council properly planned for when payments associated with Council activities are due?	Cash at Bank / Expected cash operating costs for one month	3 months	16.35 months	Better than Target

Bulloo Shire Council				
Operating Statement (Income Statement)				
For the year ended 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2023				
	September 2022	YTD	Original Budget 2022/23	Variance
<b>Operating Revenue</b>				
Rates and Charges	841	2,807,795	5,618,650	
Less: Discount, Rebate & Remissions	(70,647)	(72,449)	(150,500)	
	<b>(69,806)</b>	<b>2,735,346</b>	<b>5,468,150</b>	
Fees and Charges	4,162	34,764	394,400	
Interest	40,076	75,318	123,337	
Rental Income	20,195	131,492	408,500	
	<b>64,433</b>	<b>241,574</b>	<b>926,237</b>	
Recoverable Works	211,954	1,101,747	1967,259	
Other Income	25,256	25,438	27,600	
Contributions	0	0	0	
Subsidies and Grants	156,569	713,179	9,668,900	
	<b>393,779</b>	<b>1,840,364</b>	<b>11,663,759</b>	
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	<b>388,406</b>	<b>4,817,284</b>	<b>18,058,146</b>	
<b>Operating Expenditure</b>				
Administration and Governance Services	459,668	1,107,176	4,408,085	
Corporate Services	13,166	315,159	3,331,242	
Town Service Costs	470,145	856,981	1,659,680	
Net Plant Operating Costs	(118,291)	(212,361)	(904,693)	
Rural Services	55,475	112,361	1,350,620	
Finance Services	(6,758)	9,947	(165,150)	
Depreciation	0	0	7,649,858	
Road Services	822,347	2,846,909	6,008,358	
<b>Total Operating Expenditure</b>	<b>1,695,752</b>	<b>5,036,172</b>	<b>23,338,000</b>	
<b>Operating Capability Before</b>	<b>(1,307,346)</b>	<b>(218,888)</b>	<b>(5,279,854)</b>	
<b>Capital Items</b>				
Profit/Loss on Sale of Non-current Assets		0	0	
Contributions		0	0	
Subsidies and Grants	480,050	591,574	8,296,000	
Flood Damaged Road Write-Off		0	0	
<b>INCR / (DECR) IN OPERATING</b>	<b>(827,296)</b>	<b>372,686</b>	<b>3,016,146</b>	

<b>Bulloo Shire Council</b> <b>Financial Position (Balance Sheet)</b> <b>For the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023</b>			
	Notes	2023 Actual	Original 2022/23
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Cash and Equivalents	11	19,622,397	19,523,000
Trade and Other Receivables	12	2,230,769	1,474,000
Inventories	13	1,079,161	706,000
Other Financial Assets	14	0	0
		<b>22,932,327</b>	<b>21,703,000</b>
Non-Current Assets Held for Sale	15	2,636	0
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>22,934,963</b>	<b>21,703,000</b>
<b>Non-Current Assets</b>			
Trade and Other Receivables		23,896	0)
Property, Plant and Equipment	18	212,798,437	210,237,000
Intangible Assets		0	0
<b>Total Non-Current Assets</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>212,822,333</b>	<b>210,237,000</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>235,757,296</b>	<b>231,940,000</b>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Trade and Other Payables	20	89,366	602,000
Contract Liabilities		1,414,868	71,000
Borrowings	21	0	0
Provisions	23	1,454,790	1,435,000
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>		<b>2,959,024</b>	<b>2,108,000</b>
<b>Non-Current Liabilities</b>			
Trade and Other Payables	20	0	0
Contract Liabilities		0	0
Borrowings	21	0	0
Provisions	23	130,244	0
<b>Total Non-Current Liabilities</b>		<b>130,244</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<b>3,089,268</b>	<b>2,108,000</b>
<b>NET COMMUNITY ASSETS</b>		<b>232,668,028</b>	<b>229,833,000</b>
Community Equity			
Asset Revaluation Reserve	25	101,952,345	89,054,000
Retained Surplus	26	130,715,684	140,778,000
Shire Capital		0	0
Other Reserves	28	0	0
<b>TOTAL COMMUNITY EQUITY</b>		<b>232,668,029</b>	<b>229,832,000</b>

<b>Bulloo Shire Council</b> <b>Cash Flow Statement</b> <b>For the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023</b>			
	Notes	2023 Actual	Original 2022/23
<b>Cash Flows from Operating Activities:</b>			
Receipts from Customers		4,082,451	7,480,000
Payments to Suppliers and Employees		(6,779,827)	(15,087,000)
		<b>(2,697,376)</b>	<b>(7,607,000)</b>
Interest Received		75,309	123,000
Rental Income		130,852	389,000
Non-Capital Grants and Contributions		575,688	9,205,000
Borrowing Costs		(1506)	0)
<b>Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>(1,917,033)</b>	<b>2,110,000</b>
<b>Cash Flows from Investing Activities:</b>			
Payments for Property, Plant and Equipment		(742,333)	(14,191,000)
Payments for Intangible Assets		0	0
Proceeds from Sale of Property, Plant and Equipment		17,860	958,000
Capital Grants and Contributions		480,050	8,296,000
<b>Net Cash Flow from Investing Activities</b>		<b>(244,423)</b>	<b>(4,937,000)</b>
<b>Cash Flow from Financing Activities</b>			
Proceeds from Borrowings		0	0
Repayment of Borrowings		0	0
<b>Net Cash Flow from Financing Activities</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash Held</b>		<b>(2,161,456)</b>	<b>(2,827,000)</b>
Cash at Beginning of Reporting Period		21,783,853	22,349,000
<b>Cash at End of Reporting Period</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>19,622,397</b>	<b>19,522,000</b>

**Balance Sheet**

Cash at bank – the majority of this has been invested in QTC at market rates to maximise return on investment.

BANK	\$	INTEREST RATE	Restricted Cash	Unrestricted Cash
NAB	\$1,043,577		0	\$1,043,577
QTC	\$15,566,867	2.33%	\$7,094,464	8,472,403
QTC (12 months fixed Term)	\$3,012,434	2.33%	\$3,012,434	
Float Money	\$1,200			\$1,200
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$17,828,363</b>		<b>10,106,898</b>	<b>\$9,517,180</b>

**Money In/Out**

	September 2022	YTD
Money Received	\$5,068,329	\$8,608,386
Money Paid	(\$5,461,929)	(12,008,214)

**PLANT AND EQUIPMENT PROFITABILITY**

The table below shows actual vs budget BSC Plant Profitability to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2022.

ID	Description	30 Sept Exp	YTD Exp	%	Budget	
<b>Revenue</b>						
7100-	Plant Hire	\$355,829	\$895,6321	22%	\$4,084,300	
7100-	Fuel Rebate Subsidy	\$6,500	\$16,989	26%	\$65,000	
7100-	Flood Truck Revenue		-	0%	\$0	
7100-	Other Income - Plant		-	0%	\$0	
7100-	Profit/Loss on Disposal of		-	0%	\$0	
<b>Total Revenue</b>		<b>\$362,329</b>	<b>\$912,621</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>\$4,149,300</b>	
<b>Expenditure</b>						
7100-	Plant Maintenance - Parts &	\$94,092	\$263,356	26%	\$1,008,228	
7100-	Plant Maintenance - Tyres &	\$5,986	\$24,444	15%	\$167,700	
7100-	Plant Maintenance - Fuel &	\$79,623	\$180,020	31%	\$573,700	
7100-	Plant Rego. & Insurance	\$6,795	\$140,280	92%	\$152,500	
7100-	Workshop Consumables	\$1,982	\$6,889	23%	\$29,600	
7100-	Private Plant Hire	-	-	0%	\$0	
7100-	Workshop Operating Costs	\$26,403	\$66,321	22%	\$301,079	
7100-	Radio & T.V. Maintenance	\$1,617	\$1,960	28%	\$7,000	
7100-	Depreciation-Plant & Depot	-	-	0%	\$1,004,800	b
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b>\$216,498</b>	<b>\$683,272</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>\$3,244,607</b>	
<b>Profit (Loss)</b>		<b>\$145,831</b>	<b>\$229,350</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>\$904,693</b>	a

- For the quarter ended 30 September 2022, our plant profitability looks like it is on budget, but this will be significantly impacted when we run depreciation in October.
- Depreciation will be run in October 2022 following the Audit sign off of the 2022 Financial Statements and the rollover of assets into the current financial year.

**CONSULTANT REPORT**

Consultant	August 2022 Expenditure	YTD Expenditure	Comments
Shepherd Services Pty Ltd	\$33,696	\$33,696	Road Consultancy Service (Claimable)
C Alexander and Associates Consulting Pt	\$8,624	\$27,808	Accounting Services
Safe as Gold Consulting	\$8,371	\$23,275	WH&S Adviser
Ian A Rosenberger Solicitor	\$1,668	\$11,110	Various Including Housing Buy Back Scheme
Peak Services	\$ 0	\$6,431	Support for Various Projects
Perks & Associates Pty Ltd	\$ 0	\$3,300	FBT Review (One Of)
King & Company Solicitors	\$ 0	\$632	Legal Expenses - General
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$52,359</b>	<b>\$106,252</b>	

**DEBTORS SUMMARY**

Debtors Category	Current	30 Days	60 Days	90 Days	Balance
Sundry Debtors	\$41,780.05	\$3,494.05	\$2,509.62	\$9,986.87	\$57,770.59
Housing	\$1,770.25	\$640.00	\$-	\$4,654.82	\$7,065.07
Common	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$480.00	\$480.00
Qld Government	\$150,394.75	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$150,394.75
Federal Government	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$193,945.05</b>	<b>\$4,134.05</b>	<b>\$2,509.62</b>	<b>\$15,121.69</b>	<b>\$215,710.41</b>

**RATES SUMMARY**

Rates	\$
Brought forward arrears including Interest	\$70,347.65
Interest current year	\$1,379.29
Rates Levied in 2022-23	\$2,876,626.39
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,948,353.33</b>
Less Rates Collected during 2022-23	\$2,773,220.46
Government & Council pensioner subsidy 2022-23	\$1,826.28
Discount on rates collection during 2022-23	\$70,622.36
Write-Offs	\$0
Credit supplementary notices	\$0
<b>Total Outstanding Balance *</b>	<b>\$102,684.23</b>
Unallocated Receipts	\$13,995.56
<b>Current Outstanding Balance</b>	<b>\$88,688.67</b>



**14.2 ADMIN & FINANCE REPORT****File Number:** 138053**Author:** Tiffany Dare, Admin & Finance Manager**Authoriser:** Donna Hobbs, Manager Rural Services**Attachments:** Nil**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council receive and note the Finance &amp; Administrative Services Report for September 2022.

**ADMINISTRATION****Customer Service**

Listed below is a summary of the 18 External Service Requests received for the month of September 2022.

Department - Type	Number
Cemetery	1
Grid Maintenance	1
Livestock	2
Overgrown Land	2
Property Maintenance	1
Housing Maintenance	4
Rates Search	2
Road Conditions	2
Road Signage	1
Water Service	1
Waste Management	1

**PLANNING****Development Applications**

Material Change of Use	Reconfiguring a Lot	Operational Work	Building Work
Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

**BUILDING, PLUMBING & DRAINAGE APPLICATIONS**

Nil

**LAND DEALINGS****Racecourse Reserve (Lot 7 WN68) & Pasturage Reserve (Lot 30 on WN8)**

Council contact DNRME to

1. Make an application to change the purpose of the lease from Racecourse Reserve to Recreation Reserve. Recreation reserve being the more appropriate given the current use of the site.

Council has submitted a request to the Department of Resources to change the purpose of the lease from Racecourse Reserve to Recreation Reserve with supporting information. Application under review.

*Followed up with Department of Resources monthly. No Response.*

*No progress on this issue during the previous month.*

2. Include the Rodeo Grounds, currently located on the Pasturage Reserve, into the Racecourse/ Recreation Reserve.

Ashursts received correspondence from Kullilli Bulloo River Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC.

The following request was included in their response;

*'Council providing an undertaking as follows:*

*Council will not complete any further construction or infrastructure on the area included in the lot amendment boundary.'*

As Council plan to utilise this land for additional Recreational activities, there may be a need to construct infrastructure on the land. i.e. another toilet blocks.

Ashurst responded on 20 July 2022.

The ILUA is clear that there is no ability to condition consents in respect of Activities which constitute Low Native Title Impact Activities. On that basis, the matters raised (to the extent that they seek to condition the agreement) would be prohibited by the ILUA.

Council feels that with the Consultative Committee now in place we can deal with further construction / infrastructure at these meetings.

**Bona Vacantia Transfer of Lot 510 on CP T1911 - 17 Sams St & 17B Fitzwalter St, Thargomindah**

6 July 2022 - Ian Rosenberger has spoken to the Senior Surveyor and the advice is different from first contact. Ian needs to research some issues and then go back to Senior Surveyor to confirm advice. This is a very unusual and technically difficult issue to resolve. Ian will advise further once he have had opportunity to research and correspond with the Senior Surveyor.

Attached Letter from Rosenberger Solicitors Re Bono Vacantia Matter. Ian has formally terminated his service as he is unable to proceed further. He has recommended that Council instruct another solicitor or alternatively make a political approach with a view of having this matter finalised.

Council is collating all the data to seek advice from King & Co.

*Separate Report included in Agenda.*

**Proposed Road Opening Road Closure in Naryilco and Noccundra – Warri Gate Road**

6 July 2022 – Fieldwork has been completed. Ian Rosenberger is working on reducing data and existing draft plans ready for lodgement of application with BSC for the Road Opening in the Nockatunga Freehold paddock. This will be a RAL app to the BSC subject to obtaining the consent of the owner.

Application ready to lodge with Department for the Noccundra Town Reserve and plan is substantial drafted. Owners consent required once plans have been finalised.

Applications ready to lodge with Department for Naryilco and Nockatunga Road opening and road closure. Plans require further amendment as advised above. Work is proceeding on this project. Owners consent required once plans have been finalised.

No progress on this issue during the previous month. Following up with Mr Rosenberger.

## **DIG TREE REPORT**

Dig Tree Monthly Financial Reports – 30<sup>th</sup> September 2022

<b>MONIES HELD IN BULLOO SHIRE COUNCIL TRUST ACCOUNT</b>	
<b>BURKE &amp; WILLS DIG TREE</b>	
<b>As of 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2022</b>	
<b>Opening Balance 01-08-22</b>	<b>\$ 42,603.50</b>
<b>Receipts</b>	
20 <sup>th</sup> July 2022 – Deposit	\$7,920.00
21 <sup>st</sup> July 2022 – Deposit	\$7,674.85
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$15,594.85</b>
<b>Payments</b>	
<b>Closing Balance 30/09/2022</b>	<b>\$ 58,198.35</b>

## **TENDER**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Department</b>	<b>Status</b>
<b>T2021-2022-118</b> Thargomindah Sports Grounds	Projects	Cancelled. Project now includes Canteen/Bar & Toilet Block. Engineer chasing pricing and reporting to Council.
<b>T2021-2022-123</b> Kerb & Channel – Frew Street	Roads	Project being revised by Engineer to retender
<b>T2022-2023-101</b> Supply & Delivery of 4 x New Auto 4WD SR Dual Cab Utilities, 1 x New Auto Diesel Small SUV, 1 Auto Diesel New Medium SUV, 1 x Toyota Landcruiser Workmate 4WD Ute	Roads - Plant	Completed. Order in System
<b>T2022-2023-102</b> Supply & Delivery of 1 x New Mobile Concrete Batch Plant	Roads - Plant	Completed. Order in System
<b>T2022-2023-103</b> Land for Sale - Thargomindah	Admin	Tender Closed on 29 <sup>th</sup> September 2022
<b>T2022-2023-104</b> Supply and delivery of 1x Multi Tyred Roller	Plant	Tender Closed on 26 <sup>th</sup> September 2022

**PROCUREMENT**

Bulloo Shire Council Procurement Policy states the commitment of Council to assist the local businesses in the development of competitive local business and industry. This is stated in Council Procurement Policy Statement No. 2:

*“Council acknowledges that it has an important role to play in the local economy and is committed to assisting local industry engage in business with Council.”*

To date, Council has paid a total of **\$2,323,683.53** to local businesses for all goods and services procured from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2022 to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023.

**14.3 CHANGE OF DECEMBER 2022 AND JANUARY 2023 ORDINARY MEETING DATES****File Number:** 138109**Author:** Tiffany Dare, Admin & Finance Manager**Authoriser:** Donna Hobbs, Manager Rural Services**Attachments:** Nil**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to change the December and January Ordinary meeting dates.

**APPLICABLE LEGISLATION**

*Local Government Regulations 2012 – Section 277*

**POLICY CONSIDERATIONS**

Nil

**CORPORATE & OPERATIONAL PLAN CONSIDERATIONS**

Nil

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council change the date of the

- a) December 2022 Ordinary Meeting of Council from Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> December 2022 to Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> December 2022; and
- b) January 2023 Ordinary Meeting of Council from Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> January 2023 to Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> January 2023, due to Council closedown.

**BACKGROUND**

Councils Ordinary Meeting of December was scheduled for Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> December 2022.

Council breakup party is scheduled on the last day of work before Christmas shutdown, Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> December 2022. It is recommended that the Council Meeting be held on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> rather than Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December so that Councillors will be in town to attend the Christmas Party.

Councils Ordinary Meeting of January is scheduled for Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

Council Christmas close down period begins on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2022 until Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023, with the operational staff returning on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

Therefore, Council it will be a short timeframe to have all reports completed in time to hold the scheduled Council Meeting on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

**Previous Council Resolutions related to this Matter**

Nil

**DISCUSSION**

It is recommended that Council change the date of the December Ordinary Meeting to Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December to coincide with Council breakup party and that Council change the date of the January Ordinary Meeting to Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January to allow staff an extra week to complete Agenda Reports and advertise in accordance with:-

*Local Government Regulations 2012 – Section 277*

(1) A Local Government must, at least once in each year, publish a notice of the days and times when (a) its ordinary meetings will be held; and (b) the ordinary meetings of its standing committees will be held.

(4) The local government must immediately notify any change to the days and times mentioned in subsection (1) or (3) in the same way as the days and times were previously notified.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

N/A

**CRITICAL DATES**

25 October 2022

**CONSULTATION**

CEO

**14.4 OPERATIONAL PLAN 2022-2023 PROGRESS REPORT - 30 SEPTEMBER 2022 (Q1)****File Number:** 138055**Author:** Tiffany Dare, Admin & Finance Manager**Authoriser:** Donna Hobbs, Manager Rural Services**Attachments:** 1. Operational Plan 2022-2023 - Q1 Report (under separate cover)**PURPOSE**

The purpose of the report is to outline Councils progress on the Operational Plan.

**APPLICABLE LEGISLATION**

*Local Government Regulations 2012 – Section 174*

**POLICY CONSIDERATIONS**

Nil

**CORPORATE & OPERATIONAL PLAN CONSIDERATIONS**

Annual Reporting - Governance

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council receive and note the July - September 2022 quarterly report for the Operational Plan 2022-2023 in accordance with s174 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

**BACKGROUND**

The Chief Executive Officer must present a report on the progress of the Operational Plan at regular intervals of not more than three months. Accordingly, the progress report from 1 July 2022 to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2022 is attached.

An annual summary is included as part of Councils annual reporting process.

Item	Legislative reference	Requirement	Calendar action
Report on Operational Plan	s174 LGR12	The CEO must present the local government with a written assessment of the local government's progress toward implementing its annual operational plan.	Four reports per year. Minimum three-month interval.

**Previous Council Resolutions related to this Matter**

Nil

**DISCUSSION**

Of 112 goals 20% in total has been achieved, this is three months passed and the expectation would be 25% but whilst this is indicative of most of the goals, there are some broader goals that can't yet achieve that rate of completion and as such draws the percentage down to 20%. It is expected that this will show a better outcome with the 6-monthly report.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

On Track

**CRITICAL DATES**

1<sup>st</sup> July 2022 - 30<sup>th</sup> September 2022

**CONSULTATION**

Not applicable



**14.5 CAPSIZE BORE WATER SUPPLY - BINGARA**

**File Number:** 138056  
**Author:** Tiffany Dare, Admin & Finance Manager  
**Authoriser:** Donna Hobbs, Manager Rural Services  
**Attachments:** Nil

**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to consider correspondence received from Shane Warner of Bingara Station.

**APPLICABLE LEGISLATION**

Local Government Act 2009

**POLICY CONSIDERATIONS**

Nil

**CORPORATE & OPERATIONAL PLAN CONSIDERATIONS**

INF1 Provide and maintain quality infrastructure and assets that will serve the community for generations to come and meet the needs of a growing population.

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council decline the offer from Mr Warner.

**BACKGROUND**

Council received an email from Shane Warner on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2022 regarding Access to Capsize Bore on Blackgate Road.

Mr Warner advised Council that they are in the process of installing a GABRP Water Scheme on the Western side of Bingara, which involves Plugging the Capsize Bore.

**Previous Council Resolutions related to this Matter**

Nil

**DISCUSSION**

The GABRP Water Scheme involves the plugging of two bores and one redrill, at the Bingara Homestead.

Mr Warner is still agreeable to provide Council with water access from the site, however the engineered design system at present does not allow enough water to be available for Council use. The design Engineer has included the requirements in Polypipe size etc. to deliver enough water in a restricted flow format into the "dugout" currently used by the Council to pump road requirements.

The quoted cost to deliver the requirements to the Capsize site is approximately \$29,500. The estimated cost to upgrade the pipe size to allow for Shire access for road works is \$54,000. (quoted at the end of July).

Therefore, if Council is interested in accessing water from this site in the future it would be required to cover the difference being \$24,500.

#### Operations Team comments

Discussions with the Operations Team indicate that Council utilise this water point for Cunnamulla Road & Black Gate Road works however it is not used often.

Council has one remaining TMR Job on the Cunnamulla Road and then maintenance grading on the Black Gate Road every other year.

There is a water point at Dynevor that Council can utilise for these roads works, it is a bit of a cart but wouldn't be required often.

#### Recommendation

That Council decline the offer from Mr Warner and cart water from the Dynevor water point for work on the Cunnamulla Road & Black Gate Road.

#### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

No Budget included in 2022/23 Budget

Estimate:           \$24,500

#### **STRATEGIC/OPERATIONAL RISK**

No immediate water access leading to extensive water carting for Road Works.

#### **CRITICAL DATES**

Nil

#### **CONSULTATION**

Roads Manager

Roads Works Co-Ordinator

Roads Inspection

**From:** SHANE WARNER <[merimo@bigpond.com](mailto:merimo@bigpond.com)>  
**Sent:** Sunday, 18 September 2022 9:45 PM  
**To:** Bulloo Shire Council <[council@bulloo.qld.gov.au](mailto:council@bulloo.qld.gov.au)>  
**Subject:** Doc 138002 Capsize Bore Water Supply BINGARA

ATTN: CEO  
BULLOO SHIRE COUNCIL

I ran this idea past the Mayor a couple of weeks ago to see if the Shire were interested, therefore the story is as follows-

We are in the process of installing a GABRP Water Scheme on the Western side of BINGARA. This involves Plugging the CAPSIZE BORE. This bore is situated beside BLACKGATE Road in Bingara. We have given Water access from the Bore to the Shire for Road Works. The Scheme involves the plugging of two bores and one redrill, at the Bingara Homestead. We are still willing to give Water access to the Shire, however the engineered design system at present does not allow enough water to be available for the Shire to use. I have got the design Engineer to work up the requirements in Polypipe size etc to deliver enough water in a restricted flow format into the "dugout" currently used by the Shire to pump road requirements. The quoted cost of the scheme to deliver our requirements to the CAPSIZE site is approximately \$29,500.00. The estimated cost to upgrade the pipe size to allow for Shire Road Works access is \$54,000.00. (Quoted at the end of July) Therefore if the Shire was interested in accessing water from this site in the future the balance the shire would be up for is \$24,500.00. I'm aware that the Shire would need more detailed estimates and quotes, but until the Redrill has been completed and Water Pressure and Flow/Volume have been confirmed and the final scheme design is signed off by GABMO it's the best advice I can give.

It won't effect us whether the Shire wants in or not, however once the final system is signed off on it's locked in and no changes can occur.

Regards,  
Shane and Peta Warner

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows

**14.6 ROADS TO RECOVERY 2022/23 UPDATE**

**File Number:** 138283  
**Author:** Tiffany Dare, Admin & Finance Manager  
**Authoriser:** Donna Hobbs, Manager Rural Services  
**Attachments:** Nil

**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to update Council on the Roads to Recovery Funding 2022/23 Projects.

**APPLICABLE LEGISLATION**

Local Government Act 2009

**POLICY CONSIDERATIONS**

Nil

**CORPORATE & OPERATIONAL PLAN CONSIDERATIONS**

INF1.3 Provide and maintain road infrastructure in accordance with sustainable asset management practices.

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council endorse the 2022-2023 Roads to Recovery Project update and amend the budget accordingly.

**BACKGROUND**

At the July 2022 Special Meeting Council endorsed the following roads works to be completed under Roads to Recovery Funding (RTR) in the 2022-2023 Budget.

- Bulloo Down Rd - Re-alignment & Culvert Replacement \$400,000
- Race Course Rd – Resheeting \$ 50,000
- Besm Road Culvert \$250,000
- Unallocated \$148,921

Unfortunately, with further investigation not all of these projects were viable as they required additional design work and would not be completed by 30 June 2023.

**Previous Council Resolutions related to this Matter**

Nil

**DISCUSSION**

The proposed work on the **Racecourse Rd** was not acceptable under the RTR Program i.e. construction of parking areas or similar, furthermore the road finished at Chainage 1.67 which means Council cannot continue past this chainage with RTR Funding.

The **Bulloo Down Rd** Re-alignment & Culvert Replacement required survey and designs to ensure Council was compliant with environmental factors (purple waterways). Given the wait time for design, timeframe to complete work and indication that \$400-500k would not be enough money to completed the project, Council staff proposed to postpone this project.

The Engineer will continue with survey & design work in this financial year so that Council can consider the project for RTR Funding in 2023-24.

As Council was required to lodge the projects into the RTR Portal prior to 7<sup>th</sup> October 2022, Council employees met to discuss possible projects and then Councillors were contacted via email to ensure they were supportive of the proposed changes prior to lodgement in the portal.

**Projects Lodged in RTR Portal**

<b>Road:</b>	<b>Besm Road (rural road)</b>  Ch18.81, measured from starting point of the T intersection of the Cunnamulla Road.
Problem being addressed:	Deterioration of existing culverts (two) which have reached end of life. There are gaps appearing and the concrete is starting to crack. The culverts are also too narrow for movement of livestock via heavy transport.
Proposed Work:	Replace & widen two (2) culverts
Project Goals:	Roads Safety - deterioration of existing culverts which have reached end of life. There are gaps appearing between culverts and the concrete is starting to crack causing them to become unsafe
Value:	\$250,000
<b>Road:</b>	<b>Warri Gate Road (rural road)</b>  Chainage 44.7 - 51 measured from starting point of the T intersection of the Warri Gate Road off the Bundeena Road.
Problem being addressed:	This section of the Warri Gate Road is extremely rough with major corrugation exposing Cat rock. Heavy Vehicle transport and other traffic is going around this section of road into road into the shoulders/reserve to avoid the corrugation. The roughness has reduced traffic speed to 25km in this area.
Proposed Work:	8m wide re-sheeting works to a 9-metre formation from Ch44.7 to Ch51 on Warri Gate Road.
Project Goals:	Road Safety - concern has been raised by Council Staff and Rural Property owners transporting livestock about the extreme roughness of this section of Road.
Value:	\$598,921

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

R2R Funding:     \$848,921

**STRATEGIC/OPERATIONAL RISK**

Compliance with RTR Funding Requirements

**CRITICAL DATES**

Works Completed by 30 June 2023

**CONSULTATION**

Admin & Finance Manager

Roads Manager

Engineer

Road Works Co-ordinator

Road Inspector

**14.7 WORKS INSPECTOR FOR FLOOD DAMAGE**

**File Number:** 138414  
**Author:** Tiffany Dare, Admin & Finance Manager  
**Authoriser:** Donna Hobbs, Manager Rural Services  
**Attachments:** Nil

**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval to engage a Works Inspector for Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA) Flood Damage.

**APPLICABLE LEGISLATION**

Local Government Act 2009  
Local Government Regulations 2012

**POLICY CONSIDERATIONS**

Procurement Policy

**CORPORATE & OPERATIONAL PLAN CONSIDERATIONS**

INF1 Provide and maintain quality infrastructure and assets that will serve the community for generations to come and meet the needs of a growing population.

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council engage Shepherd Services Works Inspector for QRA Flood Damage for a 12 month period to commence in January 2023.

**BACKGROUND**

Council has engaged Shepherd Services to provide project management for the QRA Flood Damage, including lodging submissions, monthly reporting, close out (final) submissions. This is working very well for Council as we do not have internal capacity to undertake this work.

Council has had several issues with the close out submission for the 2020 Esther Event due to lack of completed works photos, which is a requirement under the QRA Guidelines (3 photos every km). This lack of photo evidence may result in Council not receiving the last 10% of the 2020 funding or possibly having to pay back funds to QRA.

QRA have been very helpful in assisting Council through this close out, however Council would like to ensure we don't have this issue in the future.

**Previous Council Resolutions related to this Matter**

Nil

## DISCUSSION

A review of the with 2020 Ester Event close out identified several processes that required improvements, one of which is the engagement of a dedicated Work Inspector for QRA Flood Damage.

The inspector position is recommended to set out the work at the correct location, check that the work is being constructed in accordance with the approved scope and provide QRA the supporting evidence that the work was carried out correctly.

The benefit to Council is:

1. Council is assured that the asset is reconstructed to the correct standard (reduced future maintenance requirements).
2. Council will maximise the funding received from QRA by ensuring the work is carried out to the states requirements.
3. Reduced need for Project Manager, Tech Team and Council staff to sort through completed work for submissions.
4. Does not impact the levels of service Council provides by taking out a full time Council employee to do the work.
5. Improved visibility to Council and QRA on progress reporting.

With our current road network and staff availability Council are unable to inspect all these roads ourselves.

As Shephard Services are providing Project Management it is recommended that we engage them to provide a Works Inspector for a 12-month period under the Local Government Arrangement BUS262 (Engineering & Environmental Contract) in accordance with Councils Procurement Policy.

Shepherd Services Submission Update:

Submission	Org reference	Phase	Submission value	Date lodged	Approved date
DRAFT: 004571	2022 May Rainfall	Pre-approval	\$1,660,126.42		
DRAFT: 004522	Flood and Rain Event January 2022 Remaining roads.	Pre-approval	\$10,380,502.56		
BSC.0030.2122F.REC	Wompah Gate Rd	Pre-approval	\$451,208.17	22/07/2022	9/09/2022
BSC.0028.2122F.REC	2022 South West	Pre-approval	\$2,958,485.34	4/08/2022	9/09/2022
BSC.0027.2223A.GOR	Bulloo Shire Council - Get Ready Queensland Program 2022-2023	Pre-approval	\$4,880.00	29/04/2022	23/09/2022
BSC.0026.2021L.REC	Innamicka and Warry Gate Road	Pre-approval	\$392,827.61	31/03/2022	30/06/2022
BSC.0023.2021O.RFI	BSC-EOI-003	Pre-approval	\$569,164.80	6/10/2021	12/10/2021
BSC.0024.2021L.REC	Orientos - Tickalara	Pre-approval	\$302,381.65	16/12/2021	18/02/2022
BSC.0021.2021L.REC	South West Region	Pre-approval	\$2,364,930.40	29/09/2021	16/12/2021

January 2022 Event & May 2022 Event submissions will be lodged on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2022. QRA is double checking the submission prior to lodgement.



**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

January 2022 Event     \$10,380,502.56

May 2022 Event         \$ 1,660,126.42

Costs for Shepherd Services to provide a Works Inspector are fully recoverable. Quote dated 27 September was \$21,230/9-day fortnight

**STRATEGIC/OPERATIONAL RISK**

Council may miss out on QRA funding if we cannot provide appropriate photos of damage and completed works.

**CRITICAL DATES**

30 October 2022

**CONSULTATION**

Roads Manager

Rural Services Manager

Tourism & Economic Development Manager

Admin & Finance Manager

**14.8 QLD HEALTH - KULLILLI ROOM FEE WAIVER APPLICATION**

**File Number:** 138293  
**Author:** Tiffany Dare, Admin & Finance Manager  
**Authoriser:** Donna Hobbs, Manager Rural Services  
**Attachments:** Nil

**PURPOSE**

The purpose of the report is to consider a request to hire and waive booking at the Kullilli Room for Queensland Health.

**APPLICABLE LEGISLATION**

Nil

**POLICY CONSIDERATIONS**

Nil

**CORPORATE & OPERATIONAL PLAN CONSIDERATIONS**

COM2.2 Maintain strong support for community events.

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council consider the request to waive fees for a booking at the Thargomindah Hall for Queensland Health.

**BACKGROUND**

Council received a request from Qld Health to waive fees for a booking at the Kullilli Room for 27<sup>th</sup> October 2022 for a community Arts in Wellness and Wellbeing for Mental Health Month Community Celebrations, with Principal Lead Coordinator and Mental Health Clinician Mr Peter Bradford.

**Previous Council Resolutions related to this Matter**

Nil

**DISCUSSION**

Council advised the QLD Health that the Kullilli Room was a carpeted area and not suitable for painting. They have lodged a new Hire Application for the Thargomindah Hall.

The event is a painting workshop and people are being asked to wear old clothes (poster attached).

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Hall Hire Fees \$50.00 per day

If Council waves the hire fees, hire will be charged to In-Kind Support.

**STRATEGIC/OPERATIONAL RISK**

Nil

**CRITICAL DATES**27<sup>th</sup> October 2022**CONSULTATION**

Nil

**From:** Gavin Johannesen  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 28 September 2022 10:18 AM  
**To:** Bulloo Shire Council  
**Cc:** Peter Bradford; Kelly Harms  
**Subject:** Kurilli Room Fee waiver Applicaton

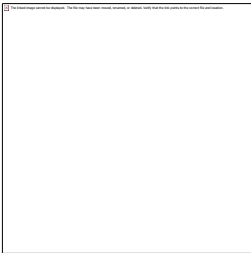
Dear Hon Mayor – Bulloo Shire Council, I am writing to request a Fee Waiver for a booking at the Kurilli Room 27<sup>th</sup> October 1600hrs x 2100hrs.

The booking is for a whole of community Arts in Wellness and Wellbeing for Mental Health Month Community Celebrations, with Principal Lead Coordinator and Mental Health Clinician Mr Peter Bradford.

The marketing for this event has been released with some response to date.

Could you advise if council will support this event with a fee waiver.

Kind regards Gav.

	<p><b>Gavin Johannesen</b> <b>RAICC</b> MHAODS   Queensland Health Working hours Monday-Friday</p>	<p><b>P</b> <b>E</b> <b>W</b> <a href="mailto:health.qld.gov.au">health.qld.gov.au</a> <b>A</b> <a href="#">11 Spencer Street Roma 4455</a></p>					
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Queensland Health acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land across Queensland, and pays respect to First Nations Elders past, present and future.



## 'SOUTH WESTERN STARRY SKIES'



### *Create your own 'starscape'*

Relax and get messy in a hands-on day of art making with regional Queensland artist, Sue Hamlet.

Mon 24 Oct  
**Wyandra**  
9.45am - 3.00pm

We will play with all kinds of art materials to create a stunning naive style canvas artwork of the night sky over 'your community'.

Wed 26 Oct  
**Yowah**  
9.45am - 3.00pm

Even if you've never painted before, this workshop is for you.

Thurs 27 Oct  
**Thargomindah**  
5.30pm - 8.30pm

*Catering is included.  
Please wear old, comfy clothes & bring a water bottle.  
All art materials are provided.*



**Enquiries, registrations & dietary requirements email or text:**

Kelly Harms 0429 328 335  
kelly.harms@health.qld.gov.au



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**14.9 MARIANNE MCARTHY - REQUEST TO WAIVER HIRE FEES****File Number:** 138609**Author:** Tiffany Dare, Admin & Finance Manager**Authoriser:** Donna Hobbs, Manager Rural Services**Attachments:** 1. Hall Hire application and application to waive hall fees Youngcare Fundraiser**PURPOSE**

The purpose of the report is to consider a request from Marianne McCarthy to waive hire fees of the Thargomindah Town Hall for Melbourne Cup 2022.

**APPLICABLE LEGISLATION**

Nil

**POLICY CONSIDERATIONS**

Nil

**CORPORATE & OPERATIONAL PLAN CONSIDERATIONS**

COM2.2 Maintain strong support for community events.

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council consider the request to waive fees for a booking at the Thargomindah Hall for Marianne McCarthy.

**BACKGROUND**

Council received a request from Marianne McCarthy to waive hire fees of the Thargomindah Town hall for Melbourne Cup 2022 on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2022 for a Youngcare Australia fundraising luncheon.

**Previous Council Resolutions related to this Matter**

Nil

**DISCUSSION**

The money raised on the day of the event will be donated directly to Youngcare.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Hall Hire Fees \$50.00 per day

If Council waves the hire fees, hire fees will be charged to In-Kind Support.

**STRATEGIC/OPERATIONAL RISK**

Nil

**CRITICAL DATES**

1<sup>st</sup> November 2022

**CONSULTATION**

Nil

Marianne McCarthy  
Bulloo Downs  
Thargomindah QLD 4492  
Ph: 0746554339

3<sup>rd</sup> of October 2022

The Chief Executive Officer  
P.O Box 46  
Thargomindah QLD 4492

Re: Application to waive fee to hire the Thargomindah Town hall for Melbourne Cup 2022

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to council to seek approval to waive the fees to hire the Thargomindah town hall for a charity event on the 1<sup>st</sup> of November 2022. I am hosting a Melbourne Cup luncheon to fundraise for Youngcare Australia.

All money raised on the day of the event will be donated directly to Youngcare and I do not intend to profit from the event in any way. I am participating in the Simpson Desert Trek in May 2023 for Youngcare and this is the first of my fundraising events I am hoping to be able to host for the community.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this application.

Kind regards,



Marianne McCarthy

**14.10 T2022-2023-103 LAND SALE- THARGOMINDAH**

**File Number:** 138416  
**Author:** Marianne Hortin, Ms  
**Authoriser:** Donna Hobbs, Manager Rural Services  
**Attachments:** Nil

**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider the tenders for the purchase of various freehold land within Thargomindah.

**APPLICABLE LEGISLATION**

*Local Government Act 2009*

**POLICY CONSIDERATIONS**

2.74.1 Procurement Policy

**CORPORATE & OPERATIONAL PLAN CONSIDERATIONS**

Growth to support a strong and diverse Economy.

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council accept the tenders from Murray Leech for the purchase of Lot 3 on T1912 for the total sum at \$9,000.00 including GST.

**BACKGROUND**

Council by resolution deemed various freehold land in Thargomindah surplus to Council's requirements. The properties were offered for sale by Public Tender in accordance with the *Local Government Regulation 2012*. See below for property details:

Description	Area	Zoning
Lot 12 on SP325117	1056 m <sup>2</sup>	General Residential
Lot 13 on SP325117	1056 m <sup>2</sup>	General Residential
Lot 15 on SP325117	1056 m <sup>2</sup>	General Residential
Lot 16 on SP325117	1056 m <sup>2</sup>	General Residential
Lot 45 on SP325117	1056 m <sup>2</sup>	General Residential
Lot 46 on SP325117	1056 m <sup>2</sup>	General Residential
Lot 3 T1912	2024 m <sup>2</sup>	General Residential

**"General Residential" Zone Code**



The purpose of this code is to provide for the urban development of the town of Thargomindah as a community and service centre. Development located in this zone provides for a mix of uses which support the needs of the local rural community. For Zone Code provisions and how the code can be achieved, please see Part 6 of the Bulloo Shire Planning Scheme 2019

### Condition of Sale 1

In addition to purchase price, a deposit of \$5,000 per lot to be required at purchase to be refunded in full by Council once construct commences. 2. Construction to start within 18 months of settlement date or the Tenderer forfeits the deposit.

General Rate General rates and charges will be waived until 2024-2025 Financial year.

### Lot 12, 13, 15, 16, 45 & 46 on SP325117



### Lot 3 on T1912



**PREVIOUS COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS RELATED TO THIS MATTER**

Nil

**DISCUSSION**

Council received responses from two (2) tenderers with the following offers:

Respondent	Lot 12 SP325117	Lot 12 SP325117	Lot 12 SP325117	Lot 12 SP325117	Lot 12 SP325117	Lot 12 SP325117	Lot 3 on T1912	Proposed Use
William B Robinson							\$5,000	House and carport development
Murray Leech							\$9,000	House Development

\*All prices are inclusive of GST.

All proposed uses are permitted under the *Bulloo Shire Planning Scheme*. Development Applications may be required.

**Evaluation**

The evaluation took place at the Bulloo Shire Administration Centre on Thursday, 13<sup>th</sup> October 2022.

The Panel recommend that Council accept the tenders from Murray Leech for the purchase of Lot 3 on T1912 for the total sum of \$9,000 including GST.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Should any offer of land be accepted, future rate revenue will be of financial value.

**STRATEGIC/OPERATIONAL RISK**

Nil.

**CRITICAL DATES**

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2022, Ordinary Council Meeting.

**CONSULTATION**

Finance Officer

Administration Finance Manager

Tourism & Economic Development Manager

**14.11 RURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT REPORT**

**File Number:** 138398  
**Author:** Donna Hobbs, Manager Rural Services  
**Authoriser:** Donna Hobbs, Manager Rural Services  
**Attachments:** Nil

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council receive and note the Rural Services Department Report for September 2022.

**Actions from Previous Meeting**

Nil

**BIOSECURITY****Landholders**

Phone, email and face to face consultations with landholders during the month on topics including, rainfall, road conditions, Pasture Field Day, Picarilli Ram Sale, wild dog management and weeds and Carbon Study Survey Participation. Properties consulted during the month include Nappa Merrie, Omicron, Epsilon, Orientos, Mirintu, Tickalara, Bulloo Downs, Dynevor Downs, Thargomindah Station, Wiralla, Autumnvale, Yakara, Boodgherree, Kilcowera, Moombidary, Nockatunga, Naryilco, Durham Downs, Picarilli, Bingara, Besm, Nooyeah, Wombula and National Parks. Property visits to Omicron and Picarilli and also property consultations at Hungerford Sports Weekend.

**Thargomindah Town Common Cattle Muster**

Following consultation with stock owners a cattle common muster will not be held prior to the end of the year for the 21 head. There are no owners wishing to sell cattle and there are no calves to be branded. The next muster usually around April.

**Wild Dog Management**

The November Coordinated Aerial Baiting will take place from the 13 -16 November. Four tonnes of meat has been ordered to be distributed by plane inside the Wild Dog Barrier Fence. Qld Feral Pest Initiative Funding is being utilised to subsidised to the cost of meat for the landholders. The Bulloo Shire Pest Management Committee Meeting will be held on 24 October.

**Shire Rural Lands Officer Group of Western Qld (SRLOG)**

James attended the SRLOG meeting in Charleville on the 6<sup>th</sup> -7<sup>th</sup> of September. Attendees were from Local and State Government areas across Central and South West Queensland. Presenters from Department of Resources, Biosecurity Queensland, and Lake Eyre Basin discussed current and future projects including Stock Routes, Planning Act Exemptions on Roads and Veg Act Codes on Reserves, Beef/Sheep Extension Projects, TMR funding for Invasive Plants and Animals, Desert Channels Qld Projects Updates, Lake Eyre Basin Ranger Project Updates, Stick florestina project,

Exotic animal disease overview, update and preparedness, DAF 1080 solution transition and disposal.



SRLOG Meeting, Charleville Town Hall

Participants travelled to the Charleville Reserve 3km from town to look at a field monitoring site for the chemical and biocontrol of Coral Cactus.



Coral Cactus



Mother of Million

### Birdata Project Workshop

Sheena, Bridgette and Tida from Birdlife Australia explained the Birdata project for everyone. Four community members attended and heard about keeping an eye out for the “Painted Honeyeater”. This bird is listed as “vulnerable” in Queensland and is a mulga and mistletoe specialist and is spread sparsely across Australia. It is hoped that if anyone sights this bird, information about it can be uploaded into the birdata app to help understand more about the distribution of the bird.





**Corner Country Pasture Field Day**

During September Rural Services travelled to Omicron Station for the Corner Country Pasture Field Day. A total of 24 people attended the day including local landholders from Queensland, South Australia and New South Wales, New South Wales Local Land Services Representatives and National Park Rangers from Fort Grey, Sturt National Park.

Jenny Milson from Longreach was the guest speaker for the day. She is a Rangeland Agronomist and recently resigned after 33 years with the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries. She started the day by asking why we need to identify plants in our everyday environment. Participants came up with many reasons – are the plants weeds? Are they suitable (palatable and nutritious) for stock? Are they toxic to stock? Do they improve the soil structure? Do they indicate improving or declining land conditions? Are they 3P plants (perennial, palatable and productive)?



*Field day participants looking at the vegetation on the clay pan.*

After this discussion participants travelled to two different sites on Omicron to look at the diversity of plants that were growing at each. One was a claypan that had regenerated over time and the other site was ridge country with some mitchell grass present.





## Picarilli Ram Sale

Congratulations to the Glasson Family on a successful Ram Sale and a big thank you to all the stall holders that participated in the Rural Field Day. More than 60 people attended the day with 10 stall holders present including Bulloo Shire Council Rural Services, Elders, Climate Friendly, Rural Fire, Lifeline, Southern Queensland Landscapes, TRACC, Rural Solutions Queensland, Top Country, Body Shop at Home and Mum & I Creations.



Farmgate auctions hosted the sale with buyers travelling from Longreach, Thallon, Quilpie and Wanaaring, as well as on-line bidders to buy the rams. This year there were 114 rams offered with a 99% clearance rate (an increase of 20% from last year), at an average of \$1352.00 (an increase of 82% from last year).



*Field Day stalls set up at the front of the shearing shed*

The Rural Services team sponsored the lucky gate prizes for the day and congratulations go to the winners:

- 🚪 Dog Trap – Kelly Harms (TRACC Roma)
- 🚪 Green UHF Holder - Cipp Murray (Elders Quilpie)
- 🚪 Purple UHF Holder – Eliza Bongioletti (Longreach)
- 🚪 Garden Book – Joe Murphy (Thallon)



**14.12 NOCCUNDRA RODEO GYMKHANA CLUB - LATE REQUEST TO WAIVE FEES FOR PLANT & EQUIPMENT****File Number:** 138246**Author:** Donna Hobbs, Manager Rural Services**Authoriser:** Donna Hobbs, Manager Rural Services**Attachments:** 1. Noccundra Rodeo Club - Request for in-kind Water Truck for 2022 event.doc**PURPOSE**

The purpose of the report is to ratify the approval to waive plant and equipment hire fees for the Noccundra Rodeo Gymkhana Club for the 2022 Noccundra Rodeo and Gymkhana.

**APPLICABLE LEGISLATION**

N/a

**POLICY CONSIDERATIONS**

3.02.1 Hire of Council Plant and Equipment Policy

**CORPORATE & OPERATIONAL PLAN CONSIDERATIONS**

Operational Plan:

COM 2.2.1 Support current and new community groups and activities, and their infrastructure requirements

COM 2.2.2 Facilitate and support community development through effective implementation and delivery of the Community Grants Program – Maximise recreational services utilisation

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council endorse the approval of the hire of a Water Truck for the Noccundra Rodeo Gymkhana held on 8 & 9 October 2022 at no charge.

**BACKGROUND**

Council received a request from the Noccundra Rodeo Gymkhana Club on 4 October to waive the hire fees for a Water Truck for the Noccundra Rodeo Gymkhana which is being held on 7, 8, 9 October 2022. The Noccundra Rodeo Gymkhana Club will be providing a licenced driver.

**Previous Council Resolutions related to this Matter**

Nil

**DISCUSSION**

As this request was received after the Council Meeting, it was circulated to Councillors and Mayor on 4 October for approval in principal to be endorsed at the October Council Meeting.

That council may be able to provide a Water Truck for the Noccundra Rodeo Gymkhana on 8 & 9 October taking into consideration requirement of said plant for Council road works and the vicinity of works. The request was for the truck to be utilised from Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup>, however, it was being utilised by Council for roadworks.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Plant Hire Rates

Water Truck                      \$290/hour

Minor Grants/Donations Program Budget

**STRATEGIC/OPERATIONAL RISK**

Nil

**CRITICAL DATES**

8-9 October 2022

**CONSULTATION**

Noccundra Rodeo Gymkhana Club

Robert Ferguson, Roads Manager

Mayor John Ferguson

Cr Shirley Girdler

Cr Vaughan Collins

Cr Stewart Morton

Cr Glyn Dare



## **NOCCUNDRA RODEO GYMKHANA CLUB INC.**

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To Bullo Shire Council,

On behalf of the Noccundra Rodeo Gymkhana Club, I would like to take this opportunity to say thank for the past support the Bulloo Shire Council has shown to our event held annually in the region.

The Noccundra Campdraft & Rodeo is holding our event on the 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> of October 2022, and are asking for your generous support to continue for this event, that benefits our Community.

We are asking for the use of a water truck from Wednesday morning 5<sup>th</sup> of October please, and any other support you could offer to help make our weekend a great success.

If we can provide you with any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind Regards  
Maidie Dawson  
Secretary



**14.13 BULLOO SHIRE BIOSECURITY PLAN 2022 ONWARDS****File Number:** 138285**Author:** Donna Hobbs, Manager Rural Services**Authoriser:** Donna Hobbs, Manager Rural Services**Attachments:** 1. Draft Bulloo Shire Biosecurity Plan 2022 Onwards (under separate cover)**PURPOSE**

For Council to adopt the Bulloo Shire Biosecurity Plan 2022 Onwards

**APPLICABLE LEGISLATION**

Biosecurity Act 2014

**POLICY CONSIDERATIONS**

4.11.1 Aerial 1080 Baiting Expenses Policy

**CORPORATE & OPERATIONAL PLAN CONSIDERATIONS**

ENV2.4 Support and assist landholders to be more proactive in controlling plant and animal pests.

ENV1.4.1 Support the management of invasive plants and animals (in particular wild dogs/feral pigs) and disease in the shire in accordance with the Biosecurity Plan

ENV2.4.2 Deliver High Priority invasive weed management program in line with the current Bulloo Shire Biosecurity Plan

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council adopt the Bulloo Shire Biosecurity Plan 2022 Onwards

**BACKGROUND**

Weeds and pest animals have significant negative impacts on the environment, the economy (particularly agriculture) and the community, including human health and recreation. The purpose of managing invasive species is to prevent new introductions and limit these negative impacts.

The Biosecurity Act 2014 supports the prevention, eradication and effective management of invasive biosecurity matter by providing for the development of biosecurity plans. Under the Act, local governments, together with community, are required to have a biosecurity plan in place to manage invasive biosecurity matter in their local government areas. The purpose of a biosecurity plan is to bring all sectors of a local community together to manage invasive biosecurity matter in the local government area.

**Previous Council Resolutions related to this Matter**

Nil

**DISCUSSION**

The Biosecurity Act 2014 supports the prevention, eradication and effective management of invasive biosecurity matter by providing for the development of biosecurity plans. Under the Act, local governments, together with community, are required to have a biosecurity plan in place to manage invasive biosecurity matter in their local government areas. The purpose of a biosecurity plan is to bring all sectors of a local community together to manage invasive biosecurity matter in the local government area.

The Biosecurity Plan ensures resources are targeted to the highest priority biosecurity management activities. A biosecurity plan covers all land within the boundaries of the local government areas, including state land. Land owned by Australian Government or held by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities under a Deed of Grant in Trust may also be included.

Bulloo Shire Landholders and other stakeholders have been consulted as part of this process through meetings, teleconferences, emails and hard copy distribution.

The Biosecurity Plan will be a valuable tool to support any future funding applications for pest management activities.

There is no longer a legislative requirement for this plan to be approved by the Minister for Agriculture and Fisheries.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

**STRATEGIC/OPERATIONAL RISK**

Adopted Plan ensures Council's compliance under the Biosecurity Act 2014

**CRITICAL DATES**

Current Biosecurity Plan expires in November 2022

**CONSULTATION**

Bulloo Shire Landholders  
Department of Agriculture and Fisheries  
National Parks & Wildlife  
NSW Local Land Services  
Desert Channels  
Quilpie Shire Council  
Paroo Shire Council

**14.14 INFRASTRUCTURE REPORT****File Number:** 138249**Author:** Melinda Byrne, Finance Officer**Authoriser:** Donna Hobbs, Manager Rural Services**Attachments:** Nil**Recommendation**

That Council received and noted the Infrastructure Report for September 2022.

**ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

Resolution	Action	Status
Nil		

**WATER**

LOCATION	CALL OUTS	CHECKS	TESTING	ROUTINE MAINTENANCE	CAPITAL WORKS
THARGOMINDAH	-	18 x Daily Checks	2 x Fortnightly	Air Conditioner Services at Cooling Plant. Replace damaged pipe and tap at Hydro Display. Routine housekeeping maintenance.	
HUNGERFORD	-	4 x Weekly	Quarterly		

**Thargomindah Town Water Supply**

- Fortnightly water microbiological tests were undertaken to continuously monitor the presence of *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* in the Thargomindah Town Water Supply. Low levels of *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* has been detected in several sample points in the latest sampling results. Further sampling has been conducted to verify if these results are correct as there was an issue with the samples arriving to the external laboratory within the allowable time frame due to the REX flight being delayed. The fortnightly external water testing regime needs to continue while *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* continues to be detected within the Town Water Supply.
- Strategies trialled to identify the cause of the ongoing issues which are causing the detection of *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* include:
  - Flushing of town water lines
  - Taking samples from different taps in the same locations.

Water samples taken in early October have returned with no detected presence of *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*. The water regulator has advised that we can return to the quarterly testing regime once two consecutive sample batches return with clear results.

- The water level sensor in Tank 3 at the Water Cooling Plant failed on Wednesday, 21 September causing the tank to overflow. The sensor in Tank 3 has been isolated from

the system until it can be replaced – the replacement water level sensor is being supplied by NRG under warranty for BSC staff to install.

- An annual inspection and clean of Cooling Pond 1 was performed – there is no sign of any degradation of the copper pipework in Pond 1.
- Regular maintenance at Cooling Plant included daily monitoring of plant and equipment, cleaning of ABB air con filter and cleaned and serviced the evaporative cooler.
- Clean fill has been laid in the driveway areas of the Cooling Pond Shed and Bore 1 to improve access when areas are wet by reducing boggy areas.

## Usage

The following readings were recorded for September 2022:

• September water supply usage	11,303KL
• Average daily water usage	376.77KL
• Water supply usage for 2022/2023 (July – September)	38,606KL
• Council's annual allocation (Licence No. 618478)	345,000KL
• % of allocation used	11.2%
• Maximum Air Temperature	30.3°C
• Minimum Air temperature	8.2°C
• Average Maximum Air Temperature	24.0°C
• Average Minimum Air Temperature	12.6°C
• Recorded rainfall for September 2022	67.4mm

**Bore 2 connection** – Ed Mann of Mann Wireline Pty Ltd has been engaged to perform cased hole integrity logging services to Bore 2.

## Hungerford (Non-potable & Raw Water Supplies)

- There were no incidents reported for Hungerford water supply during September 2022.
- River water storage in dams is sufficient for town usage without restrictions for the next 6 months.
- The river pump used for pumping water from the Paroo River to the Water Storage Dams has been removed due to mechanical issues, a portable pump is being used until the permanent pump can either be repaired or replaced.
- The 50,050-litre water tank which will replace the existing bore water storage tanks at the Hungerford Depot has arrived on site in August. An external contractor has been engaged to install and connect the tank – work has been delayed due to recent wet weather and road closures.

## Noccundra (Raw Water Supply)

- There were no incidents reported for the raw water supply during September 2022.

## Planned Work for October:

- Annual clean and inspection of the Thargomindah Cooling Pond 2 – these works have been delayed until works are completed on the culvert upgrade in Stafford Street as excess water from the blow down pond will need to be diverted into the drain running through the new culvert.

- Installation of the Hungerford water tank.

## SEWERAGE

LOCATION	CALL OUTS	CHECKS	TESTING	ROUTINE MAINTENANCE	CAPITAL WORKS
RETICULATION	3	18 x DAILY MONITORING	-	Reset Telemetry on Flovac Alarm system. Replaced faulty hose clamp. Cleared blockage on float valve. Routine housekeeping maintenance.	
PUMP STATION	-	18 x DAILY	-	Routine housekeeping maintenance.	
TREATMENT PLANT	-	18 x DAILY	-	Repaired Bio-Filter Plant B sensor housing pipe. Routine housekeeping maintenance.	

## Usage

The calculated volume of effluent pumped and processed by the sewerage treatment plant is ongoing with the following results recorded. The flow through the Thargomindah Sewerage Treatment plant for September 2022 was:

- total discharge pumped to wastewater treatment plant  
2,119.524KL
  - the total volume of effluent discharge from the Wastewater Plant  
1,363.8KL
  - average daily discharge to wastewater plant A  
70.7KL
  - total discharge from Wastewater Plant 2022/2023 (July – September)  
4,333.1KL
- The Thargomindah Sewer Treatment Plant operated without incident during September 2022.
  - Due to a fault with the effluent meter which is causing the meter to malfunction, the effluent discharge from the Wastewater Plant has been estimated for September.

## Planned Work for October:

- Relocate donga to the Pump Station for use as a workshop for repairs on general water and sewerage maintenance items.
- Drain excess water from the absorption pit in readiness for the Motorbike Gymkhana.
- Permanently mount a pump to the sewerage tank attachment of the waste collection truck to ensure it is always prepared for urgent works.

## AIRPORT

- Operation of the Thargomindah Airport during September was without incident. Apart from the standard visits to the Thargomindah clinic, the RFDS had five (5) evacuations from the Thargomindah Airport in September 2022.
- Three fortnightly inspections were undertaken of the Hungerford Airstrip – the runway and signal devices are in good working order.
- Noccundra Airstrip had twenty landings during September 2022.

- Refuelling issues at the Thargomindah Airport:
  - Fuel Supply:
    - The Airport Contractor appears to be waiting until the fuel supply is too low before alerting Stores to commence the order process – this is causing the airport to run low on fuel regularly.
    - The procurement process can take up to two weeks for an order to be issued, it can then take a further 2 weeks for the fuel to be delivered to the airport, the reason for longer delivery times is due to the supplier combining delivery to Thargomindah with other deliveries in the South West area.
  - Fuel Holding Capacity:
    - Total holding capacity of Avgas is 11,500 litres (800 litres of this is non-usable as it cannot be pumped out of the tank). Under normal conditions, shelf life of Avgas is 12 months.
    - Total holding capacity of JetA1 is 22,500 litres (2,000 litres of this is non-usable as it cannot be pumped out of the tank). Under normal conditions, shelf life of JetA1 is 12 months.
    - Regular users of JetA1 include Rex Airlines, RFDS and private charters. Depending on conditions, Rex Airlines average 1,500 litres per visit; RFDS only uses when required in emergency situations; private charters are unpredictable for usage demands.
  - Fuel Bowsers:
    - Due to the age of fuel bowsers, we struggle to find parts when needed, however, bowsers are currently operating normally.
    - Fuel bowsers have the capacity to pump at 70 litres per minute. Rex Airlines maximum inlet is 25psi. After refuelling, Rex are required to wait a minimum of 20 minutes before they can commence pre-flight fuel testing and other checks. Council staff have never received a complaint from Pilots in regard to time taken for the refuelling regime.
    - It would be a major budgeting consideration to upgrade the fuel holding tanks and fuel bowsers.

## **CARAVAN PARKS/CAMP GROUNDS**

### **Explorers Caravan Park**

- No major faults were reported for the Explorers Caravan Park.

### **Yapunyah Caravan Park**

- No major faults were reported for the Yapunyah Caravan Park.

### **Wilson River Camp Grounds**

- There were 186 Camp Ground Registrations at the Wilson River Campground for September 2022.

**Southern Cross Caravan Park - Hungerford**

- Replaced the damaged door on the laundry.

**Planned Work for October:**

- Install two raw water garden taps at the Southern Cross Caravan Park in Hungerford for garden usage as requested by the Hungerford Caretaker.

**COMMUNITY BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES**

- Minor general maintenance matters reported during September 2022 were rectified promptly.
- General maintenance works at the Hungerford Sports Oval were completed in preparation for the Hungerford Sports Day – The Hungerford Sports Committee and the Hungerford Caretaker have both asked to thank Council and staff for all the assistance they received in preparation for the annual Sports Day event.
- Loose roofing sheets were re-attached on the Old Hospital roof.
- Repaired cell door at the Old Jail.

**Planned Work for October:**

- Prepare the Thargomindah Rodeo Grounds for the re-scheduled Motorbike Sports event.
- Prepare the Thargomindah Hall for the Halloween Bingo Night and the Melbourne Cup Luncheon.

**HOUSING MAINTENANCE**

- General maintenance continues to be performed as required.
- Repairs at 72 Sams Street have now been completed and the house is ready for tenancy.
- Commenced patching of the air conditioning holes at the rental properties in Hungerford.

**PARKS & GARDENS**

- The Parks & Gardens crew continue maintaining public facilities with the assistance of the external contractor.
- Daily cleaning of public amenities in Thargomindah continues as usual.
- Replacement Solar Lights have been ordered from a local supplier for along the River Walk near the Explorers Caravan Park.
- Completed mulching of the tear drop garden at Thargomindah Cemetery entrance.

**WASTE & LANDFILL**

- Waste collection through September was carried out with no incidents reported.
- Bump stops have been installed at the transfer station to prevent skip bins from hitting the concrete wall.
- New safety rail has been installed at the transfer station drop-off points.



**Planned Work for October:**

- Shredded green waste to be relocated to clear the bay and create space for fresh green waste to be dumped.

**14.15 REQUEST FOR KITCHEN UPGRADE TO 32 SAMS STREET - ACCOM 38****File Number:** 138356**Author:** Melinda Byrne, Finance Officer**Authoriser:** Tiffany Dare, Admin & Finance Manager**Attachments:** 1. Julie Stewart - Past history and updated request for kitchen renovations.pdf**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to advise Council that a request has been received for a kitchen upgrade at 32 Sams Street – Accom 38.

**APPLICABLE LEGISLATION**

N/A

**POLICY CONSIDERATIONS**

Council Procurement Policy

**CORPORATE & OPERATIONAL PLAN CONSIDERATIONS****RECOMMENDATION**

For Council's Information.

**BACKGROUND**

A request has been received by the tenant at 32 Sams Street, Julie Stewart, requesting an upgrade to the kitchen.

A kitchen upgrade had previously been approved with \$14,000 budgeted for in 2021/2022 budget, however due to staff movements and difficulties in locating a supplier who could perform the upgrade within the required time frame, the kitchen upgrade could not proceed before the end of the 2021/2022 financial year.

It is also my understanding that all improvement works were put on hold early in the 2021/2022 financial year while Council considered the sale of Council Housing as several of the houses identified for upgrades were on the proposed sale list – one of the houses on the proposed sale list was also identified for a kitchen upgrade. The only works completed in the Housing Improvements budgeted program for 2021/2022 were fencing upgrades to five houses.

**Previous Council Resolutions related to this Matter**

Nil

**DISCUSSION**

Due to the current building industry crisis, Council have struggled to find qualified tradespersons to undertake minor building works in the Bulloo area. The building industry crisis has also

impacted the time required and the costs associated with undertaking these types of minor building works.

As the allocated funds were not rolled over to the 2022/2023 financial year, there is no current allocation for works to proceed.

Infrastructure will consider this request along with all other housing maintenance required for during Council's budget review process.

#### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The 2021/2022 budget allocation was \$14,000. Due to the current building industry crisis, it is anticipated that a similar kitchen upgrade would now cost considerably more.

#### **STRATEGIC/OPERATIONAL RISK**

#### **CRITICAL DATES**

#### **CONSULTATION**

Julie Stewart  
32 Sams Street  
Thargomindah QLD 4492

7 October 2022

Dear Mayor & Councilors

Firstly, I would like to thank Council for our new colour bond fence & fresh new paint that was approved in 21/22 budget.

I was told last year by the Infrastructure Department that 32 Sams St would be getting renovations to our kitchen, unfortunately that did not happen. I understand due to people going on Maternity Leave and Managers leaving that this might have been overlooked, but it is upsetting that it didn't get included in the 22/23 budget.

Bulloo Shire Council 2021-22 Budget

#### Capital Works Program 2021-2022

Particulars	Asset Function	Manager	GL Number	Asset Class	Capital Expenditure Budget	Capital External Revenue	Council Funding Portion	Comments
<b>Various Capital Items</b>								
Skillion roof over 20m shipping container	New	Donna	1789-4000	01	15,000		15,000	Container used for bait storage
Town Common Fence	Renewal	Donna	1789-4000	01	20,000	(20,000)		W424
Norcombe Sport Facilities	New		1789-4000	01	485,000	(485,000)		W424
Thargo Sports Ground Caravan/Bar and Storage Facility (5 beds)	New		1789-4000	01	245,100	(245,000)	100	W424
Mungahford Hse Kitchen Upgrade	New		1789-4000	01	135,000	(135,000)		W424
Various Footpaths Thargomindah	New		1789-4000	01	145,000	(145,000)		W424
SPA Gazing Facility - construction estimate	Yarnie		1789-4000	01	780,000	(574,493)	205,509	Local Roads & Community Infrastructure Program (75/25)
4x2 Bedrooms Units	John		1729-4000	Build	2,000,000		2,000,000	Council approval 20/21, planning in progress
Thargo Roads Grounds - Furniture & trees	New		1789-4000	01	43,265	(33,265)	10,000	Gambling Communities Benefit Fund
PCS Replacement System	Tiffany		1749-4000	Equip	210,000		210,000	
Electronic Signage Card Security	Tiffany		1739-4000	01	50,000		50,000	Admin building & Depot plus 20 padlocks
Weather & Dryer at EOP	Tiffany		1749-4000	Equip	10,000		10,000	
EOP Solar Lights (15)	Tiffany		1739-4000	01	16,500		16,500	
Improvements to 3 River Street (Resolution 2021/72)	New		1729-4000	Build	88,000		88,000	
Improvements to 32 Eades St (Resolution 2021/83)	New		1729-4000	Build	93,000		93,000	
Montique Residence improvements (2x parking, 2x carport, 2x kitchen, 2x bathroom)	New		1729-4000	Build	161,000		161,000	
<b>Total Various Capital Items</b>					<b>6,496,865</b>	<b>(1,637,756)</b>	<b>2,859,109</b>	

Scott and I wrote to Council in September 2019, regarding the installation of a dishwasher, this meant having a dishwasher space installed in our kitchen, as the current layout does not include a dishwasher recess. We had purchased a dishwasher when we were under contract to purchase the house, however it was not installed before the contract was cancelled and the dishwasher is currently sitting in our shed, this was mentioned in the original letter to Council when Scott and I asked Council to consider the installation.

The Infrastructure team had a carpenter from Ago Vires inspect the kitchen to provide an estimate on what it would cost to make room for the dishwasher in the current kitchen layout. I was told for this to happen it would mean the loss of current cupboard space, because they would have to cut cupboards to make it fit and that this would have to be considered in the next year's budget.

In April 2021 a temporary repair was carried out on our pantry cupboard where the backing had come away. Ago Vires advised myself and Council that to fix this properly the pantry would need

to be pulled out, which would require removing cabinetry on either side. I was later advised that a budget request to replace the current kitchen cabinetry had been submitted and approved, which would include a dishwasher recess. However, this did not happen.

The kitchen is the original kitchen when built in 1997 and has had no upgrades.

I would like to ask Council to consider this matter in the next budget review for my kitchen to be upgraded.

Kind Regards

Julie Stewart



**14.16 ROADS MANAGER REPORT**

**File Number:** 138431  
**Author:** Robert Ferguson, Roads Manager  
**Authoriser:** Donna Hobbs, Manager Rural Services  
**Attachments:** Nil

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council receive and note the Roads Manager Report and Workshop report for the month of September 2022.

**ROAD UPDATE**

- Brad Chatfield started the TIDs job on the Quilpie, this has been a real challenge with the continuing rain making it very hard to make much progress. After the last down pour it became a swamp, so on Monday 10.10.22 we pulled the job up and moved the plant and mobile camp onto the Warri Gate Rd to start the Betterment Projects, this should be completed in a few weeks, and hopefully weather permitting we will be able to move back to the Quilpie Rd and finish the TIDs job.
- Clancy and his crew are still on the Hungerford Rd, they are currently between the Karto and Waverley Downs turn offs, they too have been having a battle with the rain we have been getting including the grader getting bogged and trouble getting into watering points with the water truck.
- Mook and crew have been on the Hungerford Rd, what has been done on this road is a major improvement to what it has been, with the table drains now being lifted up it's allowing the water to drain off the roads so much quicker and this is letting the road dry out a lot quicker. Council still have a couple of problem flood ways on this road which I wanted to box out and put in red ridge gravel to make it better to get thought but the ongoing wet weather is making it very hard.
- Nathan has been also working on the Hungerford with Mook, but as from Monday 17.10.22 he will be moving down onto the New Hamilton Gate Rd, working parallel with the dog netting fence. They will be grading this part of the road which is very prone to stopping trucks cars and most people from getting through after rain, so Council will be taking the new excavator down to remove a few trees in the way, then use this machine to dig a borrow pit in a swamp to build up a few low places that hold water and try and make this road better for land holders to be able to get their livestock to market.
- After the new excavator has completed on the New Hamilton Gate Road, we have several major creeks on the Hungerford road that are very badly silted up, so will start a program of cleaning out creeks and culverts within the Shire. Drainage is a very major problem within the Shire Roads network, wherever I travel I see drainage problems with the roads, and this drainage problem has been the cause of most of the damage that we have had to roads. The

rain events that have been happening in past years, drains are either blocked up, or washed away, because they have never been cleaned out or had maintenance done them, DRAINAGE is the life of a road, so we are trying to turn the crews around and get them into the practice of cleaning creeks, culverts and maintain drains.

- Improvements to Paroo River Crossing at Hungerford, this has been stopped by Steven Dart of TMR, what was completed to date, authorised by the former CEO was not compliant/not approved by TMR. This is in a PURPLE WATER WAY, and Council cannot carry out any work what so ever without approval from Department of Resources (DoR), so this was stopped. Management spoke to Steven Dart and he explained what TMR wanted done (remove gravel and restore to original state), so they then asked me to call Steven Dart and talk to him direct, which I did, I explained that if we were to remove the gravel that was put on we would have no seal on the old crossing as it was removed when the stabiliser mulched it up with the new gravel, Steven said he was aware of that but asked if I could remove it without contaminating the Paroo River, then to put a new Bitumen seal on it right away.

Steven Dart said TRM are aware of how isolated Hungerford is during a flood event and that they would work towards putting in a completely new crossing in the new financial year (2023/34), but everything would be done properly with the correct permits from DoR and levels taken with a design done correctly.

Steven Dart also advised that he was aware that the Hungerford-Eulo road was closed a lot during the past year due to some trouble spots on it. He asked if Council would locate these spots for TMR and they would get funding to try and seal them, he did say that the funding for the crossing and these trouble spots would ideally be under the Betterment Schemes.

- The Concrete crew have installed the Stafford Street culverts, they have been back filled and Council are just waiting to see if they are going to subside any, if not we will seal over them.

Council are waiting on TMR to get the new culverts so we are able to replace the old Armco culverts on the Bundeena road that have given away, but due to the big back log on the supply of culverts, which I would say is due to all the flood damage everywhere, and people trying to replace culverts that have been damaged. Council have also made TMR aware of two other sets of culverts that should be replaced on the Bundeena Road, also three sets on the Cunnamulla road, so will also have to wait for these culverts.

The Concrete crew have been to the Warri Gate Camp and put in a slab so as we are able to bolt down our two new generators, we will be going out very soon to install the generators onto the slabs, when this is done.

- Brocky will put a new cover over the generators and Ago Vires will then complete the plumbing and electrical wiring.
- We are still trying to get to Nappa Merrie Camp to complete pot hole patching on the Innamincka road, however due to wet weather, staff going on leave and staff off sick we haven't yet got out there. We are now trying for Tuesday 18 October 2022.

- The Flocon Truck has been working well, the two guys on the machine have been doing a great job and getting through a lot of work.
- Council is waiting on a reply from QRA about what roads we can commence work on under the 2022 submission. I have been asking every time we have a meeting with Cameron Shields from Shepherd Services.

Consultants were here again this week, he said he would try to push them along but could be another two or four weeks, so until we get an answer from QRA I am unable to give you a full works program.

- The Road Manager advised the CEOs that he will stay on until Christmas time and see how things are going at home. If everything is fine at home, he may be able to come back for a few months after Christmas, and help out until Council is able to find a suitable permanent Roads Manager.



**14.17 TOURISM & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT****File Number: 138624****Author: Tamie Warner, Tourism & Economic Development Manager****Authoriser: Donna Hobbs, Manager Rural Services****Attachments: Nil****RECOMMENDATION**

That Council receive and note the Corporate Services report for the month of September 2022.

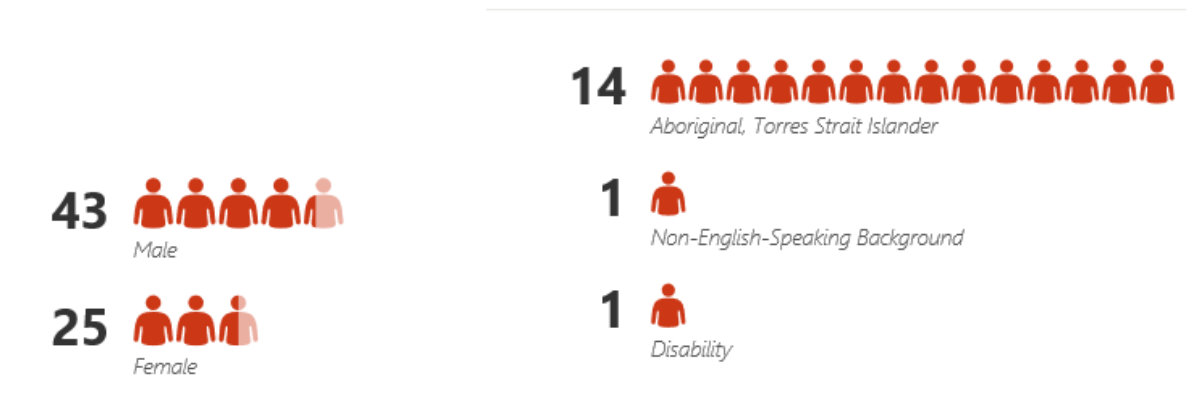
**CORPORATE / HUMAN RESOURCES ORGANISATIONAL ACTIVITY**

- Organised Father's Day Fun Run held on 4<sup>th</sup> September
- Training in Finance & Executive staff
  - Jo Smith – GST
  - Leanne Smith – Assets
  - Deb Souvlis – Cascade
- Received 3 resignations
  - 1 x Concrete Labourer
  - 1 x Infrastructure Labourer
  - Infrastructure Handy Man
- New Employees
  - 0 for September
- Recruitment
  - 0 for September

**HEADCOUNT – September**

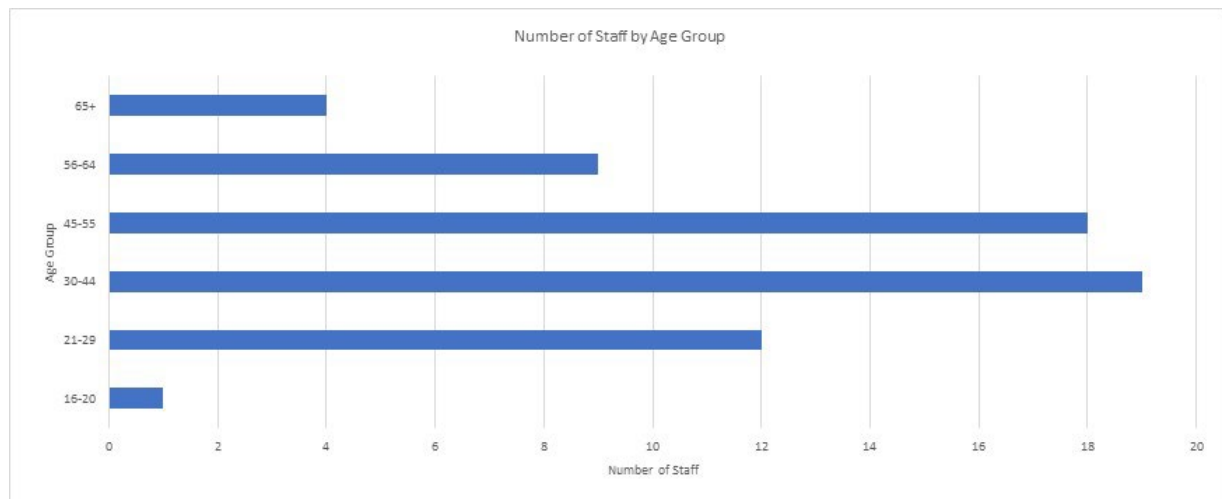
Class	Opening Balance	New Starters	Terminated	Closing Balance
Full Time	65		3	62
Part Time	1			1
Casual	5			5
Fixed Term	0			0
Totals	71			68

**EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**



## DIVERSITY DEMOGRAPHICS

Department	Total	Full Time		Part Time		Casual		Trainee/Apprentice	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
Executive Services	9	2	5			2			
Admin & Finance Services	7	2	5						
Rural Services	2	1	1						
Road Services	35	31	3					1	
Tourism & Economic Development	7	1	5				1		
Infrastructure Services	8	4	2			1	1		
<b>Total</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>



Department	Total	Age Group								
		<20	21-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55+
Executive Services	8			1	1	2		1		3
Admin & Finance	6				1		2			3
Rural Services	2			1	1					
Road Services	30		2	2	3		3	6	5	9
Tourism & Economic Development	7			1	1	2	1	1	1	
Infrastructure Services	12	1			3	3	1		2	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>17</b>

## VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE

### VIC Organisational Activity September 2022

- Attended Zoom Natural Science Loop meeting, very proactive team, working really hard to keep people in our area longer. As a group we discussed where the future of the NSL is heading and how it is that we will continue to grow our social media front along with visitor numbers. We all give an update on our regions and discuss any problems or ideas that we may have on the tourism front.
- Quite a few issues with the Guardian road report system that we use as it was not reflecting correctly to QLD traffic, which we hope will be resolved with some training that we will receive in the near future.
- Visitor numbers have been down for this period due to flood waters however we are continually working on new visitor guides, updating signage, website, Facebook content etc, this is not something that happens overnight and a lot of time, effort and thinking goes into new and fresh ideas.
- The new drone and camera had their maiden run out to The Dig Tree and across the beautiful cooper flood plain when Kitsa and Erin went for a drive on the 6<sup>th</sup> September. Erin had never been west of Thargomindah and familiarization trips are something all staff benefit from. If you haven't been there and had a look for yourself how on earth are you supposed to promote it.

Some beautiful footage was taken with the drone and spectacular photos of all the beautiful flowers. One thing that stood out to the girls about the dig tree was how many people visited in just the short time that they were there.

- Weather conditions caused the Thargomindah Motorbike sports and enduro to be postponed and this is always a drawback for extended night visitors to town therefore lowering our numbers even more.

- Hungerford motorbike and horse sports went ahead and was an absolutely wonderful event, over 230 meals done at the pub on the Friday night, 175 bike nominations and 40 horse nominations on Saturday and 65 bike nominations for Sunday enduro and 250 - 300 attendees in total, this is a fantastic comeback from two years of cancelling due to the bloody COVID effect and rules.
- Visitor numbers of the month of September were still down slightly on last year, with the rain around though this is not surprising to me, our phone calls were again through the roof.  
 Phone calls – 188  
 enquirers – 18  
 Visitors – 644  
 Email

#### **Website Statistics**

Users: 1,120  
 New Users: 1,082  
 Sessions: 1,339  
 Page Views: 2,748

#### **Highest Users**

Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne, Berlin

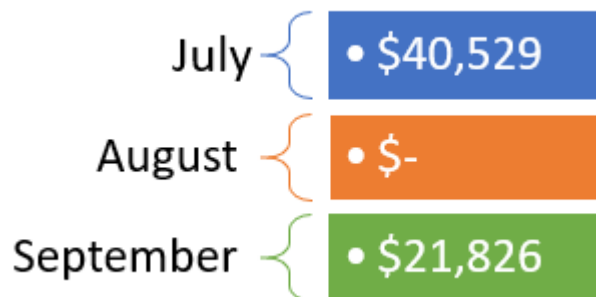
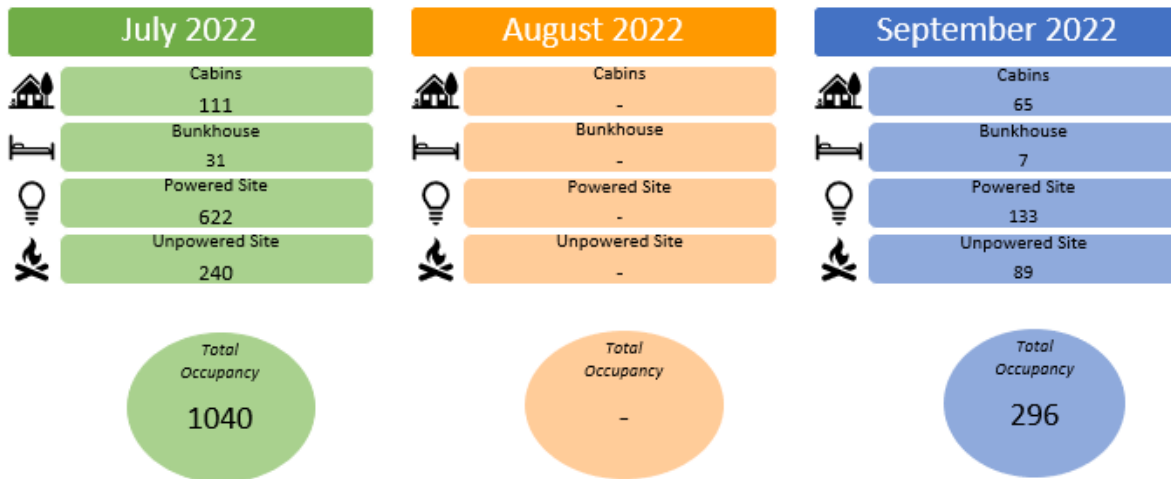
#### **Facebook Statistics – Explore Bulloo**

Followers: 6,624  
 New Page Likes: 76  
 Likes: 9,265  
 New Page Followers: 185  
 Post Reaches: 44,274

#### **Instagram Statistics**

Followers: 1,332

## EXPLORERS CARAVAN PARK



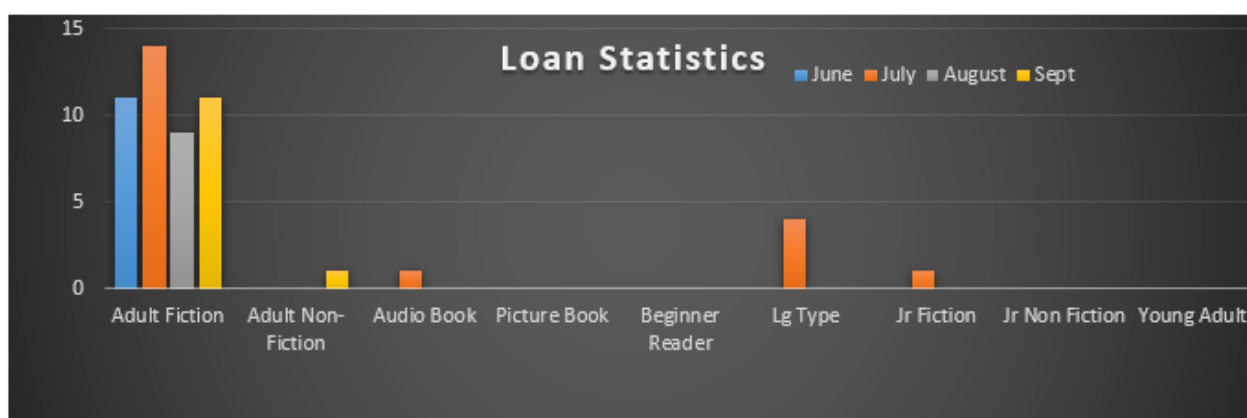
## LIFESTYLE AND RECREATION

### Library, Health and Wellbeing Organisational Activity

- **Holiday program** provided to community over school holidays 16 individual participants, which included locals and tourists, participated in the holiday activities.
- **Lesley Bryce from Bell Cares** will return to Thargomindah to hold another information session with local seniors on Trilogy and Mable assistance on the 17<sup>th</sup> October. A luncheon will be held with local senior and road conditions permitting a trip to meet with Hungerford seniors is also planned during her visit.
- **Healthy Ageing** trips planned for Cunnamulla All Aboard attraction and Eromanga Dinosaur Museum in October, weather and road conditions permitting.
- **Annual Stocktake** will commence on library book in October.
- **Quarterly reports for WQPHN** submitted in October

Activity	Users
<b>Total Library Visits</b>	<b>158</b>
Tourists	39
Local Adults	57
Local Children	46
First 5 Forever	16
InBody Scans	-
<b>WQPHN Activities - Seniors Program</b>	<b>33</b>
Healthy Body-Happy Mind	23
GABBA Massage (55yrs & Over)	10
Healthy Ageing Luncheon/Trip	0
<b>Workshops/Community Events/School Holiday</b>	<b>47</b>
School holiday programs	47
Workshops	0

### Monthly Loans



**14.18 PROJECTS REPORT****File Number:** 138627**Author:** Andrew Gordon-Crothers, Engineer**Authoriser:** Tiffany Dare, Admin & Finance Manager**Attachments:** Nil**Recommendation**

That Council received and noted the Projects Report for September 2022.

**ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Status</b>
Nil		

**MAJOR PROJECTS****Independent Living Units Stage 1**

<b>Project:</b>	<b>Independent Living Units Stage 1</b>
<b>Budget:</b>	\$2,907,488
<b>Description:</b>	Construction of four one-bedroom units, one recreational building and one BBQ
<b>Contractor:</b>	New State Builders
<b>Start Date:</b>	October 2021
<b>Est End Date:</b>	21 June 2022 (Practical completion)
<b>% Complete:</b>	100%
<b>Expenditure to date:</b>	\$ 2,746,678.09 (excl. construction retention money)
<b>Expenditure – Since Last Council Meeting</b>	\$1,685.71
<b>Comments:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Minor defect rectification TBC pending weather.</li></ul>

**Sams St Four Two-bedroom Units**

<b>Project:</b>	<b>Sams St 4*2-bedroom units</b>
<b>Budget:</b>	\$2,000,000
<b>Description:</b>	Construction of four two-bedroom units
<b>Contractor:</b>	Westbuilt Homes
<b>Start Date:</b>	January 2022
<b>Est End Date:</b>	December 2022
<b>% Complete:</b>	95%
<b>Expenditure to date:</b>	\$ 1,755,816.32
<b>Expenditure – Since Last Council Meeting</b>	\$ 116,222.66
<b>Comments:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Colour bond fence currently being installed. Installation schedule pending weather and staff availability.</li> <li>• Driveways, Carports, lawn &amp; irrigation as yet unscheduled pending receipt of quotations.</li> </ul>

**Thargomindah Pool Upgrades**

<b>Project:</b>	<b>Thargomindah Pool Upgrade</b>
<b>Budget:</b>	\$ 350,000
<b>Description:</b>	Works to rectify WHSQ improvement and prohibition notices
<b>Contractor:</b>	Splash King, Practical Engineering Australia
<b>Start Date:</b>	September 2022
<b>Est End Date:</b>	April 2022
<b>% Complete:</b>	29%
<b>Expenditure to date:</b>	\$ 43,792.21
<b>Expenditure – Since Last Council Meeting</b>	\$ 451.38
<b>Comments:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minor works completed to address improvement notices.</li> <li>• Temporary Filtration/ chlorination unit on order from Splash-King. Currently on-track for install by 1 November pending weather.</li> <li>• FEED study underway, expect draft report by mid-November.</li> </ul>

**Noccundra Sports Ground Canteen Upgrade**

<b>Project:</b>	<b>Noccundra Sports Ground Canteen Upgrade</b>
<b>Budget:</b>	\$ 485,000
<b>Description:</b>	Noccundra rodeo ground kitchen and bar upgrade
<b>Contractor:</b>	Bella Manufacturing, Ago Vires
<b>Start Date:</b>	October 2021
<b>Est End Date:</b>	April 2023
<b>% Complete:</b>	29%



<b>Expenditure to date:</b>	\$ 133,301.06
<b>Expenditure – Since Last Council Meeting</b>	\$ 282.15
<b>Comments:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ago Vires has completed in-ground and associated works.</li><li>• Kitchen container building est. delivery 30/5/2023.</li></ul>

### Hungerford Hall Kitchen Upgrade

<b>Project:</b>	<b>Hungerford Hall Kitchen Upgrade</b>
<b>Budget:</b>	\$ 135,000
<b>Description:</b>	Upgrade of Hungerford Hall Kitchen
<b>Contractor:</b>	Ago Vires
<b>Start Date:</b>	October 2021
<b>Est End Date:</b>	October 2022
<b>% Complete:</b>	100%
<b>Expenditure to date:</b>	\$ 94,565.24
<b>Expenditure – Since Last Council Meeting</b>	\$ 56.21
<b>Comments:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Fridge and Freezer delivered to Thargomindah depot. To be installed on next trip to Hungerford.</li></ul>

**15      LATE ITEMS**

## **16 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS**

### **CLOSURE OF MEETING**

### **RECOMMENDATION**

THAT pursuant to Section 275 (1) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the meeting be closed to the public at [enter time] to discuss the confidential matters listed below:

#### **16.1 Wongkumara People (QUD851/2018) and Yandruwandha Yawarrawarrka People (QUD133/2021) Claims**

This matter is considered to be confidential pursuant to Section 254J(3)(1) (e) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* as it deals with legal advice obtained by the local government or legal proceedings involving the local government including, for example, legal proceedings that may be taken by or against the local government.

#### **To be discussed:**

< As required by s.254J(5)(b), provide an overview of what is to be discussed in confidential session. Note that this overview will appear in the Public Minutes of the meeting. >

#### **16.2 Lot 510 on CP T1911 - 17 Sams St & 17B Fitzwalter St, Thargomindah**

This matter is considered to be confidential pursuant to Section 254J(3)(1) (e) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* as it deals with legal advice obtained by the local government or legal proceedings involving the local government including, for example, legal proceedings that may be taken by or against the local government.

#### **To be discussed:**

To discuss legal advice for Lot 510 CP T1911

**17      NEXT MEETING**

**18      CLOSURE**