

**Minutes of the MEETING of GOLDENFIELDS WATER COUNTY COUNCIL held at
TEMORA SHIRE COUNCIL on 1 MAY 2013**

The meeting commenced at 1.06pm

PRESENT

Cr C Manchester (Chair), Cr A Clinton, Cr J McGregor, Cr D Palmer and Cr P Templeton.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Mr A Grant (General Manager), Mr T McClellan (Manager Finance and Administration), Mr A Moston (Electrical Services Technical Support Officer), Mr P Goesch (Engineering Officer), Mr C Perry (Manager Distribution and Construction), Mr R Barrett (Process Control and Information Officer) and Mrs A Coleman (Executive Assistant).

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for non-attendance were received from Cr D McCann, Cr P Speirs and Cr K Morris.

13/024 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Clinton and McGregor that leave of absence be granted to Cr D McCann, Cr P Speirs and Cr K Morris.

2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS

No interests were declared at this time.

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETINGS HELD ON 28 FEBRUARY 2013 AND 4 APRIL 2013.

13/025 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Palmer and Clinton that the minutes of the meetings held on 28 February 2013 and 4 April 2013 having been circulated and read by members, be confirmed.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Nil

5. PUBLIC ACCESS

No requests for public access were received.

6. NOTICES OF MOTION / RESCISSION MOTIONS

No notices of motion or rescission motions were received.

7. ADMISSION OF LATE REPORTS

36/026 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McGregor and Clinton that Council consider the late report of Potential Cootamundra Depot Sale and Rearrangements.

8. CHAIRPERSON'S MINUTE

Cr Manchester took the opportunity to comment on the *Future Directions for NSW Local Government* paper from the Independent Local Government Review Panel. He believes the proposed changes for Goldenfields Water would be detrimental and sought support from Councillors to unify and lobby against the changes.

13/027 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Clinton and McGregor that Council:

1. Oppose the proposed changes for Goldenfields Water and prepare a submission to the relevant committees stating our case.
2. Encourage constituent Councils to make individual submissions on our behalf and support our submission.
3. Send a letter to all politicians outlining the positive position of Goldenfields Water and our opposition to the proposed changes.

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9.0 GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORTS

9.1 FINANCIAL REPORTS

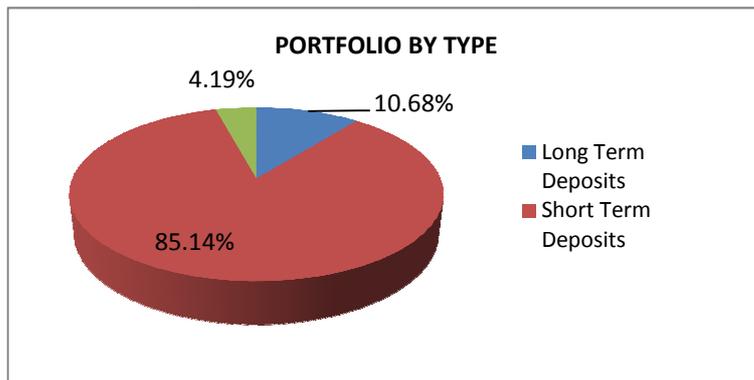
9.1.1 COUNCIL INVESTMENTS (G35507005)

13/028 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Clinton and Templeton that the report detailing Council Investments as at 31 March 2013 be received and noted.

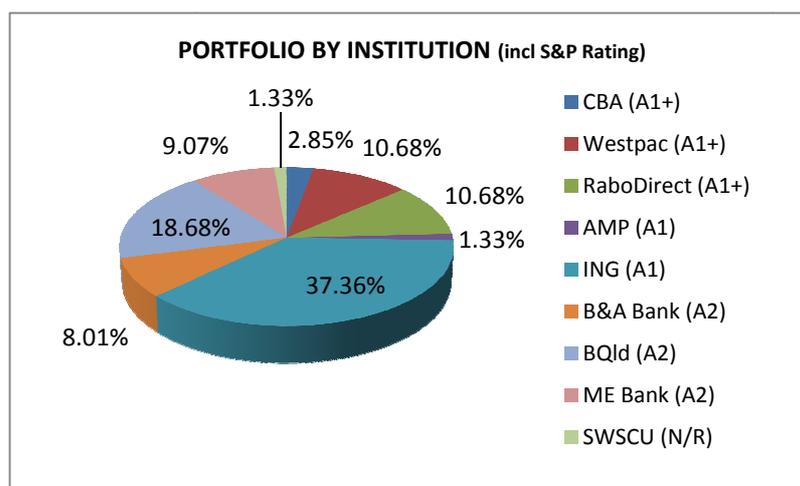
Report prepared by Manager Finance & Administration

This report is presented for information on Council Investments in accordance with clause 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005. The following details Council Investments as at 31 March 2013:

	Market Value (\$)	Term (days)	Rate	Maturity Date	% of Portfolio
Long Term Deposits	2,000,000.00				10.68%
Westpac Coupon Select Deposit (5yr)	2,000,000.00	3m BBSW+1.3%	4.29%	27/10/15	10.68%
Short Term Deposits (<1 yr)	15,950,000.00				85.14%
Bank of Queensland	1,000,000.00	141	4.65%	2/04/13	5.34%
RaboBank Australia	1,000,000.00	182	4.60%	15/04/13	5.34%
Members Equity Bank	500,000.00	126	4.66%	15/04/13	2.67%
South West Slopes CU	250,000.00	111	4.25%	29/04/13	1.33%
ING Bank (Australia) Limited	1,500,000.00	182	4.68%	29/04/13	8.01%
RaboBank Australia	1,000,000.00	365	5.80%	9/05/13	5.34%
Bank of Queensland	600,000.00	193	4.70%	13/05/13	3.20%
Bendigo & Adelaide Bank Ltd	1,500,000.00	125	4.30%	27/05/13	8.01%
ING Bank (Australia) Limited	1,000,000.00	120	4.29%	11/06/13	5.34%
Members Equity Bank	1,200,000.00	112	4.28%	24/06/13	6.41%
Bank of Queensland	900,000.00	181	4.65%	8/07/13	4.80%
ING Bank (Australia) Limited	1,800,000.00	182	4.45%	22/07/13	9.61%
ING Bank (Australia) Limited	1,200,000.00	183	4.48%	6/08/13	6.41%
ING Bank (Australia) Limited	1,500,000.00	180	4.31%	19/08/13	8.01%
Bank of Queensland	1,000,000.00	168	4.45%	2/09/13	5.34%
Cash Deposits	784,782.64				4.19%
Commonwealth Bank At Call A/c	100,000.00	At Call	2.95%	N/A	0.53%
AMP Bank At Call A/c	250,000.00	At Call	3.85%	N/A	1.33%
CBA Premium Business A/c	434,782.64	At Call	Various	N/A	2.32%
	18,734,782.64				100.00%



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

Cash Book balance as at 31 January 2013	216,689.89
Plus Deposits	
February	3,553,852.78
March	2,206,744.90
Less Payments	
February	3,742,965.86
March	1,854,611.52
 Cash Book balance as at 31 March 2013	 379,710.19
Less Outstanding Deposits	44,848.59
Plus Unpresented Cheques	99,921.04
 Bank balance as at 31 March 2013	 434,782.64

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

- Local Government Act, 1993;
- Local Government (General) Regulation, 2005;
- Investment Order - dated 12 January 2011; and
- Council's Investment Policy (adopted 28/4/2011).

Recommendation

Recommendation made was adopted.

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9.1.2 OUTSTANDING WATER DEBTORS (G35307005)

13/029 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Palmer and Clinton that the report detailing Council's outstanding water debtors as at 31 March 2013 be received and noted.

Report prepared by Manager Finance & Administration

This report is presented for information on Council's outstanding water debtors as at 31 March 2013:

\$'s	Arrears	Interest	Current	Total
Access Charges	160,844.85	10,267.81	789,691.00	960,803.66
Consumption Charges	496,536.68	25,747.48	3,221,071.52	3,743,355.68
Deferred Headworks	271,907.00	0.00	2,520.00	274,427.00
Sub-Totals	929,288.53	36,015.29	4,013,282.52	4,978,586.34
Less Overpayments Received				-68,269.70
Total Outstanding				4,910,316.64
Less Bulk Council Accounts Outstanding				-684,024.05
Less Headworks Accounts Outstanding				-274,427.00
Total Outstanding from Retail Customers				3,951,865.59

It should be noted that these figures include the latest retail accounts issued, with the payment due date being 26 April 2013.

Recommendation

Recommendation made was adopted.

9.1.3 QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW STATEMENT – MARCH 2013 (G35201005)

13/030 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Clinton and Templeton that:

1. The Quarterly Budget Review Statement for the period ended 31 March 2013 be received and noted with the variations to income and expenditure adopted as the revised Budget estimates for the year ended 30 June 2013.
2. On behalf of Council, staff be thanked for their role in contributing to the positive budget review and savings that have been achieved, and that this thankyou be delivered at a Council funded event by way of appreciation.

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Report prepared by Manager Finance & Administration

This report is presented to Council to revise estimates of income and expenditure in accordance with clause 203 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005. The review is for the quarter ending 31 March 2013 and is attached for Council's consideration.

The report is provided in the format prescribed by the Division of Local Government (DLG). A separate Investments Report has been maintained in its existing format to compliment the Cash and Investments Budget Review Statement contained in the QBRS suite of statements.

The budget review statement is provided in two formats. The first being by type and reflective of how the end of year Income Statement is reported. The second being by activity as Special Schedule 3 is reported in the Financial Statements.

At the December Review, Council's budgeted Operating Result before Capital Items forecast a profit of \$27,000. The March QBR result, as presented, reflects an increase from that projected at December by \$1,907,000, resulting in a budgeted surplus result of \$1,934,000.

Please refer to the attached statements for the specific financial details.

Recommendation

That the Quarterly Budget Review Statement for the period ended 31 March 2013 be received and noted with the variations to income and expenditure adopted as the revised Budget estimates for the year ended 30 June 2013.

9.2 WORKS REPORTS

9.2.1 FEBRUARY/ MARCH 2013 (G95507005)

13/031 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Palmer and Clinton that the Works Report for February and March be received and noted.

Report prepared by Manager Distribution & Construction

Water Losses & Mains Repairs

NUMBER	DATE	TIME		LOCATION	PIPE DIAMETER	CONSUMERS AFFECTED	ESTIMATED LOSS (KI)	REASON
		Off	On					
230.	6/2	10.00	12.00	Marrar, Marrarvale Road	50	1	5	Split Pipe
231.	6/2			Matong, Deepwater Road	100		5	Split Pipe
232.	6/2			Marrar, Marrar Road	80		100	Split Pipe
233.	7/2	7.30	10.00	Marrar, Crudens Lane	50	2	5	Split Pipe
234.	7/2			Binya, Burley Griffin Way	100		5	
235.	8/2			Kingsvale, Back Creek Road	50		5	Split Pipe

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NUMBER	DATE	TIME		LOCATION	PIPE DIAMETER	CONSUMERS AFFECTED	ESTIMATED LOSS (KI)	REASON
		Off	On					
236.	8/2	9.00	11.00	Temora, Ashelford Street	100		5	Other
237.	10/2			West Wyalong, Cassin Street	80			Other
238.	11/2	6.00	11.00	Ganmain, Delavan Street	100			Split Pipe
239.	11/2			Coolamon, Lonsdales Lane	200		50	Hole In Pipe
240.	11/2	5.30	10.00	Ganmain, Derricks Road	100	50	20	Split Pipe
241.	12/2	4.30	6.00	Matong, Junee Road	100			Split Pipe
242.	12/2	3.00	5.30	Matong, Deepwater Road	100	3	10	Joint Failure
243.	12/2			Cootamundra, Blackgate Road	100		1	Hole In Pipe
244.	14/2			Coolamon, Murphys Lane	100		100	Split Pipe
245.	14/2	9.00	3.00	Temora, Crowley Street	100		10	Split Pipe
246.	15/2			Weethalle, Young Road	80		30	Split Pipe
247.	15/2			Matong, Deepwater Road	100		5	Split Pipe
248.	15/2			Coolamon, Mirrool Street	100	15	1000	Split Pipe
249.	15/2			Coolamon, Wade Street	100	15	50	Split Pipe
250.	15/2			Coolamon, Mirrool Street	100	15	5	Split Pipe
251.	15/2			Coolamon, Booth Street	100	20	1000	Split Pipe
252.	16/2	6.30	10.30	Coolamon, Mirrool Street	100	20	200	Split Pipe
253.	18/2	11.00	12.00	Marrar, Marrarvale Road	80	12	1000	Split Pipe
254.	19/2			Binya, Burley Griffin Way	100		5	Hole In Pipe
255.	20/2			Wallenbeen, Bland Street	100		2	Split Pipe
256.	21/2			Weethalle, Young Road	80		15	Split Pipe
257.	21/2			Temora, Aria Park Road	100		10	Split Pipe
258.	22/2			Binya, Irvines Lane	100		2	Hole In Pipe
259.	22/2			Binya, Irvines Lane	100		5	Hole In Pipe
260.	22/2			Binya, Irvines Lane	100		2	Hole In Pipe
261.	24/2			Temora, Polaris Street	150		50	Split Pipe
262.	24/2			Temora, Polaris Street	150		150	Split Pipe
263.	25/2			Matong, Hamblins Lane	250		5	Other
264.	25/2			Matong, Junee Road	100	12	5	Split Pipe
265.	25/2			Wallenbeen, Queen Street	100		2	Hole In Pipe

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		Off	On					
266.	25/2			Weethalle, Kolkilbertoo Road	100		20	Split Pipe
267.	25/2			Weethalle, Kolkilbertoo Road	100		10	Split Pipe
268.	26/2			Marrar, Marrarvale Road	50		5	Split Pipe
269.	26/2			Cootamundra, Old Cootamundra Road	100		2	Hole In Pipe
270.	28/2			Temora, Deutcher Street	100		5	Split Pipe
271.	28/2			Temora, Golf Club Road	100		10	Split Pipe
272.	1/3			Cootamundra, Suttons Lane	100		5	Split Pipe
273.	1/3			Stockinbingal, Burley Griffin Way	100		20	Split Pipe
274.	2/3			West Wyalong, Monash Street	100		5	Split Pipe
275.	4/3	1.00	2.00	Marrar, Boundary Road	80	10	20	Split Pipe
276.	5/3			Marrar, Marrarvale Road	50		10	Split Pipe
277.	5/3			Binya, Garoolgan Merribee Road	150		5	Split Pipe
278.	5/3			Binya, Garoolgan Merribee Road	150		5	Split Pipe
279.	5/3	3.00	4.30	Coolamon, Stinsons Lane	80	4	100	Other
280.	5/3			June, Wyoming Lane	150		250	Split Pipe
281.	6/3	2.30	3.30	Stockinbingal, Troy Street	100	2	50	Split Pipe
282.	6/3			June, Edgar Street	100		10	Split Pipe
283.	6/3			Marrar, Marrar Road	80		5	Split Pipe
284.	7/3			Cootamundra, Dirnaseer Road	100		5	Split Pipe
285.	7/3			June, Olympic Hwy	150		100	Split Pipe
286.	7/3			June, Edgar Street	100		5	Split Pipe
287.	8/3			Coolamon, Crick Street	100	15	10	Other
288.	11/3	9.00	11.00	Marrar, Strathmore Lane	80	10	50	Split Pipe
289.	11/3			Ungarie, Ungarie Condobolin Road	150		150	Split Pipe
290.	12/3			Naradhan, Bootoowa Road	80		10	Hole In Pipe
291.	12/3			Illabo, Old Sydney Road	150		100	Split Pipe
292.	13/3			Cootamundra, Dirnaseer Road	100	3	2	Split Pipe
293.	13/3			Temora, Coolamon Road	100	5	10	Split Pipe
294.	13/3	11.00	12.00	Coolamon, Booth Street	100	40	50	Joint Failure
295.	13/3			Temora, Warre Warral Lane	100		5	Split Pipe

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NUMBER	DATE	TIME		LOCATION	PIPE DIAMETER	CONSUMERS AFFECTED	ESTIMATED LOSS (KI)	REASON
		Off	On					
296.	15/3			Junee, Yathella Road	100		50	Split Pipe
297.	15/3			Marrar, Marrarvale Road	50		5	Split Pipe
298.	18/3			Weethalle, Jansens Lane	80		50	Split Pipe
299.	18/3			Marrar, Strathmore Lane	80		150	Split Pipe
300.	19/3			Coolamon, Mary Gilmore Way	80		10	Split Pipe
301.	19/3			Marrar, Strathmore Lane	80		100	Split Pipe
302.	20/3			Junee, Wyoming Lane	150			Split Pipe
303.	20/3			Illabo, Gregorys Lane	150		100	Split Pipe
304.	20/3	8.30	3.30	Weethalle, Kolkilbertoo Road	100			Other
305.	22/3			Junee, Wyoming Lane	150		150	Split Pipe
306.	23/3			Ungarie, Ungarie Road	150		200	Split Pipe
307.	23/3			Temora, Thanowring Road	250		50	Hole In Pipe
308.	25/3			Cootamundra, Olympic Hwy	100		5	Split Pipe
309.	25/3	11.00	11.45	West Wyalong, Maitlands Lane	100		30	Split Pipe
310.	25/3			Marrar, Marrar Road	80		50	Split Pipe
311.	26/3			Marrar, Coursing Park Road	150		10	Split Pipe
312.	26/3			Marrar, Coursing Park Road	150		10	Split Pipe
313.	26/3			Marrar, Coursing Park Road	150		10	Split Pipe
314.	26/3			Junee, Wyoming Lane	150		20	Split Pipe
315.	26/3			Junee, Wyoming Lane	150		50	Split Pipe
316.	27/3	12.30	2.00	Cootamundra, Olympic Hwy	100		5	Other
317.	29/3			Junee, Wardle Street	100			Split Pipe
318.	29/3			Junee, Harold Street	100		100	Split Pipe

Complaints

Water Quality

Dirty Water

06/02/2013	Jugiong Rd Cootamundra
12/02/2013	167 Albert Street Junee
13/02/2013	17 French Street Junee
13/02/2013	31 Hill Street Coolamon

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18/02/2013	'Rosehill' between Cootamundra & Jugiong
05/03/2013	53 Belmore Street Junee
11/03/2013	22 Florence Street Junee
14/03/2013	West Wyalong side of Barmedman past Pump Station
20/03/2013	39 Stinson Street Coolamon

Other Problems: Nil.

A total of 41 service difficulty and fault reports were received for February/March 2013.

Construction and Major Maintenance

- Replaced 20m of 150mm AC main in Hoskins Street Temora (Temora Shire roundabout)
- Replaced stop valves and hydrants in Aurora and King Streets Temora
- Replaced 5km of 100mm CL16 MPVC along Kolkilbertoo Rd South Weethalle.
- 70m main extension in Loftus Street Temora.
- Cut in 5km at South Weethalle.
- Installed 7 new services in Cypress Street West Wyalong.
- Replaced air valves Coursing Park
- Replaced stop valve at Junee
- Removed old cylinders from Cowangs/Bauloora line.
- Stage one of the Harefield main upgrade 80% complete.
- Relocate 2 services on the Cowangs/Bauloora line.
- Replaced hydrant Wood Street Stockinbingal.

Recommendation

Recommendation made was adopted.

9.2.2 CAPITAL WORKS PROGRESS REPORT (G35201005)

13/032 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Clinton and Palmer that the report detailing Council's Capital Works Program as at 31 March 2013 be received and noted.

Report prepared by Manager Finance & Administration

This report is presented for information on the progress of Council's Capital Works Program as at 31 March 2013:

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Description	Location	Anticipated Start Date	Anticipated Completion Date	Program Estimate (\$)	Total Expend to Date (\$)	Comment
New System Infrastructure Assets						
Site Acquisition / Construct Radio Facilities	Rosemont Radio Site	1/7/2011	30/6/2012	10,000	0	Completed - awaiting invoice from NSWFB
Site / Easement Acquisition	\$20k opportunistic budget per year	1/7/2012	30/6/2016	20,000	0	On-going
Security Fence	Cowangs Reservoir	1/7/2012	30/6/2013	25,000	0	Quotes called
Mains Extension	Loftus St Temora	1/7/2011	30/11/2012	20,000	7,056	In progress. Expected to be completed this financial year
Mains Extension	Barrier St, West Wyalong	1/1/2013	31/3/2013	30,000	4,948	In progress. Expected to be completed this financial year
Additional Storage	Junee	1/7/2011	30/6/2014	3,500,000	97,426	Tenders considered early April. Work expected to be completed in 2013/14.
New Inlet Arrangements	Mt Daylight	1/7/2011	30/6/2013	15,000	0	In progress - temp arrangement currently being trialled. To be finalised this financial year
Infrastructure Asset Renewals						
Bore Construction	Oura Bores	1/7/2010	30/6/2014	300,000	243	In progress. Work expected to be completed in 2013/14.
Depot Upgrade	Cootamundra Depot	1/7/2010	31/10/2012	277,311	276,718	Completed
Office	Temora Office Front Counter Alterations	1/9/2012	31/12/2012	20,000	19,349	Completed
Major Electrical Upgrade	Jugiong No.1 Pump Station	1/7/2009	30/6/2013	2,130,000	1,176,454	In progress. Expected to go online in May.
Regrade & Seal Road	Jugiong Treatment Plant	1/7/2012	30/6/2013	75,000	0	Not yet commenced. To be done after Sheet Piling completed. Add \$33k req'd. Refer to separate report.
Relocate Existing Water Services re Road Works	Jugiong Treatment Plant	15/4/2013	30/6/2013	10,000	0	See separate report in business paper
Pump Access - Slab Support	Jugiong Treatment Plant	1/7/2012	30/6/2013	20,000	0	Not yet commenced
Pump Access - Sheet Piling	Jugiong Treatment Plant	1/7/2012	30/6/2013	120,000	8,306	In progress. Designs done. Add \$60k req'd. Refer to separate report.
Replace Control System	Jugiong Filtration Plant	2/4/2010	30/6/2013	500,000	306,604	In progress. 90% completed

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Description	Location	Anticipated Start Date	Anticipated Completion Date	Program Estimate (\$)	Total Expend to Date (\$)	Comment
Mains Replacement	Weethalle towards Barellan	1/7/2012	30/6/2013	80,000	79,709	Completed - Original budget est \$175k
Mains Replacement	Harefield Rd Junee	1/6/2012	30/6/2013	45,000	23,236	In progress. Expected to be completed this financial year
Mains Replacement	Coursing Park	1/7/2012	30/6/2013	140,000	0	In progress. Expected to be completed this financial year
Mains Replacement	Junee Gaol	1/7/2012	30/6/2013	35,000	1,325	In progress. Expected to be completed this financial year
Mains Replacement	Strathmores to McKenzies Ln	1/7/2012	30/6/2013	50,000	0	Not yet commenced
Mains Replacement	Pattersons Ln	1/7/2012	30/6/2013	27,000	0	Not yet commenced
Mains Replacement	Demondrille PS Pipework	16/5/2011	31/8/2012	172,000	172,442	Completed
Mains Replacement	Cowangs to Bauloora	1/4/2010	30/9/2012	18,115,320	18,102,130	Completed - Some minor expenses still outstanding
Oura Pump Stn	Mains Isolation Valve	1/7/2011	31/12/2013	20,000	7,154	In progress. Work expected to be completed in 2013/14.
Reservoirs Painting	Junee Reservoir	1/12/2011	30/6/2015	360,000	1,267	Moved to 2014/15 after new reservoir completed
Reservoir Rehabilitation	Barellan Reservoir	1/7/2012	30/6/2013	250,000	209,073	In progress. Expected to be completed this financial year

Recommendation

Recommendation made was adopted.

9.3 OTHER REPORTS

9.3.1 JUGIONG TREATMENT PLANT ROAD SEAL AND LOW LIFT WELL SHEET PILING (G95602010)

13/033 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Palmer and McGregor that Council endorse the increased scope of the project and allocate an additional \$173,575.

Report Prepared by Engineering Officer

Council has budgeted for road works and sheet piling at the Jugiong treatment plant low lift well. These works were outlined onsite at the February Council meeting. The works are to stop the undermining beneath the low lift well access slab due to excess water runoff and recent flood events. Council has received a design and engaged Revegetation & Erosion Control Services of Young to undertake the works.

Initial estimates of \$42,000 for regrade and seal and \$60,000 for the sheet piling works failed to consider the specialised works, access difficulties, and the relocation of existing infrastructure due to lack of depth, consequently quotes received were over the budget. The

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design phase identified extra stabilisation required to the river bank directly south of the low lift well access slab.

The revised estimates are as follows:

• Road regrade, seal and drainage works	\$75,000
• Sheet Piling	\$61,450
• Bank Stabilisation	\$46,125
• Design	\$18,000
• GWCC works to relocate existing infrastructure	<u>\$10,000</u>
Expected Total Expenditure	\$210,575 (ex GST)

Due to unknown potential obstacles i.e. underlying rock it is suggested that \$65,000 is added bringing the total funding to \$275,575.

Recommendation

Recommendation made was adopted.

9.3.2 BORE 2 CONSTRUCTION OURA (G10057047)

13/034 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McGregor and Templeton that:

1. Council retain \$50,000 in the current budget to finalise land matters and transfer the remaining \$250,000 into the 2013/14 budget.
2. Council allocate an additional \$885,000 to the project in the 2013/14 budget.

Report Prepared by Engineering Officer

This project has been ongoing for a number of years. With the pending finalisation of land matters construction estimates have been sought as the original project estimate has not been updated. The pipe work from the original bore has remained unused since it was decommissioned and will require replacement.

Original Estimate \$300,000

Budget prices received:

• Submersible Bore Pump	\$100,000
• Electrical Upgrade	\$130,000
• Yield testing, Bore and S/S Case	\$280,000
• Building and Fencing	\$100,000
• Pipe work Replacement	<u>\$525,000</u>
Total	\$1,135,000

Recommendation

Recommendation made was adopted.

9.3.3 JUNEE RESERVOIR PAINTING (G10057004)

13/035 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Clinton and Palmer that Council reallocate the current funding for the internal coating of the Junee steel reservoir to the 2014/15 budget.

Report Prepared by Engineering Officer

Council has budgeted to recoat the internal surface of the Albert Street steel reservoir in June. This is required to eliminate corrosion. These works will commence on completion of the new reservoir eliminating disruption to supply. Council has recently engaged Hornick Constructions Pty Ltd to construct the new reservoir who have nominated a 40 week construction period giving an estimated completion date around February 2014.

Recommendation

Recommendation made was adopted.

9.3.4 ASSET MANAGEMENT POLICY CP036

- 13/036 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Clinton and Palmer that Council adopt the attached Asset Management Policy and approve for the asset management strategy to be included in the Business Activity and Strategic Plan.

Report prepared by General Manager

Planning and Reporting Guidelines in line with s.406 (5) of the Local Government Act 1993 (as amended) requires Council to meet planning and reporting requirements including provision of an Asset Management Plan supported by an asset management strategy and policy.

Recommendation

Recommendation made was adopted.

9.3.5 MEMBERSHIP OF savewater!® Alliance Australia (G30058005)

- 13/037 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Clinton and McGregor that the report on membership of savewater!® Alliance has been considered and noted.

Report prepared by General Manager

Education programs and efficiency measures form part of best practice such as Demand Management Plans. To assist in this it is proposed council consider membership of the savewater!® Alliance.

Background

Savewater!® Alliance provides water efficiency programs, products and services, targeted education schemes and resources; has over 8,500,000 customers Australia-wide and 63 councils in NSW including Tamworth, Narrabri, Moree Plains, Kyogle, Dubbo, Riverina Water, Central Tablelands Water, Mid-Coast Water, Rous Water and CENTROC.

Benefits include;

1. 900 page website and another 250 pages of interactive sites, schools programs, water products, research, three partner program Hydroscience, Water and Energy Auditors, Aqua Environmental service (water loss) and surveys etc.
2. Free use of display units for schools and council open days. (normally \$1,750/10 days)

3. Promotional bottle refill stations at \$2,500/unit, 50% below market price.
4. New empty BP3 free bottle vending machines promoting council water.
5. Access to the new 4 TV advertisements with negotiation of pricing on behalf of councils.
6. Income stream through products like 'Easy fill'. (Free product and installation)
7. Co-branding option for any savewater!® Alliance information on DVD's, videos.
8. Access to other R&D products exclusive to savewater!® Alliance.
9. Water efficient online product library of 303 products for members at economy of scale.
10. Survey results from around Australia to tailor message to residents and businesses.
11. Access to Australia-wide surveys and/or creating CD's, videos
12. 250 page section of the Alliance operations including research, IT, Innovations.
13. Access to International Water Awards network and the annual Awards.

Financial cost

Membership to savewater!® Alliance is \$2,287.50 / quarter payable in advance for a 2 year membership

Free products, stock discounts and promotional benefits potentially exceeds \$7,000 /annum.

Recommendation

Council consider membership of savewater!® Alliance for a 2 year period.

9.3.6 DEMAND AND DROUGHT MANAGEMENT PLAN (G95871005)

13/038 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Templeton and McGregor that Council endorse the Demand and Drought Management Plan for submission.

Report prepared by General Manager

Demand and Drought Management Plans are required under best practice by NSW Office of Water. The water restriction levels have been revised to target particular consumption levels.

Issues relating to restricted rural supply need to be discussed by Council.

Recommendation

Recommendation made was adopted.

9.3.7 WATER CONNECTION INQUIRIES (G95151005, 73531/75216)

13/039 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Palmer and McGregor that:

1. Consideration of this report be deferred to the June meeting.
2. Council reconsider its current *Connections to Small Diameter Mains* policy with a draft to be provided to the June meeting.

Report prepared by Senior Revenue Officer

This report is provided in response to two inquiries Cr McCann received from ratepayers of Coolamon Shire concerning water connection issues.

One had applied for a new rural connection, while the other was a request for a relocation of an existing connection. Both applications have previously been denied under Council's *Connections to Small Diameter Mains* policy.

Council resolution 11/113 from its October 2011 meeting allows for a review of Council's Infrastructure supply capacity on rural reticulation water mains to establish if additional capacity exists. A copy of that resolution is attached, as too is the current *Connections to Small Diameter Mains* policy.

The following are excerpts from Cr McCann's email of 27 February 2013 with references to the individuals excluded to allow the principles of the policy to be discussed and reviewed in open Council:

"Since the last meeting, I have been approached by a couple of rate payers in the Coolamon Shire concerning water issues. I will probably have to bring them forward for discussion at Council as I understand there maybe policy issues which may need addressing. I won't bring them to tomorrow's meeting, but would like to get them onto the agenda for the next meeting in April.

The issues as presented to me relate to a water connection on a rural property and quality of supply to a rural property.

Both requests sound reasonable to me but I also understand that there may have been extenuating reasons to refuse the requests previously. Notwithstanding, changing circumstances might now need Council to revisit applications such as these. I would appreciate it if you could give me any information on Council's position on these matters. As I say, there may be policies in place but I believe I need to bring these matters forward to the April meeting if necessary to argue on behalf of the applicants. Please don't chase this up for tomorrow, I am happy to wait until the April Meeting if necessary.

Regards

Dave McCann
Coolamon"

Cr McCann has since been provided the following information in regard to the two inquiries:

Inquiry 1 - New Rural Water Service Connection

Where possible, new (small diameter) rural connections have been offered with stringent conditions of supply, including an on-site storage requirement and restrictions to supply flows.

Following a review of this particular case, a letter of offer has been provided.

Inquiry 2 - Relocation of Existing Rural Water Service Connection

The landholder has an existing service connection on a 200mm trunk main. He requested relocation of his service to the end of a 5.5km, 80mm water main, citing pressure problems on his private pipeline within his property.

While the pressure analysis at the time did show the 80mm main had approximately 15m higher pressure, the request was denied. The relocation on exceptional circumstances was then requested. Council resolved to deny the relocation.

In reviewing this particular case, staff still recommend that the relocation be denied.

Recommendation

That Council reconsider its current *Connections to Small Diameter Mains* policy with a draft to be provided to the June meeting.

9.3.8 2013/14 GAROOLGAN PIPELINE REPLACEMENT

13/040 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Palmer and McGregor that Council approve to bring the \$80,000 replacement forward into the 2012/13 financial budget.

Report Prepared by Manager Distribution & Construction

Two kilometres of 100mm PVC west of Garoolgan pump station has been identified in the 2013/14 proposed capital works budget for replacement at a cost of \$80,000.

The property owner has requested that due to cropping it would be beneficial that the proposed replacement be brought forward.

Recommendation

Recommendation made was adopted.

9.3.9 BUSINESS ACTIVITY AND STRATEGIC PLAN (G05601005)

13/041 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McGregor and Palmer that Council endorse the Business Activity and Strategic Plan including the Operational Plan for 2013-14 and take public comment and changes by Council into consideration.

Report prepared by General Manager

The Business Activity and Strategic Plan incorporating Delivery Program and Operational Plan for 2013/14 have been updated to show the coming years targets and include an asset management strategy.

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This document is Council's contract with the community for deliverables for the upcoming year and remainder of Council's term. It is also The Board's indication to the General Manager and senior managers of Council priorities.

Recommendation

Recommendation made was adopted.

9.3.10 NEXT MEETING

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council is scheduled to be held on Thursday 27 June 2013 at Council's Temora office commencing at 1.00pm

**9.3.11 POTENTIAL COOTAMUNDRA DEPOT SALE AND REARRANGEMENTS
(G10057025)**

13/042 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McGregor and Templeton that Council authorise the General Manager, Chairman and Deputy Chairman to progress the sale of the Cootamundra depot and purchase of an alternate site; such that the transactions are cash positive to a minimum value of \$500K.

Report prepared by the General Manager

It has been indicated to the General Manager that there is interest in purchasing the Cootamundra depot for approximately \$1M and transfer to Council of half the purchasers existing depot land and buildings at no cost.

Considering the limitations due to zoning, this is a reasonable market price. There are potential alternate depots with rental income for approximately half the sale price of the current depot.

Recommendation

Recommendation made was adopted.

10. QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS

In accordance with Section 3.15 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice:

1. A Councillor:
 - a) may, through the Chairperson, put a question to another Councillor, and
 - b) may, through the General Manager, put a question to a Council employee.
2. However, a Councillor or council employee to whom a question is put is entitled to be given reasonable notice of the question and, in particular, sufficient notice to enable reference to be made to other persons or to documents.
3. The Councillor must put every such question directly, succinctly and without argument.
4. The Chairperson must not permit discussion on any reply or refusal to reply to a question put to a Councillor or council employee under this clause.

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There being no further business requiring the attention of the Council, the Meeting closed at 3.23pm.
