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# **LEAVE OF ABSENCE/APOLOGIES**

At the time of preparation of the business paper no apologies have been received.

# ATTENDANCE OF COUNCILLORS BY AUDIO-VISUAL LINK

Councils Code of Meeting Practice permits Councillors to attend and participate in meetings of the council with the approval of the council or relevant committee.

Clauses 5.19 - 5.30 of the Code of Meeting Practice provides the parameters for eligibility and requirements for remote attendance.

# **WEBCASTING OF COUNCIL MEETINGS**

Attendees of this meeting are reminded that:

- a) The meeting is being recorded and made publicly available on Council's website, and
- b) Persons attending the meeting should refrain from making any defamatory statements.

# STATEMENT OF ETHICAL OBLIGATIONS

Councillors are reminded of the oath or affirmation of office they have taken under section 233A of the Act.

The governing body of a county council is responsible for managing the affairs of the county council. Each Councillor as a member of the governing body has a responsibility to make considered and well-informed decisions to ensure that the exercise of the functions of Goldenfields Water are performed to benefit the whole of the area of operations of Goldenfields Water.

In addition Councillors are reminded of their obligations under council's code of conduct to disclose and appropriately manage conflicts of interest.

# **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

I would like to acknowledge the Wiradjuri people who are the Traditional Custodians of the Land. I would also like to pay respect to their people both past and present and extend that respect to other Aboriginal Australians who are present.

# **PRESENTATIONS**

No presentations are scheduled for this meeting.

# **DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

# **Declaration of Interest**

Councillors and senior staff are reminded of their obligation to declare their pecuniary interest in any matters listed before them.

Councillors may declare an interest at the commencement of the meeting, or alternatively at any time during the meeting should any issue progress or arise that would warrant a declaration.

Councillors must state their reasons in declaring any type of interest.

# **DECLARATION OF NON PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

# **Declaration of non Pecuniary Interest**

Councillors and senior staff are reminded of their obligation to declare their interest in any matters listed before them.

In considering your interest you are reminded to include non-pecuniary and conflicts of interest as well as any other interest you perceive or may be perceived of you.

Councillors may declare an interest at the commencement of the meeting, or alternatively at any time during the meeting should any issue progress or arise that would warrant a declaration.

Councillors must state their reasons in declaring any type of interest.

# **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

It is recommended that the minutes of the meeting held 23 February 2023 having been circulated to members be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

# **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

At the time of preparation of the business paper no business was arising from minutes.

# CORRESPONDENCE

At the time of preparation of the business paper no relevant correspondence had been received for inclusion.

# **MATTERS OF URGENCY**

In accordance with clause 9.3 of Councils Code of Meeting Practice, business may be transacted at a meeting without due notice only if:

- a) A motion is passed to have the business transacted at the meeting, and
- b) The business to be considered is ruled by the chairperson to be of great urgency on the grounds that it requires a decision by the council before the next scheduled ordinary meeting of the council.

# **NOTICES OF MOTION/RESCISSION MOTIONS**

At the time of preparation of the Business Paper no Notices of Motion or Rescission Motions have been received.

# **CHAIRPERSONS MINUTE**

At the time of preparation of the Business Paper the Chairperson had not issued a report for publication.

# **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - CONFIDENTIAL SESSION**

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1993 and the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021, 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.

It is recommended that Council move into CONFIDENTIAL SESSION.

# **ENERGY CONTRACT UPDATE**

This report is **CONFIDENTIAL** in accordance with Section 10A(2)(d)(i) 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 matter that would, if disclosed:
- (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, or

# OURA WATER TREATMENT PLANT UPGRADES - DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF TWO RESERVOIRS AND MULTI-TRAY AERATOR TENDER - 02/2023

This report is **CONFIDENTIAL** in accordance with Section 10A(2)(d)(i) 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 matter that would, if disclosed:
- (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it,

# JINDALEE FEEDLOT EXPANSION - REQUEST FOR REGIONAL ECONOMIC BENEFIT CONSIDERATION

This report is **CONFIDENTIAL** in accordance with Section 10A(2)(d)(i) 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 matter that would, if disclosed: (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, or

# WOMBAT RESERVOIR DESIGN AND CONSTRUCT TENDER - 01/2023

This report is **CONFIDENTIAL** in accordance with Section 10A(2)(d)(i) 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 matter that would, if disclosed:
- (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it,

# **EXITING CONFIDENTIAL**

There being no further confidential items it is recommended that Council revert back to Open Session and that the resolutions made in Confidential Session be made public.

The General Manager is to read out any resolutions made in Confidential Session.

#### **COUNCIL CASH AND INVESTMENTS**

# Report prepared by Corporate Services Manager

# **COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION**

That the report detailing Council Cash and Investments as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 be received and noted.

# ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Priority 2 Customer Service Focus

# **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 2021.

# **REPORT**

Council's cash and investment portfolio increased by \$597,423.43 from \$36,345,841.09 as at 31st January 2023 to \$36,943,264.52 as at 31st March 2023.

#### **Cash and Investment Portfolio**

Туре	Rating	CQ RATING	Issuer	Frequency	Purchase	Maturity	Days	Rate	Benchmark*	Principal
TD	AA-	A1+	NAB	At Maturity	16/12/2022	5/04/2023	110	3.83	3.37	\$1,000,000
TD	A+	A1	Macquarie Bank	At Maturity	16/12/2022	5/04/2023	110	3.91	3.37	\$1,000,000
TD	AA-	A1+	CBA	Half Year	28/04/2022	3/05/2023	370	2.73	3.37	\$4,000,000
TD	AA-	A1+	NAB	At Maturity	9/02/2023	11/05/2023	91	4.03	3.37	\$2,000,000
TD	BBB+	A2	ME Bank	At Maturity	27/05/2022	1/06/2023	370	3.18	3.37	\$4,000,000
TD	NR	NR	Southern Cross Credit Union	At Maturity	8/03/2023	26/06/2023	110	4.30	3.37	\$1,000,000
TD	BBB+	A2	BOQ	Annual	1/06/2022	5/07/2023	399	3.20	3.37	\$2,000,000
TD	AA-	A1+	NT Treasury	Annual	10/09/2020	15/12/2023	1191	1.00	3.37	\$2,000,000
TD	BBB	A2	Defence Bank	At Maturity	16/02/2023	16/02/2024	365	5.00	3.37	\$3,000,000
TD	AA-	A1+	NAB	At Maturity	24/02/2023	26/02/2024	367	4.98	3.37	\$1,000,000
TD	BBB+	A2	Credit Union of Aust	At Maturity	31/01/2023	17/04/2024	442	4.67	3.37	\$1,000,000
TD	BBB+	A2	Australian Unity	At Maturity	9/02/2023	9/05/2024	455	4.80	3.37	\$1,000,000
TD	BBB-	A2	Judo Bank	At Maturity	23/01/2023	24/07/2024	548	4.45	3.37	\$1,000,000
TD	AA-	A1+	NAB	At Maturity	24/02/2023	16/08/2024	539	4.95	3.37	\$2,000,000
TD	BBB	A2	AMP Bank	At Maturity	15/03/2023	19/09/2024	554	4.80	3.37	\$1,000,000
TD	AA-	A1+	NT Treasury	Annual	28/09/2020	15/12/2024	1539	1.10	3.37	\$1,000,000
TD	BBB	A2	AMP Bank	At Maturity	12/01/2023	13/01/2025	732	4.55	3.37	\$2,000,000
TD	AA-	A1+	NAB	At Maturity	24/02/2023	24/02/2025	731	4.93	3.37	\$1,000,000
TD	BBB	A2	Police Financial Services	At Maturity	1/03/2023	13/03/2025	743	5.15	3.37	\$1,000,000
TD	BBB	A2	Defence Bank	At Maturity	8/03/2023	27/03/2025	750	4.90	3.37	\$1,000,000
TD	NR	NR	Summerland Credit Union	At Maturity	22/03/2023	8/05/2025	778	4.80	3.37	\$1,000,000
CASH	A+	A1	Macquarie Bank	Monthly				0.55	2.89	\$1,033,710
CASH	AA-	A1+	CBA	Monthly				0.20	2.89	\$10,208
CASH	AA-	A1+	CBA	N/A				0.00	2.89	\$1,899,347
TOTAL:										\$36,943,265

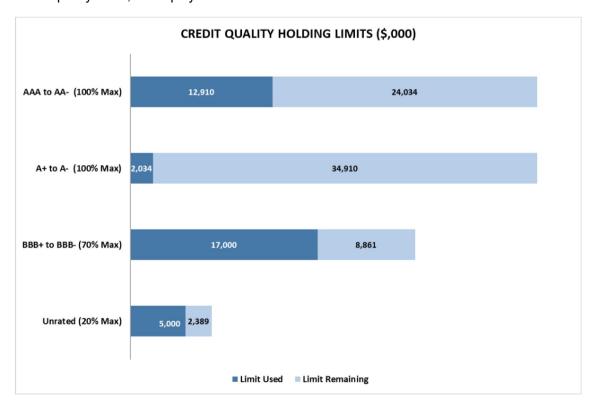
#### **Portfolio Performance**

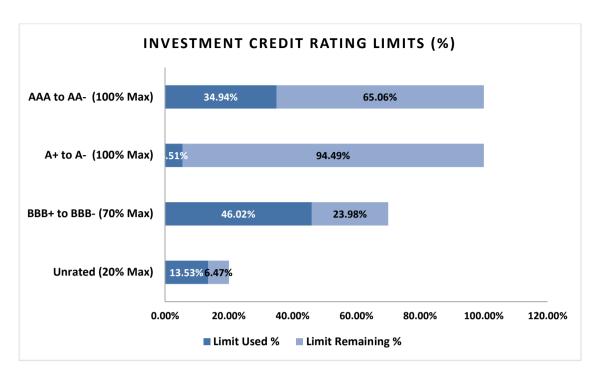
Goldenfields Water County Council's investment portfolio underperformed by 0.11% in comparison to the relevant BBSW Index benchmark. The average weighted yield for March was 3.61%.

Total Cost	Yearly Interest Received	Weighted Average Term
36,943,265	477,073	280 days
Total Portfolio Value 37,288,251	Monthly Interest Received 47,864	Weighted Average Yield 3.61%

# **Credit Quality Compliance**

Council's investment portfolio was compliant with policy in terms of S&P long term rating credit quality limits, as displayed below.

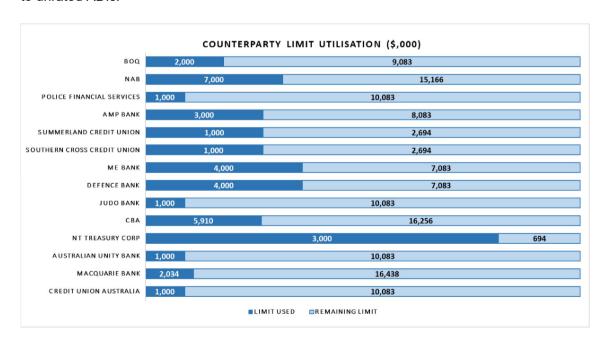


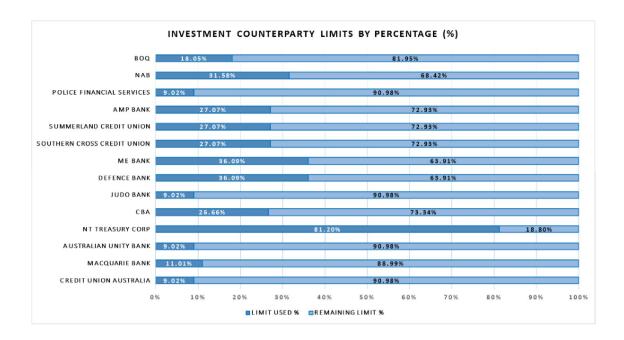


# **Counter Party Compliance**

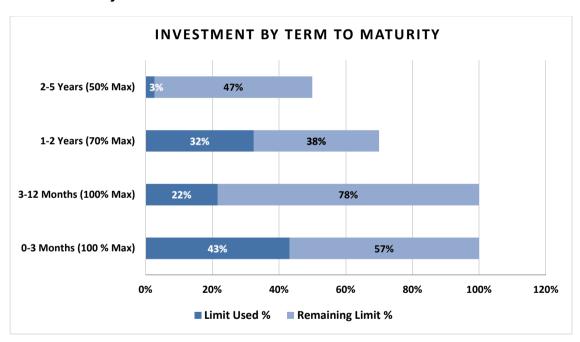
As at the end of March, Council was compliant with policy in terms of individual financial institution capacity limits. It is worth noting that capacity limits are affected by changes in the on-call account balance compared to the total portfolio balance.

Overall, the portfolio is diversified across a variety of credit ratings, including some exposure to unrated ADIs.





# **Term to Maturity**



Council's investment portfolio maturities shown graphically below were also compliant with policy requirements.

# **Application of Investment Funds**

The table below details the allocation of cash balances in terms of restricted funds, noting restrictions are all internal rather than external.

Restricted Funds:	
Employee Leave Entitlement	2,492,494
Plant & Vehicle Replacement	2,830,127
Infrastructure Replacement	16,363,217
Unrestricted Funds	15,257,427
TOTAL	36,943,265

# **Declaration**

I hereby certify that investments listed in the report have been made in accordance with Section 625 of the Local Government Act 1993, Clause 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 and Council's Investment Policy PP004.

Signed

John Chapman

Responsible Accounting Officer

# FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Council's cash and investment portfolio increased by \$597,423.43 from \$36,345,841.09 as at 31st January 2023 to \$36,943,264.52 as at 31st March 2023.

ATTACHMENTS: Nil.

TABLED ITEMS: Nil.

#### PROGRESS REPORT - CAPITAL WORKS EXPENDITURE

# Report prepared by Acting Corporate Services Manager

# **COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION**

That the Capital Works Progress Report as at 31st March 2023 be received and noted.

# ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Priority 1 High Quality, Secure & Efficient Water Supplies

# **BACKGROUND**

Capital Works represents an important part of Councils activities and expenditure. This report details expenditure and progress for the year to date on programmed and emergent capital works.

#### **REPORT**

This report is presented for information on the expenditure and progress of Council's Capital Works Program as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023.

Following the recommendation from the ARIC meeting of 23 February 2023, additional information is being provided to inform Council on progress with major projects to date.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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

**ATTACHMENTS:** Capital Works Progress Report as at 31st March 2023.

TABLED ITEMS: Nil

AS AT 31 March 2023	Original Budget	2021-22 Carryovers	QBR Sep 2022	QBR Dec 2022	QBR Mar 2023	Revised Budget 2022/23	Actual YTD	Committed YTD	Actual & Committed YTD	Variance YTD	% Actua to Rev Budge
CAPITAL INCOME											
Asset Sales	(738,000)	0	0	0	0	(738,000)	(431,290)	0	(431,290)	(306,710)	58'
Capital Contributions	(6,225,000)	0	0	0	0	(6,225,000)	(3,105,303)	0	(3,105,303)	(3,119,697)	50
TOTAL CAPITAL INCOME	(6,963,000)	0	0	0	0	(6,963,000)	(3,536,593)	0	(3,536,593)	(3,426,407)	51
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE											
NEW SYSTEM ASSETS											
Plant & Equipment	1,585,000	0	0	0	0	1,585,000	732,402	457,381	1,189,782	395,218	75
Land & Buildings	0	100,000	0	0	0	100,000	49,555	0	49,555	50,445	50
Mains - Developer Paid	40,000	60,000	0	0	87,000	187,000	160,129	273	160,402	26,598	86
Mains - Reticulation	0	5,000	0	0	36,700	41,700	39,239	2,153	41,392	308	99
Mains - Trunk	0	66,000	0	0	0	66,000	0	65,540	65,540	460	99
Mains - Rural	0	0	0	0	17,000	17,000	13,359	3,398	16,757	243	99
Pump Stations	0	0	400,000	0	140,000	540,000	79,220	451,888	531,107	8,893	98
Scada	250,000	430,000	0	0	430,000	1,110,000	86,765	550,078	636,842	473,158	57
Reservoirs	1,560,000	0	2,920,750	60,000	(600,000)	3,940,750	2,857,211	1,002,051	3,859,261	81,489	98
TOTALS NEW SYSTEM ASSETS	3,435,000	661,000	3,320,750	60,000	110,700	7,587,450	4,017,879	2,532,760	6,550,639	1,036,811	86
RENEWALS											
Plant & Equipment	30,000	0	0	0	(15,000)	15,000	4,505	0	4,505	10,495	30
Furniture and Office Equipment	5,000	0	0	0	0	5,000	0	0	0	5,000	0
Land & Buildings	50,000	0	0	0	22,000	72,000	0	5,100	5,100	66,900	7
Mains - Reticulation	5,200,000	0	0	0	2,000,000	7,200,000	4,113,521	1,366,922	5,480,443	1,719,557	76
Mains - Trunk	3,330,000	0	0	0	(1,300,000)	2,030,000	532,131	196,980	729,111	1,300,889	36
Mains - Rural	1,415,000	180,000	0	0	0	1,595,000	380,773	261,070	641,843	953,157	40
Pump Stations	1,272,000	269,000	0	63,000	(343,000)	1,261,000	567,048	300,348	867,396	393,604	69
Bores	0	250,000	0	0	146,825	396,825	396,825	0	396,825	(0)	100
Reservoirs	4,225,000	563,000	0	0	(3,100,000)	1,688,000	800,624	97,137	897,761	790,240	53
Information Technology	60,000	0	0	0	0	60,000	8,596	0	8,596	51,404	14
Treatment Plant	4,030,000	980,000	0	0	(1,368,000)	3,642,000	2,756,607	633,754	3,390,361	251,639	93
TOTALS RENEWAL ASSETS	8,315,000	1,793,000	-	-	(4,321,175)	5,786,825	3,962,652	730,890	4,693,542	1,093,283	81

# Goldenfields Water County Council Major Projects Commentary 31/03/2023

Project Ref	Project and description	Total project budget/ Start date	Total spent to Date/ Due date	Progress Comments
1232	Thanowring Road Pipeline	\$7,000,000		Construction was delayed approx 6 months due to wet weather but
	Construction of 40km of trunk pipeline	Jan-22	Jun-24	still anticipated to meet due date. Project tracking on budget.
3137	Jugiong High Voltage	\$6,500,000	\$3,780,094	Approx 6 months behind schedule. Currently tracking on budget.
	Detailed designs for works, new HV building, purchase of HV equipment and electrical equipment install	Jan-21	Jun-23	
3183	Oura Reservoirs and aerator	\$6,900,000		Tender evaluations currently being completed, to go to April Board
	Construction of 2 x 4ML reservoirs and aeration tower at Oura WTP plus ancilliary pipework and electricals	May-23	Jul-24	meeting. Project is behind sheedule due to design delays and further scoping investigtions. Tender prices have significantly exceeded project budget
3226	Wyalong Standpipe Res	\$4,420,728		5 of 7 wall pours have been completed. Project is running on time
	Construction of 24m high 2.4ML concrete reservoir	Jun-23	Aug-23	and tracking under budget
3241	Wyalong Reliability Project Pipeline Construction	\$7,357,394	\$3,624,975	Reticulation main approx 3.6km of 7km completed. Bypass main
	Cosntruction of 8km DN300 bypass trunk main and 7km DN200 retic main	Jun-23	Aug-23	approx 5.9 of 8km completed. Project is tracking ahead of schedule and under budget
3203	Wombat Reservoir	\$2,300,000		Tender evaluations currently being completed, with
	Construction of 3ML reinforced Concrete reservoir	May-23	TBA	recommendation report to go to April Board meeting.  Design phase expected to start in May 2023 with construction start date to be confirmed based on awarded contractor. Completion date to be advised.
3218	Oura pump station and dosing rooms	\$5,630,000		Pump investigations completed and new pumps ordered. Currently
	Construction of new pump station including 3 high voltage pumps and additional dosing systems	Oct-23	Oct-24	in scoping phase to release design and cosntruct RFT for pump station building and dosing rooms. Currently progressing on track for time and budget
3242	Kingsvale to Young pipeline	\$8,300,000	\$26,067	Detailed design contract awarded to DGP Water in Dec 2022 and
	Upgrade of approx 12km of pipeline	Dec-22	Aug-26	expected completion date is Sept 2023. Design timeframe and budget are on track. Approximate start of construction tentatively scheduled for beginning of calendar year 2025.

#### **QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW 31 MARCH 2023**

#### Report prepared by Corporate Services Manager

# **COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION**

That the Board receives and adopts the Quarterly Budget Review for the period ended 31 March 2023.

#### ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Priority 2 Customer Service Focus

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Quarterly Budget Review Statement is presented to Council in accordance with Clause 203(2) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021, for the purpose of periodically reviewing and revising estimates of income and expenditure.

#### **REPORT**

The Quarterly Review of Council's Budget for the period ended 31 March 2023 is submitted for examination by Council.

The revised operating result for 2022/23 anticipates a deficit of \$1,913,000. The anticipated operating result for 2022/23 as reviewed in the December 2022 Quarterly Budget provided for a deficit of \$1,778,000. The anticipated operating result as adopted in the original budget provided for a deficit of \$1,738,000. Proposed adjustments are detailed below.

The Capital Works expenditure is not included in the Operating Result and is an additional outlay. Further detail about capital works can be found in the Capital Works Progress Report item of the business paper.

Proposed March 2023 quarterly review adjustments:

# **Operational Additional Income**

(\$336,000) Interest on Investments

# **Operational Additional Expenditure**

 (\$400,000) Continuation of IWCM Strategy - Public Works Advisory Contract – project approved by Council in February 2021, not previously carried over

#### **Capital Expenditure**

#### Additional Expenditure

- (\$87,000) Mains Developer Paid
- (\$37,000) Mains Reticulation
- (\$17,000) Mains Rural
- (\$140,000) West Wyalong Transfer Pump Station
- (\$430,000) Microwave link sites for Scada
- (\$22,000) Residences Assets Replacements/Upgrades
- (\$2,000,000) Wyalong Reliability Project Pipeline Construction
- (\$70,000) Jugiong CWPS1 P1 and P2 Inlet Manifold 2022

- (\$147,000) Oura Bore 4 Emergency Bore Reline
- (\$57,000) Jugiong PLC Upgrade
- (\$35,000) Jugiong Compressor
- (\$70,000) Jugiong WTP Valve & Pneumatic Upgrade

# Reduction in Expenditure

- (\$600,000) Wyalong Standpipe Res
- (\$15,000) New GPS
- (\$1,300,000) Thanowring Road Pipeline
- (\$413,000) Ariah Park Pump Station Investigation
- (\$2,300,000) Oura Reservoirs and aerator
- (\$800,000) Reservoir Full Renewals GWCC Wide
- (\$1,500,000) Jugiong High Voltage
- (\$30,000) Internal Adhoc Renewals

# FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation has increased Council's Operating deficit by \$64,000 and decreases Capital Works Expenditure by \$3,846,000.

ATTACHMENTS: Quarterly Budget Review 31-03-23

**TABLED ITEMS: Nil** 

# **Quarterly Budget Review Statement** for the period 01/01/23 to 31/03/23

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# **Quarterly Budget Review Statement**

for the period 01/01/23 to 31/03/23

# Report by Responsible Accounting Officer

The following statement is made in accordance with Clause 203(2) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2005:

It is my opinion that the Quarterly Budget Review Statement for Goldenfields Water County Council for the quarter ended 31/03/23 indicates that Council's projected financial position at 30/6/23 will be Satisfactory at year end, having regard to the projected estimates of income and expenditure and the original budgeted income and expenditure.

Signed:

**Date:** 16/04/2023

John Chapman

Corporate Services Manager

# **Quarterly Budget Review Statement**

for the period 01/01/23 to 31/03/23

# **Income & Expenses Budget Review Statement**

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 March 2023

# Income & Expenses

(#2001-)	Original		roved		Revised	Variations	Projected	Actual
(\$000's)	Budget	Carry	nges		Budget	for this	Notes Year End	YTD
	2022/23	Forwards	Sep QBR	Dec QBR	2022/23	Mar Qtr	Result	figures
Income								
Rates and Annual Charges	5,478	-	_	-	5,478	-	5,478	3,371
User Charges and Fees	15,725	-	-	-	15,725		15,725	7,842
Interest and Investment Revenues	390	-	_	-	390	336	2.1 726	626
Other Revenues	145	-	_	-	145	-	145	122
Grants & Contributions - Operating	85	-	_	-	85	-	85	39
Grants & Contributions - Capital	6,225	-	-	-	6,225		6,225	3,737
Total Income from Continuing Operations	28,048	-	-	-	28,048	336	28,384	15,737
Expenses								
Employee Costs	7,575	-	-	-	7,575	-	7,575	6,372
Materials & Contracts	7,316	-	40	135	7,491	400	2.2 7,891	5,946
Depreciation	8,370	-	-	-	8,370	-	8,370	6,278
Other Expenses	300	-	_	-	300	-	300	126
Total Expenses from Continuing Operations	23,561	-	40	135	23,736	400	24,136	18,721
Net Operating Result from Continuing Operations	4,487	-	(40)	(135)	4,312	(64)	4,248	(2,984)
Net Operating Result from All Operations	4,487	-	(40)	(135)	4,312	(64)	4,248	(2,984)
Net Operating Result before Capital Items	(1,738)	-	(40)	(135)	(1,913)	(64)	(1,977)	(6,722)

# **Quarterly Budget Review Statement**

for the period 01/01/23 to 31/03/23

# Income & Expenses Budget Review Statement Recommended changes to revised budget

Budget Variations being recommended include the following material items:

Notes	Details	\$000
2.1	Interest on Investments	336,000
2.2	Continuation of IWCM Strategy - Public Works Advisory Contract	400,000

# **Quarterly Budget Review Statement**

for the period 01/01/23 to 31/03/23

# **Capital Budget Review Statement**

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 March 2023

# Capital Budget

	Original		proved		Revised	Variations		Projected	Actual
(\$000's)	Budget	Change	es		Budget	for this	Notes	Year End	YTD
		Carry	Sep	Dec			NOICS		
	2022/23	Forwards	QBR	QBR	2022/23	Mar Qtr		Result	figures
Capital Expenditure									
New Assets									
- Land & Buildings	-	100	-	-	100	-		100	50
- Water Supply Infrastructure	1,850	561	3,321	60	5,792	111	3.1	5,902	5,311
Renewal Assets (Replacement)									
- IT Equipment	60	-	-	-	60	-		60	9
- Office Equipment	5	-	-	-	5	-		5	-
- Plant & Equipment	1,615	-	-	-	1,615	(15)	3.2	1,600	1,194
- Land & Buildings	50	-	-	-	50	22	3.3	72	5
- Water Supply Infrastructure	19,472	2,242	-	63	21,777	(3,964)	3.4	17,813	12,404
Total Capital Expenditure	23,052	2,903	3,321	123	29,399	(3,846)		25,552	18,973
Capital Funding									
Fees, Charges & Other Untied Funding	-	-	-	-	-	-		-	-
Capital Grants & Contributions	6,225	-	-	-	6,225	-		6,225	3,105
Proceeds from Sale - IPP&E	738	-	-	-	738	-		738	431
Internal Restrictions/Reserves	16,089	2,903	3,321	123	22,436	(3,846)		18,590	15,436
Total Capital Funding	23,052	2,903	3,321	123	29,399	(3,846)		25,553	18,973
Net Capital Funding - Surplus/(Deficit)		-	-	-	-	0		0	-

# Quarterly Budget Review Statement for the period 01/01/23 to 31/03/23

# Capital Budget Review Statement Recommended changes to revised budget

Budget Variations being recommended include the following material items:

Notes	Details	\$000
	Refer to Capital Works Progress report for more detail on Capital Projects	
3.1	Mains - Developer Paid Mains - Reticulation Mains - Rural West Wyalong Transfer Pump Station Microwave link sites for Scada Wyalong Standpipe Res	87 37 17 140 430 (600)
3.2	New GPS	(15)
3.3	Residences Assets Replacements/Upgrades	22
3.4	Wyalong Reliability Project Pipeline Construction Thanowring Road Pipeline Ariah Park Pump Station Investigation Jugiong CWPS1 P1 and P2 Inlet Manifold 2022 Oura Bore 4 - Emergency Bore Reline Oura Reservoirs and aerator Reservoir Full Renewals - GWCC Wide Jugiong High Voltage Jugiong PLC Upgrade Jugiong Compressor Internal Adhoc Renewals Jugiong WTP - Valve & Pneumatic Upgrade	2,000 (1,300) (413) 70 147 (2,300) (800) (1,500) 57 35 (30) 70 (3,964)

# **Quarterly Budget Review Statement**

for the period 01/01/23 to 31/03/23

## **Cash & Investments Budget Review Statement**

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 March 2023

## Cash & Investments

(\$000's)	Original Budget	Approved Changes		Variations for this	Projected Year End	Actual YTD
	2022/23	Sep QBR	Dec QBR	Mar Qtr	Result	figures
Internally Restricted (2)						
Plant & Vehicle Replacement	2,148	-	-	-	2,148	1,074
Infrastructure Replacement	15,952	3,321	123	(3,846)	15,550	7,775
Employees Leave Entitlement	2,492	-	-	-	2,492	1,246
Total Internally Restricted	20,592	3,321	123	(3,846)	20,190	10,095
(2) Funds that Council has earmarked for a specific purpose						
Unrestricted (ie. available after the above Restrictions)	7,639	(3,321)	(123)	3,846	4.1 8,041	26,987
Total Cash & Investments	28,231	-	-	-	28,231	37,082

# Quarterly Budget Review Statement

for the period 01/01/23 to 31/03/23

## **Cash & Investments Budget Review Statement**

## Investments

Investments have been invested in accordance with Council's Investment Policy.

# <u>Cash</u>

This Cash at Bank amount has been reconciled to Council's physical Bank Statements. The date of completion of this bank reconciliation is 31/03/23

The YTD Cash & Investment figure reconciles to the	\$ 000's	
Cash at Bank (as per bank statements) Investments on Hand		1,899 36,088
less: Unpresented Cheques add: Undeposited Funds Less: receipts not yet updated	(Timing Difference) (Timing Difference) (Timing Difference)	(288) 34 -
Reconciled Cash at Bank & Investments	37,733	
Balance as per Review Statement:	37,733	
Difference:		-

## Recommended changes to revised budget

Budget Variations being recommended include the following material items:

	Notes	Details	\$000
•	4.1	Capital expenditure adjustments	3,846

## **Quarterly Budget Review Statement**

for the period 01/01/23 to 31/03/23

#### **Contracts Budget Review Statement**

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 March 2023

Part A - Contracts Listing - contracts entered into during the quarter

Contractor	Contract detail & purpose	Contract Value	Start Date	Duration of Contract	Budgeted (Y/N)
Fitt Resources Pty Ltd	Supply and deliver three (3) water pumps and motors	\$ 1,721,573	Mar 2023	12 months	Υ
Palmer Ford	Supply of vehicles	\$ 220,091	Jan 2023	n/a	Υ
Yoogali Engineering Pty Ltd	West Wyalong Pump Station - pump shed Supply and construction	\$ 104,555	Jan 2023	n/a	Υ
Clover Pipelines Pty Ltd	Materials for West Wyalong Transfer PS	\$ 77,967	Jan 2023	n/a	Υ
Van Mal Group Construction Pty Ltd	Road and pavement work	\$ 69,720	Mar 2023	n/a	Υ
Elster Metering Pty Ltd	Water Meters supply and delivery	\$ 65,450	Mar 2023	n/a	Υ
Reece Pty Ltd	Supply and delivery of 100mm PVC water pressure pipe	\$ 54,585	Feb 2023	n/a	Υ

#### Notes:

- 1. Minimum reporting level is 1% of estimated income from continuing operations of Council or \$50,000 whatever is the lesser.
- 2. Contracts listed are those entered into during the quarter being reported and exclude contractors on Council's Preferred Supplier list.
- 3. Contracts for employment are not required to be included.

# **Quarterly Budget Review Statement**

for the period 01/01/23 to 31/03/23

## Consultancy & Legal Expenses Budget Review Statement

Consultancy & Legal Expenses Overview

Expense	YTD Expenditure (Actual Dollars)	Budgeted (Y/N)	
Consultancies	1,280,432	Υ	
Legal Expenses	49,259	Υ	

#### **Definition of a consultant:**

A consultant is a person or organisation engaged under contract on a temporary basis to provide recommendations or high level specialist or professional advice to assist decision making by management. Generally it is the advisory nature of the work that differentiates a consultant from other contractors.

#### **Comments**

Expenditure included in the above YTD figure but not budgeted includes:

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Details						
N/A						

#### **AUDIT RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE**

#### Report prepared by Corporate Services Manager

## **COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION**

That the Board receives and notes the minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee meeting held on 23 February 2023.

#### ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Priority 2 Customer Service Focus

#### **BACKGROUND**

Goldenfields Water County Council Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee is an advisory committee in accordance with section 355 of the Local Government Act 1993, and the Local Government Regulations 2012.

The Committee was established by Council Res 17/008 on 23 February 2017. In accordance with the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Charter, the Committee will report regularly to Council.

#### **REPORT**

The Goldenfields Water County Council Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee met on 23 February 2023. Minutes of the meeting are attached for the information of the Board.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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

ATTACHMENTS: Minutes of ARIC Meeting 23 February 2023.

TABLED ITEMS: Nil.



# **ARIC Meeting Minutes**

Meeting Ref. ARIC		Minute taker: John Chapman				
Date: 23 February 2023	Time: 11:42am	Location: 84 Parkes Street, Temora (Board Room)				
Attendees: Peter McLean (Chairperson), Geoff Twomey (Via Teamviewer), Cr Bob Callow, Aaron Drenovski, John Chapman, Genevieve Taylor, Phil Swaffield (National Audits Group).						
Apologies: Nil						

# 1. Welcome and Apologies

The meeting was opened at 11:42am. There were no apologies.

The Chairman acknowledged the Traditional Custodians of the land, and paid respects to their Elders past and present.

# 2. Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

No pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests were declared.

## 3. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

**RECOMMENDATION** on the motion of Cr Bob Callow and Geoff Twomey that the minutes of the meeting held 18 November 2022 having been circulated to members be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

# 4. Business Arising from Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

# 5. Chairperson Report

**RECOMMENDATION** on the motion of Geoff Twomey and Cr Bob Callow that the Committee received and noted the Chairperson's verbal report.

- Audit Office of NSW Managing Cyber Risks The Audit Office of NSW has released a
  report on managing cyber risks, including mention of support of local government in relation to
  cyber risks.
- Australian National Audit Office Managing Cyber Risks The Australian National Audit Office has released a report on Management of Cyber Security Supply Chain Risks



- **Sydney Water Seminar Effluent Reuse -** Sydney Water is hosting a seminar on strategic works for effluent reuse.
- Sydney Water Major Supply Break at Lane Cove There was a major water main break in the Lane Cove area in late 2022, resulting in serious disruptions to water supply for some considerable time. Communications and weaknesses in the recovery plan were identified as issues associated with the break.

# 6. General Manager Report

**RECOMMENDATION** on the motion of Geoff Twomey and Cr Bob Callow that the Committee received and noted the General Manager's verbal report.

- **Cyber Security** the Australian Cyber Security Centre reported a data breach in January 2023 in relation to Council's taggle system and the myh2o app. The matter has been referred to Taggle for investigation.
- Daylight System Flood Emergency The Business Continuity Plan was successfully
  implemented following the inundation of bore pumps resulting from the Lachlan River floods in
  November 2022. Staff are currently working with Carrathool Shire Council to carry out repairs
  and upgrade. The current agreement with Carrathool Shire Council in relation to the Daylight
  scheme is being reviewed.
- West Wyalong Project Council has been successful in obtaining and additional \$500,000 grant to assist with the funding of the West Wyalong augmentation project.
- Energy Contract power costs are expected to increase by 25% for the 2023-2024 budget, with an expected increase of 3% increase in other costs, the overall increase in costs expected to be in the vicinity of 6%.
- **Investments** have decreased from \$50m to (currently) \$38m as a result of expenditure on major capital projects and three consecutive years of low water sales.
- Staff staffing levels currently remain at 100%.
- Capital Expenditure \$23m budgeted for the current financial year, some of which is being expended over a 2-year period.

## 7. Review of Internal Audits

**RECOMMENDATION** on the motion of Geoff Twomey and Cr Bob Callow that the Committee receive and note:

- a) Final Internal Audit Report Project Management Framework; and
- b) Status of the 2022/23 Internal Audit Annual Work Program.
- c) A high-level commentary in relation to major capital projects will be included in future Capital Expenditure Reports to Council.

## 8. Credit Card Guidelines

**RECOMMENDATION** on the motion of Geoff Twomey and Cr Bob Callow that the Committee receive and note:

- a) Office of Local Government Circular 22-42 Guideline on the Use and Management of Credit Cards
- b) Council's current Credit Card Policy

The committee passed on some opportunities for minor amendments for the next scheduled review of the policy.



# 9. Membership Requirements for ARIC Committees

**RECOMMENDATION** on the motion of Geoff Twomey and Peter McLean that the Committee receive and note the Office of Local Government Circular 22-41 – Update on the Guidelines for Risk Management and Internal Audit for Local Government in NSW

# 10. ARIC Meeting Dates 2023

**RECOMMENDATION** on the motion of Geoff Twomey and Cr Bob Callow that the committee note the scheduled ARIC Committee meeting dates for the remainder of 2023 as follows

- 10am Thursday 25 May 2023 (including consideration of the Audit Engagement Plan)
- 10am Thursday 27 July 2023
- 10am Thursday 28 September 2023 2022/23 Financial Statements (tentative)

# 11. Review of Action Items Progress Report

**RECOMMENDATION** on the motion of Geoff Twomey and Cr Bob Callow that the committee receive and note the progress made with the Action Items.

NEXT MEETING: 10am Thursday 25 May 2023

There being no further matters requiring the attention of the committee the meeting was declared closed at 1:16pm.

#### **PLANT PURCHASING**

# Report prepared by Operations Manager

#### COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Board approve \$350,000 for plant purchases for the 2023/2024 Financial Year.

#### ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Priority 1 High Quality, Secure & Efficient Water Supplies

#### **REPORT**

Permission is sought from the Board to commit \$350,000 now for plant purchases (commercial vehicles) for the 2023/2024 Financial Year, so that orders can be placed in the system.

In the current environment Council is still experiencing difficulties in delivery of commercial vehicles due to disruptions at Australian ports. Apparently, there are not enough car transporters on the eastern seaboard to deliver the current storage of vehicles at the ports.

Supply through to delivery of commercial vehicles is still lagging between 3 to 6 months, not including port disruptions.

As such it is recommended to place orders in the system now due to lengthy delays in the supply chain.

#### FINANCIAL IMPAST STATEMENT

The recommendation will commit \$350,000 capital expenditure to the 2023/2024 budget.

**ATTACHMENTS: Nil** 

TABLES ITEMS: Nil

#### WATER PRODUCTION REPORT

Report prepared by Production and Services Manager

#### **COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION**

That the Water Production Report be received and noted.

#### ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Priority 3 A Healthy Natural Environment

#### **BACKGROUND**

Goldenfields Water provides the essential water requirements of about 40,000 people spread over an area in excess of 20,000 square kilometres between the Lachlan & Murrumbidgee Rivers in the South West of NSW.

Goldenfields Waters' supply system consists of five separate water schemes, Jugiong, Oura, Mt Arthur, Mt Daylight and Hylands Bridge. Goldenfields Water carries out water supply functions within the Local Government areas of Bland, Coolamon, Cootamundra, Hilltops, Junee, Temora, and parts of Narrandera and Wagga Wagga.

Hilltops Shire Council, Cootamundra Gundagai Shire Council and Riverina Water County Council are retailers, who purchase bulk water from Goldenfields and supply the water to retail customers in their respective local government areas.

#### **REPORT**

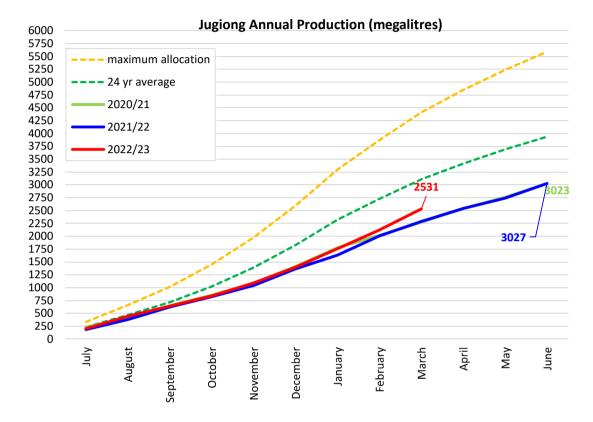
#### **Jugiong drinking Water Scheme**

The Jugiong drinking water scheme sources water from the Murrumbidgee River and has an extraction licence entitlement of 5590ML per annum. Water from the Murrumbidgee River is treated through a 40ML/day, conventional Water Treatment Plant that consists of: Coagulation, Flocculation, Clarification, Filtration, Disinfection and Fluoridation.

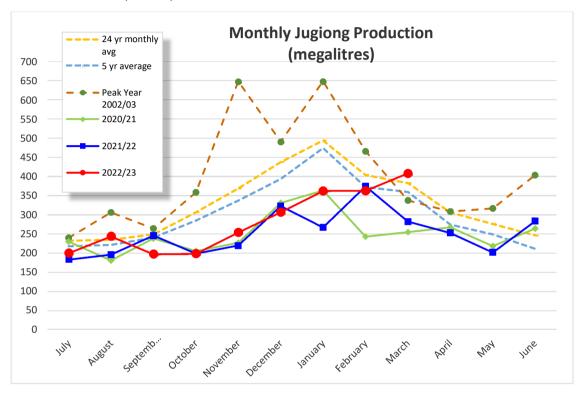
The Jugiong Scheme has 14 sets of reservoirs and 8 pumping stations. The Jugiong Scheme supplies bulk water to the Hilltops and Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Councils for supply to the townships of Cootamundra, Harden and Young with a population of approximately 6800, 2200 and 8000 respectively.

Goldenfields Water also provides additional retail supply to approximately 600 customers in the villages of Stockinbingal, Wallendbeen and Springdale.

Nine months into the 2022/23 financial year, 2531ML of water had been extracted from the Murrumbidgee River and processed at the Jugiong Water Treatment plant. This is slightly higher than the same period in the 2021/22 FY where 2289ML was extracted. An increase of 242ML. This is illustrated in the graph below.



Jugiong monthly production started slightly higher in July with 199ML extracted and treated for the month. August saw a further increase in production with 243ML extracted and treated before a decrease in production for September, where only 197ML was extracted and treated. October saw an extraction of 198ML. November through to January saw a gradual increase in production as we moved into the warmer months. November (254ML), December (307ML) and January (362ML). February had a similar production to January (362ML) before a slight increase in March (408ML) extracted.

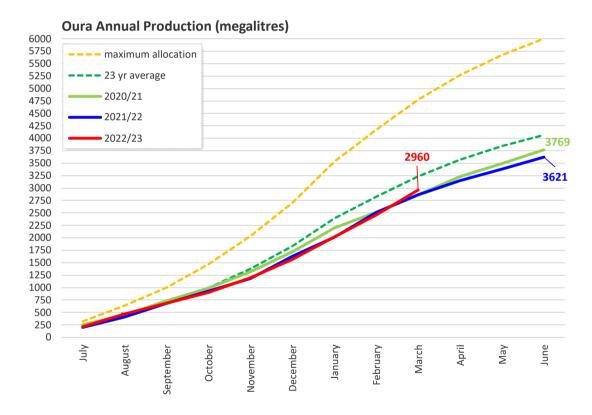


#### **Oura Drinking Water Scheme**

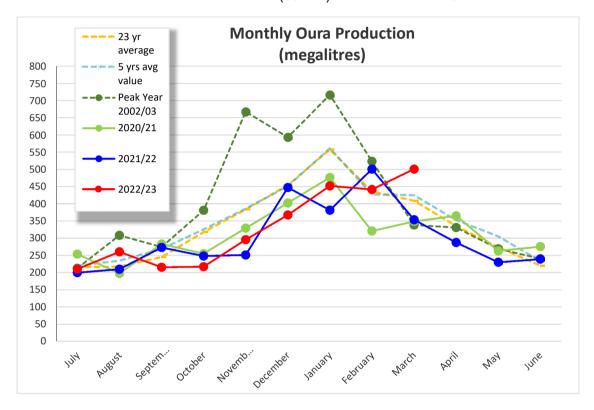
The water source at Oura is the Murrumbidgee inland alluvial aquifer, this water is extracted from 4 bores namely: Bores 2, 3, 4 and 6. The raw water then goes through a treatment process at the Oura Water Treatment Plant that includes Aeration, Disinfection and Fluoridation.

The Oura scheme has 33 sets of reservoirs and 19 pumping stations, produces drinking water for approximately 14,600 people in the Bland, Coolamon, Junee, Narrandera and Temora Shires. The Oura scheme can also supply water to the Northern side of the rural area of Wagga Wagga City when required.

Nine months into the 2022/23 financial year, 2960ML of water has been extracted from the Oura Borefield and processed at the Oura Water Treatment Plant. This is a slight increase in production compared to last FY where 2865ML of water was extracted for the same period. A increase in production of 95ML. This is depicted in the graph below.



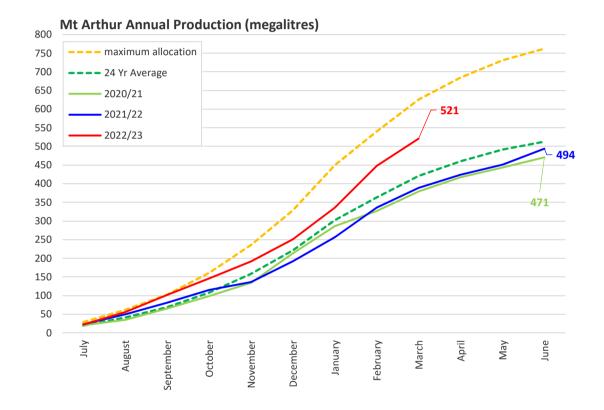
Oura monthly water production has started slightly higher in July where 200ML was extracted from the Oura bores. August saw an increase in production where 260ML was extracted before a decrease in production for September saw only 215ML extracted. October saw a further decrease where only 217ML was extracted. November through to January saw further production increases as we move into the warmer months. November (295ML), December (367ML) and January (452ML). February was slightly lower in production with (441ML) extracted before an increase in March saw (501ML) extracted from the Oura Bores.



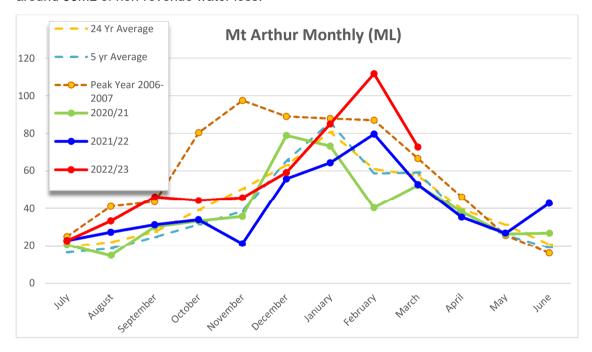
### **Mount Arthur Drinking Water Scheme**

The Mount Arthur Water Source is from the Lachlan Fold belt Aquifer System. The water is extracted via two bores, bores 1 and 2 located in the Wagga Wagga City Council area South of Matong. The water is disinfected before distribution through 9 sets of reservoirs supplying approximately 2400 people with water in the Coolamon shire.

Nine months into the 2022/23 financial year, 521ML of water has been extracted from the Mt Arthur Borefield. This is an increase compared to last FY where 389ML was extracted from the Mt Arthur bores for the same period. An increase of 132ML. As can be seen in the graph below trending slightly higher to previous years.



Mt Arthur monthly water production started very consistently to the previous years with 23ML of water extracted from the bores in July before a significant increase in the following 2 months, August saw 33ML extracted and September a further increase to 46ML. October saw a slight decrease with 44ML extracted from the Mt Arthur Bores. November through to January saw a steady increase every month as we move into the warmer months. November (46ML), December (59ML) and January (85ML) extracted. However; February data indicates a large spike in production where 112ML was extracted before a reduction in Production for March (73ML). This large spike during our peak demand time was attributed to a significant leak within the Coolamon township between 10 February to the 25<sup>th</sup> February. This leak is the second large leak within the Mt Arthur water supply scheme this financial year attributing to around 30ML of non-revenue water loss.

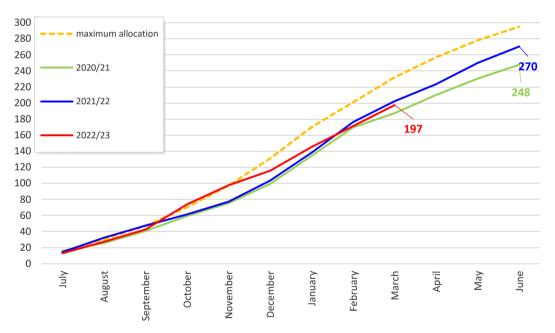


#### **Mount Daylight Drinking Water Scheme**

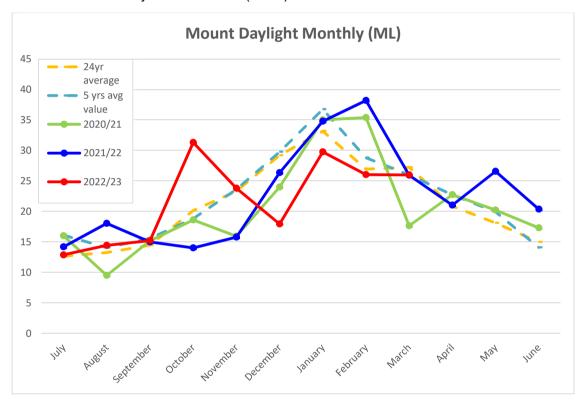
The Mount Daylight water source is from the Lower Lachlan alluvium aquifer. The Mount Daylight bores are jointly operated with Carathool Shire Council. Carathool Shire Council is responsible for bore management. There are 7 sets of reservoirs in the Mt Daylight scheme. Mt Daylight supplies water to approximately 125 people in the villages of Naradhan, Weethalle and Tallimba which is located within the Bland Shire.

Nine months into the 2022/23 financial year, 197ML of water has been extracted from the Mt Daylight Borefield. This is a decrease in volume of 5ML compared to the 2021/22 FY where 202ML was produced over the same period. The steep increase in September/October indicates that a burst was evident in the scheme, interrogation of ClearSCADA pump run times indicates a pump had run for a long period of time also indicating a burst in the scheme. The burst was located on Harts Lane within the Mt Daylight scheme, again prolonged wet weather made it difficult to access and locate the burst.

## **Daylight Annual Volume (megalitres)**



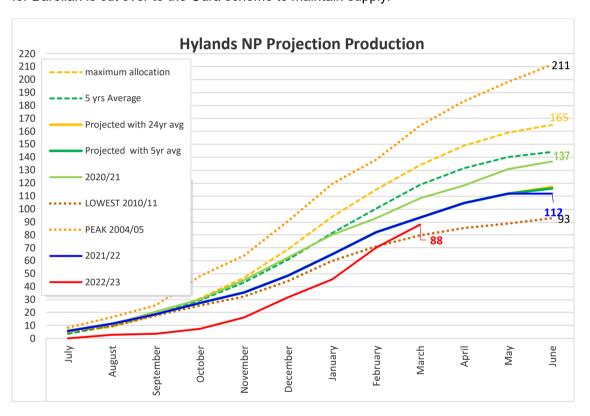
The monthly extraction totals for the Mt Daylight bores have started very consistently with July seeing 13ML extracted with slight increases in August 14ML, September was steady with 15ML extracted before a dramatic increase for October where 31ML was extracted, as indicated this increase correlates to a burst in the system which has been located and fixed. November through to January has seen some inconsistencies with production. These inconsistencies correlate to the prolonged period of flooding experienced at the bores. The period November and December saw a decrease in monthly extractions as both bores were under floodwater for up to 4-6 weeks. November saw 24ML produced with a further decrease in December where 18ML was produced. January saw an increase in production (30ML) as both bores were once again available for production as flood waters receded. February and March have been very consistent with (26ML) extracted for each of these months.



#### Hylands Bridge - Non-Potable

Hylands Bridge supplies Non-Potable water to Barellan and Binya. The water is sourced through the Murrumbidgee Irrigation Area where Goldenfields Water holds 165ML shareholding for water entitlement.

Nine months into the 2022/23 financial year only 88ML of water has been extracted from the Hylands Bridge Raw Water scheme. The reduction in production from Hylands Bridge may be attributed to Murrumbidgee Irrigation channel maintenance and pump issues during August/September. The Hylands Bridge Scheme has the ability for cross connection of supply from the Oura scheme at Barellan. When maintenance is undertaken on the channels supply for Barellan is cut over to the Oura scheme to maintain supply.



## FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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

**ATTACHMENTS: Nil** 

TABLED ITEMS: Nil

#### LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW WATER MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

#### Report prepared by General Manager

## **COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION**

That the Board:

- 1. Nominate attendees for the Local Government NSW Water Management Conference
- 2. Approve the attendance of the General Manager

#### ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Priority 1 High Quality, Secure and Efficient Water Supplies

#### **BACKGROUND**

The annual Local Government NSW Water Management Conference presents a broad range of information from a local government perspective on water management, issues associated with water supply and sewerage services provided by water utilities.

#### **REPORT**

The Local Government NSW Water Management Conference is being held at Parkes on 26 June to 28 June 2023.

The draft program for the event is attached.

Nominations for attendance are sought from the Board to allow registration and booking arrangement to be made.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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

**ATTACHMENTS:** Draft LGNSW Water Conference Program.

TABLED ITEMS: Nil

# LGNSW WATER MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

Conference MC Geoff Brailey						
Monday 26 June 2023						
3.00pm-5.00pm	3.00pm–5.00pm Registration opens, Parkes Leagues Club, Level 1					
5.30pm–7.30pm	Welcome reception and registration The Hart Bar  Sponsor message – Dr Annalisa Contos Principal, Atom Consulting	Cr Darriea Turley AM President Local Government NSW Cr Ken Keith OAM Mayor Parkes Shire Council				
Tuesday 27 June 2023						
8.15am-9.00am Conference registration opens, The Parkes Leagues Club, Level 1 Trade exhibition opens, Ground floor with arrival Tea and Coffee						
9.00am–9.05am	Conference opens Introduction and overview of the day	Geoff Brailey, MC				
9.05am-9.10am	Welcome to Country Wiradjuri Country	Geoff Anderson (invited) representing the Wiradjuri people				
9.10am-9.20am	Welcome to Parkes Shire	Cr Ken Keith OAM Mayor Parkes Shire Council				
9.20am-9.30am	Opening Address	Cr Darriea Turley AM President Local Government NSW				
9.30am–9.45am	Federal Minister's Address	Tanya Plibersek MP (invited) Minister for the Environment and Water				
9.45am-10.00am	NSW Minister's Address	ТВС				
10.00am-10.25am	Department of Planning and Environment  DPE is responsible for water security and managing	Amanda Jones Acting Deputy Secretary				

	NSW water resources, including surface and	Department of Planning and	
	groundwater management. DPE assists local water utilities through planning, policy and regulation to ensure quality water services are provided throughout NSW.	Environment	
10.25am-10.30am	Overview of Atlas Copco		
10.30am-11.00am	Morning Tea sponsored by Atlas Copco		
11.00am–11.30am	Panel Discussion  Oam–11.30am  Addressing the challenges of providing quality water supply to rural and remote communities.		
		Services Manager Goldenfields Water	
11.30am-11.35am	Overview of GHD		
11.35am-11.40am	Delegates move to chosen Stream		
Co	ncurrent conference streams (Select one of the three	streams)	
	STREAM 1 – Infrastructure		
11.40am-11.45am	Stream Introduction and Overview		
Using Risk to Assess Strategic Recommendations Tamworth Regional Council and Beca Hunter H2O will explore their risk-based approach to assess capital assets, which has resulted in improving Tamworth Regional Council's water network resilience, while also saving millions of dollars.		Naomi Schipanski Manager Projects, Strategy and Infrastructure Tamworth Regional Council Daniel Alexander Principal Planning Engineer Beca HunterH2O	
12.10pm-12.40pm	Cobar's IWCM - An innovative change process to tackle failed infrastructure Cobar Shire Council is faced with financial and infrastructure challenges that are unparalleled in other councils throughout rural NSW. Cobar faces the tyranny of distance in pumping water over 200km to townships. Cobar Shire Council has developed an Integrated Water Cycle Management	Victor Papierniak Water & Sewer Manager Cobar Shire Council Mike Brearley Director Mike Brearley & Associates Pty Ltd	

12.40pm-1.10pm	Strategy (IWCM) that includes a number of initiatives to address what is a complex situation. The IWCM is as an innovative, collaborative approach between consultants, council, the Cobar Water Board and DPE officers, to achieve realistic outcomes.  Declared dams in NSW Declared dams in NSW are regulated by Dams Safety NSW under the Dams Safety Act 2015					
	STREAM 2 – Innovation and Technology					
11.40am-11.45am	Stream Introduction and Overview					
11.45am-12.10pm	Water Smart Metering - Inception to Completion Rohit Srivastava will discuss the life cycle of the project: from initiation to completion and the use of smart meters. Collecting the data is reducing water leakage and providing a better understanding of consumer consumption across four townships.	Mr Rohit Srivastava Director Infrastructure Berrigan Shire Council				
12.10pm – 12.40pm	An Australian first: cutting edge ceramic membranes With the technical support of Isle Utilities, Narromine Shire Council has introduced the use of ceramic membranes, resulting in more resilient membranes, a lower carbon footprint, lower capital costs, requiring less maintenance and has the capacity to treat difficult water, allowing more options for water supply sources. The innovative technology targets a wide range of contaminants.	Doug Moorby Manager Utilities Narromine Shire Council  Derek Atkinson Head of Global Benchmarking Isle Utilities				
Proactive water take compliance assessment in NSW: an overview of technologies and capabilities This presentation will give an overview of why there is a need for proactive water take compliance monitoring. It will demonstrate how NRAR proactively monitors the landscape and state-wide databases for instances of potential non-compliance with water take rules and regulations. It will also showcase some of NRAR's automated compliance dashboards, which provide a range of insights that allow the regulator to more effectively assess and manage water take compliance across the state.		Dr Ivars Reinfelds and Dr June Song Spatial and Data Analytics Natural Resources Access Regulator (NRAR)				
STI	STREAM 3 – Resilience and recovery from drought, fire and floods					
11.40am-11.45am	Stream Introduction and Overview					
11.45am-12.10pm	Tweed Shire Council - A journey to Resilience Brie Jowett will discuss Tweed Shire Council's journey of resilience through the 2017 and 2022	Brie Jowett Manager Water &				

	floods, the COVID-19 pandemic and chemical shortages in 2022. Building back better and building resilient workforces and communities is a critical component of this journey.	Wastewater Operations Tweed Shire Council
12.10pm-12.40pm	From Drought Response to Water Resilience: A Journey of Mindset Shift Rachel Abberton will discuss MidCoast Council's "Drought Response Team" and the need to continue to prepare for droughts during La Niña events that bring heavy rain and flooding.	Rachel Abberton Planning Engineer MidCoast Council
12.40pm–1.10pm	Maintaining Water and Sewer Services During a Major Flood  Lismore and the northern rivers were struck by several flood events that caused major disruption, including to the provision of drinking water. Adam Nesbitt will present on Rous County Council's management and delivery of drinking water amidst the flood events. Mitchell and Chenxi will discuss the delivery of sewer services in a separate flooding event.	Tom Lloyd Dams and Treatment Engineering Manager Rous County Council  Rhys Oates Dams and Treatment Assistant Leader Rous County Council  Mitchell Stace Manager Water Project Delivery  Chenxi Zeng Management and Treatment MidCoast Council
1.10pm-2.10pm	Lunch sponsored by GHD	
2.10pm-5.00pm	Sites Visit Parkes Shire Council will showcase its state-of-the-art infrastructure, including Water Treatment Plant, Wastewater Treatment Plant, Recycled Water Treatment Plan, and the Akuna Road Wetlands, rehabilitated maturation ponds that are now a thriving wetland system supporting a diverse range of native flora and fauna.	Water Directorate Forum Agenda  1. Water Directorate activities wrap-up 2. Circular Economy 3. Training and Collaboration 4. Micro Credentials - what are they and what's available in water?
6.30pm-10.30pm	Conference Dinner - Proudly sponsored by NSW Water Presentation of the Sam Samra Award 2023	er Directorate

	Wednesday 28 June 2023					
8.15am-9.00am	Conference registration opens, The Parkes Leagues Clu Trade exhibition opens, Ground floor with arrival Tea a					
	Tea and Coffee sponsored by NSW Public Works					
9.00am-9.05am	Overview of the day	Geoff Brailey, MC				
	Panel Discussion – A Water Work Force for the Future	Grant Leslie Director Balmoral Group				
9.05am–10.05am	Local Water Utilities are experiencing a skills shortage crisis nation-wide. Measures to address the crisis by increasing skills and capacity are desperately required to reduce risk, support job growth and	David Kirby General Manager Brewarrina Shire Council				
	ensure safe and reliable water and sewerage services for NSW communities. This session will explore short to long term strategies.	Jane Shepherd Director, Local Water Utilities, DPE				
10.05am-10.35am	Managing Drinking Water During Extreme Events	Professor Stuart Khan Civil and Environmental Engineering, University of New South Wales (UNSW)				
10.35am-10.40am	Overview of UtiliOS					
10.40am-11.10am	Morning Tea sponsored by UtiliOS					
11.10am–11.50am	Panel Discussion – Dam'd if you do, dam'd if you don't.  This session will explore the pros and cons of dam infrastructure for water supply and flood mitigation, versus the impact dams have on surrounding land, ecosystems, and local communities.	Bruce Logan Chair, Director Water and Waste Tamworth Regional Council (TBC) Ashraf El-Sherbini Director, Urban Water Strategy, Policy and Programs Department of Planning and Environment Cate Faehrmann MLC The Greens Professor Stuart Khan Civil and Environmental Engineering, University of New South Wales (UNSW) Cr Bill West Mayor Cowra Shire Council				
11.50am-12.25pm	Cybersecurity issues facing local water utilities The increasing threat of cyber-attacks on	Natasha Steele Cyber Security NSW				

2.45pm–3.15pm	Net Zero Councils - Sewage and Water Treatment Efficiency Toolkit  The Sustainable Councils program has been working to develop Net Zero targets for regional councils in NSW and help them develop plans and strategies for their journey to Net Zero. Working in collaboration with technical experts, Sewage Treatment Plants (STP) and Water Treatment Plants (WTP) have been identified as high energy users for Councils and in need of specific guidance within their Net Zero journey. This presentation will outline the	Catherine Semmler  Lisa Miller Office of Energy and Climate Change
2.40pm-2.45pm	Overview by NSW Public Works	
2.10pm–2.40pm	Panel Discussion – Collaborative approach to water management  This session will explore the benefits of alliances and collaborations between local water utilities and peak bodies, the private sector and government agencies to address challenges and opportunities.	Corinne Cheeseman Chief Executive Officer Australian Water Association  George Wall Managing Director Water Industry Operators Association of Australia  Andrew Francis Director Infrastructure Parkes Shire Council
1.10pm-2.10pm	Lunch sponsored by Beca HunterH2O	
1.05pm-1.10pm	Message from Hunter H2O	
12.40pm-1.05pm	Town Water Risk Reduction Program Phase 2 The NSW Government has invested \$32.8 million to provide greater support for councils and Local Water Utilities. The Department of Planning and Environment will outline a suite of new initiatives that will form Phase 2 of the Town Water Risk Reduction Program.	Jane Shepherd Director, Local Water Utilities Department of Planning and Environment
12.25pm-12.40pm	Supporting local councils in preparing for / responding to climate volatility The Bureau of Meteorology is best placed to support councils in establishing resilient infrastructure and communities in the face of increasing climate volatility.	Matt Coulton General Manager Agriculture and Water Bureau of Meteorology (TBC)
	government infrastructure, including local water utilities, poses a substantial risk to local councils. This presentation will highlight the work being done by Cyber Security NSW through the sector wide 2021 NSW Cyber Security Strategy and its implications for local water utilities.	

	components of a Net Zero Guide with a toolkit and business case template for STP's and WTPs.	
	Water as an economic driver – Parkes Shire Council	<b>Cr Ken Keith OAM</b> Mayor
	Parkes Special Activation Precinct, an initiative identified as part of the NSW Government's 20-year	Parkes Shire Council
	Economic Vision for Regional NSW, provides a	Kent Boyd PSM
3.15pm-3.45pm	unique challenge for council, to provide both town	General Manager
	water for residents and to secure water to attract business and investors, support local industries and	Parkes Shire Council
	fuel economic development. This presentation will	Andrew Francis
	outline how water has become an economic driver	Director Infrastructure
	for council.	Parkes Shire Council
3.45pm-3.50pm	MC, wrap-up and close of conference	

#### **2023 STAFF SURVEY RESULTS**

### Report prepared by Human Resources Coordinator

#### **COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION**

That the report detailing 2023 Staff Survey Results be received and noted.

#### ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Priority 2 Customer Service Focus

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Staff Survey is an anonymous questionnaire that captures staff feedback on issues critical to the organisations success.

The survey provides staff with an opportunity to have their say independently and anonymously on key employee concerns that exist within the organisation.

#### **REPORT**

The 2023 Staff Survey commenced on 6<sup>th</sup> February and concluded on 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023 with 79% of staff completing the survey.

The 2023 results have moderated post Covid, joining a downward trend across a number of councils and other organisations. The results can be viewed as a call to action.

The results of the 2023 survey saw only one (1) of the previous six (6) "High Performance" outcomes & drivers from the 2020 survey remain:

Teamwork

The remaining five (5) "High Performance" outcomes & drivers from 2020 all moved to "Medium Performance" in 2023:

- Resources
- Values
- Health & Safety
- · Pay & Benefits
- Supervision

In 2023 we saw a total of eight (8) "Low Performance" outcomes & drivers. Going forward we see this feedback as an opportunity for Council to make improvements particularly in areas of Leadership, Processes and Respect.

Training is already scheduled for those in leadership positions to undertake Working with Emotional Intelligence Training.

Management is in the process of developing an action plan going forward.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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

**ATTACHMENTS: Nil** 

TABLED ITEMS: Nil.

#### **DRAFT OPERATIONAL PLAN 2023/2024**

#### Report prepared by General Manager

#### **COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION**

That Council endorses the draft Operational Plan 2023/2024 incorporating the 2023/2024 budget and annual fees and charges to be placed on public display for a period of 28 days.

#### ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Priority 1 High Quality, Secure & Efficient Water Supplies

#### **BACKGROUND**

The 2022-2026 Delivery Program was adopted by Council in June 2022 in accordance with Chapter 13, part 2 of the Local Government Act 1993, and Section 196A of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021.

Section 405 of the Local Government Act 1993 requires an Operational Plan including an annual budget and annual fees and charges to be adopted before the beginning of each financial year and for the draft documents to be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days.

The 2023/2024 Operational Plan is the second subset of the 2022-2026 Delivery Program.

#### **REPORT**

In accordance with legislative requirements the 2023/2024 Operational Plan incorporating the 2023/2024 budget and annual fees and charges is now presented in draft for Council's consideration, prior to being placed on public exhibition.

All fees and charges have been increased by 5% for the 2023/24 financial year (except statutory fees and charges determined by other government agencies and authorities).

Major cost/income variations include a 25% increase to electricity prices, and water sales projections of 7,520ML.

The 2023/2024 Operational Plan estimates a net operating result of \$111,000.00.

The Delivery Program was reviewed during the preparation of the Operational Plan, with no alterations being required.

### FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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

**ATTACHMENTS:** Draft 2023/2024 Operational Plan.

TABLED ITEMS: Nil

# **OPERATIONAL PLAN**



# 1: High Quality, Secure & Efficient Water Supplies

# 1.1: Potable water supplies meet Australian Drinking Water Guidelines and Public Health requirements

## 1.1.1: Drinking Water Management System is implemented

Key Activity Code	Key Activity	Action Name	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
1.1.1.1	Drinking Water Management System Annual Reporting is completed	Drinking Water Management System annual reporting	Annual report developed and submitted to council by December prior to submission to NSW health	Production & Services Manager		X		

#### 1.1.2: Backflow prevention is in place for high risk connections

Key Activity Code	Key Activity	Action Name	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
1.1.2.1	Low pressure areas - investigate and develop options for effective backflow prevention.	Reduced Pressure Zone Device (backflow prevention device) testing and audit is completed.	All RPZD's have been tested and audit is complete	Engineering Manager				Х

#### 1.1.3: Goldenfields adheres to NSW Government Best Practice Management

Key Activity Code	Key Activity	Action Name	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
1.1.3.1	Develop and implement Integrated Water Cycle Management Strategy	Goldenfields Water adheres to best practice guidance for water and wastewater operations.	Goldenfields will develop and adopt a new IWCM strategy	Production * Services Manager		Х		

#### 2 | Goldenfields Water

# 1.2: Future growth is planned for and managed

# 1.2.1: Growth opportunities are considered through business planning

Key Activity Code	Key Activity	Action Name	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
1.2.1.1	Economically viable extensions to the network are factored into Capital Works Program	GWCC progresses with Rosehill to Young strategy asset upgrades	Offtake to Rosehill pump station upgrade complete.	Engineering Manager				Х
		West Wyalong Water Reliability Project Complete	Bypass trunk main, reticulated main, reservoir and pump station complete and operational.	Engineering Manager		Х		

# 1.3: Water supply is reliable and efficient

## 1.3.1: Disruptions to supply are planned for and managed

Key Activity Code	Key Activity	Action Name	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
1.3.1.1	Written notifications and social media is utilsed to provide notice of planned outages	Disruptions to supply are planned for and managed	Report on number of planned and unplanned disruptions for quarter	Operations Manager	X	X	X	X

# 1.3.2: New Temora Depot to support reticulation renewals and construction program

Key Activity Code	Key Activity	Action Name	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
1.3.2.1	Capital Expenditure Review undertake	New Temora Depot construction is progressing	Construction of shed is completed. Detailed design of office building completed.	Engineering Manager				X

## 3 | Goldenfields Water

# 1.4: Our assets are managed and renewed in accordance with Council's Asset management systems

# 1.4.1: Strategic asset management documents and systems are adopted and updated to maintain validity and relevance

Key Activity Code	Key Activity	Action Name	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
1.4.1.1	Continual update of asset financial data	Comprehensive revaluation of water infrastructure assets is completed.	Comprehensive revaluation of water infrastructure assets is completed.	Engineering Manager			X	

## 1.4.2: Assets are renewed in accordance with the requirements of the Asset Management Plans

Key Activity Code	Key Activity	Action Name	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
1.4.2.1	Councils Capital Works Program is generated from the asset management system	Assets are renewed in accordance with the requirements of the asset management plans	Capital works program is generated from the asset management system	Engineering Manager				X
1.4.2.2	.4.2.2 Projects are identified and planned in accordance with Council's asset management system	Council's backlog of works is reduced	Council's backlog of works is reduced.	Engineering Manager				x
		Minimum 10km of urban reticulation renewals completed	Km undertaken	Operations Manager				X
		Minimum 5km of rural renewals completed	Km undertaken	Operations Manager				X
		Minimum 5km trunk renewals completed (excluding Thanowring Road)	Progress report	Operations Manager				Х
		Thanowring Road pipeline upgrade minimum 10km constructed	Progress report	Operations Manager	X	Х	X	

#### 4 | Goldenfields Water

Key Activity Code	Key Activity	Action Name	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
1.4.2.3	Asset capacity is determined to meet long term demands	Oura reservoir and aerator progresses	Oura reservoirs and aerators 80% complete	Engineering Manager				X
		Renewal of Jugiong WTP High Voltage Assets	Completion of new High Voltage building, transformers, switchgear and Variable Speed Drives.	Production & Services Manager				Х

# 1.4.3: Maintenance programs are developed and implemented

Key Activity Code	Key Activity	Action Name	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
1.4.3.1	Annual maintenace programs - mains flushing, valves inspections, Reservoir inspections	Routine Mains Maintenance Program	Minimum 30km of mains flushing undertaken	Operations Manager				X

## 2: Customer Service Focus

## 2.1: Well trained and highly motivated workforce

2.1.1: Workforce Strategy

## 2.1.2: Staff professional development opportunities

Key Activity Code	Key Activity	Action Name	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
2.1.2.1	Staff Development Plan process incorporates employee development through informal and formal professional development and training opportunities	Staff professional development opportunities	Staff Development Plan process incorporates employee development through informal and formal professional development and training opportunities	HR Coordinator			X	

## 2.1.3: Build a diverse workforce

Key Activity Code	Key Activity	Action Name	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
2.1.3.1	Action items from Goldenfields Water's EEO Management 2021- 2025 implemented.	Build a diverse workforce	Action items from Goldenfields Water's EEO Management 2021- 2025 implemented.	HR Coordinator				X

## 2.1.4: Measure and improve employee engagement

Key Activity Code	Key Activity	Action Name	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
2.1.4.1	Develop, implement and monitor organisation-wide training plan to ensure available funds for required training focusing on skills gaps and leadership	Measure and improve employee engagement	Develop, implement and monitor organisation-wide training plan to ensure available funds for required training focusing on skills gaps and leadership	HR Coordinator			X	

## 2.2: Safe, healthy, and risk managed working environment exists for staff and the community

## 2.2.1: Integrated approach to safety risk management in the workplace

Key Activity Code	Key Activity	Action Name	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
2.2.1.1	MANEX team informed of WHS performance and accountable for continual improvement	Integrated approach to risk management in the workplace	MANEX team informed of WHS performance and accountable for continual improvement in workplace safety	WHS Coordinator	X	X	X	X
	in workplace safety		Review of safe working practices and procedures					

## 2.2.2: Implement WHS Program

Key Activity Code	Key Activity	Action Name	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
2.2.2.1	Wellness program undertaken	Implement WHS Program	Action items from Council's Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2023-2027	HR Coordinator			X	

## 2.3: Community satisfaction is built and maintained through provision of services and information

## 2.3.1: Inform our customers about projects, programs, issues etc

Key Activity Code	Key Activity	Action Name	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
2.3.1.1	Social media utilised for promotion of projects, outages and upcoming works	Social Media and traditional uses of media utilised for promotion of projects, outages and upcoming works.	Social media statistics, visitors to website, strong presence on all Council social media pages, media articles featured in print media.	Community Engagement Officer	X	X	×	X

## 2.3.2: Undertake Customer Survey

Key Activity Code	Key Activity	Action Name	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
2.3.2.1	Survey completed and results considered in relation to future planning	Customer survey undertaken	Conduct an online community survey (via Survey Monkey) and collate responses for the October 2023 Council Meeting.	Community Engagement Officer			X	

#### 2.3.3: Develop and implement a customer engagement strategy

## 2.4: Financial Management

## 2.4.1: Long term financial plan reviewed and updated regularly

Key Activity Code	Key Activity	Action Name	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
2.4.1.1	Long term financial plan reviewed and updated annually	Review and update Long Term Financial Plan	Review and update Long Term Financial Plan	Corporate Services Manager				X

## 2.4.2: Review and determine fees and charges consistent with the Long Term Financial Plan

Key Activity Code	Key Activity	Action Name	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
2.4.2.1	Develop a long term pricing path. Review and determine fees and charges annually	Develop a long term pricing path. Review and determine fees and charges annually	Review and determine fees and charges annually	Corporate Services Manager				X

#### 2.4.3: Plant replacement program maintained to ensure safe and fit for purpose fleet

Key Activity Code	Key Activity	Action Name	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
2.4.3.1	Prepare and review annual plant replacement program	Plant replacement program maintained to ensure safe and fit for purpose fleet	Prepare annual plant replacement program	Corporate Services Manager				X

## 2.5: Improving performance and managing risk

- 2.5.1: Review and update Business Continuity Plan
- 2.5.2: Audit Risk and Improvement Committee function complies with Framework, regular meetings are held and internal audits undertaken

Key Activity Code	Key Activity	Action Name	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
2.5.2.1	Hold ARIC meetings at least quarterly	Audit Risk & Improvement Committee function complies with Framework, regular meetings are held and internal audits undertaken	Review framework requirements at least annually Hold meetings at least quarterly Undertake internal audits in accordance with Strategic Internal Audit Plan	Corporate Services Manager	X	X	X	X

## 2.5.3: Prepare statutory financial reports within required timeframes

Key Activity Code	Key Activity	Action Name	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
2.5.3.1	Prepare annual financial statements	Prepare statutory financial reports within required timeframes	Prepare Annual Financial Statements	Corporate Services Manager	X			
2.5.3.2	Prepare Quarterly Budget Reviews	Prepare quarterly budget reviews	Prepare quarterly budget reviews	Corporate Services Manager	Х	Х	Х	

## 2.5.4: Maintain an up to date ICT infrastructure to ensure organisational efficiency

Key Activity Code	Key Activity	Action Name	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
2.5.4.1	Develop annual ICT project plan	Maintain an up to date ICT infrastructure to ensure organisational efficiency	Develop annual ICT project plan	Corporate Services Manager			X	

## 2.6: Regional Collaboration

## 2.6.1: Membership Joint Organisation

Key Activity Code	Key Activity	Action Name	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
2.6.1.1	Active role in Joint Organisation initiatives	Membership RivJo and REROC	Goldenfields actively participates in REROC and projects with a joint interest.	General Manager				X

#### 2.6.2: Work with Constituent Councils

Key Activity Code	Key Activity	Action Name	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
2.6.2.1	Facilitate regular meetings with Constituent Councils	Regular meetings with Constituent Councils	Goldenfields liaises with Constituent Councils to collaborate as required.	General Manager				Х
2.6.2.2	Review and update SLA with bulk councils	Update SLA with Bulk Councils	New SLA developed and signed off between each Bulk Council and GWCC	General Manager				Х

## 3: A Healthy Natural Environment

# 3.1: Energy costs and usage are monitored and reduced through utilisation of alternative technologies and system innovations

#### 3.1.1: Energy efficiency considered in infrastructure design and benefit cost assessments

Key Activity Code	Key Activity	Action Name	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
3.1.1.1	Energy usage reduced where possible considering levels of service provisions	Energy usage records kept and monitored	Energy trends monitored for inclusion in future upgrades of facilities	Production & Services Manager				X

## 3.1.2: Council Maintains an energy management system

Key Activity Code	Key Activity	Action Name	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
3.1.2.1	Staff review annual energy consumption data	Council maintains an energy management system	Staff review annual consumption data to inform future upgrades and replacement requirements	Production & Services Manager				X

# 3.2: Environmentally adverse consequences are minimised from operations including water extraction, capital works and day to day operations

3.2.1: All construction and maintenance work undertaken to minimise impact to the natural environment

Key Activity Code	Key Activity	Action Name	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
3.2.1.1	Environmental impacts considered for each project through production of Review Environmental Factors	All construction and maintenance work undertaken to minimise impact to the natural environment	Environmental impacts considered for each capital project through production of Review Environmental Factors	Operations Manager	X	X	×	X

## 3.3: Potential effect of climate change on water supply is identified, planned and managed

3.3.1: IWCM strategy to consider climate change affects in modelling

Key Activity Code	Key Activity	Action Name	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
3.3.1.1	Climate change considered in demand and supply figures in development of IWCM	IWCM Strategy to consider climate change affects	Climate change considered in demand and supply figures	Production & Services Manager	X			

## 3.4: Water is used wisely with systems losses minimised and accounted for

3.4.1: Non-revenue water is minimised and accounted for

Key Activity Code	Key Activity	Action Name	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
3.4.1.1	Production and bulk meters are compared to identify losses within the system	Non-revenue water is minimised and accounted for	Production data and demand data is utilised to monitor Non-Revenue water	Production & Services Manager				X

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## STATEMENT OF REVENUE POLICY

Council obtains its income from the following sources:

#### Water Access and User Charges

Council has adopted a two-part water charge for each of its customer categories, consisting of an access charge based on service connection sizing and a user charge based on the water consumed. As part of its Delivery Program, Council has set its access and usage charges for the 2023/2024 year.

Council levies interest on overdue charges. The interest rate is maximum allowable - TBA for 2023/2024.

## **Interest on Investments**

Council invests surplus funds in accordance with its Investment Policy.

#### Fees

Council charges appropriate fees for service. These fees are based on actual costs and ensure that those who benefit from the service pay for it.

#### **Private works**

Occasionally Council carries out private works. Any such works are undertaken at price on application.

#### **Grants and subsidies**

Council will receive the Pensioner Rebate Subsidy provided by the State Government in 2023/2024. This subsidy offsets 55% of the total rebate provided.

#### **Developer Contributions**

Developers are required to pay the cost of providing the assets that they require. These costs usually fall into two categories:

The reticulated pipes which a developer is required to pay in full; and

A contribution towards the provision of infrastructure (headworks-e.g. treatment plants, major pipelines etc)

#### **Loan Borrowings**

New capital infrastructure projects can be funded from borrowings. Council would normally expect that such borrowing approvals to be granted.

Council has not provided for any specific borrowings for 2023/2024.

#### **Access and Usage Charges Statement**

The following is a brief explanation of how Council categorises its customer base.

#### Residential

Customers are categorised as residential if:

The connection is within the Council's urbanized areas serviced by a reservoir via a reticulated distribution network and the main use is for residential accommodation (but not as a hotel, motel, guesthouse, boarding house, lodging house or nursing home).

It is a vacant land within this Council's urbanised areas serviced by a reservoir via a reticulated distribution network.

#### Non-Residential Rural

Customers are categorised as non-residential rural if:

The connection is located outside this Council urbanized areas, is serviced directly from a main and the main use is for stock and domestic.

#### **Non-residential Other**

Customers are categorised as non-residential other if:

The connection is within this Council's urbanized areas serviced by a reservoir via a reticulated distribution network and the main use is for commercial, industrial, community or institutional.

Other remote and direct connections to mains outside of this Council's urbanized areas where there is no commercial rural activity.

## **Non-Residential High Volume Monthly**

Customers are categorised as non-residential high volume monthly if:

The main use is for commercial, industrial, community or institutional and the customer uses over 50,000kl pa.

#### **Non-Residential Bulk Councils**

Hilltops Council and Cootamundra Gundagai Regional Council together with water supplied to Riverina Water consumers are categorised as non-residential Bulk Councils.

Council's Annual Access and Usage charges, Interest, Fees, Private Works, and/or Developer Contributions are levied and or charged under various sections on the NSW Local Government Act including but not limited to sections 501, 502, 552, 566 section 64 and its cross reference to water Management Act section 305-307 and NSW Local Government Act Chapter 15, Part 10 Division 3

# **COUNCIL BUDGET REPORT 2023-24**



Water

## **COUNCIL BUDGET REPORT 2023-24**

Goldenfields Water County Council											
	Current Year					Projecte	d Years				
	Updated										
INCOME STATEMENT	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31	2031/32	2032/33
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Income from Continuing Operations											
Rates & Annual Charges	5,831	6,129	6,312	6,501	6,696	6,896	7,103	7,317	7,537	7,763	7,996
User Charges & Fees	15,407	17,163	17,677	18,209	18,755	19,318	19,896	20,495	21,109	21,740	22,394
Other Revenues	266	243	259	260	261	267	270	273	277	281	285
Grants & Contributions provided for Operating Purpos	80	80	83	85	88	91	94	97	100	103	106
Grants & Contributions provided for Capital Purposes	5,634	1,592	1,640	1,690	1,740	1,793	1,847	1,902	1,959	2,018	2,078
Interest & Investment Revenue	870	928	728	628	528	528	528	628	728	828	928
Total Income from Continuing Operations	28,088	26,135	26,699	27,372	28,068	28,893	29,738	30,712	31,710	32,732	33,786
<b>Expenses from Continuing Operations</b>											
Employee Benefits & On-Costs	8,189	8,404	8,656	8,913	9,179	9,452	9,733	10,023	10,321	10,628	10,945
Materials & Contracts	8,585	8,969	9,238	9,515	9,800	10,094	10,397	10,709	11,030	11,361	11,702
Depreciation & Amortisation	8,420	8,480	8,540	8,540	8,540	8,540	8,540	8,540	8,540	8,540	8,540
Other Expenses	163	172	177	182	187	193	199	205	211	217	224
Total Expenses from Continuing Operations	25,358	26,024	26,611	27,150	27,706	28,279	28,869	29,477	30,102	30,747	31,411
Net Operating Result for the Year	2,731	111	88	222	362	614	869	1,235	1,607	1,985	2,375
Net Operating Result before Grants and Contributions provided for Capital Purposes	(2,903)	(1,481)	(1,552)	(1,467)	(1,378)	(1,179)	(978)	(667)	(352)	(32)	298

Goldenfields Water County Council											
BALANCE SHEET	<b>Current Year</b>					Projected	l Years				
	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31	2031/32	2032/33
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
ASSETS											
Current Assets											
Cash & Cash Equivalents	2,943	1,759	1,633	1,485	1,211	1,346	1,454	1,656	1,867	2,173	2,515
Investments	21,100	12,612	11,703	10,647	8,683	9,646	10,426	11,871	13,387	15,579	18,033
Receivables	5,706	5,622	5,556	5,628	5,602	5,595	5,608	5,602	5,602	5,604	5,603
Inventories	712	751	746	737	745	742	741	743	742	742	742
Total Current Assets	30,462	20,745	19,638	18,497	16,241	17,329	18,230	19,872	21,599	24,098	26,893
Non-Current Assets											
Investments	11,000	6,575	6,101	5,551	4,527	5,029	5,435	6,189	6,979	8,122	9,401
Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment	301,906	321,068	328,924	336,524	346,179	351,305	356,926	361,927	367,209	371,777	376,361
Total Non-Current Assets	312,906	327,643	335,025	342,074	350,705	356,334	362,361	368,115	374,189	379,899	385,762
TOTAL ASSETS	343,368	348,388	354,663	360,571	366,946	373,663	380,591	387,987	395,787	403,997	412,655
LIABILITIES											
Current Liabilities											
Payables	1,613	1,730	1,825	1,722	1,759	1,769	1,750	1,759	1,759	1,756	1,758
Provisions	2,623	2,728	2,810	2,895	2,981	3,071	3,163	3,258	3,356	3,456	3,560
Total Current Liabilities	4,236	4,458	4,635	4,617	4,740	4,839	4,913	5,017	5,115	5,212	5,318
Non Commont Linkillities											
Non-Current Liabilities	8	8	9	8	8	9	8	9	9	8	0
Payables Provisions	126	131	135	139	143	147	152	156	161	166	9 171
Total Non-Current Liabilities	134	139	143	147	152	156	160	165	170	174	179
TOTAL LIABILITIES	4,370	4,597	4,778	4,764	4,892	4,995	5,073	5,182	5,284	5,387	5,497
Net Assets	338,997	343,791	349,885	355,807	362,054	368,668	375,517	382,805	390,503	398,611	407,158
EQUITY											
Retained Earnings	97,597	97,707	97,795	98,017	98,380	98,994	99,862	101,097	102,705	104,690	104,506
Revaluation Reserves	242,751	248,606	254,648	260,056	265,825	271,564	277,203	282,918	288,616	294,300	299,999
Total Equity	340,348	346,313	352,444	358,074	364,204	370,558	377,065	384,015	391,321	398,990	404,505
. Other Equity	370,340	340,313	332,444	330,074	307,204	370,330	311,000	307,013	331,321	330,330	404,505
Total Cash & Investments	35,043	20,947	19,437	17,683	14,421	16,020	17,315	19,716	22,234	25,874	29,949
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Goldenfields Water County Council CASH FLOW STATEMENT	Current Year					Projected	Voare				
CASH FLOW STATEMENT	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31	2031/32	2032/33
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Cash Flows from Operating Activities	<b>\$ 000</b>	Ψ 000	<b>\$ 555</b>	<b>4 000</b>	Ψ 000	Ψ 000	Ψ 000	Ψ 000	<b>4000</b>	<b>\$ 000</b>	<b>\$ 000</b>
Receipts:											
Rates & Annual Charges	5,736	6,165	6,320	6,484	6,705	6,896	7,100	7,319	7,537	7,763	7,996
User Charges & Fees	15,331	17,237	17,652	18,200	18,769	19,312	19,896	20,497	21,107	21,740	22,394
Investment & Interest Revenue Received	700	998	738	598	545	527	523	632	727	827	929
Grants & Contributions	5,676	1,838	1,954	1,894	2,000	2,058	2,096	2,166	2,225	2,283	2,349
Other	311	178	288	262	249	273	269	271	279	280	284
Payments:											
Employee Benefits & On-Costs	(8,198)	(8,414)	(8,646)	(8,916)	(9,180)	(9,450)	(9,733)	(10,023)	(10,321)	(10,629)	(10,945)
Materials & Contracts	(8,900)	(8,912)	(9,171)	(9,579)	(9,780)	(10,087)	(10,409)	(10,704)	(11,030)	(11,363)	(11,701)
Other	(163)	(172)	(177)	(182)	(187)	(193)	(199)	(205)	(211)	(217)	(224)
Net Cash provided (or used in) Operating Activities	10,493	8,917	8,958	8,762	9,121	9,337	9,542	9,954	10,312	10,685	11,083
Cash Flows from Investing Activities											
Receipts:											
Sale of Investment Securities	8,982	12,912	1,383	1,607	2,988	-	-	-	-	-	-
Payments:											
Purchase of Investment Securities	-	-	-	-	-	(1,465)	(1,186)	(2,199)	(2,307)	(3,334)	(3,733)
Purchase of Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment	(12,958)	(19,162)	(7,857)	(7,599)	(9,655)	(5,127)	(5,620)	(5,001)	(5,283)	(4,568)	(4,584)
Net Cash provided (or used in) Investing Activities	(3,976)	(6,249)	(6,473)	(5,993)	(6,667)	(6,592)	(6,807)	(7,200)	(7,589)	(7,902)	(8,317)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities											
Receipts:											
Proceeds from Borrowings & Advances	-		-	-						-	-
Payments:											
Repayment of Borrowings & Advances	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Cash Flow provided (used in) Financing Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash & Cash Equivalents	6,517	2,668	2,485	2,769	2,454	2,745	2,736	2,754	2,723	2,782	2,766
plus: Cash & Cash Equivalents - beginning of year	2,943	9,460	12,128	14,613	17,382	19,836	22,581	25,317	28,071	30,794	33,576
Cash & Cash Equivalents - end of the year	9,460	12,128	14,613	17,382	19,836	22,581	25,317	28,071	30,794	33,576	36,342
Cash & Cash Equivalents - end of the year	9,460	12,128	14,613	17,382	19,836	22,581	25,317	28,071	30,794	33,576	36,342
Investments - end of the year	32,100	19,188	17,804	16,198	13,210	14,674	15,861	18,060	20,367	23,701	27,434
Cash, Cash Equivalents & Investments - end of the year	41,560	31,316	32,417	33,580	33,046	37,256	41,178	46,131	51,160	57,277	63,776

Goldenfields Water Budget Result 2023/24										
	Operating	Capital Activities	Net Result							
	Activities (\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)							
1 . FISCAL BUDGET RESULT										
Operating Revenues	26,135									
Operating Expenses (incl Depreciation)	26,024									
Operating Result	111	0	111							
add back										
Depreciation Expense	8,480									
Capex Program Expenditure		22,643								
Asset Sales/Trade Ins		738								
RESULT Surplus/(Deficit)	8,591	(23,381)	(14,790)							
RESULT - a deficit will need to be funded as shown below										
2. FUNDING BUDGET RESULT										
Fiscal Budget Result (Above)	8,591	(23,381)								
Internal Reserve Funding										
Net Tfr from/(to) Employee Leave Entitlements	0									
Net Tfr from/(to) Plant & Vehicle Replacement		283								
Net Tfr from/(to) Infrastructure Replacement		9,730								
Net Tfr from/(to) Property Asset Reserve		0								
Net Tfr from/(to) Sales Fluctuation	-									
RESULT Surplus/(Deficit)	8,591	(13,368)	(4,778)							
RESULT - a surplus will increase Available Working Capital										

Customer Categories	\$'000	%Within Category	% of Total
Residential	7,163		31.0%
Access Charges	1,845	26%	
Usage Charges	5,318	74%	
Non-Residential Rural	5,404		23.4%
Access Charges	1,655	31%	
Usage Charges	3,749	69%	
Non-Residential Other	2,523		10.9%
Access Charges	1,061	42%	
Usage Charges	1,462	58%	
Non-Residential High Volume Monthly	1,577		6.8%
Access Charges	45	3%	
Usage Charges	1,532	97%	
Non-Residential Bulk Council	6,413		27.8%
Access Charges	1,674	26%	
Usage Charges	4,739	74%	
TOTAL PROJECTED YIELD	23,080		100%

Goldenfields Water County Council		
2023/24 BUDGETED CASH POSITION	Current Year 2022/23 \$'000	Projected 2023/24 \$'000
Reconcilliation of Cash Position		
Change in net assets from continuing operations	2,731	111
Add back Non Cash Expenses		
Depreciation	8,420	8,480
Add Cashflows from Financing Activities		
Proceeds from Sale of Assets	738	617
Less Cashflows from Investing Activities		
Purchase of Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment	(25,552)	(22,643)
Cash Surplus/ (Deficit)	(13,663)	(13,436)
Equity Movements		
Reserve Funds - Increase / (Decrease)	(13,663)	(13,436)

Goldenfields Water County Council		
2023/24 CAPITAL BUDGET SUMMARY	Current Year 2022/23 \$'000	Projected 2023/24 \$'000
Capital Budget		
Income		
Capital Funding		
Capital Grants & Contributions	5,634	1,592
Proceeds from sale - Infrastructure, Property Plant & Equipment	738	617
Internal Restrictions	22,083	21,916
Operating Revenue	(2,903)	(1,481)
Total Capital Funding	25,552	22,643
Capital Expenditure		
New Assets		
Water Supply Infrastrucure	5,902	2,170
Plant & Equipment	-	550
IT / Office Equipment	-	-
Land & Buildings	100	1,500
Renewal Assets		
Water Supply Infrastructure	17,813	17,005
Plant & Equipment	1,600	1,288
IT / Office Equipment	60	80
Furniture & Fittings	5	-
Land & Buildings	72	50
Total Capital Expenditure	25,552	22,643

	IFIELDS WATER BUDGET			
CAPITAL WORKS BUDGET 2024 - 2027	Budget 2023/24	Budget 2024/25	Budget 2025/26	Budget 2026/27
CAPITAL INCOME	\$	\$	\$	\$
Asset Sales	616,500	500,000	500,000	500,000
Capital Grants and Contributions	1,591,800	1,640,000	1,689,500	1,740,400
TOTAL CAPITAL INCOME	2,208,300	2,140,000	2,189,500	2,240,400
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE				
NEW SYSTEM ASSETS	\$	\$	\$	\$
Plant & Equipment	550,000	0	0	0
Land & Buildings	1,500,000	1,500,000	0	0
Mains - Developer Paid	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
Mains - Reticulation	800,000	0	0	0
Pump Stations & Bores	400,000	0	0	3,845,000
Reservoir Sites	880,000	0	0	1,000,000
Treatment Plant	50,000	0	0	0
TOTAL NEW SYSTEM ASSETS	4,220,000	1,540,000	40,000	4,885,000
RENEWALS	\$	\$	\$	\$
Plant & Equipment	1,288,000	1,200,000	1,200,000	1,200,000
Information technology	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000
Furniture & Office Equipment	0	10,000	10,000	10,000
Land & Buildings	50,000	250,000	50,000	50,000
Mains - Trunk	4,150,000	1,680,000	2,480,000	300,000
Mains - Reticulation	2,000,000	3,500,000	2,530,000	1,400,000
Mains - Rural	400,000	430,000	430,000	600,000
Pump Stations & Bores	3,175,000	720,000	3,100,000	2,825,000
Reservoir Sites	5,550,000	1,550,000	1,450,000	150,000
Treatment Plant	1,530,000	30,000	30,000	1,580,000
Emergency Works	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000
TOTAL NEW SYSTEM ASSETS	18,423,000	9,650,000	11,560,000	8,395,000
TOTAL CAPITAL INCOME	22,643,000	11,190,000	11,600,000	13,280,000

## **FEES & CHARGES**



	Year 22/23	Year 23/24		
Name	Fee	Fee	Legislation GS <sup>*</sup>	Т
	(incl. GST)	(incl. GST)		

## **Goldenfields Water County Council**

## **Access Charges (Annual)**

## Residential

20mm Connection Quarterly Charge: \$55.50	\$212.00	\$222.00		
25mm Connection Quarterly Charge: \$87.00	\$332.00	\$348.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 501	N
32mm Connection	\$544.00	\$572.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 501	N
Quarterly Charge: \$143.00 40mm Connection	\$848.00	\$890.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 501	N
Quarterly Charge: \$222.50				
50mm Connection	\$1,328.00	\$1,394.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 501	N
	\$1,328.00 \$3,394.00	\$1,394.00 \$3,564.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 501  Local Government Act 1993   Section 501	N N

#### Non-Residential - Rural

Non-Residentiai - Rurai				
20mm Connection	\$680.00	\$714.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 501	N
Quarterly Charge: \$178.50				
25mm Connection	\$1,060.00	\$1,112.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 501	N
Quarterly Charge: \$278.00				
32mm Connection	\$1,740.00	\$1,828.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 501	N
Quarterly Charge: \$457.00				
40mm Connection	\$2,716.00	\$2,852.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 501	N
Quarterly Charge: \$713.00				
50mm Connection	\$4,244.00	\$4,456.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 501	N
Quarterly Charge: \$1,114.00				
80mm Connection	\$10,864.00	\$11,408.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 501	N
Quarterly Charge: \$2,852.00				

Name	Year 22/23 Fee (incl. GST)	Year 23/24 Fee (incl. GST)	Legislation	GST
Non-Residential - Rural [continued]				
20mm Connection - Trunk Main Consumers Transferred from RWCC	\$332.00	\$509.00		
Quarterly Charge: \$127.25				
25mm Connection - Trunk Main Consumers Transferred from RWCC	\$518.00	\$795.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 501	N
Quarterly Charge: \$198.75				

Name	Year 22/23 Fee (incl. GST)	Year 23/24 Fee (incl. GST)	Legislation	GST
	(11101. 001)	(11161. 301)		
Non-Residential - Other				
Includes: Commercial, Industrial, Institutional, Community, Direct and Remote				
20mm Connection	\$372.00	\$390.00		
Quarterly Charge: \$97.50				
25mm Connection	\$580.00	\$608.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 501	N
Quarterly Charge: \$152.00				
32mm Connection	\$956.00	\$1,004.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 501	N
Quarterly Charge: \$251.00				
40mm Connection	\$1,486.00	\$1,560.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 501	N
Quarterly Charge: \$390.00				
50mm Connection	\$2,334.00	\$2,450.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 501	N
Quarterly Charge: \$612.50				
80mm Connection	\$5,984.00	\$6,284.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 501	N
Quarterly Charge: \$1,571.00				
100mm Connection	\$9,336.00	\$9,802.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 501	N
Quarterly Charge: \$2,450.50				
Non-Residential - High Volume (Monthly)				
20mm Connection	\$318.00	\$336.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 501	N
Monthly Charge: \$28.00				
25mm Connection	\$498.00	\$522.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 501	N
Monthly Charge: \$43.50				
32mm Connection	\$816.00	\$852.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 501	N
Monthly Charge: \$71.00				
40mm Connection	\$1,272.00	\$1,332.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 501	N
Monthly Charge: \$111.00				
50mm Connection	\$1,992.00	\$2,088.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 501	N
Monthly Charge: \$174.00				
80mm Connection	\$5,088.00	\$5,340.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 501	N
Monthly Charge: \$445.00				

Name	Year 22/23 Fee (incl. GST)	Year 23/24 Fee (incl. GST)	Legislation	GST
Non-Residential - High Volume (Monthly) [continued]				
100mm Connection	\$7,956.00	\$8,352.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 501	N
Monthly Charge: \$696.00				
150mm Connection	\$17,892.00	\$18,792.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 501	N
Monthly Charge: \$1,566.00				
Non-Residential - Bulk Councils				
Applied per equivalent no. of 20mm connections	\$144.00	\$152.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 501	N
Vacant Unconnected Properties				
20mm Connection (applied to new subdivisions after 1/07/2011)	\$212.00	\$222.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 552	N
Quarterly Charge: \$55.50				
25mm Connection (applied to new subdivisions after 1/07/2011)	\$321.00	\$348.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 552	N
Quarterly Charge: \$87.00				
Consumption Charges (per kilolitre)				
Excess Charges apply when allocated volumes exceeded				
Residential Charge - all consumption	\$2.60	\$2.73	Local Government Act 1993   Section 502	N
Non-Residential Rural - all consumption*	\$1.93	\$2.03	Local Government Act 1993   Section 502	N
Non-Residential Rural - Mandamah consumption*	\$2.60	\$2.73	Local Government Act 1993   Section 502 and Section 552	N
Non-Residential Rural - Trunk Main Consumers Transferred from RWCC*	\$1.66	\$1.82	Local Government Act 1993   Section 502	N
Non-Residential Other - all consumption*	\$2.16	\$2.27	Local Government Act 1993   Section 502	N
Non-Residential High Volume Monthly consumption*	\$2.35	\$2.47	Local Government Act 1993   Section 502	N
Non-Residential Bulk Council - all consumption	\$1.77	\$1.86	Local Government Act 1993   Section 502	N
*Excess Charges	\$4.00	\$4.20	Local Government Act 1993   Section 502	N
Water Filling Stations & Temporary Water Supply Charges				
Water Filling Station Charges				
Water Filling Station Charges  AvData Key Deposit	\$50.00	\$50.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N

Name	Year 22/23 Fee (incl. GST)	Year 23/24 Fee (incl. GST)	Legislation	GST
Standpipe / Temporary Water Supply Charges				
Deposit for Non-Local Customer	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Short Term Hire (per week or part thereof)	\$90.00	\$95.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Annual Hire (per annum of part thereof - nil consumption allow)	\$350.00	\$368.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 501	N
All Portable Standpipe Water Sales - per kilolitre - Commercial, Portable & Temporary	\$4.00	\$4.20	Local Government Act 1993   Section 502	N
Maximum Retail Charge - per kilolitre - Standpipe / Filling Station Water Sales	\$5.30	\$5.57	Local Government Act 1993   Section 502	N

	Year 22/23	Year 23/24	
Name	Fee		T
	(incl. GST)	(incl. GST)	

## **Connection & Developer Charges**

## **Water Connection & Development Proposals**

Assess development proposals (incl subdivision, strata & community/neighbourhood plans - per connection) incl site inspection

Single connection	\$315.00	\$330.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Up to 5 connections	\$245.00	\$257.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
6 to 15 connections	\$220.00	\$231.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
16 to 30 connections	\$190.00	\$200.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
> 30 connections		POA	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N

## **Infrastructure Charges**

Equivalent Tenement (ET) = 250 kilolitres per annum

Retail DSP areas (per ET)	\$7,800.00	\$7,800.00	Local Government Act 1993 (Water Management Act 2000)   Section 64 (Section 306 WMA) / Section 608	N
Bulk Council DSP areas (per ET)	\$7,134.00	\$7,134.00	Local Government Act 1993 (Water Management Act 2000)   Section 64 (Section 306 WMA) / Section 608	N

## **Augmentation Charges - Tapping, Service and Meter Charges**

Downsizing a Connection: half the regular cost of the resultant connection size

Augmentations: additional charges may apply where Dial Before You Dig indicates other services that require external location

20mm Connection	\$1,900.00	\$1,995.00	Local Government Act 1993 (Water Management Act 2000)   Section 64 (Section 306 WMA) / Section 608	N
25mm Connection	\$2,100.00	\$2,205.00	Local Government Act 1993 (Water Management Act 2000)   Section 64 (Section 306 WMA) / Section 608	N
32mm Connection	\$2,750.00	\$2,888.00	Local Government Act 1993 (Water Management Act 2000)   Section 64 (Section 306 WMA) / Section 608	N
40mm Connection	\$3,200.00	\$3,360.00	Local Government Act 1993 (Water Management Act 2000)   Section 64 (Section 306 WMA) / Section 608	N
50mm Connection	\$3,750.00	\$3,938.00	Local Government Act 1993 (Water Management Act 2000)   Section 64 (Section 306 WMA) / Section 608	N

Name	Year 22/23	Year 23/24 Fee	Legislation	GST
Maille	Fee (incl. GST)	(incl. GST)	Legislation	631
Augmentation Charges - Tapping, Service and Meter Charges [continued]				
> 50mm Connection		At Cost	Local Government Act 1993 (Water Management Act 2000)   Section 64 (Section 306 WMA) / Section 608	N
20mm Connection where service pipe has already been laid	\$380.00	\$400.00	Local Government Act 1993 (Water Management Act 2000)   Section 64 (Section 306 WMA) / Section 608	٨
25mm Connection where service pipe has already been laid	\$480.00	\$504.00	Local Government Act 1993 (Water Management Act 2000)   Section 64 (Section 306 WMA) / Section 608	N
NR Rural - Mandamah Annual Augmentation Charge (per Entity) - Stage 1	\$531.00	\$531.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 552	N
Quarterly Charge: \$132.75				
NR Rural - Mandamah Annual Augmentation Charge (per Entity) - Stage 2	\$521.00	\$531.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 552	N
Quarterly Charge: \$132.75				
NR Rural - Mandamah Annual Augmentation Charge (per Entity) - Stage 3	\$511.00	\$531.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 552	N
Quarterly Charge: \$132.75				
NR Rural - Mandamah Annual Augmentation Charge (per Entity) - Stage 4	\$500.00	\$525.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 552	N
Quarterly Charge: \$131.25				
Customer Services				
Bulk Customer Charges				
Bulk Customer - Backflow Device Testing (per device) plus additional hourly rates may apply	\$355.00	\$373.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Bulk Customer - Backflow Installation	\$1,910.00	\$2,010.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Bulk Customer - Trunk Main New Connection	\$13,738.00	\$14,425.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Bulk Customer - Trunk Main Relocation During Construction Fee	\$6,312.00	\$6,628.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Backflow Prevention				
Charges apply to 20mm installation. Larger sizes charged at cost.				
Installation of RPZD device (incl cost of device)*	\$1,030.00	\$1,080.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Inspection & Testing of Backflow Prevention Device (per device) plus additional hourly charges may apply	\$355.00	\$373.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Installation of Double Check Valve*	\$281.00	\$295.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Yearly Servicing of Double Check Valve	\$69.00	\$72.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N

Name	Year 22/23 Fee (incl. GST)	Year 23/24 Fee (incl. GST)	Legislation	GST
Pipe Locations				
Locate Only (min 1 Hour)	At Cos	st (min \$160/hr)	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Locate and Expose (min 24 hours notice) (min 1 Hour)	At Cos	st (min \$160/hr)	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Engineering Services  Site Inspections (per visit)	\$320.00	\$335.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Pressure and Flow Test	\$360.00	\$380.00	L L O	N
Pressure Testing of New Mains	\$875.00	\$919.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Chlorination / Disinfection of New Mains (per service)  Cuttting in of New Mains	\$875.00	\$919.00 At Cost	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608  Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N N
Attend Bursts or Emergency Repairs - during developer defect liability period		At Cost	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Site Survey (per day)	\$960.00	\$1,010.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Design and Drafting including Plans (per day)	\$1,050.00	\$1,102.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Review Developer Designs and Documentation		At Cost	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Engineering Consult per hour (min 1 hour)	\$160.00	\$170.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N

Name	Year 22/23 Fee (incl. GST)	Year 23/24 Fee (incl. GST)	Legislation	GST
Private Works				
Private Works Admin Fee Hire rates for Labour, Plant & Equipment	_	10% (Max \$500) POA	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608 Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	Y Y
Other Charges				
Administrative Fees				
Administration				
Statutory Charges, to be determined.				
S603 Certificate - Search Enquiry Certificate Fee (State Govt scheduled fee) - per property	\$90.00	\$90.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 603	N
S603 Certificate Urgency Fee - process in less than three working days (incl Certificate)	\$180.00	\$180.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 603 and Section 608	N
Restriction / Disconnection Attendance Fee - Permanent or Temporary (non-payment of account or at customer request)	\$160.00	\$170.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Reconnection Fee after Temporary Restriction / Disconnection	\$160.00	\$170.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Debt Recovery Attendance Fee (serving notices)	\$160.00	\$170.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Meter Test Deposit  Non-refundable if meter registers less than 4% more than the correct quantity				
20 or 25mm meter	\$154.00	\$162.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
32 or 40mm meter	\$234.00	\$246.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
50 or 80mm meter	\$258.00	\$271.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
> 80mm meter	\$310.00	\$325.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Special Meter Reading				
Refundable if routine reading by Council is in error				
Routine service (min 48 hours notice)	\$93.00	\$98.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Same Day Service	\$160.00	\$170.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Special Enquiry/Certificate/Attendance Fee per hour (min 1 hour)	\$160.00	\$170.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Other				
Interest on Overdue Accounts (State Govt scheduled rate)		6%	Local Government Act 1993   Section 566	N

Name	Year 22/23 Fee (incl. GST)	Year 23/24 Fee (incl. GST)	Legislation	GST
Other [continued]				
Processing of Dishonoured Cheques	\$55.00	\$55.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Processing of Dishonoured Direct Debit (initial \$0, each subsequent dishonour)	\$25.00	\$25.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Reallocate Electronic Payment of Water Account	\$10.00	\$10.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Copy of Documents (per copy) when freely available from website	\$35.00	\$37.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Printing / Photocopying - A4 Black & White	\$0.50	\$0.50	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Printing / Photocopying - A4 Colour	\$2.00	\$2.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Printing / Photocopying - A3 Black & White	\$1.00	\$1.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Printing / Photocopying - A3 Colour	\$3.00	\$3.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Copy - Water Notice	\$10.00	\$10.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Copy - Water Account Financial Data	\$10.00	\$10.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Copy - S603 Certificate	\$10.00	\$10.00	Local Government Act 1993   Section 608	N
Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009 Requests Statutory Charges, to be determined.				
Application Fee	\$30.00	\$30.00	Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009   Section 41	N
Processing Charge (/hr after first 20hrs)	\$30.00	\$30.00	Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009   Section 64	N
Internal Review	\$40.00	\$40.00	Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009   Section 85	N
Amendment of Records		No Cost		N

#### **GOLDENFIELDS WATER COUNTY COUNCIL - APRIL 2023**

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS UPDATE REPORT**

#### Report prepared by General Manager

## **COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION**

That Council note the Council Resolutions Update Report

#### ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Priority 1 High Quality, Secure and Efficient Water Supplies

#### **BACKGROUND**

The General Manager is responsible for ensuring that Council's resolutions are implemented efficiently and in a timely manner.

#### **REPORT**

After a Council meeting is held, actions required from the resolutions made are listed and distributed to the Management Team for their attention. This list is included on the fortnightly Management meeting agenda to ensure timely completion of tasks.

The resolutions update table attached is provided to the Board to deliver an overview of the tasks completed since the previous meeting and to identify any outstanding tasks that still require action. This allows greater transparency for the Board into the actioning of the resolutions made and a timely reminder for Management to progress these actions.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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

**ATTACHMENTS:** Council Meeting Resolution Action Table

TABLED ITEMS: Nil



## **Council Meeting Action Items**

Resolution No.	Resolution	Action Required	Status Update	Responsible Officer
22.110	RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McGlynn and White that the Board delegate to the General Manager to discuss with staff to look at long term solutions to protect the infrastructure.	Consider long term solutions to protect Ballyrogan Bores	Management met with Carrathool Shire Council during January to discuss and consider options. Ongoing.	General Manager
22.113	RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Callow and Piper that the Board;  1. Note the information provided within this report  2. In accordance with Reg 178 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021, decline to accept any of the tenders.  3. In accordance with Reg 178, of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021, section (3), (e), enter into negotiations with FITT Resources with a view to entering into a contract in relation to the supply of pumps for the Oura Water Treatment Plant.  4. Note that FITT Resources has been selected for negotiations as they were the preferred applicant as a result of panel evaluation process.  5. Approve the General Manager and/or his delegate to negotiate, undertake any additional request for quotations and enter any agreement necessary to complete the supply of pumps and associated equipment for the Oura Pump Station		Negotiations have been entered into and expected to be finalised during February.  Agreement entered into. Item complete.	Production & Services Manager



Resolution No.	Resolution	Action Required	Status Update	Responsible Officer
23.006	RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Callow and Sinclair that the Board resolves to:  1. Rescind Policy CP015 Connection to small diameter mains  2. Rescind Policy CP003 Connections to Leasehold Land  3. Rescind Policy CP019 Isolation (stop) valves on Customer side of meter  4. Update Policy PP007 Water Service Connection Policy	Rescind Policy CP015 Connection to small diameter mains 2. Rescind Policy CP003 Connections to Leasehold Land 3.     Rescind Policy CP019 Isolation (stop) valves on Customer side of meter 4.     Update Policy PP007 Water Service Connection Policy	Policies rescinded and updated as per resolution. Item completed.	General Manager
23.007	RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McAlister and Piper that Council's July to December 2022 Delivery Program Progress Report be received and noted.	Finalise report and publish on website.	Delivery Program Update finalised and published.	General Manager
23.009	RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Callow and McGlynn that the Board adopt Goldenfields Water's Records and Information Management Policy.	Finalise policy and publish	Policy finalised and published.	General Manager

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next ordinary meeting of Council is scheduled to be held on Thursday 23 June 2023 at 10.00am

## **CLOSE OF BUSINESS**

There being no further business requiring the attention of Council the meeting may be declared closed.