



**PUBLIC MINUTES
OF THE
ORDINARY MEETING
OF COUNCIL
HELD ON
THURSDAY 28 July 2022**

**Council Chambers
Honour Avenue
Wyalkatchem**

**Commencement: 4:23pm
Closure: 7:35pm**

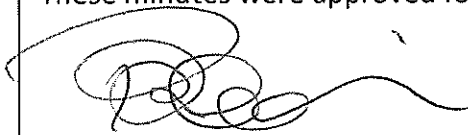
Preface

When the Chief Executive Officer approved these Minutes for distribution they are in essence "Unconfirmed" until the following Ordinary Meeting of Council, where the minutes will be confirmed subject to any amendments.

The "Confirmed" Minutes are then signed off by the Presiding Member.

Unconfirmed Minutes

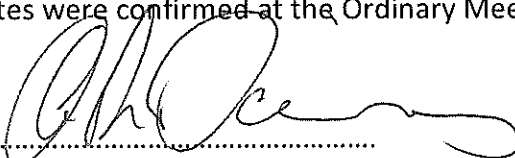
These minutes were approved for distribution on 3 August 2022.



Peter Klein
Chief Executive Officer

Confirmed Minutes

These minutes were confirmed at the Ordinary Meeting of Council held 18 August 2022.

Signed:

Cr Davies, Shire President and Presiding Member
Shire of Wyalkatchem

Note: The Presiding Member at the meeting at which the minutes where confirmed is the person who signs above

DISCLAIMER

No responsibility whatsoever is implied or accepted by the Shire of Wyalkatchem for any act, omission or statement or intimation occurring during this meeting. It is strongly advised that persons do not act on what is heard at this meeting and should only rely on written confirmation of Council's decisions, which will be provided within ten days of this meeting.

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Councillors and staff have an obligation under section 5.65 of the *Local Government Act 1995*, to disclose any interest or perceived interest in any matter to be discussed during a meeting. The integrity to be declared are as follows:

Financial Interest:

Under section 5.60A of the *Local Government Act 1995*, a person is said to have a financial interest in a matter if it is reasonable to expect that the matter will, if dealt with by the Local Government in a particular way, result in a financial gain, loss, benefit or detriment for the person.

Proximity Interest:

Under section 5.60B of the *Local Government Act 1995*, a person is said to have a proximity interest in a matter if the matter concerns a proposed change to a planning scheme affecting land that adjoins the person's land; a proposed change to the zoning or use of land that adjoins the person's land; or a proposed development of land that adjoins the person's land.

Impartiality Interest:

To maintain transparency, it is important to disclose all interests, including impartiality interests which include interests arising from kinship, friendship and membership of associations. If it is possible that your vote on a matter may be perceived as impartial, you should disclose your interest.

Disclosing an Interest:

Disclosures must be made, in writing, to the Chief Executive Officer prior to the meeting at which the matter in which you have an interest is to be discussed.

If you disclose a Financial or Proximity Interest, you must leave the room while the matter is discussed and voted on. Only after a decision has been reached may you return to the meeting, at which time the Presiding Person will inform you of Council's decision on the matter.

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1. DECLARATION OF OPENING

The Chairperson, Shire President Cr Davies, opened the meeting at 4:23pm.

2. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

2.1. Response to Public Questions Previously Taken on Notice

Nil

2.2. Declaration of Public Question Time opened

Public Question Time opened at 4:23pm.

There were no members of the public.

2.3. Declaration of Public Question Time closed

Public Question Time closed at 4:23pm.

3. ATTENDANCE, APOLOGIES, LEAVE OF ABSENCE

3.1. Attendance

Members: Cr. Quentin Davies President
Cr. Emma Holdsworth
Cr. Stephen Gamble
Cr. Christy Petchell
Cr. Christopher Loton

Staff: Peter Klein Chief Executive Officer
Stephanie Elvidge Governance Executive Officer
Terence Delane Manager of Works

3.2. Apologies

Nil

3.3. Approved Leave of Absence

Cr Owen Garner Deputy president

3.4. Applications for Leave of Absence

Nil

4. OBITUARIES

It was advised that long term Wyalkatchem resident Pauline Dunlop, beloved wife of Danny Dunlop and grandmother of Cr Christopher Loton has passed. The Shires thoughts and condolences are with family and friends.

5. PETITIONS, DEPUTATIONS, PRESENTATIONS

5.1. Petitions

Nil

5.2. Deputations

Nil

5.3. Presentations

Nil

6. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

6.1. Financial and Proximity Interest

Nil

6.2. Impartiality Interests

Nil

7. CONFIRMATION AND RECEIPT OF MINUTES

7.1. Confirmation of Minutes

7.1.1. Ordinary Meeting of Council – 19 May 2022

Minutes of the Shire of Wyalkatchem Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Thursday 16 June 2022 (Attachment 7.1.1)

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION / COUNCIL RESOLUTION

(67/2022) Moved: Cr Petchell

Seconded: Cr Loton

That the minutes of the Shire of Wyalkatchem Ordinary Meeting of Council of Thursday 16 June 2022 (Attachment 7.1.1) be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED 6/0

7.2. Receipt of Minutes

Nil

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PRESIDING PERSON WITHOUT DISCUSSION

Cr Davies thanked Cr Gamble for substituting for the interviews with Storytowns – a NEWTRAVEL/Wheatbelt Way/Pioneer Pathway Regional Arts WA grant project for a Wyalkatchem podcast tour.

Cr Davies commented on the success of the Wyalkatchem Hoedown fundraiser and thanked everyone involved. Cr Davies attended for a short time and observed the fun with the dancing and raffle.

The Ballardong Aboriginal Planisphere Launch was held on the 22 July at the Yorkrakine Hall. The event was part of the Ballardong Aboriginal Astronomy Project through Regional Development Australia and funded by the Shire of Wyalkatchem, in partnership with the Shire of Tammin, and the department of Social Services. Cr Davies represented the Shire at the event and looks forward to the completed artwork being on display in Wyalkatchem.

9. MATTERS FOR WHICH THE MEETING MAY BE CLOSED

9.1. Item 14.1 Recalcitrant Rates as at 30 June 2022

10. REPORTS

10.1. CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

10.1.1. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT – JUNE 2022

Applicant:	Shire of Wyalkatchem
Location:	Shire of Wyalkatchem
Date:	15 July 2022
Reporting Officer:	Parul Begum
Disclosure of Interest:	No interest to disclose
File Number:	12.10.02
Attachment Reference:	Attachment 10.1.1 – Accounts for Payment – June 2022

SUMMARY

To provide Council with a list of accounts paid by the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with his delegated authority and for Council to endorse the payments made for the prior month.

BACKGROUND

The *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996, s13(1)*, requires that if a local government has delegated to the CEO its power to make payments from the municipal fund or the trust fund, a list of accounts paid by the CEO is to be prepared each month showing all payments since the last such list was prepared.

Council has delegated to the CEO (delegation number 1.2.17) the power to make payments from the municipal fund or trust fund.

Please note that the above does not include payments made via Direct Debit (DD) as they are not in sequential number order.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations, S13.1

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no direct policy implications in relation to this item.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Expenditure in accordance with the 2021/2022 Annual Budget. *See attachment 10.1.1.*

COMMUNITY & STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

The matter before Council generally accords with the following Shire desired outcome as expressed in the revised Shire of Wyalkatchem Strategic Community Plan.

Goal No.	Strategies		Actions
Goal 10	Transparent, accountable and effective governance	10.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensuring a well-informed Council makes good decisions for the community
		10.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensuring sound financial management and plans for the Shire’s long term financial sustainability
		10.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High quality corporate governance, accountability and compliance
		10.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintaining Integrated Strategic and Operational plans

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION / COUNCIL RESOLUTION

(68/2022) Moved: Cr Stratford

Seconded: Cr Holdsworth

That Council endorse the total payments for the month of June 2022 being \$434,671.39, which comprised of:

- 1. Cheque payments in the Municipal Fund totalling \$0.00*
- 2. Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) payments 2005 - 2085 in the Municipal Fund totalling \$404,243.16;*
- 3. Direct Debit (DD) payments 2081 - 2141 in the Municipal Fund totalling \$30,428.23.*

CARRIED 6/0

10.1.2. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT – CREDIT CARDS – MAY 2022

Applicant:	Shire of Wyalkatchem
Location:	Shire of Wyalkatchem
Date:	15 July 2022
Reporting Officer:	Parul Begum – Finance Officer
Disclosure of Interest:	No interest to disclose
File Number:	File Ref: 12.10.02
Attachment Reference:	Attachment 10.1.2 – Credit Cards – May 2022

BACKGROUND

Council governance procedures requires the endorsement of credit card payments at each OMC. The attached credit card payment report has been reviewed by the Manager of Corporate Services and CEO.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Local Government Act 1995, Part 6 – Financial Management s.6.4
Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996, R34

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Policy Number 2.1 – Purchasing Policy.
 Policy Number 2.3 – Credit Card Policy.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil. Reported expenditure is assessed by management as being consistent with the FY21/22 Annual Budget.

COMMUNITY & STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

This matter is consistent with the following Strategic Community Plan goal.

Goal 10 - TRANSPARENT, ACCOUNTABLE AND EFFECTIVE GOVERNANCE

Goal No.	Strategies		Actions
Goal 10	Transparent, accountable and effective governance	10.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensuring a well-informed Council makes good decisions for the community
		10.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensuring sound financial management and plans for the Shire’s long term financial sustainability
		10.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High quality corporate governance, accountability and compliance
		10.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintaining Integrated Strategic and Operational plans

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION / COUNCIL RESOLUTION

(69/2022) Moved: Cr Gamble

Seconded: Cr Stratford

That Council endorse credit card payments for the period 29 April 2022 to 27 May 2022, totalling \$433.62 (refer attachment 10.1.2).

CARRIED 6/0

10.1.3. MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT – JUNE 2022

Applicant:	Shire of Wyalkatchem
Location:	Shire of Wyalkatchem
Date:	21 July 2022
Reporting Officer:	Megan Shirt – Financial Consultant
Disclosure of Interest:	No interest to disclose
File Number:	12.10.02
Attachment Reference:	Attachment 10.1.3 – Monthly Financial Report June 2022

BACKGROUND

The *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 34* requires a local government to prepare a monthly financial statement that reports on actual revenue and expenditure against the annual budget prepared under regulation 22(1) (d).

Council has adopted a material variance on 10% or \$10,000 whichever is the greater.

COMMENT

The attached report includes:

- Statement of Financial Activity by Program (p.3)
- Statement of Financial Activity by Nature and Type (p.4)

The statements provide details of the Shire's operations on an actual year to date basis.

These statements and Notes 1 (p.5) and 2 (p.6) are statutory requirements and must be presented to Council.

The remaining notes all relate to the Statements of Financial Activity.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Local Government Act 1995, Part 6 – Financial Management S6.4

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations, R34

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no direct policy implications in relation to this item.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Total Cash Available as at 30 June 2022 is \$5,662,237;

- cash available is made up of unrestricted cash \$2,704,081 (47.75%) and
- restricted cash \$2,958,156 (52.25%).

Unrestricted cash includes an advance payment of FAGS for 2022-23 of \$1,409,588.

Rates Debtors balance as at 30 June 2022 is \$43,904 and Rates Notices for 2021-22 were issued in August 2021. Rates collected as at end of June 2022 was \$1,344,386 96.8%.

June 2022: Operating Revenue – Operating revenue of \$4,211,257 is made up of Rates - 32%, Grants - 61%, Fees and Charges - 6% and other – 1%.

Operating Expenses – Operating expenses of \$4,537,784 is made of Depreciation - 33%, Employee Costs – 28%, Materials and Contracts – 31%, Insurance –3% and Utility – 4% and Other Charges – 1%.

COMMUNITY & STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

The matter before Council generally accords with the following Shire desired outcome as expressed in the revised Shire of Wyalkatchem Strategic Community Plan.

Goal: Transparent, accountable and effective governance.

Goal No.	Strategies		Actions
Goal 10	Transparent, accountable and effective governance	10.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensuring a well-informed Council makes good decisions for the community
		10.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensuring sound financial management and plans for the Shire’s long term financial sustainability
		10.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High quality corporate governance, accountability and compliance
		10.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintaining Integrated Strategic and Operational plans

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

OFFICER’S RECOMMENDATION / COUNCIL RESOLUTION

(70/2022) Moved: Cr Petchell

Seconded: Cr Holdsworth

That Council accepts the Statement of Financial Activity for the month ending 30 June 2022 (refer attachment 10.1.3).

CARRIED 6/0

10.1.4. ADOPTION OF ANNUAL BUDGET 2022/2023

Applicant:	Shire of Wyalkatchem
Location:	Shire of Wyalkatchem
Date:	22 July 2022
Reporting Officer:	Peter Klein
Disclosure of Interest:	No interest to disclose
File Number:	12.05.07
Attachment Reference:	Attachment 10.1.4.1 – FY23 Annual Budget - Draft Attachment 10.1.4.2 – FY23 Fees & Charges - Draft

SUMMARY

The *Local Government Act 1995*, section 6.2 requires a local government to prepare and adopt a budget before 31 August. Council is recommended to adopt the attached draft FY23 Annual Budget.

BACKGROUND

The draft 2022/23 Budget has been compiled based on the principles contained in the Strategic Community Plan and in accordance with presentations made to Council at budget workshops.

COMMENT

The main features of the draft 2022/23 Annual Budget are as follows;

Major Items of Income;

- Rates \$1,403,239
- Operating Grants \$ 701,555
- Non-operating Grants \$1,964,480
- Fees & Charges \$ 225,234

Proposed capital expenditure of \$3,041,529 funded as follows;

- Reserve funded \$ 195,000
- Non-operating grants \$1,964,480
- Proceeds from sales \$ 176,500
- New borrowings (plant) \$ 301,000
- Own source (Municipal fund) \$ 395,549

The capital works include;

- a. roads program totalling \$919,529, comprising;
 - Roads to Recovery \$ 284,259; &
 - Regional Road Group \$ 635,070

These works are principally funded via federal and state government grants. Delivery of this work will require just \$211,694 to be drawn from the Municipal Fund.

b. plant replacement of \$709,300 and the major components are as follows;

- skid steer \$ 140,000
- truck replacement \$ 390,000
- vehicle replacements \$ 100,000
- trailers \$ 10,000
- forklift \$ 20,000
- drop in water tank \$ 21,000

During the year there will be a deposit of \$200,000 into the plant reserve and the withdrawal of \$195,000 from this reserve.

c. other infrastructure projects totalling \$1,121,645 and include the following projects;

- Recreation Reserve reticulation upgrade \$200,000
- Lady Novar refurbishment \$120,000
- Space activation (Waterwise Garden) \$ 65,000
- Railway Tce (NAB) building refurbishment \$ 80,000

These projects are being directly funded from grant funding provided by the Federal Governments LRCI Program on a use it or lose it basis.

d. Footpath upgrade \$ 75,000

The budget also includes two new positions being;

1. a community development officer - to assist with community engagement, communications & research and the writing of grant funding applications; and
2. a works administrator to principally support the Works Manager in meeting compliance obligations in respect to the Council's safety management system, procurement and project management.

The estimated brought forward balance is \$1,520,037 however, it must be noted that this figure is unaudited and may change once the annual accounts are finalised. The major contributor to this carried forward amount is the advance payment of the Commonwealth Financial Assistance Grants for FY23 which was received in June 2022.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Local Government Act 1995

"6.2. Local government to prepare annual budget

- (1) During the period from 1 June in a financial year to 31 August in the next financial year, or such extended time as the Minister allows, each local government is to prepare and adopt*, in the form and manner prescribed, a budget for its municipal fund for the financial year ending on the 30 June next following that 31 August.*

** Absolute majority required.*

- (2) *In the preparation of the annual budget the local government is to have regard to the contents of the plan for the future of the district made in accordance with section 5.56 and to prepare a detailed estimate for the current year of —*
- (a) the expenditure by the local government; and*
 - (b) the revenue and income, independent of general rates, of the local government; and*
 - (c) the amount required to make up the deficiency, if any, shown by comparing the estimated expenditure with the estimated revenue and income.*
- (3) *For the purposes of subsections (2)(a) and (b) all expenditure, revenue and income of the local government is to be taken into account unless otherwise prescribed.*
- (4) *The annual budget is to incorporate —*
- (a) particulars of the estimated expenditure proposed to be incurred by the local government; and*
 - (b) detailed information relating to the rates and service charges which will apply to land within the district including —*
 - (i) the amount it is estimated will be yielded by the general rate; and*
 - (ii) the rate of interest (if any) to be charged by the local government on unpaid rates and service charges;**and*
 - (c) the fees and charges proposed to be imposed by the local government; and*
 - (d) the particulars of borrowings and other financial accommodation proposed to be entered into by the local government; and*
 - (e) details of the amounts to be set aside in, or used from, reserve accounts and of the purpose for which they are to be set aside or used; and*
 - (f) particulars of proposed land transactions and trading undertakings (as those terms are defined in and for the purpose of section 3.59) of the local government; and*
 - (g) such other matters as are prescribed.*
- (5) *Regulations may provide for —*
- (a) the form of the annual budget; and*
 - (b) the contents of the annual budget; and*
 - (c) the information to be contained in or to accompany the annual budget.”*

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Policy 2.4. Budget preparation

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Budget of estimated income and expenditure for the 2021/22 financial year.

COMMUNITY & STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

The matter before Council generally accords with the following Shire desired outcome as expressed in the revised Shire of Wyalkatchem Strategic Community Plan

Objective: Goal 10 Transparent, accountable and effective governance

Outcome No.	Outcome	Action No.	Measure
1	Ensuring a well informed Council makes good decisions for the community	1	Community Satisfaction

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Absolute Majority

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION / COUNCIL RESOLUTION

(71/2022) Moved: Cr Petchell

Seconded: Cr Stratford

1. ***That, in accordance with Section 6.2 of the Local Government Act 1995 and Part 3 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996, Council adopts the Shire of Wyalkatchem 2022/2023 Budget, as presented in Attachment 10.1.4.1.***
2. ***That, in accordance with Sections 6.32, 6.33, 6.34 and 6.35 of the Local Government Act 1995, Council for the purpose of yielding the deficiency disclosed by the 2022/23 Budget adopted at Part 1 above, imposes the following general rates and minimum payments on Gross Rental and Unimproved Values (as shown at Note 1 of the 2022/23 Budget).***

Unimproved Value	Rate in \$	Minimum Rate
Residential (GRV)	0.11334	\$515.00
Rural (UV)	0.01295	\$573.00
Mining (UV)	0.01295	\$573.00

3. ***That, in accordance with Section 6.45 of the Local Government Act 1995 and Regulation 64(2) of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996, Council nominates the following due dates for the payment in full by instalments:***

One Installment Option:

Full payment with 5% discount	30/08/2022
Full payment	13/09/2022

Four Installments Option:

1 st Instalment due date	13/09/2022
2 nd Instalment due date	15/11/2022
3 rd Instalment due date	17/01/2023
4 th Instalment due date	17/03/2023

4. ***That, in accordance with Section 6.45 of the Local Government Act 1995 and Regulation 67 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996, Council adopts an instalment administration charge where the owner has elected to pay rates (and service charges) through an instalment option of \$5.00 for each instalment after the initial instalment is paid.***
5. ***That, in accordance with Section 6.45 of the Local Government Act 1995 and Regulation 68 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996, Council adopts an interest rate of 5.5% where the owner has elected to pay rates and service charges through an instalment option.***
6. ***That, in accordance with Section 6.45 of the Local Government Act 1995 and Regulation 70 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996, Council adopts an interest rate of 7% for rates and other charges and costs of proceedings to recover such charges that remain unpaid after becoming due and payable.***
7. ***That, in accordance with Section 67 of the Waste Avoidance and Resources Recovery Act 2007, Council adopts the following charges for the removal and deposit of domestic and commercial waste:***

Residential and Commercial Premises 240ltr Waste Bin Weekly Collection; and	\$ 328.00
Additional Refuse Service 240ltr Waste Bin Weekly Collection.	\$ 328.00

8. ***That, in accordance with Section 5.99 of the Local Government Act 1995 and Regulation 34 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996, Council adopts the following annual fees and allowances for elected members:***

Council Annual Meeting Fees; Councilors	\$ 4961.00 per annum
Council Annual Meetings Fees; President	\$ 4961.00 per annum
Allowance; Shire President	\$ 6303.00 per annum
Allowance; Deputy Shire President	\$ 1576.00 per annum

9. ***That, in accordance with Regulation 34(5) of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 and AASB 1031 Materiality, Council adopts the level to be used in the Statement of Financial Activity in 2022/23 for the reporting of material variance as 10% or \$10,000, whichever is the greater.***
10. ***That, in accordance with Section 6.11 of the Local Government Act 1995, Council adopts to transfer \$200,000 to the Plant Reserve and utilise \$195,000 to fund plant purchases.***
11. ***That, in accordance with Section 6.16 of the Local Government Act 1995, Council adopts the Fees and Charges 2022/2023 included as attachment 10.1.4.2.***

CARRIED 6/0

Cr Loton left the meeting at 5:26pm

Cr Loton returned to the meeting at 5:27pm

10.2. GOVERNANCE AND COMPLIANCE

10.2.1. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT – JUNE/JULY 2022

Applicant:	Shire of Wyalkatchem
Location:	Shire of Wyalkatchem
Date:	09 July 2022
Reporting Officer:	Peter Klein, Chief Executive Officer
Disclosure of Interest:	No interest to disclose
File Number:	13.05.01
Attachment Reference:	Nil

SUMMARY

This report is prepared by the CEO to provide Council and the Wyalkatchem community with information about CEO activities and Council operations.

COMMENT

Since the last report the CEO has attended the following substantial meetings and events to progress community and Council's interests;

- Laura Pikoss – HBP Services re tip closure plan;
- Shirley Maitland re Pioneer Park upgrade;
- Michael Hughes – resident re town planning scheme compliance;
- NEWROC Executive meeting;
- Natalie Abend – employee relations consultant, WALGA;
- Chris Gilmour – LGIS safety consultant
- Dr Emmanuel Awogun & Koorda Shire representatives re GP services;
- Peter Hall – Wheatbelt Secondary Freight Network & Koorda Rd maintenance;
- Sam Green – ASK Waste Management re capacity of Wyalkatchem landfill;
- Sean & Mischa Stratford, Bernie Quade, Quentin Davies & Mia Davies – re school;
- Tony Brown & Craig Grant – WALGA re various advocacy positions;
- Kimberley Beasley – re streetscape design (Honour Ave & Railway Tce corner)

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

There are no direct statutory implications in relation to this item.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no direct policy implications in relation to this item.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no direct financial implications in relation to this item.

COMMUNITY & STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

The CEO's activity promotes the Strategic Community Plan objectives, particularly those outlined in Goal 10 which calls on transparent, accountable and effective governance.

Goal 10 Transparent, accountable and effective governance and 12 Form strategic partnerships and advocate for the Community.

Goal No.	Action No.	Actions
10 Transparent, accountable and effective governance	10.1	Ensuring a well-informed Council makes good decisions for the community
	10.4	Maintaining Integrated Strategic and Operational plans
12 Form strategic partnerships and advocate for the community	12.1	Developing strategic partnerships with regional, State & Federal governments
	12.2	Ensuring that the Shire of Wyalkatchem is well positioned to meet future needs

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION / COUNCIL RESOLUTION

(72/2022) Moved: Cr Stratford

Seconded: Cr Holdsworth

That Council accepts the Chief Executive Officer's report.

CARRIED 6/0

10.2.2. LOCAL PLANNING POLICY No 9

Applicant:	Shire of Wyalkatchem
Location:	Shire of Wyalkatchem
Date:	15 July 2022
Reporting Officer:	Peter Klein, Chief Executive Officer
Disclosure of Interest:	No interest to disclose
File Number:	13.05.01
Attachment Reference:	Attachment 10.2.2 – Development Approval Exemptions

SUMMARY

The Council is seeking to introduce an efficiency by excluding the requirement for owners of agricultural land to obtain Development Approval from the Shire under the terms of its Town Planning Scheme.

BACKGROUND

Under the current Local Planning Scheme owners of agricultural land must obtain Development Approval for any development on their land including, the construction of sheds to support the operation of their approved agricultural businesses.

This requirement is causing landowner frustration & cost and the consumption of scarce staff resource for little, if any benefit.

A new Local Planning Policy is proposed to remove the requirement for Development Approval for any development required to support an approved operating agricultural business or activity, subject to the following conditions;

- a) The development or works are not located with a setback area of 20 metres from a street boundary and 10 metres from any other boundary.
- b) The development or works are not within a heritage area or have any heritage status.
- c) The development or works are not new activities, or use classes, that have not received Council’s prior approval.
- d) The development or works are not within a Bushfire Prone mapping area as determined by Department of Fire and Emergency Services.
- e) The development or works do not create excessive increase in road traffic.
- f) The development or works do not require a new or reconfigured crossover to a public road, and
- g) The development or works include adequate provision for any altered drainage that may be created by the proposal.

COMMENT

The local government may prepare a local planning policy in respect of any matter related to the planning and development of any area covered by its Town Planning Scheme.

A local planning policy must be based on sound town planning principles and address either strategic or operational considerations.

Local Planning Policies are guidelines and although they are not part of the Town Scheme they must be consistent with, and cannot vary, the intent of the Scheme provisions.

If a local government decides to prepare a Local Planning Policy, the local government

- a) is to publish a notice of the proposed Policy once a week for 2 consecutive weeks in a newspaper circulating in the Scheme area, giving details of
 - (i) where the draft Policy may be inspected;
 - (ii) the subject and nature of the draft Policy; and
 - (iii) in what form and during what period (being not less than 21 days from the day the notice is published) submissions may be made;
- b) may publish a notice of the proposed Policy in such other manner and carry out such other consultation as the local government considers appropriate.

After the expiry of the period within which submissions may be made, the local government is to

- a) review the proposed Policy in the light of any submissions made; and
- b) resolve to adopt the Policy with or without modification, or not to proceed with the Policy.

If the local government resolves to adopt the Policy, the local government is to-

- a) publish notice of the Policy once in a newspaper circulating in the Scheme area; and
- b) if, in the opinion of the local government, the Policy affects the interests of the Commission, forward a copy of the Policy to the Commission.

A copy of each Local Planning Policy, as amended from time to time, is to be kept and made available for public inspection during business hours at the offices of the local government.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015 outline the local government's obligations in respect to the creation of new Local Planning Policies.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no direct policy implications in relation to this item subject to compliance with the abovementioned regulations.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications in relation to this item.

COMMUNITY & STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

This matter is consistent with the Council’s objective to ensure its services support & facilitate local business activity.

Objective No.	Actions
S 2.1.2.6	Collaborate with community to identify opportunities to improve government services and advocate for improved delivery.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

OFFICER’S RECOMMENDATION / COUNCIL RESOLUTION

(73/2022) Moved: Cr Gamble

Seconded: Cr Stratford

That Council approves the Local Planning Policy No9.

CARRIED 6/0

10.2.3. LOCAL ROADS & COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE PHASE 3 PROJECTS

Applicant:	Shire of Wyalkatchem
Location:	Shire of Wyalkatchem
Date:	20 July 2022
Reporting Officer:	Peter Klein, Chief Executive Officer
Disclosure of Interest:	No interest to disclose
File Number:	13.05.01
Attachment Reference:	Attachment 10.2.3 – LRCI P3 Work Schedule July 2022

SUMMARY

The LRCI Program Phase 3 aims to continue to assist a community-led recovery from COVID-19 by supporting local jobs, firms, and procurement. It's expected that councils will use local businesses and workforces to deliver projects under the LRCI Program where possible to ensure stimulus funding flows into local communities.

The scope of LRCI Program Phase 3 supports a broad range of Eligible Projects so communities can fund the infrastructure that they need, support businesses and create employment opportunities across their communities.

The objective of the LRCI Program Phase 3 is to stimulate additional infrastructure construction activity in local communities across Australia to assist communities to manage the economic impacts of COVID-19.

The intended outcomes of the LRCI Program Phase 3 are to:

- provide stimulus to protect and create local short-term employment opportunities through funded projects following the impacts of the COVID-19; and
- deliver benefits to communities, such as improved road safety, accessibility and visual amenity.

COMMENT

A community workshop has helped to inform the projects selected for delivery under Phase 3.

Please note, the Shire is also the recipient of an additional \$320,734 under the Federal Government's extension to the Phase 3 project. Under this extension, the total pool of funds made available to local governments across the country totals \$1.5B.

At this stage local governments have not been asked to nominate a work program for delivery utilising the extension funding.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

There are no direct statutory implications in relation to this item.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no direct policy implications in relation to this item.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no direct financial implications in relation to this item as projects nominated are intended to be fully funded by grant monies on a use it or lose it basis.

COMMUNITY & STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

Delivery of the draft work program will improve local infrastructure and will make a strong contribution to improving community amenity.

Objective No.	Actions
S 2.1.2.6	Collaborate with community to identify opportunities to improve government services and advocate for improved delivery.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION / COUNCIL RESOLUTION

(74/2022) Moved: Cr Stratford

Seconded: Cr Holdsworth

That Council approves the draft work schedule proposed for delivery with the Federal Government's \$641,468 LRCI Phase 3 grant allocation to the Shire of Wyalkatchem.

CARRIED 6/0

10.2.4. SPONSORSHIP - WYALKATCHEM ARTS & CRAFTS EXPO

Applicant:	Shire of Wyalkatchem
Location:	Shire of Wyalkatchem
Date:	20 July 2022
Reporting Officer:	Peter Klein
Disclosure of Interest:	No interest to disclose
File Number:	6.09.04
Attachment Reference:	Attachment 10.2.4 – Letter Request for Sponsorship

BACKGROUND

The CRC has written to the Council outlining the main features of this year’s event and inviting Council to sponsor an art award, in addition to waiving the Town Hall hire fee. A copy of a letter received 23rd March 2022 outlining elements of this event is attached.

The Expo creates welcome activity within the town and is the type of inclusive community event that promotes Council’s objective for an active and engaged community.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The total value of the proposal from CRC is \$400.

COMMUNITY & STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

The matter before Council generally supports the Council’s objective to foster an engaged and active community.

Goal No.	Action No.	Actions
10 Transparent, accountable and effective governance	10.1	Ensuring a well-informed Council makes good decisions for the community
	10.4	Maintaining Integrated Strategic and Operational plans
12 Form strategic partnerships and advocate for the community	12.2	Ensuring that the Shire of Wyalkatchem is well positioned to meet future needs

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION / COUNCIL RESOLUTION

(75/2022) Moved: Cr Loton

Seconded: Cr Stratford

In respect to Wyalkatchem's Arts & Craft Expo, which the CRC in conjunction with the Sunday Arts Group is hosting over the weekend of September 16 to 19th 2022, that Council approves;

- *Waiving the Town Hall Hire fee of \$200 and*
- *Sponsoring a \$200 best in category ART award if the opportunity still exists.*

CARRIED 6/0

10.2.5. FY23 CAPITAL ROADWORKS PROGRAM

Applicant:	Shire of Wyalkatchem
Location:	Shire of Wyalkatchem
Date:	20 July 2022
Reporting Officer:	Peter Klein
Disclosure of Interest:	No interest to disclose
File Number:	25.08
Attachment Reference:	Nil

BACKGROUND

The Shire is required to maintain its roads in a safe operating condition and receives funding support for the delivery of this objective by the state and federal governments.

Funds provided by the state government through the Regional Roads Group are granted subject to the local government contributing 33% towards the total cost of the works.

In FY23, the total cost of Council’s RRG program is \$635,070 with the local government contribution totalling \$211,694.

The Roads to Recovery program is 100% funded by the Federal Government and for FY23 the Council will upgrade sections of the Koorda Rd (\$50,200) and the balance of available funds (\$234,259) to be spent on priority roadworks.

Council is undertaking an assessment of the condition of other roads within the Shire particularly, its gravel roads and will determine priorities for delivery utilising the balance of FY23 Roads to Recovery funding prior to 30 September 2022.

Of note, the Koorda Rd has been earmarked for a major upgrade via the Wheatbelt Secondary Freight Network initiative and consequently the Council is reluctant to spend any more in the short term than is absolutely necessary to maintain the road in a safe condition. It is expected that this initiative will receive more funding as part of the Federal Government’s budget announcements next year, paving the way for major works on the Koorda Rd to commence in 2024/25.

The following capital Roadworks are proposed for delivery during FY ’23.

REGIONAL ROAD GROUP PROGRAM FY23

Road	SLK’s	Total (\$)	Shire	RRG
Wylie North	1.45 – 4.75 (3.30)	\$564,345	\$188,119	\$376,226
Description	Reconstruct the 3.30km section between SLK 1.45 & 4.75 to upgrade it from the existing Type 4 standard to a Type 6 standard road. Clear vegetation to maintenance zone and shoulder recondition to widen pavement from 8m to 10m width. Import a new base-course pavement layer and wetmix, balance, compact & trim.			

	Apply a two coat 14/10 primerseal to achieve a new Type 6 standard road with a 7.6m seal width. As part of the works, extend 3 RCP culverts and install new guideposts & signage.			
Cunderdin Rd	24.18-26.16 (1.98)	\$ 70,725	\$ 23,575	\$ 47,150
Description	Reseal the final 1.98km section between SLK 24.18 & 26.16, with a single 10mm coat of cutback bitumen seal. The shoulders in this section were widened and primer-sealed during the FY21 RRG program.			
Total		\$635,070	\$211,694	\$423,376

Roads to Recovery FY23

Road	SLK's	Total (\$)	Shire Contribution	R2R Contribution
Koorda Rd	Various – refer below	\$50,200	\$0	\$50,200

	Where	Work Required	Delivered by
1	Gnuca Corner (SLK 8.12) – About 200m x 2m.	Profile, chip seal & asphalt east side.	Contractor (eg Stirling Asphalt).
2	Campbell's chicane (SLK 19.25) About 100m x 8m	Reseal with an emulsion & 10mm aggregate.	Contractor contracted to reseal the Wylie N Rd.
3	Campbell's Rise (SLK 18.38) – About 20m x 1m (base course failure)	Reseal with emulsion & 7mm aggregate	Shire staff equipped with a hand sprayer & 7mm aggregate.
4	Nalkain Flats (SLK13.25) – About 30m x 3m	Reseal with emulsion & 10 aggregate.	Contractor contracted to reseal the Wylie N Rd (or using Shire staff equipped with a hand sprayer & 7mm aggregate).
5	Jackson Rd South (SLK 6.80) – About 50m x 1m	Reseal with emulsion & 7mm aggregate.	Shire staff equipped with a hand sprayer & 7mm aggregate.
6	Various pot holes	Repair pot holes by the application of a cold mix to affected areas.	Shire staff equipped with cold mix, compactor etc.

Road	SLK's	Total (\$)	Shire Contribution	R2R Contribution
TBC	TBC	\$234,259	\$0	\$234,259

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Nil

10.2.6. WHEATBELT SECONDARY FREIGHT NETWORK – GOVERNANCE REVIEW

Applicant:	Shire of Wyalkatchem
Location:	Shire of Wyalkatchem
Date:	20 July 2022
Reporting Officer:	Peter Klein
Disclosure of Interest:	No interest to disclose
File Number:	25.08
Attachment Reference:	Attachment 10.2.6 – WSNF Governance Plan (Draft)

BACKGROUND

The Wheatbelt Secondary Freight Network is a collaboration between 42 local governments focussed on lobbying for & managing the allocation & expenditure of funds on more significant local roads identified as performing a broader regional services.

The Commonwealth, State & local governments have committed funding to develop and deliver the WSNF priorities. The funding split is 80/13.4/6.6 respectively. Local governments are only required to contribute their 6.6% on roads that exist within their shire.

The Minister for Transport is the overall funding approving authority for the WSNF. However, in a practical sense, the determination of projects and distribution of funding to those projects is determined by the WSNF structure and its recommendations to the Minister (delivered by MRWA) are approved through the workings of the steering committee.

Local Government provide representation on the RRG's, the Steering Committee and/or the Technical Committee. Local Governments provide submissions for funding under the WSNF and take part in the priority and determination process of those submissions through the above groups.

The RRG's approve endorsements from the Steering Committee and monitor the implementation of the projects from the program within their own region.

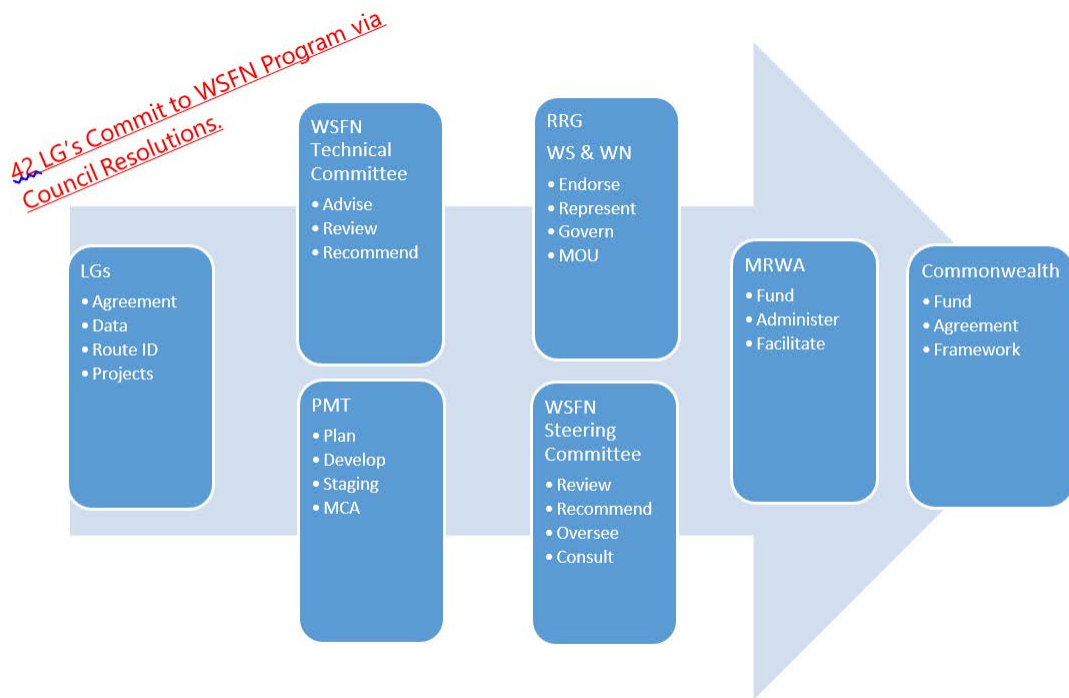
The Wheatbelt Secondary Freight Network Steering Committee (SC) comprises equal representation from the Wheatbelt North Regional Road Group (WNRRG) and the Wheatbelt South Regional Road Group (WSRRG) and has primary responsibility for prioritising road projects for funding under the program and for overseeing and monitoring the program delivery.

COMMENT

Earlier this year, the Wheatbelt North and South Regional Road Groups requested an independent review of the Wheatbelt Secondary Freight Network Governance Plan.

Nova Corvus Consulting Pty Ltd has recently completed this review and a draft copy is attached for your consideration. Comments on this draft are invited.

The governance structure is summarised by the following diagram;



In the following comments, reference to an ***elected member*** is a reference to a person who has been elected to represent a shire at a Council election.

The role of the Technical Committee is to provide technical support, input and advice to key delivery components of the program.

The Chairperson of the Technical Committee is the WSFN Program Director and otherwise membership is made up of the following;

- 8 nominated members from the Sub Regional Road Groups (SRRG's) within the Wheatbelt Region.
- WSFN Program Director.
- WSFN Program Manager.

The SRRG representatives are nominated to the Technical Committee for a two-year term at the first RRG meeting following the LG elections.

Our SRRG has nominated Eileen O'Connell (Nungarin) and Rod Munns (consulting road engineer) as its representatives on the Technical Committee. Eileen O'Connell also represents our group on the Steering Committee.

Decisions of the Technical Committee are to be by consensus however, where voting is necessary, only SRRG nominated members will be voting representatives. The Program Manager never gets a vote and the Director, as the Chairperson shall have a casting vote.

We are specifically being asked if we support SRRG representatives to the Technical Committee who are not elected members (ie Rod Munns) having a vote on the Technical Committee.

Based on the technical knowledge of consultants like Rod Munns, his relative independence and because the Technical Committee's decisions do not bind the WSN, on balance it seems appropriate for representatives to the Technical Committee who are not elected members to have a voting right.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

COMMUNITY & STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

The matter before Council generally supports the Council's objective to provide fit for purpose community infrastructure that promotes community safety.

Objective No.	Actions
S 2.1.2.6	Collaborate with community to identify opportunities to improve government services and advocate for improved delivery.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION / COUNCIL RESOLUTION

(77/2022) Moved: Cr Gamble

Seconded: Cr Holdsworth

That consultants invited to participate on the WSN Technical Committee be entitled to vote in respect to recommendations it is responsible for making to the Regional Road Groups (Wheatbelt North & South) and Steering Committee.

CARRIED 5/1

Cr Christopher Loton noted that he voted against this recommendation.

10.3. WORKS AND SERVICES

10.3.1. MANAGER OF WORKS OFFICER'S REPORT – JULY 2022

Applicant:	Not Applicable
Location:	Shire of Wyalkatchem
Date:	20 July 2022
Reporting Officer:	Terry Delane – Manager of Works
Disclosure of Interest:	No interest to disclose
File Number:	13.05.01
Attachment Reference:	Attachment 10.3.1 – <i>Graded Roads map to be provided</i>

BACKGROUND

To inform Council of the activities of the works and services team during the months prior 20th July 2022.

SAFETY

1. Reported Incidents as follows;
 - a. Gas bottles stolen from Town Hall and Rec Centre.

ROADS – MAJOR PROJECTS

- **Regional Road Group. (RRG)**
 - Tammin Road Final Claim and Certificate of Completion lodged.
 - Project \$5K over budget, despite an extra 100m of length and extra \$38K of bitumen binder.
 - Cunderdin Road Final Claim and Certificate of Completion lodged.
 - Project \$5K over budget with \$89K of extra bitumen binder.
- **Wheatbelt Secondary Freight Network (WSFN)**
 - Koorda Road inspection with MRWA undertaken.
 - Advice is to patch works that require emergency attention and resubmit for funding to reconstruct in subsequent years.
- **Roads 2 Recovery. (R2R)**
 - McNee Rd North section completed. Gravel sheeting at north end and clearing from Wallambin to Turner Roads.
- **Roads Advisory Group (RAG)**
 - Maintenance grading in full swing.
 - Colour coded map marked up of roads graded (*attachment to be provided*).
- **Black Spot Projects (BSP)**
 - Road Safety Audits booked with Shawmac Traffic to be done in the next 4 – 6 weeks.

ROADS – GENERAL

1. Manager of Works attended 2 MRWA meetings –
 - Presentation on the delivery strategy of bringing road works back in house.
 - Workshop with MRWA to discuss Local Government Road Safety Plan Workshop.
 - New software platforms (Crash Map and AusRoads) to map black spot areas and other road issues. Dash Cams to map road network is a key tool.

AERODROME

- Sealing crew booked for the 1st October.

PRIVATE WORKS

- All private works for the FY 2022 completed.
- Request from the school to assist in tidying up the Honour Ave corner (gratis) expected to be scheduled very soon.

PARKS / TOWN SERVICES CREW

- Railway Tce car park kerbing completed. Still waiting for concrete works.
- General maintenance going well with extra staff on board.

SWIMMING POOL RENOVATION

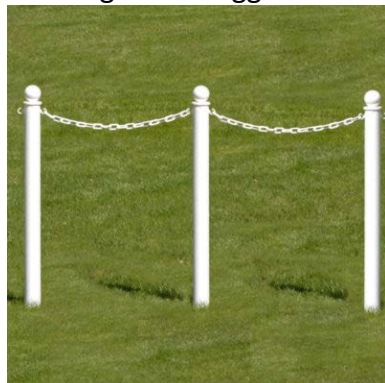
- Works postponed until 2023
- Further quotes being sourced.

GRACE ST DEPOT.

- Door replacement works postponed again. Intention to cancel the contractors' order.
- Western Power work completed.

GAMBLE ST UPGRADE

- Thurston St variation program stalled due to Covid issues. Culvert across Thurston St installed. Work expected to restart in a couple of weeks.
- Handrails design now suggested to be simple post and chain system.



WYLIE WATERPROOFING - NATIONAL GRID CONNECTION PROJECT

- Project ongoing with DWER support.
- Poly welders stalled due to Covid, expected on site in 3 weeks.

RUBBISH TIP

- Issues with new cell with residents tipping at top of ramp.
- Trial of top tipping being considered.
- Hydrocarbon dump issue still being assessed.

HUMAN RESOURCES

- New starters
 - Eric Anderson – officially appointed as Leading Hand Roads
 - Steve Venables – grader / machine operator
 - Eric Coulthard – offered machine operator position
 - Shannon Gibbs – Cleaning and Gardens crew – casual
 - Simon Ozanne – Parks and Gardens crew – full time
 - Shauna Wells – Parks and Gardens crew – permanent part time
- Return to Work
 - Cris Pavisik – Leading Hand Parks & Gardens has returned to work
 - Jon Truman – light duties – receiving physio for work related injury

VEHICLE/PLANT

- New vehicles warranty servicing being done
- New windscreen for bus.
- New windscreen for Manager of Works Hilux
- Garn Grader back on hire

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

There are no statutory environment implications in relation to this item.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no direct policy implications in relation to this item.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are some financial implications in relation to this item.

COMMUNITY & STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

The list before Council is generally in accordance with the desired outcome as expressed in the Shire of Wyalkatchem Strategic Community Plan.

Goal: Our built environment responds to the accessibility and connectivity needs of all.

Outcome No.		Action No.	Actions
Goal 8	Our built environment responds to the accessibility and connectivity needs of all	8.1	Improving safety on road, cycle and footpath networks
		8.2	Developing & planning community infrastructure to improve use & social interaction
		8.3	Implement Aged Friendly Plan
		8.4	Implement the Disability Access and Inclusion Plan (DAIP)

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION / COUNCIL RESOLUTION

(78/2022) Moved: Cr Petchell

Seconded: Cr Loton

That Council accept the Manager of Work's (MOW) Report July 2022.

CARRIED 6/0

Cr Stratford left the meeting at 6:46pm

Cr Stratford returned to the meeting at 6:48pm

10.4. PLANNING AND BUILDING

Development Approval and Building Permit issued for Lot 16603 (HN 1426)
Wallambin Rd, Korrelocking.

Building Permit application for a swimming pool received.

11. MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil

12. QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF WHICH DUE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil

13. URGENT BUSINESS APPROVED BY THE PERSON PRESIDING OR BY DECISION

13.1. WYALKATCHEM RODEO DISCUSSION AND AGREEMENTS DISCUSSION – Cr Gamble

A discussion was held about the Rodeo preparations and Shire support.

It was agreed that Cr Gamble would meet with Sergeant James Gaunt to ensure that preparations and support is adequate.

The matter and updates will then be presented at the August Workshop and August Ordinary Meeting of Council.

Cr Holdsworth let the meeting at 7:03pm

Cr Holdsworth returned to the meeting at 7:07pm

14. MATTERS BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

Recalcitrant Rates to 30 June 2022.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION / COUNCIL RESOLUTION

(79/2022) Moved: Cr Holdsworth

Seconded: Cr Gamble

That Council moves behind closed doors in accordance with Section 5.23 (2)(b) and (e)(iii) of the Local Government Act 1995 which states, that a Council may move its meeting behind closed doors;

- to deal with matters that relate to the personal affairs of a person and***
- to deal with a matter that if disclosed, would reveal Information about the business, professional, commercial or financial affairs of a person.***

CARRIED 6/0

14.1. OVERDUE RATES AND CHARGES AS AT 30 JUNE 2022

Applicant:	Shire of Wyalkatchem
Location:	Shire of Wyalkatchem
Date:	06 July 2022
Reporting Officer:	Louise Sequerah
Disclosure of Interest:	No interest to disclose
File Number:	25.08.01
Attachment Reference:	Attachment 14.1 - Recalcitrant Rates Debtors as at 30 June 2022.

SUMMARY

The Shire of Wyalkatchem recalcitrant rates debtors report as at 30 June 2022 details

- with outstanding rates and charges in a prior year
- non-pensioner assessments
- not paying on an arrangement,
- not paying by instalments,
- with a total amount outstanding of more than \$100.

BACKGROUND

It is considered best practice for Council to have less than 4% of the rates levied outstanding at the end of the financial year. Whilst no active debt recovery appears to have occurred in prior years, the Shire does not have a significant outstanding debt for prior years on rates.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

It is an offence for Council not to recovery outstanding rates and charges.

Local Government Act 1995.

6.57. *Non-compliance with procedure in Act not to prevent recovery of rate or service charge*
In proceedings by or on behalf of a local government for the recovery of an amount due in respect of a rate or service charge, failure by the local government to comply in respect of the rate or service charge with the provisions of this Act, is not a defence, if it appears that it had the power to impose, and did in fact assent to the imposition of, the rate or service charge.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Policy 2.10 Revenue Collection.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

In 2021/2022, a budget of \$3,500 exists for Rates Debt Collection Expenses.

COMMUNITY & STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

The matter before Council generally accords with the following Shire desired outcome as expressed in the revised Shire of Wyalkatchem Strategic Community Plan.

Goal: Transparent, accountable and effective governance

Goal No.	Strategies		Actions
10	Transparent, accountable and effective governance	10.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensuring a well-informed Council makes good decisions for the community
		10.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High quality corporate governance, accountability and compliance

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

OFFICER’S RECOMMENDATION / COUNCIL RESOLUTION

(80/2022) Moved: Cr Stratford

Seconded: Cr Holdsworth

That the Council receives the report of Recalcitrant Rates Debtors as presented in the attachment 14.1 - Recalcitrant Rates Debtors - as at 30 June 2022.

CARRIED 6/0

OFFICER’S RECOMMENDATION / COUNCIL RESOLUTION

(81/2022) Moved: Cr Stratford

Seconded: Cr Gamble

That Council move out from behind closed doors.

CARRIED 6/0

15. INFORMATION BULLETIN

15.1. Information Bulletin

The information bulletin has been provided as an attachment (Attachment 15.1)

15.2. Business Arising from the Information Bulletin

15.2.1. Status report

2021 Citizen Awards Event Date was agreed for Friday 9th September 2022.

16. CLOSURE OF THE MEETING

There being no further business to discuss, the Chairperson thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting at 7:35pm.