

**Minutes of the Meeting of GOLDENFIELDS WATER COUNTY COUNCIL held at
TEMORA OFFICE on 22 December 2016**

The meeting commenced at 10.02am.

PRESENT

Chairperson C Manchester, Cr B Callow, Cr D McCann, Cr L McGlynn, Cr K Morris,
Deputy Chairperson D Palmer, Cr G Sinclair, Administrator W Tuckerman.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Mr P Rudd (General Manager), Mr G Veneris (Production & Services Manager and
Acting Corporate Services Manager), Mr T Goodyer (Operations Manager), Mrs A
Coleman (Executive Assistant), Miss S McMahon (Administration Trainee)

1. APOLOGIES

Nil

2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Nil

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETINGS HELD ON 27 OCTOBER 2016

16/127 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Morris and McCann that the minutes of the meetings
held on 27 October 2016 having been circulated and read by members be confirmed.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Nil

5. PUBLIC ACCESS

Nil

6. NOTICES OF MOTION / RESCISSION MOTIONS

Nil

7. ADMISSION OF LATE REPORTS

Nil

8. CHAIRPERSON'S MINUTE

Nil

9. GENERAL MANAGERS REPORTS

9.1 ANNUAL REPORT (G05701005)

16/128 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Callow and Sinclair that Councils 2015/16 Annual Report be received and noted.

Report prepared by General Manager

BACKGROUND

Section 428 of the Local Government Act 1993, requires Council to prepare an Annual Report.

REPORT

Councils 2015/16 Annual Report has been included as a tabled item.

Attachments: Nil

Tabled Items: Annual Report 2015/16

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation made was adopted.

9.2 BUSINESS PAPER AGENDA CHANGE (G40203005)

16/129 RESOLVED on the motion of Deputy Chairperson Palmer and Cr Sinclair that Council adopt the proposed order of business.

Report prepared by General Manager

BACKGROUND

Section 239 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005, requires Council to resolve any changes to the general order of business.

REPORT

The current business paper order of business has had very little change since the inception of Goldenfields Water (GWCC), changes are required to reflect the current structure and the introduction of the monthly newsletter. The existing order of business consisted of:

1. Apologies
2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interests
3. Confirmation of Minutes
4. Business Arising from Minutes
5. Public Access
6. Notices of Motion / Rescission Motions
7. Admission of Late Reports

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8. Chairman's Minute
9. General Manager's Reports (incorporating)
 - 9.1. Financial Reports
 - 9.2. Works Reports
 - 9.3. Other Reports
10. Questions and Statements
11. Closed Session

The proposed order of business consists of:

1. Leave of Absence / Apologies
2. Acknowledgement of Country
3. Presentations
4. Declaration of Pecuniary Interests
5. Declaration of Non-Pecuniary Interests
6. Confirmation of Minutes
7. Business Arising from Minutes
8. Admission of Late Reports
9. Matters of Urgency
10. Notices of Motion / Rescission Motions
11. Chairperson Minute
12. Public Participation – Confidential Session
13. Matters to be submitted to Closed Meeting – Confidential
 - 13.1. Matters submitted by Corporate Services Manager
 - 13.2. Matters submitted by Operations Manager
 - 13.3. Matters submitted by Production and Services Manager
 - 13.4. Matters submitted by the General Manager
14. Matters to be submitted to open council
 - 14.1. Matters submitted by Corporate Services Manager
 - 14.2. Matters submitted by Operations Manager
 - 14.3. Matters submitted by Production and Services Manager
 - 14.4. Matters submitted by the General Manager
15. Questions and Statements
16. Close of Business

Attachments: Nil

Tabled Items: Nil

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation made was adopted.

9.3 GIFTS AND RECOGNITION POLICY (G40350505)

16/130 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McCann and Callow that Council adopts the Gifts and Recognition Policy.

Report prepared by HR Coordinator

BACKGROUND

It is acknowledged that formal reward and recognition for deserving employees in the workplace is proven as a critical element to driving employee engagement, a positive workplace culture, reducing turnover and ensuring that Goldenfields Water County Council (Council) is reputed as an employer of choice within our community.

REPORT

The Gifts & Recognition Policy has been developed to ensure clear parameters around formally recognising employees who have contributed extensive lengths of service; formally rewarding work teams and individual employees who perform exceptionally; and the provision of gifts to staff when departing the organisation. This Policy is intended to supersede CP032 Gifts for Departing Employees Policy.

Attachments:

PP012 Gifts and Recognition Policy

PP012 Gifts and Recognition Policy Appendix A

Tabled Items: Nil

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation made was adopted.

9.4 GIFTS AND BENEFITS POLICY (G40350505)

16/131 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Sinclair and McGlynn that Council adopt the Gifts and Benefits Policy.

Report prepared by HR Coordinator

BACKGROUND

The Gifts and Benefits Policy has been developed to ensure Goldenfields Water County Council (Council) Officials are aware of best practice in relation to the offerings and acceptance of gifts and benefits as a result of Council business.

REPORT

Given the potential for acceptance of gifts and benefits to be misinterpreted and to cause reputational damage to Council and Council Officials involved, the development of this Policy is necessary to ensure that Council Officials conduct themselves in accordance with clear, transparent and appropriate guidelines.

The document reflects best practice as set out by the Independent Commission against Corruption and the Office of Local Government's Model Code of Conduct for Local Councils in NSW.

Attachments:

PP010 Gifts and Benefits Policy
PP010 Gifts and Benefits Policy Appendix A

Tabled Items: Nil

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation made was adopted.

9.5 PECUNIARY INTEREST RETURNS (G40203005)

16/132 RESOLVED on the motion of Deputy Chairperson Palmer and Administrator Tuckerman that Council note the tabling of the Pecuniary Interest Returns.

Report prepared by General Manager

BACKGROUND

Under section 450A of the Local Government Act 1993 and the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005, councillors and designated persons (staff) must provide a declaration of pecuniary interest as contained in the prescribed form.

REPORT

Declaration of Pecuniary interest returns must be completed and lodged with the General Manager within three (3) months after becoming a councillor or designated person, or alternatively a councillor or designated person holding that position at 30 June is required to lodge their pecuniary interest return with the General Manager by 30 September each year.

Returns must be tabled at the first meeting held after the required lodgement date.

Attachments: Nil

Tabled Items: Pecuniary Interest Returns – Cr McGlynn, Cr Sinclair, Cr Callow, Mr G Veneris, Mr M Brady.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation made was adopted.

9.6 COOTAMUNDRA DEPOT (G10053005)

16/133 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Callow and McCann that Council authorise the Chairperson and the General Manager to purchase a suitable property for a replacement depot.

Report prepared by General Manager

BACKGROUND

Council resolved at the 27th October 2016 meeting for the General Manager to renegotiate the disposal of the Cootamundra Depot.

REPORT

A revised contract of sale was sent to Cootamundra – Gundagai Regional Council (CGRC), which was endorsed at the 12th December 2016 meeting. The contract of sale between Goldenfields Water and CGRC has a settlement period of six (6) months.

GWCC is seeking suitable properties within the area for the new depot, due to the constraints of the settlement period and frequency of GWCC Council meetings, it is recommended that Council authorise the Chairperson and General Manager to purchase a suitable property within the area to avoid delays in vacating the existing depot.

Attachments: Nil

Tabled Items: Nil

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The sale of the existing depot will offset all costs associated with purchasing and configuring the new works depot.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation made was adopted.

10. CORPORATE SERVICES MANAGER REPORTS

10.1 COUNCIL INVESTMENTS (G35507005)

16/134 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr McGlynn and Administrator Tuckerman that the report detailing Council Investments at 30 November 2016 be received and noted.

Report prepared by Accountant

BACKGROUND

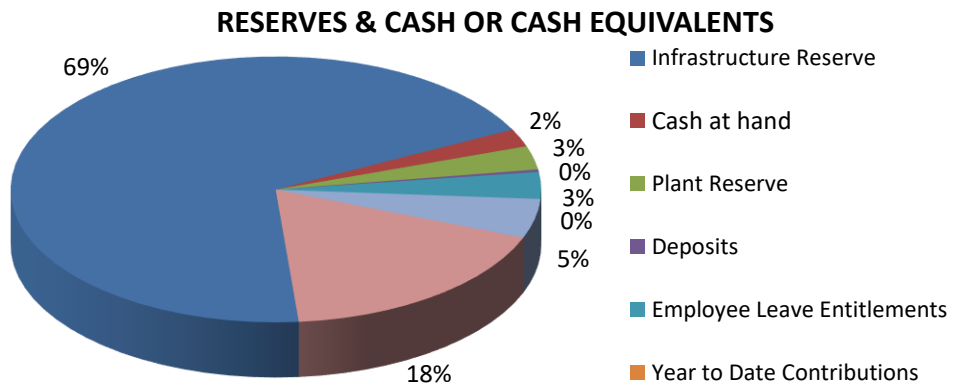
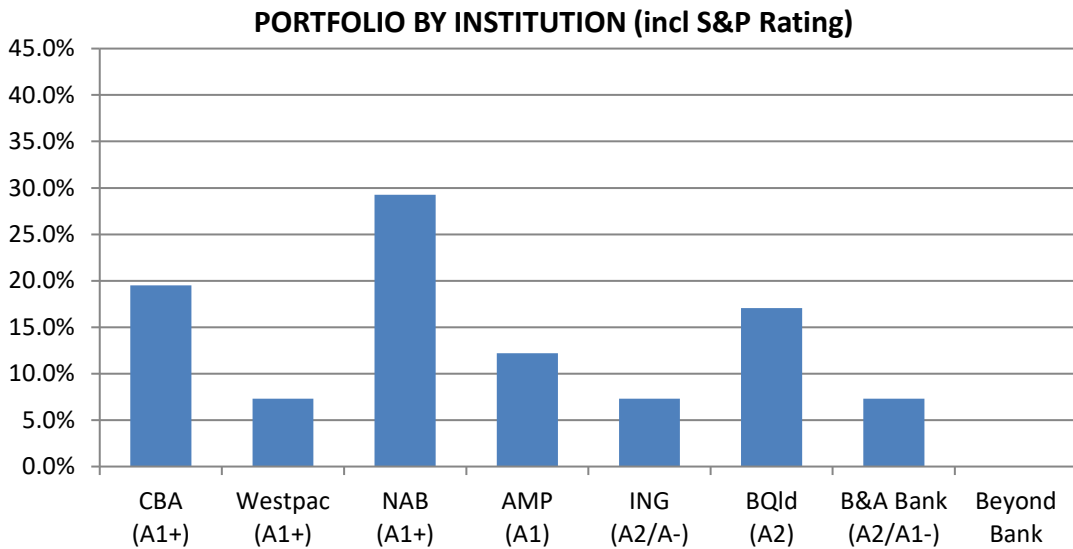
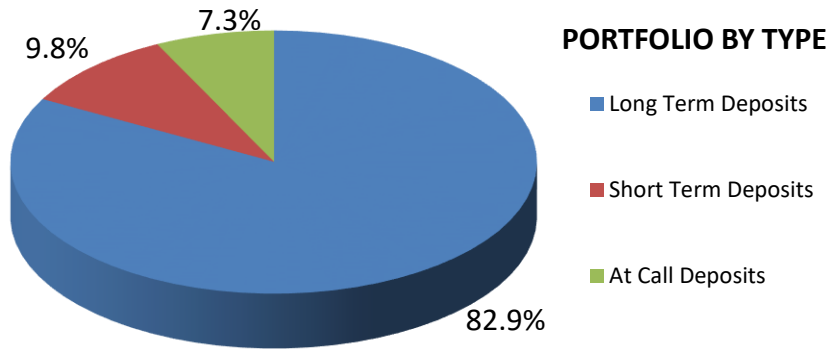
A report on Council's Investments is required to be presented for Council's consideration In accordance with clause 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005. Council's Investment Policy PP-004 - Reporting and Reviewing Investments requires the provision of a report detailing the investment portfolio in terms of performance, percentage exposure of total portfolio, maturity date and market value.

REPORT

The following details Council Investments as at 30 November 2016:

	Market Value (\$)	Term (days)	Rate	Maturity Date	% of Portfolio
Long Term Deposits	34,000,000.00				82.9%
National Australia Bank	3,000,000.00	1,096	3.73%	05/11/17	7.3%
Bank of Queensland	3,000,000.00	1,098	3.60%	05/12/17	7.3%
National Australia Bank	3,000,000.00	1,097	3.70%	04/12/17	7.3%
AMP	3,000,000.00	1,097	3.40%	19/12/17	7.3%
National Australia Bank	3,000,000.00	1,097	3.57%	08/01/18	7.3%
National Australia Bank	3,000,000.00	1,096	3.36%	12/02/18	7.3%
Commonwealth Bank	3,000,000.00	1,097	3.11%	17/03/18	7.3%
Commonwealth Bank	3,000,000.00	1,096	3.06%	20/04/18	7.3%
Westpac Banking Corporation	3,000,000.00	1,096	3.04%	25/06/18	7.3%
Bank of Queensland	3,000,000.00	1,098	3.00%	29/10/18	7.3%
ING Direct	3,000,000.00	1,098	3.18%	18/03/19	7.3%
Bendigo & Adelaide Bank	1,000,000.00	548	3.00%	1/12/17	2.4%
Short Term Deposits	4,000,000.00				9.8%
Bendigo & Adelaide Bank	1,000,000.00	365	2.97%	31/05/17	2.4%
Bank of Queensland	1,000,000.00	365	2.85%	31/05/17	2.4%
AMP Bank	1,000,000.00	181	3.00%	15/06/17	2.4%
Bendigo & Adelaide Bank	1,000,000.00	365	2.67%	10/08/17	2.4%
At Call Deposits	3,000,210.00				7.3%
Commonwealth Bank At Call A/c	2,000,000.00	At Call	1.70%	N/A	4.9%
AMP Bank At Call A/c	1,000,210.00	At Call	2.55%	N/A	2.4%
Total Value of Investment Funds	41,000,210.00				100.0%

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**Movements within Bank account for
the reporting period (\$)**

Cash Book balance as at 28 September 2016	\$230,542.65
Plus Deposits	
October	\$1,815,475.84
November	\$3,491,670.18
Less Payments	
October	-\$1,566,048.43
November	-\$3,008,112.83
 Cash Book balance as at 30 November 2016	 \$963,527.41
Less Outstanding Deposits	-\$15,464.77
Plus Unpresented Cheques	\$15,632.35
 Bank balance as at 30 September 2016	 \$963,694.99

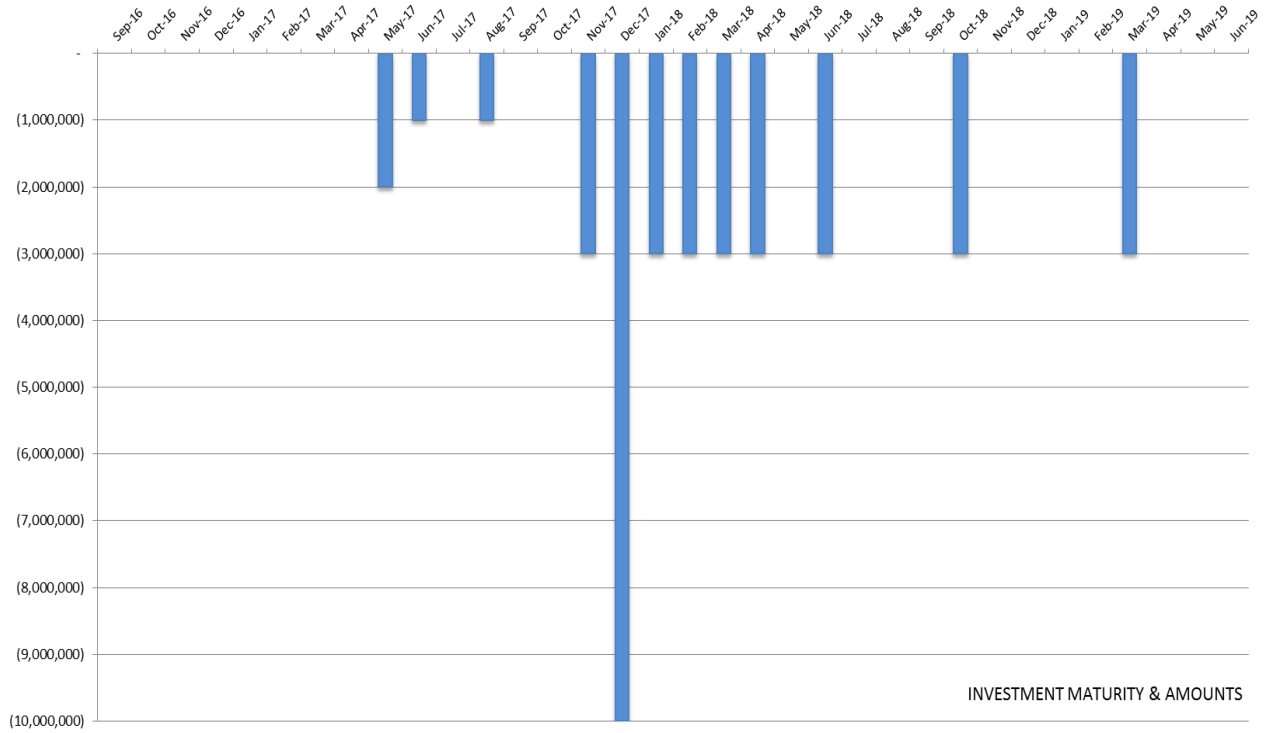
It is hereby certified that the above investments have been secured in accordance with:

- Local Government Act, 1993;
- Local Government (General) Regulation, 2005;
- Investment Order - dated 12 January 2011; and
- Council's Investment Policy PP-004 (adopted 23/6/2016).

Councillors will be aware of Council's Restricted Assets, which will now form part of the report.

The following table sets out GWCC's investment maturity timetable

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Attachments: Nil

Tabled Items: Nil

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Nil

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation made was adopted.

10.2 OUTSTANDING WATER DEBTORS (G35307005)

16/135 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McCann and McGlynn that the report detailing Councils outstanding water debtors at at 5 December 2016 be received and noted.

Report prepared by Administration Coordinator

BACKGROUND

Presented to provide an overview of Council’s outstanding debtors.

REPORT

This report is presented for information on Council’s outstanding water debtors as at 5 December 2016:

\$'s	Arrears	Interest	Current	Total
Access Charges	\$195,696.42	\$27,077.31	\$224,344.87	\$447,118.60
Consumption Charges	\$437,268.08	\$59,396.36	\$460,739.54	\$957,403.98
Deferred Developer Charges	\$15,842.00	\$0.00	\$452,895.00	\$468,737.00
Sub-Totals	\$648,806.50	\$86,473.67	\$1,137,979.41	\$1,873,259.58
Less Overpayments Received				-\$235,583.79
Total Outstanding				\$1,637,675.79
				Less Bulk Council Accounts Outstanding
				-\$276,099.40
				Less Developer Chg Accounts Outstanding
				-\$468,737.00
Total Outstanding from Retail Customers				\$892,839.39

Pending notices for Fitting of Flow Restrictors or Temporary Disconnection were issued to 18 premises in Junee and Temora on 8 December 2016.

The Reminder Notices for the July to September quarterly water accounts numbering 1,718 were issued on 9 December 2016.

Attachments: Nil

Tabled Items: Nil

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council’s financial position.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation made was adopted.

10.3 WATER PRODUCTION UPDATE (G95809505)

16/136 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Callow and Sinclair that the reports detailing Council's water production status be received and noted.

Report prepared by Administration Coordinator

BACKGROUND

Current and historical water production information from Council's water sources.

REPORT

Overall production continued to be well down in October and November when compared to the 2015-2015 and the 2014-2015 years.

The attached graphs shows Jugiong's year to date production, to 24 November of 1,148 MI which is 16.5% or 227MI for the same period. Oura's year to date production to 24 November of 1,161 MI is 13.3% or 179 MI below 2015/16 for the same period. Minor sources of Mt Arthur and Hyland's Bridge are also showing modest reductions compared to 2015/16.

An additional comparative has been added to the graphs showing the 2010-2011 year which was the last very wet year.

Attachments: Water production Graphs for Jugiong, Oura, Mt Arthur, Hylands Bridge.

Table Items: Nil

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation made was adopted.

10.4 CAPITAL WORKS PROGRESS REPORT (G35201005)

16/137 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McGlynn and Deputy Chairperson Palmer that the report detailing Council's Capital Works Program as at 30 November 2016 be received and noted.

Report prepared by Administration Coordinator

BACKGROUND

Capital Works represents an important part of Council's activities and expenditure. This report give progress year to date on the Prograded and Emergent Capital Works. Water Mains represent a significant part of the annual program and are also reported in more detail.

REPORT

This report is presented for information on the progress of Council's Capital Works Program as at 30 November 2016:

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Description	2016/17 Estimate	Costing to 30/11/2016
Total New -Future Projects Investigations	\$ 50,000	\$ -
Total New -Water Mains-Developers	\$ 40,000	\$ 26,459
Total New -Water Mains	\$ 120,000	\$ 32,963
Total New System Assets-Reservoirs	\$ -	\$ -
Total New System Assets-Pumping Stations	\$ 592,000	\$ -
Total New System Assets-Treatment	\$ 33,700	\$ 91,381
Total New System Assets-Bores	\$ 400,000	\$ 252,414
Total New System Assets-Services-Meters	\$ 125,000	\$ 24,002
Total New System Assets-Backflow	\$ -	\$ 7,287
Total New Plant & Equipment	\$ 125,000	\$ 31,530
Total New Intangibles	\$ -	\$ -
Total New Assets-Buildings	\$ -	\$ -
Capital New Asset Buildings-Temora Workshop	\$ 168,800	\$ 281,080
Total New Capital	\$1,604,500	\$ 747,116
Total New System Assets-Mandamah Stage 1	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 127,976
Total New Capital (incl Mandamah)	\$ 3,604,500	\$ 875,092
Total Renewals Mains	\$ 1,344,200	\$ 64,524
Total Renewals Reservoirs	\$ 917,100	\$ -
Total Renewals Pump Stations	\$ 2,151,000	\$ 78,159
Total Renewals Treatment	\$ -	\$ 9,084
Total Renewals Bores	\$ 80,000	\$ 153,244
Total Renewals Services Meters-Taggles	\$ 145,000	\$ 25,782
Total Renewals Plant and Equipment	\$ 336,700	\$ 108,566
Total Renewals-Buildings	\$ 224,600	\$ 31,271
Total Capital Renewals	\$ 5,198,600	\$ 470,630
Total Plant Purchases	\$ 650,000	\$ 707,936
Total Plant Sales	-\$ 580,000	-\$ 39,356
Total Plant Purchased & Sold	\$ 70,000	\$ 668,580
Grand Total	\$ 8,873,100	\$ 2,014,302

The following table shows Water Mains to 30 November 2016.

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Description	2016/17 Estimate	Costing to 30/11/2016
New System Assets-Mains Developer Paid		
Mains Temora- Gallopli & James Streets	\$ -	\$ 22,452
Mains Aria Park-Mary Gilmore Way	\$ -	\$ 696
Mains West Wyalong Evans St	\$ -	\$ 198
Mains Temora Tewkesbury	\$ -	\$ 547
Mains Coolamon-Wallace St	\$ -	\$ 2,564
Water Mains-Developers	\$ 40,000	\$ 26,457
New System Assets-Mains		
Easement Compensation	\$ 20,000	\$ 1,315
Total New Mains To be Determined	\$ 100,000	\$ -
Aria Park Fill Station Aria Park	\$ -	\$ 9,414
Aria Park Mains Extension to relocate Fill station	\$ -	\$ 22,110
Total New -Water Mains	\$ 120,000	\$ 32,839
Capital Renewals-Mains		
Total Renewals- To be Determined	\$ 800,000	\$ -
Total-Jugiong Rosehill	\$ -	\$ 160
Total Cootamundra-Temora Road	\$ 60,500	\$ -
Total Weethalle Fishers Lane	\$ 483,700	\$ 10,253
Total West Wyalong Stadium Main	\$ -	\$ 11,786
Total Wyalong-Showground Road RMS Stage 2	\$ -	\$ 6,049
Total Wyalong-Showground Road RMS Stage 3	\$ -	\$ 30,624
Total Wyalong-Showground Road RMS Stage 4	\$ -	\$ 5,652
Total Renewals Water Mains	\$ 1,344,200	\$ 64,524

Attachments: Nil

Table Items: Nil

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation made was adopted.

10.5 NEW WATER SERVICE CONNECTIONS (G95151005)

16/138 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McCann and Sinclair that the report detailing new water service connections be received and noted.

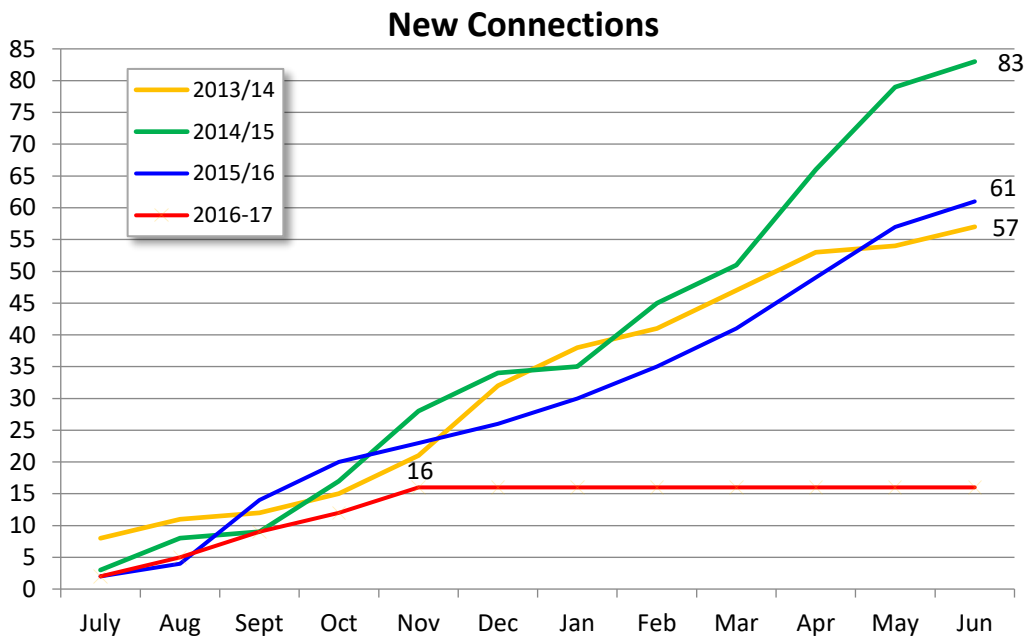
Report prepared by Administration Coordinator

BACKGROUND

The number of new connections for the current year provides a comparison of development and new business.

REPORT

The following graph shows the number of new connections to 30 November 2016 compared to the past three years.



There are a further 1 new connection work order pending, 11 letters of offer are valid with 1 under investigation. Two sub divisions are also being investigated.

Attachments: Nil

Tabled Items: Nil

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council’s financial position.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation made was adopted.

10.6 RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES POLICY (G40350505)

16/139 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Callow and Morris that Council adopts the Related Party Disclosures Policy.

Report prepared by Accountant

BACKGROUND

The Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) has determined that, from 1 July 2016, AASB 124 Related Party Disclosures will apply to government entities, including local governments.

In the annual financial statements for 2016-17, councils must disclose related party relationships, transactions and outstanding balances, including commitments.

REPORT

The policy is to provide guidance for determining who the related parties of Council are, what equates to related party transactions and how to record them.

Attachments:

PP011 Related Party Disclosures Policy.

PP011 Related Party Disclosures Policy Attachment.

Tabled Items: Nil

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation made was adopted.

11. OPERATIONS MANAGER REPORTS

11.1 WORKS REPORTS OCTOBER 2016 / NOVEMBER 2016 (G95507005)

16/140 RESOLVED on the motion of Deputy Chairperson Palmer and Administrator Tuckerman that the report be received and noted by Council.

Report prepared by Operations Manager

BACKGROUND

The following report outlines pipeline repairs within Goldenfield's system and occurrences of water quality calls. This data is used to make strategic decisions on asset condition, prioritise replacement and to account for water losses.

REPORT

Pipeline Repairs

NUMBER	DATE	TIME		LOCATION	PIPE DIAMETER	REASON
		Off	On			
41.	6/10	13:50	16:50	Sharpe Street, Temora	100	Hole
42.	6/10	15:00	16:00	Olympic Hwy, Junee	80	Longitudinal Break
43.	7/10	13:00	16:50	Youngs Lane, Weethalle	80	Longitudinal Break
44.	10/10	7:00	10:00	Bussenschutts Lane, Coolamon	50	Longitudinal Break
45.	10/10	13:00	18:00	Waterview Street, Ganmain	200	Hole
46.	15/10	14:00	18:00	Jansens Lane, Weethalle	80	Longitudinal Break
47.	17/10	13:00	18:00	Bootoowa Road, Naradhan	80	Hole
48.	25/10	6:00	10:00	Burley Griffin Way, Harden	325	Joint Failure
49.	25/10	11:00	15:30	Mid Western Hwy, Weethalle	150	Longitudinal Break
50.	25/10	14:00	19:00	Cartwrights Hill, Temora	50	Longitudinal Break
51.	27/10	12:00	16:00	Wantiool Road, Junee	40	Longitudinal Break
52.	31/10	9:30	16:00	Camp Street, Temora	100	Joint Failure
53.	1/11	10:00	12:00	Webb Street, Marrar	100	Circumferential Break

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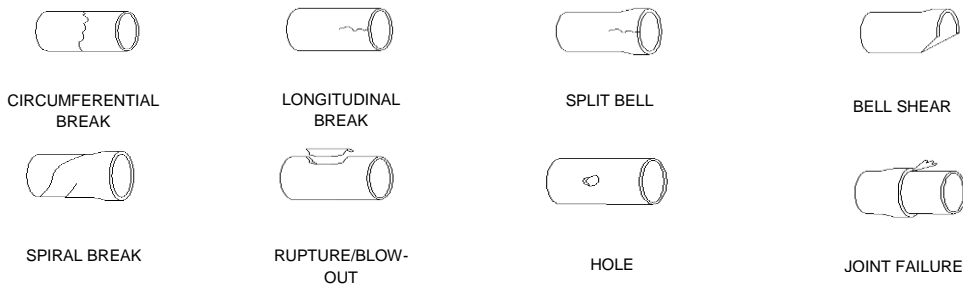
NUMBER	DATE	TIME		LOCATION	PIPE DIAMETER	REASON
		Off	On			
54.	2/11	11:30	16:00	Oakenfalls Lane, Weethalle	200	Hole
55.	3/11	10:30	14:30	Malones Lane, Weethalle	80	Longitudinal Break
56.	3/11	11:00	12:00	Old Cootamundra Road, Cootamundra	100	Longitudinal Break
57.	3/11	21:00	23:00	Blackgate Road, Cootamundra	10 0	Longitudinal Break
58.	4/11	16:00	18:30	Bussenschutts Lane, Coolamon	50	Hole
59.	7/11	11:30	13:30	Holts Lane, Naradhan	80	Longitudinal Break
60.	7/11	13:00	15:00	Marrar Road, Junee	50	Longitudinal Break
61.	8/11	9:00	11:30	Hornsby Street, Coolamon	150	Hole
62.	8/11	13:00	14:00	Talbingo Lane, Junee	200	Longitudinal Break
63.	8/11	13:00	16:00	Hornsby Street, Coolamon	150	Hole
64.	10/11	9:00	10:00	Prudence Street, Jugiong	50	Joint Failure
65.	14/11	10:30	17:00	Bygoo Road, Ardlethan	80	-
66.	15/11	11:30	13:00	Martin Lane, Barellan	65	Longitudinal Break
67.	15/11	12:30	14:30	Junee Road, Temora	100	Circumferential Break
68.	15/11	13:00	14:00	Roedigers Lane, Junee	200	Longitudinal Break
69.	18/11	3:30	11:50	Thanowring Road, Temora	250	Split Bell
70.	19/11	7:30	12:30	Bruce Street, Coolamon	200	Hole
71.	19/11	15:30	17:30	Goldfields Way, Temora	50	Longitudinal Break
72.	22/11	9:00	14:00	Hodges Road, Marrar	100	Circumferential Break
73.	22/11	10:00	11:00	Martin Street, Stockinbingal	10 0	Circumferential Break
74.	25/11	7:00	11:30	Ethel Street, Ungarie	100	Hole

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		Off	On			
75.	25/11	8:00	11:00	Burley Griffin Way, Harden	32 5	Hole
76.	25/11	11:30	14:30	Cowabbie Street, Coolamon	100	Circumferential Break
77.	29/11	9:30	15:00	Clarkes Road, Binya	80	Circumferential Break



Construction and Major Works

- Replaced all Scour Valves and Air Valves on Oura Bore 2 supply pipeline
- Swabbed Junee Reticulation
- Matong Bore Hut re building maintenance
- Talbingo Lane Pump station re building maintenance
- Oura Bores 3, 4 and 6 access road upgrade
- Service locations re RMS planned road works
- Oura Bore 2A – Pipework completed
- Aria Park – Installation of bulk water re-fill station completed
- Fishers Lane under-bore completed in readiness for the remaining 12 kilometres of pipeline installation
- Mains upgrade completed at Ungarie – 60 metres
- Temora balance tank inspected and cleaned by dedicated dive team
- Aria Park terminal storage inspected and cleaned by dedicated dive team
- West Wyalong – Hydrant and Valve maintenance program
- Wyalong balance tank inspected and cleaned by Council staff and Engineers in preparation for major works in 2017
- Swab Trunk Main from Junee to Temora
- Flushed Trunk Main from Temora to Wyalong
- Naradhan reservoir cleaned and inspected by dedicated dive team
- Collins Lane reservoir inspected and cleaned by dedicated dive team
- Maintenance all rural valves – Junee to Junee reefs trunk main
- High lift pumps started at Jugiong and as a consequence trunk main from Jugiong to Cowangs reservoirs was flushed
- New P.R.V installed on rural services - Cowangs to Bouloora

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- Flush Matong bore water supply pipeline between Bore 1 and Bore 2
- Flushed Coolamon, Matong and Grong Grong reticulation due to the arrival of warmer weather
- Valve maintenance to all valves in Matong and Grong Grong supply area after recent heavy rains and flooding –Vacuumed and inspected
- Attend to meter rereads in Both Northern and Southern areas
- Valves cleaned Old Junee – Vacuumed and inspected
- Installation of new 200mm Stop Valve for easier operations at Junee Silos
- Installation of pipeline markers on trial area in Junee supply area to assist Operators
- Weed control (where time permitted) on all GWCC assets within the Northern and Southern areas
- Weekly pump checks for prevention monitoring and abnormalities across the Scheme
- Binya Hill Reservoir servicing and repairs to LCV and PRV
- Bird proofing and repairs to reservoir roofs in Daylight Scheme
- Replaced fatigued flex joints in Daylight Scheme
- Fabrication of new doors for the new Oura No2 Bore electrical room has been completed and ready to be installed. New Submersible with packer will be ready to install within the month and the completion of the new bore is expected to be completed by February/March 2017 subject to electrical requirements
- Oura No 6 Bore back in operation and being monitored
- Matong No 1 Bore removed for investigation into earth fault
- Thanowring Road test run and back in operation
- Jugiong WTP - air compressor overhauled and reinstalled. Oil changes done on all gear boxes and metering pumps. Sludge valve repairs, new shafts plus spares manufactured on new cnc lathe as replacement parts are unavailable from supplier
- Jugiong No1 pump station No2 motor - This motor is being taken away for repair by an external servicing specialist on 11th of October. It is expected to be completed and returned for reinstall in around two months' time
- Oura pump station summer maintenance, change all lubricants and align pumps
- Repairs undertaken on workshop trailer
- Rosehill No1 pump reinstalled and commissioned after overhaul
- Jugiong WTP fluoride pump overhauled, reinstalled and recommissioned
- Oura pump station summer maintenance, change all lubricants and align pumps
- Temora repairs undertaken on workshop trailer
- Jugiong WTP sludge valve repairs, new shafts plus spares manufactured on new cnc lathe as replacement parts are unavailable from supplier
- Junee balance tank welded rust pitting in no2 reservoir floor and repaired paintwork
- Temora install display pump in front of workshop
- Turners Lane Demondrille repairs to chlorine racks
- Temora workshop racks and shelving fabricated
- Young Emergency repair to steel main along young offtake
- Temora first aid training, low voltage rescue training and confined spaces training has been undertaken

Attachments:

- Bi-Monthly Burst Map
- 12 Month Burst Map
- Water Quality Call Map

Tabled Items: Nil

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation made was adopted.

12. PRODUCTION AND SERVICES MANAGER REPORTS

12.1 GWCC500 WILDLIFE CORRIDOR REPORT (G30608005)

16/141 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Callow and McGlynn that Council:

- a) Note the information provided within the report.
- b) Accept the updated projected timelines and budgets as advised by Local Land Services.

Report prepared by Production & Services Manager

BACKGROUND

This report is to provide an update on the GWCC500 project and its associated delivery program.

REPORT

The GWCC project has been undertaken in a number of stages to align with funding application requirements. The grant funds received were for the Environmental Trust Restoration & Rehabilitation Grant and the Environmental Trust Education Grant.

The original intention/purpose of the project was to:

- Environmental offsets for damage done whilst laying pipelines.
- May establish linkages between environmental 'islands' in the landscape
- Educational outreach to schools in the GWCC footprint
- Improved amenity in some areas
- Through Riverina LLS, funding of landholder schemes for rehabilitation and protection
- Possible protection of soils and may help control salinity and water table levels.
- Favourable publicity for GWCC

It is GWCC staff belief that all items identified above have been successfully achieved as part of this project; however please note that '*Environmental offsets for damage done whilst laying pipelines*' cannot be formally identified as an offset/bio-banking project. Consideration for a formal offset project is required to be submitted to OEH for consideration and inclusion under the NSW biodiversity offsets policy for major projects. This also requires the undertaking of an assessment under the Framework for Biodiversity Assessment (FBA) if it can qualify for such an offset/bio-banking project.

A progress report for the GWCC500 Project was due September 2016 for the Restoration & Rehabilitation works and an initial draft has been submitted to Office of Environment & Heritage. This work has been contracted to Local Land Services who were to manage all works, including Expression of Interest processes for dedicated land under the project. The completion and approval of the progress report will allow the release of the final funding provision to GWCC of \$32,564 (total over 3 stages \$97,692). A final project closure report will be due September 2017.

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A final project closure report for the Education grant will be required in December 2016 (Grant funding of \$58,600 has been received) and all works under this section of the project had been contracted out to the Lake Cowell Conservation Centre.

The Council originally adopted the following budget update at its August 2015 meeting:

GWCC costs	\$100,000	Approved
Environmental Trust Restoration & Rehabilitation Grant	\$97,692 + 50,000 in offsets	Awarded
Environmental Trust Education Grant	\$58,600	Awarded
Community Partnerships through Riverina Land Services	\$11,500	Awarded
Riverina Land Services Co Funding	\$200,000	Projected
Total	\$517,792	

The following table presents an actual, to date and forecasted projection of costs for the project until completion:

GWCC costs	\$30,470.57	expenditure
Environmental Trust Restoration & Rehabilitation Grant	\$65,128	Received
Environmental Trust Education Grant	\$58,600	Received
Community Partnerships through Riverina Land Services	\$11,500	Received
Riverina Land Services Co Funding	\$283,000	Expenditure so far with a projected cost of \$429,000 for completion of revegetation work
Total	\$448698.57	\$594,698.57 projected costs for completion

All previous components of the project have been completed within budgetary constraints; however as illustrated above the works being undertaken by Local Land Services have been under allocated and have gone from original advised estimate of \$200,000, to a projected estimate of \$429,000 for total completion. It is expected that a final invoice from LLS will be received in February/March 2017 for \$146,000.

The works being undertaken by LLS were originally established to be completed over a 3 year period in accordance with the grant funding timeframes; however the estimated timeframe for project completion has now been advised for December 2018. This has been caused due to the significant amount of interest in the project and the undertaking of the Expression of Interests for dedicated land. An updated project delivery timeline is provided below:

Year 2 -

1. Landholder expresses EOI - **complete**
2. Landholder contracted - **complete**
3. Ground preparation / weed control - **September 2016**
4. Revegetation planting - **June 2017**
5. Project complete (Stage2 / Year 2) - **December 2017**

Year 3 –

1. Landholder expresses EOI – **Complete**
2. Landholder contracted - **March 2017**
3. Ground preparation / weed control - **September 2017**
4. Revegetation planting - **June 2018**
5. Project complete (Stage1 / Year 1) - **December 2018**

Work is currently being undertaken with OEH to either extend the project until the new projected completion date identified above or to close the grant application process off as most performance indicators/objectives have been achieved. Failure to achieve established objectives from grant funding applications may require hand back of funds; however this is unlikely given the success of the project thus far.

To date, LLS have advised that the project has:

- Obtained 800,000sq/m of land through EOI process
- Weeded 800,000sq/m of land
- Planted over 40,000 natives over the 800,000sq/m
- Registered 28 schools for participation in workshops/educations, and
- Undertaken over 14 environmental workshops

Attachments: Nil

Tabled Items: Nil

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council's current financial position.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation made was adopted.

13. NEXT MEETING

The next ordinary meeting of Council is scheduled to be held on Thursday 23 February 2017 at 1.00pm.

15. CLOSED SESSION – 11.20am

16/142 RESOLVED on the motion of Deputy Chairperson D Palmer and Cr B Callow that Council meet in Closed Session.

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1993 and the Local Government (General) Regulations 2005, in the opinion of the General Manager the following business is of a kind as referred to in section 10A(2) of the Act and should be dealt with in part of the meeting closed to the media and public.

15.1 CORPORATE BUSINESS SOFTWARE REPLACEMENT (G55601005)

16/143 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McCann and Sinclair:

1. That in accordance with Section 55 (3)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993, Council not invite tenders for the replacement of corporate business software due to extenuating circumstances.

This item is classified CONFIDENTIAL under section 10A(2)(d) of the Local Government Act 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following:

- (d) commercial information of a confidential nature that would if disclosed:*
- (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.*
 - (ii) Confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council, or*
 - (iii) reveal a trade secret*

OPEN SESSION – 11.25am

16/144 RESOLVED on the motion of Deputy Chairperson D Palmer and Cr B Callow that Council revert back to Open Session.

16/145 RESOLVED on the motion of Deputy Chairperson D Palmer and Cr B Callow that the resolution made in Closed Session be made public.

14. QUESTIONS & STATEMENTS

Chairperson C Manchester thanked staff and Councillors and their families and wished them the best for the New Year.

Cr K Morris enquired if the workshop would be names after Peter Speirs. Mr Rudd to discuss with Gary Lavelle from Temora Shire Council.

Cr L McGlynn enquired where the Mandamah Scheme had progressed to. Mr Rudd advised that the first design had come in and comments had been made pending feedback from the consultant.

Cr L McGlynn praised staff for promptly attending and repairing a burst near her property.

Administrator D Palmer noted that the sale of the Cootamundra Depot allowed for 6 months to vacate. He enquired what sort of presence GWCC would have in Cootamundra after that time. Mr Rudd advised distribution staff would still operate from the Depot, it will include a satellite store, meal room, small lab, office and be used for plant storage.

Mr Goodyer noted that the concern raised from Administrator Palmer at the last meeting regarding a PRV on Cootamundra property had been rectified.

There being no further business requiring the attention of Council the meeting was closed at 11.45am.
