

Minutes

Of the Ordinary Council Meeting

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RURAL CITY OF
WANGARATTA

Brendan McGrath
Chief Executive Officer

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1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS

We acknowledge the traditional owners of the land on which we are meeting. We pay our respects to their Elders past present and emerging and to Elders from other communities who may be here today.

2. OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, we humbly ask thee to bless and guide this council in its deliberations so that we may truly preserve the welfare of the people whom we serve. Amen

3. PRESENT**Councillors:**

Mr David Fuller, Mr Dean Rees, Mr Harry Bussell, Mr Harvey Benton, Mr Ken Clarke OAM, Mr Mark Currie, Ms Ashlee Fitzpatrick

Officers:

Sarah Brindley, Acting Chief Executive Officer Alan Clark, Director Infrastructure Services Jaime Chubb, Director Community Wellbeing Stephen Swart, Director Development Services, Anthony Smith, Acting Director Corporate Services

4. ABSENT**Councillors:****Officers:**

Brendan McGrath, Chief Executive Officer

5. ACCEPTANCE OF APOLOGIES & GRANTING OF LEAVE OF ABSENCE**ORDER OF BUSINESS****6. CITIZEN CEREMONY**

Nil

7. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**RESOLUTION:**

(Moved: Councillor K Clarke OAM/Councillor A Fitzpatrick)

That Council read and confirm the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of 19 March 2019 and the Special Meeting of 8 April 2019 as a true and accurate record of the proceedings of the meetings.

Carried

8. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE

In accordance with sections 77A, 77B, 78 and 79 of the *Local Government Act 1989* Councillors are required to disclose a '*conflict of interest*' in a decision if they would receive, or could reasonably be perceived as receiving, a direct or indirect financial or non-financial benefit or detriment (other than as a voter, resident or ratepayer) from the decision.

Disclosure must occur immediately before the matter is considered or discussed.

9. RECEPTION OF PETITIONS**10. HEARING OF DEPUTATIONS**

Sarah Brindley as Acting Chief Executive Officer
Anthony Smith as Acting Director Corporate Services

PRESENTATION OF REPORTS**11. COUNCILLOR REPORTS****RESOLUTION:**

(Moved: Councillor D Fuller/Councillor K Clarke OAM)

Councillor D Fuller moved a motion:

That Mayor Dean Rees comments on Item 13.1 Council Budget Report be recorded in the Minutes as a Mayors Report .

Carried

Mayors Report

I have been proactive for development here in Wangaratta and the progression of Wangaratta and believe that comfort is the enemy of progress. This budget delivers the investment needed to help Wangaratta grow and we have been extremely ambitious in our plans to put Wangaratta on the map and attract investment and growth.

We have seen this happen through our Infrastructure strategies that will allow that growth to occur. We are spending \$41m on Capital Works which is a record for this Council and Wangaratta. We are able to do that without asking to increase the rate cap above our 2.5% mandated by the State Government. This is because of how successful Council has been in managing our finances and attracting grants for Capital Works. The Aquatics Project for example has \$5.9m grants and a \$6m low interest loan for a \$16.8m development. 2019/20 will really be the year that the shovel hits the ground on these community building projects. You will see the majority of work on the Aquatics program project take place, Cruse Street will be completed and too will the Organics Plant. This is bigger, bolder and it's better for Wangaratta.

These are all projects that have been in planning for years but now it is action time and I'm excited about completing this growth with a holistic Branding and Marketing Strategy as well. 2019/20 will be the year when Wangaratta shares it's story with the rest of Victoria and Australia.

We have seen the likes of Ballarat and Bendigo grow, and guess what, it's our time. Council is developing a brand for Wangaratta that will support future plans, attract tourism and investment into our region. It will support greater awareness and drive greater economic impact in the community. Wangaratta has been somewhat of a well-kept secret and we all know that good things are hidden in the quiet, but it won't be any longer.

Those who have been here for a long time know what a great lifestyle you can lead and what it is like to be at the centre of such a rich and diverse natural surrounds. So I invite the community to please join in this exciting journey of our branding and marketing strategy launched later this year. Finally I invite all the people of Wangaratta in the community to read both the Draft Budget and the Draft Council Plan and give us feedback. This budget is right here, right now and it is right for Wangaratta. Thank you.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

RECOMMENDATION:

(Moved: Councillor K Clarke OAM/Councillor H Bussell)

Councillor K Clarke OAM moved the following motion:

That the order of business be changed so that item 13.4 Draft 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision) on the agenda to be considered before 13.1 Council Budget Report.

The motion was seconded by Councillor H Bussell.

Carried

12. EXECUTIVE SERVICES

Nil

13. CORPORATE SERVICES

13.1 COUNCIL BUDGET REPORT

Meeting Type: Ordinary Council Meeting
Date of Meeting: 16 April 2019
Author: Manager - Finance

No Council officers or contractors who have provided advice in relation to this report have declared a conflict of interest regarding the matter under consideration.

Executive Summary

This report is presented to Council to consider endorsing the draft 2019/20 Annual Budget (draft Budget) at Attachment 1, for public consultation, in accordance with Section 223 of the Local Government Act 1989 (the Act).

RESOLUTION:

(Moved: Councillor A Fitzpatrick/Councillor K Clarke OAM)

That Council, in accordance with Sections 127 and 223 of the Local Government Act 1989:

- 1. Endorses the release of the draft 2019/20 Annual Budget for community consultation and invites written submissions until 16 May 2019.***
- 2. Gives public notice seeking written submissions on the draft 2019/20 Annual Budget in The Chronicle and on Council's website.***
- 3. Appoints all Councillors as members, to a Council Committee, to hear any submitters requesting to be heard in support of their written submission on the draft 2019/20 Annual Budget.***
- 4. Sets a Council Committee meeting for the draft 2019/20 Annual Budget to be held at 3.00 pm on Thursday 23 May 2019, in the Council Chamber, Wangaratta Government Centre, Ovens Street, Wangaratta.***
- 5. Receives a further report outlining any submissions received on the draft 2019/20 Annual Budget, including a report on the Council Committee's proceedings and summary of hearings, and presenting the 2019/20 Annual Budget for consideration.***

Carried

Background

The Act provides that a council must:

- Prepare a budget for each financial year – Section 127(1).
- Ensure the budget contains financial statements, a description of services and initiatives, prescribed indicators of service performance and a statement as to how these will contribute to achieving the strategic objectives specified in the Council Plan required by the regulations – Section 127(2)(a)(e).
- Give public notice of a proposed budget and make it available for public inspection for at least 28 days – Section 129(1) and (3)(b); so, submissions may be made in accordance with Section 223 of the Act.
- Adopt the budget and submit a copy to the Minister by 30 June each year – Section 130(3)(4).

The draft 2019/20 Annual Budget is linked to Council's objectives of providing high levels of appropriate services and a strong capital expenditure program.

Council's main aim within the draft 2019/20 Annual Budget is to plan for the City's long-term growth and financial sustainability. The draft Annual Budget is a strong guide for ongoing financial management and provides the community with a clear and transparent view of Council's financial position.

As of 1 July 2018, revaluations are conducted annually, with the Valuer General being the sole valuation authority. The majority of the revaluation has been completed. The current valuation is due for completion in June 2019, with valuations effective from 1 January 2019.

The draft Budget includes a total rate increase of 2.50 per cent across all properties in the municipality.

The charges levied for the kerbside collection of garbage, organics and recycling includes an increase of 6.0 per cent.

The draft Budget provides for:

- a total operating income of \$66.072 million
- a total operating expenditure of \$63.139 Million
- a surplus of \$2.933 million
- a Capital Works Program of \$41.323 million.

Highlights of the Capital Works program include:

- \$10.522 million for roads
- \$0.513 million for footpaths
- \$0.967 million for drainage
- \$0.850 million for kerb & channel
- \$3.271 million for recreation, leisure & community
- \$13.186 million for the construction of the aquatic facility
- \$2.029 million for waste management
- \$0.510 million for rural placemaking
- \$0.271 million for the library

- \$1.462 million for the cyclical replacement of plant and vehicle fleet.

It is proposed Council's Financial Hardship Policy be continued. Council will also continue to fund additional support to Pensioners through a rebate of \$46,235, to assist with the increased recycling costs.

This is particularly relevant given the State Government rate capping legislation, which commenced in 2016/17, with rate increases capped at 2.50 per cent in 2019/20 compared to 2.25 per cent in 2018/19.

In addition to rate capping, Council has a number of other significant cost and revenue impacts to consider in the development of the draft Budget. These include:

- Council's current Enterprise Agreement
- China's ban on processing recycling material.

Finding further efficiencies has been challenging. Over the past few years, there has been a focused program of reducing operating costs, while keeping investment in community infrastructure and services at relatively high levels.

The focus for the development of this and past budgets has been to strike a balance between maintaining current levels of service, reducing operational costs, and reviewing the way that some programs are delivered. This will become increasingly more difficult in future budgets.

Implications

Policy Considerations

The draft 2019/20 Budget contains a number of programs and initiatives that support Council policy.

Financial/Economic Implications

Council has prepared the draft Budget in accordance with the principles of sound financial management and its adoption will ensure long term financial viability.

The additional financial information contained within the draft 2019/20 Budget includes:

1. The estimated total amount to be raised by general rates is \$26.977 million.
2. The estimated total amount to be raised by a municipal charge is \$Nil.
3. The estimated total amount to be raised by waste collection charges (garbage, organics and recycling) is \$6.286million.
4. That an amount of \$14.364 million be borrowed to support the Aquatics facility and the North West growth corridor infrastructure requirements.
5. The cost of servicing borrowings during the financial year will be \$441,000.
6. The total amount of loans proposed to be redeemed during the financial year will be \$873,000.
7. The total amount of borrowings at 30 June 2019 will be \$9.861 million.

Legal/Statutory

This report has been prepared in accordance with the Act, the Local Government (Planning and Reporting) Regulations 2014 and Australian Accounting Standards.

The draft Budget has been prepared with a strong focus on long term financial sustainability of the Council and responsible financial management.

Social

The draft 2019/20 Budget contains a number of programs and initiatives that will have a positive social benefit, such as improved play spaces for children, accessibility for the art gallery, funding to support mental health initiatives and improved sport and recreation facilities.

Environmental/Sustainability Impacts

The draft 2019/20 Budget contains a number of programs and initiatives that support the environment.

2017 – 2021 Council Plan

This report supports the 2017-2021 Council Plan:

Goal

We are Sustainable

We will plan, research and advocate for the future:

By maintaining a responsible and transparent long-term financial plan.

To make sure that everything we do – from building assets to delivering events – considers the physical, social, cultural and financial needs of our community members.

Strategic Links

a) Rural City of Wangaratta 2030 Community Vision

N/A

b) Other strategic links

N/A

Risk Management

Risks	Likelihood	Consequence	Rating	Mitigation Action
Budget not adopted within statutory timeframes	Low	High	Medium	Ensure Budget timetable for adoption is adhered to.
Budget adopted without consideration of Long Term Financial implications	Low	High	Medium	Ensure completion of Council's Long Term Financial Plan as part of budgetary process.
Budget adopted without consideration of ratepayer input	Low	High	Medium	Undertake community consultation in accordance with Section 223 of the Act.

Consultation/Communication

If endorsed for consultation, the draft Budget will be made publicly available, and Council will invite written submissions from 19 April 2019 until 16 May 2019. The documents will be made available at Council's customer Service Centre and on Council's website.

In accordance with Section 223 of the Act, anyone who makes a written submission can request to be heard by a Council Committee in support of their submission.

Council will consider the submissions, including a summary of the proceedings of the Council Committee, and a final draft of the document, at the Ordinary Council Meeting to be held Tuesday, 18 June 2019.

Options for Consideration

Council must prepare a Budget for the 2019/20 financial year in order to comply with the Act.

Conclusion

Council's draft 2019/20 Budget has been prepared and is now ready for Council endorsement. Consideration of submissions by a Committee will take place on the 23 May 2019, and adoption of Council's Budget for the 2019/20 financial year will take place at an Ordinary Council Meeting to be held 18 June 2019.

Attachments

- 1 Draft Budget 2019 2020 

13.2 DRAFT PROCUREMENT POLICY

Meeting Type: Ordinary Council Meeting
Date of Meeting: 16 April 2019
Author: Procurement Specialist
File Name: NA
File No: NA

No Council officers or contractors who have provided advice in relation to this report have declared a conflict of interest regarding the matter under consideration.

Executive Summary

This report is presented to Council to commence the process of seeking public feedback on the review of Council's Draft Procurement Policy (the draft policy).

RESOLUTION:

(Moved: Councillor D Fuller/Councillor H Benton)

That Council:

- 1. Endorses the Draft Procurement Policy 2019 for public exhibition***
- 2. Invites public submissions regarding the Draft Procurement Policy 2019 in accordance with Council's "Major Council Policy Consultation Local Law No.4 of 2015" up to close of business on Friday 31 May 2019***
- 3. If submissions are received:***
 - a. Establishes a Special Committee of Council to hear submissions on the Draft Procurement Policy 2019, if required, at a time to be determined***
 - b. Reviews and considers adopting the Draft Procurement Policy 2019 at the Ordinary Council Meeting on 18 June 2019, taking into consideration all submissions made.***
- 4. If no submissions are received, adopts the Draft Procurement Policy 2019 without further resolution.***

Carried

Background

Council adopted a procurement policy in 2016 in compliance with section 186A(1) of the *Local Government Act 1989* (the Act). Section 186A(7) of the Act requires Council to review its procurement policy at least once in each financial

year, having regard to any guidelines made by the Minister with respect to form or content. Any changes arising from that review must be adopted by Council.

The current procurement policy has been formulated with regard to the Victorian Local Government Best Practice Procurement Guidelines 2013 and the Municipal Association of Victoria Model Procurement Policy (Updated) August 2011.

Council officers have reviewed the current procurement policy and have proposed amendments to the policy. The amendments have been incorporated into the draft policy (**refer attachment**).

The notable amendments to the draft policy are as follows:

1. Principles

Included commentary on the procurement principles to describe what they mean to Council.

2. Delegations and Authorities

Aligned public tender threshold limits to those prescribed in the Act.

Removed commentary on internal procurement processes as these will be detailed in the supporting Procurement Manual.

3. Exemptions

Removed list of exemptions, and instead referred to the Act as changes from time to time.

4. Probity Thresholds

Increased the probity audit threshold limit from \$1 million to \$5 million, or lower where the tender is considered high risk, or high profile. An internal probity officer will be appointed for tenders valued above \$1 million, or high risk or profile.

5. Evaluation Criteria

Removed evaluation criteria table to allow the evaluation panel to determine the criteria and weightings as part of the pre-tender process. The process, and minimum requirements, will be detailed in the supporting Procurement Manual.

6. Local Content

Removed requirement to include 10% weighting for local content on all tenders to enable evaluation panel to determine the criteria and weightings as part of the pre-tender process, if practicable.

‘Local’ was previously not defined in the Policy. Replaced with ‘within the municipality, or within a 100km radius of the Wangaratta Central Business District.

7. Post-tender negotiations

Added allowance for post-tender negotiations.

8. Variations

Added allowance for contract variations.

Implications

Policy Considerations

Council must review the procurement policy in this financial year ending 30 June 2019.

The guidelines have not changed since the adoption of the current procurement policy.

The proposed policy is a Major Council Policy and therefore must be subject to the consultation process set out in the Major Council Policy Consultation Local Law No. 4 of 2015.

Financial/Economic Implications

The proposed policy sets out the principles, processes and procedures that will apply to all purchases of goods, services and works made by Council. The proposed policy aims to achieve value for money and continuous improvement in the provision of services for the community.

Legal/Statutory

Section 186A (7) of the Act requires Council to review the Policy at least once in each financial year, having regard to any guidelines made by the Minister.

Social

The draft policy contains a price preference of up to 10% for the purchase of goods and services with local content.

Environmental/Sustainability Impacts

There are no environmental/ sustainability impacts identified for this report.

2017 – 2021 Council Plan

This report supports the 2017-2021 Council Plan:

Goal

We are Sustainable

What we do every day

We consistently focus on the achievement of the operational parameters framed in the annual budget.

Through the Our Future Project ensure our workforce systems and processes are efficient and effective.

We provide a robust and transparent governance framework

We will plan, research and advocate for the future:

For the best options to deliver services in conjunction with our surrounding Council partners.

To ensure or risks are managed strategically and effectively.

The non-negotiables

Our team will make the best and most efficient user of Council's resources.

Our legislative, governance and compliance requirements will be met.

Our protection of the environment underpins our development, projects and decisions.

Strategic Links

a) Rural City of Wangaratta 2030 Community Vision

N/A

b) Other strategic links

N/A

Risk Management

The draft policy aims to achieve high standards of probity, transparency, accountability and risk management.

Consultation/Communication

Level of public participation	Promises to the public/stakeholders	Tools/Techniques
Inform	Community	Website Public notice in local newspaper
Consult	Audit Advisory Committee	Request advice Request submissions
Involve		Consider submissions

The proposed policy is a Major Council Policy and is subject to the provisions of the Major Council Policy Consultation Local Law No. 4 of 2015 which requires a public exhibition and submission process to be undertaken. This process is planned to commence with Council endorsement at the Ordinary Council Meeting on 16 April 2019 and conclude with adoption of the reviewed procurement policy at the Ordinary Council Meeting on 18 June 2019.

A public notice will be published in the Wangaratta Chronicle on Friday April 2019 explaining the submission process. Submissions will be received up to close of business on Friday 31 May 2019.

In their written submission, a person may also request to be heard by a Committee of Council in support of their submission, prior to Council considering the proposal. A Special Committee of Council will be established to hear submissions on the proposed policy, if required, at a time to be determined.

The Audit Advisory Committee is required by its charter, to consider procurement practices and provide advice to Council on better practice. The committee will be requested to consider the draft policy and offer any recommendations for Council to consider at its meeting on 18 June 2019.

Options for Consideration

The review is required by the Act and the process is governed by the Major Council Policy Consultation Local Law. There are no compliant alternatives to the process outlined above.

Conclusion

The review process ensures compliance with the requirements of Section 186A (7) of the Act which requires a review of the procurement policy in each financial year.

Officers believe the Draft Procurement Policy is now ready to be put out for public exhibition.

Attachments

- 1 Draft Procurement Policy 
- 2 Procurement Policy 2019 Community Impact Statement 

13.3 RCTP - RURAL COUNCILS TRANSFORMATION PROGRAM MOU

Meeting Type: Ordinary Council Meeting
Date of Meeting: 16 April 2019
Author: Director Corporate Services

No Council officers or contractors who have provided advice in relation to this report have declared a conflict of interest regarding the matter under consideration.

Executive Summary

This report is presented to Council to confirm our commitment to make an application for funding under the Rural Councils Transformation Program (RCTP) in conjunction with other Hume Region councils, to implement mutually-beneficial improvements to our Waste Management services and facilities.

RESOLUTION:

(Moved: Councillor H Benton/Councillor K Clarke OAM)

That Council:

1. ***Notes that the Rural City of Wangaratta is a participant in a grouping of councils making an application for funding under the Victorian Government Rural Councils Transformation Program (RCTP) for the following initiative only:***
 - a. ***'Hume Region Transformation Program - Waste Management', in conjunction with other participating Hume region Councils (Wodonga, Moira, Mitchell, Towong, Benalla, Strathbogie, Murrindindi, Mansfield, Alpine, and Indigo Shire Council (overall lead council)), with Rural City of Wangaratta acting as Lead Council for Organics Processing.***
2. ***Notes that for an RCTP application to be eligible for consideration, the following criteria must be met:***
 - a. ***Submission of joint business case by 31st March 2019.***
 - b. ***Each council must pass an accompanying resolution committing to implement the business case, if approved for funding. The resolution must be lodged with Local Government Victoria by 30th April 2019.***
3. ***Notes that the business case has been submitted by Indigo Shire Council on behalf of the Rural City of Wangaratta.***
4. ***Approves implementation of the above project within the submitted business case by the Rural City of Wangaratta, subject to the application being approved for RCTP funding.***

Carried

Background

The Rural Councils Transformation Program (RCTP) is the first-of-its-kind initiative in Victoria, encouraging the sharing of knowledge, costs and resources at a regional scale so that local governments can deliver more efficient, effective and sustainable services for our communities.

RCTP has funding of \$20m with groups of three or more councils able to apply for seed funding of between \$2-\$5m to support the implementation of large-scale, transformative projects on a regional level.

The Hume Region Councils have been working together to identify several initiatives which we believe will be of mutual benefit to our councils. The attached business case details those initiatives in more detail.

The Rural City of Wangaratta proposes to participate in the **Waste Management** initiative, and to act as lead council for **Organics Processing**.

Transformation of Waste Management Services

The Rural City of Wangaratta (RCOW) is currently in the process of constructing a world-leading organics processing facility, with the capacity to process up to 12,000 tonnes of organic waste per year. Of this, Wangaratta will require 5,200 tonnes. RCOW is therefore uniquely placed to provide a regional organics processing service, making the additional 6,800 tonnes of capacity available to our neighbouring councils.

To provide this service, RCOW is seeking funding from the RCTP to construct a weigh bridge (\$140,000) and sifter (\$120,000).

This collaboration will benefit other Hume Region councils by providing the capital infrastructure, processing capacity and skills required to process their organic material.

It will also benefit RCOW by giving us the potential to develop our organics processing facility into a commercial operation; by creating additional jobs in our municipality; and by securing additional RCTP grant funding to enable us to do so.

Rural City of Wangaratta also believes there may be further opportunities to collaborate across the Hume Region Councils by optimising the usage of regional Landfill facilities. By developing a joint approach Council will be able to facilitate rehabilitation, meet our compliance obligations, not be at risk of increased compliance requirements and develop the rehabilitated land for other uses sooner.

Implications

Policy Considerations

N/A

Financial/Economic Implications

This report applies for \$260,000 of grant funding for a weigh bridge and sifter. Any increase in ongoing operating costs due to providing a regional service are expected to be negotiated via a 'fee for service' contract with other participating councils.

Legal/Statutory

There are no legal/statutory implications identified for the subject of this report.

Social

There are no social impacts identified for the subject of this report.

Environmental/Sustainability Impacts

Increased processing of organic materials reduces usage of landfills; can benefit agriculture through the reduced usage of pesticides, fungicides and fertilizers; and enables the recycling of non-renewable energy.

2017 – 2021 Council Plan (201 Revision)

This report supports the 2017-2021 Council Plan:
Construction of an organics processing plant.

Goal: We are sustainable.

Strategic Links

Rural City of Wangaratta Waste Management Strategy

Risk Management

Risks	Likelihood	Consequence	Rating	Mitigation Action
That other Hume Region councils do not pass a corresponding resolution to participate in RCTP funding thus making this submission void.	Medium	RCTP funding not awarded	Moderate	Participate directly with other interested councils, and seek alternative funding sources.

Consultation/Communication

Level of public participation	Promises to the public/stakeholders	Tools/Techniques
Inform	N/A	N/A
Consult	N/A	N/A
Involve	N/A	N/A
Collaborate	N/A	N/A
Empower	N/A	N/A

Officers believe that appropriate consultation has occurred, and the matter is now ready for Council consideration.

Options for Consideration

- 1) That Council submits a resolution with the intent of collaborating with the Hume Region councils on all the areas outlined in the business case – i.e. including Business Systems; Emergency Management; Capital Works Procurement and Regulatory Services;
- 2) That Council does not submit an application for RCTP funding and instead works directly with neighbouring councils. The cost of the weigh bridge and sifter then to be covered by alternative funding sources.

Conclusion

The recommendation is that Council confirms our commitment to collaborating with other Hume Region Councils to set up regional Waste Management Facilities, with RCOW acting as the lead council for Organics, and submits this resolution in order to make an application for funding under the Rural Councils Transformation Program.

Attachments

- 1 Rural Councils Transformation Program - Hume Councils Business Case 

13.4 DRAFT 2017 - 2021 COUNCIL PLAN (2019 REVISION)

Meeting Type: Ordinary Council Meeting
Date of Meeting: 16 April 2019
Author: Governance & Reporting Advisor
File Name: Council Plan 2017-2021 2019 Revision
File No: S19/740

No Council officers or contractors who have provided advice in relation to this report have declared a conflict of interest regarding the matter under consideration.

Executive Summary

This report is presented to Council to endorse the Draft 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision).

RESOLUTION:

(Moved: Councillor D Fuller/Councillor K Clarke OAM)

That Council:

- 1. *Endorses the Draft Council Plan 2017 - 2021 (2019 Revision)***
- 2. *Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to:***
 - (a) Give public notice of the preparation of the Draft Council Plan 2017 - 2021 (2019 Revision), in accordance with s 125 of the Local Government Act 1989 (the Act), inviting the public to make a submission on:***
 - i. the strategic objectives of Council;***
 - ii. strategies for achieving the objectives for at least the next two years; and***
 - iii. the strategic indicators for monitoring the achievement of the objectives.***
 - (b) Receive submissions up to 5.00pm Thursday 16 May 2019.***
- 3. *If requested, forms a Committee in accordance with s 223 of the Act to hear any person wishing to be heard in support of their submission at 3.00pm Thursday 23 May 2019 at the Wangaratta Government Centre***
- 4. *Considers all submissions on the Draft Council Plan 2017 - 2021 (2019 Revision) and the adoption of the Draft Council Plan 2017 - 2021 (2019 Revision) with or without amendment at the Ordinary Council Meeting to be held on Tuesday 18 June 2019 at 6.00pm***

Carried

Background

Sections 125 and 126 of the *Local Government Act 1989* (the Act) require that Council at least once in a financial year review its Council Plan and Strategic Resource Plan to determine if they require any adjustment and if so, amend and adopt them no later than 30 June each year.

If Council makes an adjustment to the Council Plan, the Council must within 30 days advise the Minister of the details of the adjustments.

Summary of Key Changes

A number of key changes have made to the Draft Council Plan 2017 - 2021 (2019 Revision) to reflect the current position of the Council and our progression against the strategic objectives contained within the Council Plan.

Key changes include the:

- re-location our Key Projects 2017-2021 to the front of the Council Plan to highlight their importance as the key deliverables for Council under this plan and that they remain visible to the community;
- addition of key strategic projects and initiatives that will be commencing in 2019/2020 to support achievement of our Strategic Objectives;
- removal of key projects and initiatives which have been completed during 2018/2019; and
- refreshing our Pillars to highlight our Strategic Objectives, key projects and initiatives which support the achievement of those objectives and the measures which will evidence our progress.

Implications

Policy Considerations

The Council Plan details the Council's strategic objectives, key strategic activities and actions required to achieve those objectives. The strategic objectives outlined within the Council Plan influence a number of strategies, frameworks and policies within Council.

Financial/Economic Implications

The Strategic Resource Plan aligns with Draft Budget F2019/20. The Strategic Resource Plan may need to be amended following the submission period if changes are made to the Draft Budget FY2019/20. The approval of the budget details how Council will fund the strategic intent of the Council Plan.

Legal/Statutory

The review of the Draft Council Plan 2017 - 2021 (2019 Revision) is a legislative requirement and public submissions are consistent with sections 125, 126 and 223 of the Local Government Act.

Social

The strategic objectives contained in the revised 2017 - 2021 Council Plan aim to contribute to the overall health and social wellbeing of our community. Positive social outcomes will be achieved by the delivery of key initiatives and Councils' ongoing advocacy and partnerships that focus on delivering benefits and opportunities for residents and visitors of the municipality.

Environmental/Sustainability Impacts

The strategic objectives contained in the 2017 - 2021 Council Plan aim to contribute to environmental enhancement and sustainability. The Council Plan has a strong focus on environmental sustainability and protection.

Strategic Links

a) Rural City of Wangaratta 2030 Community Vision

The strategic objectives contained within the Council Plan 2017-2021 (2019 Revision) were determined with consideration to and guided by the objectives identified in the Rural City of Wangaratta 2030 Community Vision.

Consultation/Communication

It is anticipated that following the endorsement of the draft 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision) at the Ordinary Council meeting on 16 April 2019, the document will be placed on public exhibition for 28 days from Friday 19 April 2019 to invite submissions from the community.

The proposed timeline is as follows:

Tuesday 16 April 2019	Ordinary Council meeting to endorse Draft 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision)
Friday 19 April 2019	Invite the public to make submissions on the Draft 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision)
Thursday 16 May 2019	Submission period closes at 5.00pm
Thursday 23 May 2019	If required, Committee is formed to hear submissions
Tuesday 18 June 2019	Adoption of the 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision) at the Ordinary Council meeting

Options for Consideration

1. Endorse the Draft 2017 - 2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision) in the current state (refer to Attachments); or
2. Council recommends changes to the Draft 2017 - 2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision) which are required to be made prior to the document being made available to receive submissions from Friday 19 May 2019.


Conclusion

The 2017 - 2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision) was developed with direct input from senior council officers and Councillors.

The Council Plan is reviewed each year and adjustments are made, where required. The Council Plan will continue to guide the future strategic direction of Council, informing our service delivery, resource allocation and advocacy.

Council will continue to report back to the community regarding the progression of priorities and the achievement of targets.

Attachments

- 1 Council Plan 2019 Revision DRAFT 

13.5 QUARTERLY COUNCIL PLAN MEASURES REPORT

Meeting Type: Ordinary Council Meeting
Date of Meeting: 16 April 2019
Author: Governance & Reporting Advisor
File Name: 2018-2019 - Council Plan Reporting
File No: S18/5618

No Council officers or contractors who have provided advice in relation to this report have declared a conflict of interest regarding the matter under consideration.

Executive Summary

This report is presented to Council to communicate Council's performance against the Council Plan for Quarter 3 of the 2018/19 financial year.

RESOLUTION:

(Moved: Councillor D Fuller/Councillor H Benton)

That Council receives the Council Plan 'What you will see in 2018/2019' Progress Report and the Council Plan Measures Report.

Carried

Background

Part of Council's Mission is to provide the leadership necessary to maintain open communication and community engagement. Providing reports to the community on Council's progress against the Council Plan outcomes will assist to achieve this mission.

These results measure our progress against what is important and allow ourselves and everyone in our community to understand the impact that we are having.

Implications

Two reports are provided.

The first being the Council Plan 'What you will see in 2018/2019' Progress Report and it provides information on the progress in delivering the initiatives that are described in the Council Plan.

- Five initiatives are Nearing Completion.
- The implementation of the Aquatic Plan - Development of Wangaratta Indoor Sports and Aquatic Facility, delivery of Glenrowan Recreation Reserve upgrade project, development of female friendly facilities at

Moyhu Recreation Reserve and the completion of Morgan Road drainage project have seen contracts awarded during the quarter. Having these contracts awarded enables these projects to continue to progress.

The second report being the Council Plan Measures Report which provides data against targets that were set in the Council Plan where the target can be measured quarterly. The report excludes annual targets.

All targets, including quarterly and annual, will be presented at the end of the 2018/19 financial year.

Of the 21 quarterly targets, 10 are tracking within 5% of the target set for the 2018/19 financial year.

Stable performance is occurring across a number of areas including the release of housing lots within the municipality, Wangaratta Performance Arts and Convention Centre (WPACC) ticket sales and food safety assessments.

- Green indicates that performance was within 5% of target;
- Yellow indicates that performance was within 10% of target; and
- Red indicates that performance was more than 10% outside of target.

Policy Considerations

There are no specific Council policies or strategies that relate to this report.

Financial/Economic Implications

There is no immediate financial impact related to this report.

Legal/Statutory

The *Local Government Act 1989* requires Council to report on performance annually in the Annual Report. This quarterly report provides the community with a progress update against some of Council's key measures.

Social

The Council Plan 2017-2021 (2018 Revision) provides for the achievement of a number of social objectives.

Environmental/Sustainability Impacts

The Council Plan 2017-2021 (2018 Revision) provides for the achievement of a number of Environmental/Sustainability objectives.

2017 - 2021 Council Plan (2018 Revision)

This report supports the 2017-2021 Council Plan (2018 Revision):

THE PILLARS

WE ARE SUSTAINABLE

The Non-Negotiables

Our team will make the best and most efficient use of Council's resources.

We will Plan, Research & Advocate for the Future

By accurately understanding the constraints and opportunities that face our organisation, our community and our region.

WE ARE INSPIRED

The Non-Negotiables

Our commitment to communicate and engage with our community about local decision making in a way that is clear, accessible and easy to understand.

What we do everyday

We talk to, inform and engage with the people who live, work and visit in our community.

Strategic Links

a) Rural City of Wangaratta 2030 Community Vision

The Council Plan supports the aspirations and objectives of the Rural City of Wangaratta 2030 Community Vision.

Risk Management

Risks	Likelihood	Consequence	Rating	Mitigation Action
Council Plan targets not achieved leading to reputational risk	Low	High	Moderate	Identified unfavourable variances are examined and addressed. Regular monitoring and reporting.

Conclusion

This report assists Council to monitor its performance in achieving the targets prescribed within the Council Plan.

Attachments

- 1 'What You Will See 2018/2019' Progress Report - Quarter 3 
- 2 Council Plan Measures Report - Quarter 3 

13.6 TENDER RECOMMENDATION - PROVISION OF INSURANCE

Meeting Type: Ordinary Council Meeting
Date of Meeting: 16 April 2019
Author: Manager People & Governance
File Name: Risk Management - Council Insurance - 2019-20
File No: F19/18

No Council officers or contractors who have provided advice in relation to this report have declared a conflict of interest regarding the matter under consideration.

Executive Summary

This report is presented to Council to seek authorisation to award the tender for the provision of insurance to the Rural City of Wangaratta.

RESOLUTION:

(Moved: Councillor H Benton/Councillor H Bussell)

That Council:

- 1. Award T1819/043 Insurance Broking and Associated Services to Jardine Lloyd Thompson Pty Ltd for a period of three years;**
- 2. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to sign and seal documents for Contract T1819/043 Insurance Broking and Associated Services; and**
- 3. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to approve total expenditure in year 2 and year 3 at increases of up to CPI +2% annually; and**
- 4. Discloses the contract price for Contract T1819/043.**

Carried

Anthony Smith, Acting Director Corporate Services disclosed the contract price for T1819/043 Insurance Broking and Associated Services as \$218,605.00 ex gst.

Background

Councils existing contract for the provision of Insurance Broking and Associated Services has expired.

Expressions of interest were sought and two were received – from Jardine Lloyd Thompson and Aon. Tenders were then invited from both organisations.

One tender was received and was evaluated by the Manager People and Governance, Health, Safety and Risk Adviser, Governance and Reporting Adviser and Procurement Specialist.

The tender was evaluated against these criteria:

	Evaluation Criteria	Weighting
1	Cost to Council	30%
2	Experience, reputation and resources	25%
3	Response to Specifications	20%
4	Risk Management	10%
5	Capacity	10%
6	Local Content	5%
		100%

With the resulting weighted score of 67.

JLT is the current provider of insurance to Council. The prices provided through this tender process are overall quite favourable on previous years.

Implications

Policy Considerations

Council's procurement policy.

Financial/Economic Implications

The preferred tender price is within the allocated budget.

Legal/Statutory

There are no legal/statutory implications identified for the subject of this report.

Social

There are no social impacts identified for the subject of this report.

Environmental/Sustainability Impacts

There are no environmental/ sustainability impacts identified for this subject of this report.

2013 – 2017 Council Plan (2016 Revision)

This report supports the 2013-2017 Council Plan:

Goal

We are Sustainable

Risk Management

Holding of adequate insurance is an essential risk management action.

Consultation/Communication

Consultation was undertaken with relevant staff to update assets information to ensure that an accurate quotation could be provided.

Officers believe that appropriate consultation has occurred and the matter is now ready for Council consideration.

Conclusion

The tender received was evaluated by a panel and provides value for money in the current insurance climate.

Attachments

- 1 T1819/043 Tender Evaluation Report - Insurance Brokering and Associated Services - Confidential

14. COMMUNITY WELLBEING

Nil

15. INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

15.1 WASTE CHARGE POLICY 2019

Meeting Type:	Ordinary Council Meeting
Date of Meeting:	16 April 2019
Author:	Waste Management Co-ordinator
File Name:	Waste Charge Policy
File No:	F16/2103

No Council officers or contractors who have provided advice in relation to this report have declared a conflict of interest regarding the matter under consideration.

Executive Summary

This report is presented to Council to consider formally adopting the Waste Charge Policy 2019 (the Policy) following public exhibition. The policy sets out the basis of charges and fees applied for kerbside waste collection and waste received at Council's waste sites. It also sets out the basis for any exemptions to these services and associated costs.

RESOLUTION:

(Moved: Councillor K Clarke OAM/Councillor H Benton)

That Council formally adopt the Waste Charge Policy 2019 as tabled.

Carried

Background

The draft Waste Charge Policy was placed on public exhibition following the 19 February Council meeting seeking submissions until close of business Friday 22 March 2019.

Four submissions were received during the public exhibition of the draft policy.

The issues outlined in the submissions were as follows:

Issue Raised	Response
Value of the \$5 hard waste voucher should be reviewed and raised	Noted, however there is no intention to raise the value within this iteration of the policy.
Distribution of the \$5 hard waste voucher – not making its way to tenants	Some discussions have been had with real estate agents on how best to distribute hard waste vouchers to tenants. Possible distribution trial to commence in 2019/20.
Why Council do not offer hard waste collection	Wangaratta Council do not offer a hard waste collection for the following reasons:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cost of collection is prohibitive - safety risks associated with these manual handling collections.
Electronic Waste – cost of disposing should be reviewed	Not a specific item covered in the Waste Charge Policy, however the proposed 2019/2020 fees and charges will see a drop and standardisation of the cost to dispose of Ewaste.
Events – fines for contamination	The waste and events team are committed to improving waste separation and education at community events. Improvement measures /actions would occur initially with the issuing of a fine for gross contamination being a last resort.
Organics – request for further roll out to rural areas	Further roll out to 4 rural areas is planned for later in 2019. These areas are identified in the draft policy.
Composting – worm farm program	Not a specific item covered in the Waste Charge Policy. Not currently identified as an initiative in Council’s Waste Strategy 2018 - 2023.
Use of Whitfield transfer station for green waste month	Not a specific item covered in the Waste Charge Policy. Waste issues noted in the local area, however there are presently no plans to reopen the Whitfield transfer station.
Commercial Businesses (rural) – Table 1 – provision of organics collection to rural commercial businesses	Noted. The table for Commercial Rural Services has been amended to clarify where additional organics collections can be requested. These will apply to businesses where the service currently exists. This is proposed to be rolled out to Glenrowan, Hamilton Park, Oxley and Milawa.
Encourage and reward residents and business operators who are proactively reducing and minimising their waste through a credit system. Approach suggested that somehow the waste charge be reduced through recording rubbish collections.	Council encourages the great initiatives of residents and business operators to reduce their waste. Further thought and discussions required on how such a system may work and the mechanisms by which it could be easily administered. The cost benefit of such a scheme would also need to be assessed.

One minor change has been made to Table 1 – provision of organics collection to rural commercial businesses in the Policy to clarify where additional organics collections can be requested.

Implications

Policy Considerations

Council’s Waste Management Strategy is applicable to this report.

Financial/Economic Implications

The Waste Charge Policy has a direct correlation to the fees collected for waste services with the intent of recovering all costs for additional services above the base level waste service.

Legal/Statutory

There are no legal/statutory implications identified for the subject of this report.

Social

There are no social impacts identified for the subject of this report.

Environmental/Sustainability Impacts

The 'Four Strike Policy' has been changed to apply to garbage bins due to the introduction of the e-waste ban in landfills. This policy will use both education and enforcement to reduce the rate of contamination in Council bins.

2017 – 2021 Council Plan (2018 Revision)

This report supports the 2017-2021 Council Plan:

Goal

We are Sustainable

We will plan, research and advocate for the future:

for a regional approach to waste management that has economic and environmental benefits.

to assist the community to reduce their impact on the environment.

We will create and deliver:

the outcomes identified in the Rural City of Wangaratta Waste Management Strategy.

We will focus on our business:

By the implementation of the Our Future project, and the continual review of our service levels in consideration of community expectations and available resources.

Strategic Links

a) Rural City of Wangaratta 2030 Community Vision

In 2030 the Rural City of Wangaratta is a 'zero waste' community.

b) Other strategic links

N/A

Risk Management

N/A

Consultation/Communication

Officers believe that adequate consultation has been provided with the community.

Conclusion

The Waste Charge Policy governs the way Council implements its waste services. From the 2019 review the four strike policy will also apply to garbage bins due to the introduction of the e-waste ban in landfills. The other changes are to increase clarity around processes.

The Waste Charge Policy has been on public exhibition for 28 days and from the submissions received one minor change to the Policy has been made.

The Waste Charge Policy 2019 is now ready for formal adoption by Council.

Attachments

1 WASTE CHARGE POLICY 2019 

Public Questions

Anne Dunstan asked if there is a hiccup with the recycling system will you still offer the larger 240L recycling bins as the same price as the 140L bins?

Alan Clark Director Corporate Services responded that depends where it is going as things are changing daily under our existing contract. There is no increasing fee to Council for the larger bin but now that it is costing money to recycle we may have to look at that once we get the final figures. At this stage we are not envisaging that change.

Joan Comar asked has Council considered a booked hard waste collection?

Alan Clark Director Corporate Services responded this was considered when we looked at the Waste Management Plan which is a four year plan. It was not included but could come up for review again in the future.

15.2 WANGARATTA CAR PARKING REPORT - GETTING THE BALANCE RIGHT FOR OUR COMMUNITY

Meeting Type: Ordinary Council Meeting
Date of Meeting: 16 April 2019
Author: Project Manager
File Name: Traffic and Car parking Strategy
File No: P17/74

No Council officers or contractors who have provided advice in relation to this report have declared a conflict of interest regarding the matter under consideration.

Executive Summary

This report is presented to Council seeking endorsement to the Wangaratta Car Parking Report – Getting the Balance Right for Our Community, which details a number of priority actions in relation to the supply of car parking in Wangaratta. Some recent work has been undertaken to understand our parking situation including community consultation, and the report outlines some key principles that will be carried forward in relation to parking management.

RESOLUTION:

(Moved: Councillor H Benton/Councillor D Fuller)

That Council:

- 1. *Endorse the Wangaratta Car Parking Report – Getting the Balance Right for Our Community; and***
- 2. *Adopts the guiding principles for parking for the next 5 years being:***
 - *Prioritise pedestrians over vehicles within the CBD precinct;***
 - *Minimise net loss of parking spaces within the CBD and Hospital precincts;***
 - *Continue to move and develop all day parking to outside of the core CBD precinct;***
 - *Implement no net increase to parking meters within the CBD precinct;***
 - *Continue to support alternate all day parking options such as the multi-deck car park and Council parking permits.***

Carried

Background

The Wangaratta Car Parking Report – Getting the Balance Right for Our Community is a short summary and status report that identifies key principals for

Council going forward in relation to parking management, and sets out some priority actions to improve the current parking situation.

The Plan has been revised following a two month period of consultation. Thirty-six responses were received, ranging from emails, letters, social media comments and personal contacts during the consultation period. The most contentious item raised by multiple respondents, through the media, and in a joint letter from businesses and customers, was the proposal to alter the parking configuration along a section of Rowan Street. From the submissions received, many were not in favour of changing the current parallel parking, which was expressed as being necessary for long vehicles and those with trailers, and that angle parking would present a dangerous situation on a busy CBD street.

Apart from the above and an undercurrent of dissatisfaction with the use of paid parking, and the construction of the multi-deck car park, the majority of the plan appears to be supported. There was a general feeling that the number of car parking spaces are adequate in and around the CBD, and that little needed to be done.

The Wangaratta Car Parking Report has been adjusted to reflect changes resulting from the feedback as follows:

Principles:

Change – from “Ensure there is no net loss of parking spaces within the CBD or Hospital precincts.” to “Minimise the net loss of parking spaces within the CBD and Hospital precincts.”

Short Term Action:

Remove – reference to changes on Rowan Street (between Ovens St and Baker St)

Medium Term Action:

Move – Increase multi-deck car park usage to a “short” term action.

Implications

Policy Considerations

There are no specific Council policies or strategies that relate to this report.

Financial/Economic Implications

Individual initiatives under the Plan will need to go through further project development, including a cost estimate, and presented for budget consideration in subsequent years.

Legal/Statutory

There are no legal/statutory implications identified for the subject of this report.

Social

This report seeks to put forward changes to balance the car parking needs of our community. As Wangaratta is changing, we need to ensure the supply of car parking reflects the vision and objectives of the City. By making sure that our parking is better balanced for the kind of community we want to be, we will also encourage a more pedestrian and cyclist friendly CBD, that will support a shift in transport mode for those that can. This will in turn help support more equitable access to social, business and other economic activities for those from the rural towns and communities, who are reliant upon private vehicle use.

Environmental/Sustainability Impacts

The implementation of the associated actions, will reduce Council's environmental and sustainability impacts. Even if only a few people make a small change in transport mode to more active forms, this will have a positive impact on environmental outcomes. Placing long term parking on the periphery of the CBD, should encourage an increase in parking once and walking for all day workers. This will reduce circulating traffic impacts as workers seek to change parking spots, and will help individuals to get extra physical activity into their daily routines.

2017 – 2021 Council Plan (2018 Revision)

This report supports the 2017-2021 Council Plan:

Goal

We are Established

We will plan, research and advocate for the future:

To address traffic, parking and pedestrian challenges to create communities that are safe, easy to navigate and accessible.

We will create and deliver:

A city centre that is unique, diverse and active.

Strategic Links

a) Rural City of Wangaratta 2030 Community Vision

The Report has connections with helping to achieve a number of the objectives described in the 2030 Community Vision:

- Manage transport issues to, from, in and around Wangaratta
- Develop a future plan for the Wangaratta CBD
- Facilitate an ongoing extension to pedestrian and cycling linkages

b) Other strategic links

The Wangaratta Project – A Masterplan For Our City, identified a ‘big idea’ opportunity *to make CBD car parking more efficient*, which would require a number of actions to be taken. This paper supports those actions.

The recently released (draft) version of the Urban Design Framework (UDF) explores a number of matters relating to parking and urban renewal. This paper links with the objectives of the UDF.

Risk Management

Risks	Likelihood	Consequence	Rating	Mitigation Action
Community & businesses see the changes as a negative	likely	High	High	Ensure we explain changes & reasons well; strongly support with information material
Large rise in overstays in changed areas, results in enforcement issues & delays	low	High	Moderate	Ensure good communication to avoid an increase in overstays; ensure enforcement are aware of changes and work on education in the first instance.
Parking changes do not result in an improvement to CBD safety & amenity	likely	High	High	Ensure that parking changes do not happen in isolation; implement other actions in support.

Consultation/Communication

The Report has been revised following two months of public consultation. Thirty-six responses received, ranging from emails, letters, social media comments, and personal contacts.

Consultation has occurred on a number of occasions in relation to other projects. The CBD Masterplan process, the Railway Precinct Project engagement, Ovens Street Redevelopment consultation and other regular discussions with individuals have all touched on various issues, ideas and opinions in relation to parking. It is considered that the matter is now ready for Council consideration.

Further community communication will occur following the endorsement of this report.

Conclusion

This report presents a plan of priority actions that seeks to ensure Council are striking the right balance in relation to parking for our community

Attachments

- 1 Wangaratta Car Parking Plan - February 2019 

Public Questions

Mr Brian Fox asked why are we prioritising pedestrians over vehicles in the CBD?

Alan Clark Director Infrastructure Services responded we do have a real problem with pedestrian movements in the CBD. This dot point supports how we will be able to put the pedestrian crossings in and getting our 40km zone in the CBD making it easier for our pedestrians to move in our CBD area.

16. DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

16.1 RESPONSE TO PETITION - NED KELLY CENTRE

Meeting Type:	Ordinary Council Meeting
Date of Meeting:	16 April 2019
Author:	Economic Development and Tourism Officer
File Name:	Community and Economic Development - Support - Proactive Programs - Ned Kelly
File No:	F16/913

No Council officers or contractors who have provided advice in relation to this report have declared a conflict of interest regarding the matter under consideration.

Executive Summary

This report is presented to Council to note the petition submitted by the Ned Kelly Centre Ltd and was tabled at the March Council meeting. The petition of 3,481 signatures was received in March with additional signatures received post the March Council meeting.

The petition is addressed to the Parliament of Victoria seeking support for the Ned Kelly Centre Ltd to be located at Glenrowan.

RESOLUTION:

(Moved: Councillor K Clarke OAM/Councillor H Benton)

That Council:

- 1. Note the petition to be submitted to the Parliament of Victoria***
- 2. Confirm in-principle support to the Ned Kelly Centre and their Endeavours.***

Carried

Background

At the March 19th 2019 Ordinary Council meeting, Council was provided with a copy of a petition that was collated by the Ned Kelly Centre Ltd seeking the Victorian Parliament to support the Ned Kelly Centre Ltd to be located at Glenrowan. Additional signatures to the petition were submitted directly to council staff after 19 March. Council had accepted the petition at the March Council meeting and resolved that a report responding to the petition be brought to the next council meeting.

The petition has been submitted to the Rural City of Wangaratta Council for information, no action is required by the Council as the petition is addressed to the Parliament of Victoria.

It is also acknowledged that at the Ordinary Council meeting on 20 June 2017 a report was tabled requesting in-principle support for the Ned Kelly Interpretive Centre Project. A Council resolution was moved to this effect.

Implications

Policy Considerations

There are no specific Council policies or strategies that relate to this report.

Financial/Economic Implications

There are no financial or economic implications identified for the subject of this report.

	2012/2013 Approved Budget for this proposal \$	This Proposal \$	Variance to Approved Budget \$	Comments
Revenue/Income				
Expense				
Net Result				

Legal/Statutory

There are no legal/statutory implications identified for the subject of this report.

Social

There are no social impacts identified for the subject of this report.

Environmental/Sustainability Impacts

There are no environmental/ sustainability impacts identified for this subject of this report.

2017 – 2021 Council Plan (2018 Revision)

This report is not linked to the 2017-2021 Council Plan:

Strategic Links

a) Rural City of Wangaratta 2030 Community Vision

N/A

b) Other strategic links

N/A

Risk Management

Consultation/Communication

N/A

Options for Consideration

Option 1: Recommended

Council accepts the recommendations per the officers report.

Option 2: Not Recommended

Council does not note the petition submitted by the Ned Kelly Centre Ltd

Option 3: Not recommended

Council does not support in-principal the development of the Ned Kelly Centre Ltd

Conclusion

The copy of the petition has been noted by the Council.

Attachments

Nil.

17. SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Nil

18. ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS

18.1 ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS

Meeting Type: Ordinary Council Meeting
Date of Meeting: 16 April 2019
Author: Executive Assistant - Corporate Services & Councillors
File Name: Committees & Groups - Advisory Committees - Establishment - Administration
File No: F16/2255

No Council officers or contractors who have provided advice in relation to this report have declared a conflict of interest regarding the matter under consideration.

Executive Summary

Minutes of the following Advisory Committee Meetings are reported to Councillors for information (refer attachments).

1. Wangaratta Economic Development & Tourism Advisory Committee Meeting


RESOLUTION:

(Moved: Councillor D Fuller/Councillor A Fitzpatrick)

That Council notes the minutes of these committees.

Carried

Attachments

- 1 MINUTES - Wangaratta Economic Development & Tourism Advisory Committee - March 5 2019 

19. RECORDS OF ASSEMBLIES OF COUNCILLORS

19.1 RECORD OF ASSEMBLY OF COUNCILLORS

Meeting Type:	Ordinary Council Meeting
Date of Meeting:	16 April 2019
Author:	Executive Assistant - Corporate Services & Councillors
File Name:	Assemblies of Councillors
File No:	F16/2117

Executive Summary

An “Assembly of Councillors” is a meeting at which matters are considered that are intended or likely to be the subject of a Council decision and is either of the following:

- a meeting of an advisory committee where at least one Councillor is present; or
- a planned or scheduled meeting that includes at least half the Councillors and at least one Council officer.

At an assembly of Councillors, a written record is kept of:








- a) the names of all Councillors and members of the Council staff attending;
- b) the matters considered;
- c) any conflict of interest disclosures made by a Councillor attending; and
- d) whether a Councillor who has disclosed a conflict of interest leaves the assembly.

The written record of an assembly of Councillors is, as soon as practicable:

- a) reported at an Ordinary Meeting of the Council; and
- b) incorporated in the Minutes of that Council meeting.

Date	Meeting details	Refer
12 March 2019	Councillor Briefing Forum	Attachment
18 March 2019	Councillor Briefing Forum	Attachment
25 March 2019	Councillor Briefing Forum	Attachment
1 April 2019	Councillor Briefing Forum	Attachment
4 April 2019	Municipal Fire Management Planning Committee	Attachment
4 April 2019	Municipal Emergency Management Planning Committee	Attachment
8 April 2019	Councillor Briefing Forum	Attachment

RESOLUTION:**(Moved: Councillor D Fuller/Councillor A Fitzpatrick)*****That Council receives the reports of Assemblies of Councillors.*****Carried****Attachments**

- 1 Assembly of Councillors - Councillors Briefing Forum - 20190312 
- 2 Assembly of Councillors - Councillors Briefing Forum - 20190318 
- 3 Assembly of Councillors - Councillors Briefing Forum - 20190325 
- 4 Assembly of Councillors - Councillors Briefing Forum - 20190401 
- 5 Assembly of Councillors - MEMPC meeting - 04 April 2019 
- 6 Assembly of Councillors - MFMPC meeting - 04 April 2019 
- 7 Assembly of Councillors - Councillors Briefing Forum - 20190408 

20. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

21. URGENT BUSINESS**22. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Ray Dyer asked are the public toilets around the municipality going to be cleaned and looked after?

Councillor Dean Rees responded we will put it under advisement and look into it.

Anne Dunstan asked Cr Fitzpatrick you asked for Next Gen to put submissions in for the budget. How can you portray the Council Budget to the younger generation and engage them to do this?

Councillor Ashlee Fitzpatrick responded I recommend if there are young people who express an interest to come meet with us, to go through the budget document.

Anne Dunstan asked is this something the Youth Council address or do you address with the Youth Council?

Councillor Ashlee Fitzpatrick responded the Youth Council is quite proactive in this area and they will present something to us.

Brian Fox asked would you adopt the Myrtleford Council Policy on toilet blocks?

Mayor Dean Rees responded no, we will not adopt another Council's policy.

Brian Jones asked across the street at Safeway there is a pothole can this be fixed?

Mayor Dean Rees responded we will look at it first thing tomorrow.

23. CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

Nil

24. CLOSURE OF MEETING

The Meeting closed at 7.01pm.