

GENERAL MEETING AGENDA

TO BE HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS - CIVIC CENTRE 101 GOONDOON STREET, GLADSTONE

On 19 March 2019

Commencing at 9.00am

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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G/1. MAYORAL STATEMENT OF CURRENT ISSUES

Nil.

G/2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

G/2.1. CONFIRMATION OF GENERAL MEETING MINUTES FOR 5 MARCH 2019

Responsible Officer: Chief Executive Officer

Council Meeting Date: 19 March 2019

File Ref: CM7.2

Purpose:

Confirmation of the minutes of the General Meeting held on 5 March 2019.

Officer's Recommendation:

That the minutes of the General Meeting of Council held on 5 March 2019 be confirmed.

Attachments:

1. Minutes of the General Meeting of Council held on 5 March 2019.

Tabled Items:

Nil.

Report Prepared by: Executive Assistant

G/3. OFFICERS' REPORTS

G/3.1. OFFICE OF THE CEO

G/3.1.1. DELEGATES FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF QUEENSLAND GENERAL MEETING APRIL 2019

Responsible Officer: Chief Executive Officer

Council Meeting Date: 19 March 2019

File Ref: CM6.1

Purpose:

To nominate Council delegates for attendance and voting privileges at the 2 April 2019 General Meeting to be held by the Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ).

Officer's Recommendation:

That Council:

- 1. Authorise Mayor Burnett and _____ as Gladstone Regional Council delegates to attend the LGAQ General Meeting to be held 2 April 2019 in Brisbane;
- 2. Allocate two votes to each delegate equally.

Background:

The Local Government Associated of Queensland (LGAQ) has notified Council of its intention to hold a General Meeting on 2 April 2019 to amend the LGAQ Policy Statement to address the Queensland Government's proposed legislative changes to the *City of Brisbane Act 2010, Local Government Act 2019* and *Local Government Electoral Act 2011*.

Council has been requested to notify by 19 March 2019 of each delegate authorised to attend the General Meeting and vote on proposed motions. This report considers options for nominating and allocating voting entitlements.

Consideration:

Gladstone Regional Council is entitled to nominate 2 delegates to attend the LGAQ General Meeting and is entitled to a total of 4 votes. Delegates may consist of the Mayor, Councillors or the Chief Executive Officer (CEO). As Council is entitled to more votes than delegates, it is requested to determine how many votes each delegate is allocated.

Option 1 – Allocate votes equally

This option would result in identifying 2 delegates with each delegate allocated 2 votes each.

Option 2 – Allocate votes unequally

This option would result in identifying 2 delegates with one delegate allocated 3 votes and the other delegate allocated 1 vote.

Communication and Consultation (Internal/External):

Correspondence received from LGAQ. Internal discussions with CEO and Governance employees.

Legal Environmental and Policy Implications:

To ensure voting entitlements are allocated under LGAQ's constitution, Council must nominate delegates.

Financial and Resource Implications:

Minimal travel costs to Brisbane to attend General Meeting at LGAQ's head office.

Commentary:

Summary:

As the proposed changes are significant to the operations of local governments, it is considered prudent to ensure Council nominates and attend this General Meeting.

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Nil.
Anticipated Resolution Completion Date:
19 March 2019
Attachments:
Nil.
Tabled Items:
Nil.
Report Prepared by: Manager Governance

G/3.2. STRATEGY AND TRANSFORMATION

G/3.2.1. BOYNE BURNETT INLAND RAIL TRAIL FEASIBILITY STUDY

Responsible Officer: General Manager Strategy and Transformation

Council Meeting Date: 19 March 2019

File Ref: PRJ-208, SR5.1

Purpose:

The purpose of this report is to present the Boyne Burnett Inland Rail Trail Feasibility Study Report prepared by Mike Halliburton Associates dated March 2019 for consideration.

Officer's Recommendation:

That Council note the Boyne Burnett Inland Rail Trail Feasibility Study, March 2019 prepared by Mike Halliburton Associates and proceed no further at this stage.

Background:

At the 20 March 2018 General Meeting, Council adopted the following resolution through a Notice of Motion.

That:

- 1. Gladstone Regional Council join with North Burnett Regional Council and apply for a fully funded feasibility study through the 'Queensland Cycling Action Plan' (QCAP) to explore the options and opportunities in utilising the rail corridor from Gayndah to Taragoola (Calliope) and:
- 2. Gladstone Regional Council appoint an officer to represent the Gladstone Regional Council at the monthly Boyne Burnett Inland Rail Trail meetings.
- 3. Gladstone Regional Council supports the ownership of the assets remaining with the Department of Transport and Main Roads.

At the 3 July 2018 General Meeting, Council resolved the following:

That:

- 1. Council note the public liability and asset management risks identified in this report.
- 2. Council proceed with the release of the Request for Quote for a Reids Creek (Gayndah) to Taragoola (Calliope) Rail Trail Study, noting that the Request for Quote seeks separate pricing for the provision of feasibility studies per local government area.
- 3. Following receipt of the quotes, Council submit an application, in partnership with North Burnett Regional Council, for a fully funded feasibility study through the 'Queensland Cycling Action Plan' (QCAP) to explore options and opportunities to utilise the Reids Creek (Gayndah) to Taragoola (Calliope) rail corridor.

A Request for Quote (28-19) was released on 12 July 2018 inviting quotations from suitably qualified and experienced Consultants to undertake a feasibility study on the decommissioned Reids Creek (Gayndah) to Taragoola (Calliope) railway corridor. The Request for Quote closed on 2 August 2018 with two quotes received. Both were assessed and it was recommended by both Councils (NBRC & GRC) to engage Mike Halliburton Associates at a cost of \$99,000 (GST excl). However, prior to appointing Mike Halliburton Associates, Council sought funding from the Department of Transport and Main Roads for the full cost of the Feasibility Study. This funding

application was successful, and Mike Halliburton Associates was officially appointed on 19 September 2018.

The study has progressed with the final Feasibility Study received on 26 February 2019. This report is presented for Council's consideration.

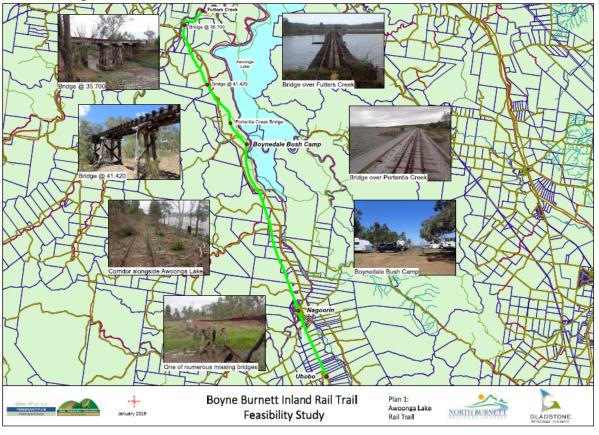
Consideration:

The original scope was to establish a Rail Trail on the entire railway corridor between Reids Creek and Taragoola. The interim report (received 2 November 2018) recommended three smaller trails and that these be further investigated for the Feasibility Study. These trails were: The Awoonga Lake Rail Trail, The Kalpower Tunnels Rail Trail and The Burnett River Bridge Rail Trail. For the purposes of this report, the information presented will only be for the trails within the GRC area.

A summary of the report is presented below. The following content is taken directly from the Executive Summary.

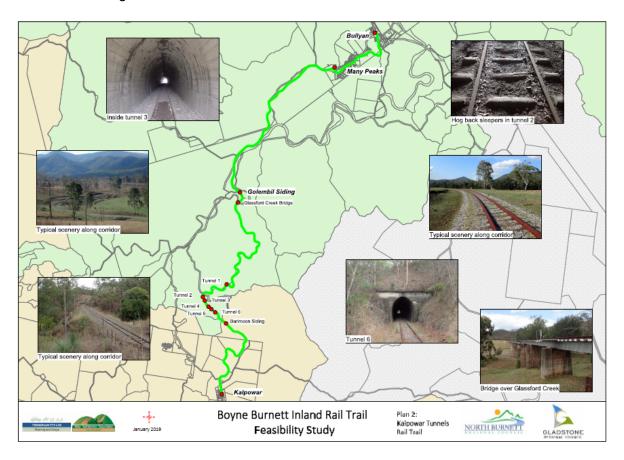
The Awoonga Lake Rail Trail

- Runs from Futters Creek Bridge to Ubobo
- Many of the existing bridges are no longer in place having been burnt or washed away.
- Will be expensive to construct as there are 30 waterway crossings that either have a bridge or had a bridge over them. Significant cost for repairing, replacing (where none exist) or providing alternative waterway crossings such as culverts.
- 66% of construction costs dedicated to waterway crossings.
- Alternatives to bridges are possible (concrete washovers/floodways or culverts), however, not using the bridges means the loss of an essential part of the rail trail experience.
- Reuse of the major bridges is seen as the best option to maximise trail use.
- Total trail length is 36.28km



The Kalpowar Tunnels Rail Trail

- Runs from Builyan to Kalpower
- Trailheads can be easily developed utilising existing facilities such as parks and toilets
- Additional trailhead at Glassford Creek at bottom of the descent of the Dawes Range
- Recommended that the sleepers be retained in one tunnel (Tunnel 6)
- Total trail length is 31.2km



Estimate of Probable Costs - Total

	Establishment (Walker/Cyclists Trail)	Establishment (Walker/Cyclist & Bridle Trail)	Maintenance/annum
Awoonga Lake Rail Trail	\$14,585,920 (50% contingency) *\$10,650,037 (7.5% contingency)	\$14,700,205 (50% contingency) *\$10,733,485 (7.5% contingency)	\$127,324 (ie. \$3,509/km)
Kalpower Tunnels Rail Trail	\$8,914,972 (50% contingency) *\$6,509,344 (7.5% contingency)	\$9,016,405 (50% contingency) *\$6,583,405 (7.5% contingency)	\$116,160 (ie. \$3,723/km)

^{*}Note: Consultant uses 7.5% Contingency in costs supplied in Feasibility Study.

Maintenance

- Numerous items that will require ongoing attention and maintenance
- The most frequent maintenance task will be attending to signage
- Biggest maintenance costs: trail surface & maintenance of bridges
- Use of volunteers to undertake many of the routine repairs and cleaning tasks can substantially reduce the costs.

Possible Stages

- Council is faced with a question: Which trail to develop first, if any?
- Awoonga Lake Trail is the most expensive of the trails to develop primarily because of all the bridge work. It would deliver the least economic benefit, least attractive but does involve a committed stakeholder (GAWB).

The recommended stages and costs of each trail (based on 7.5% contingency) are:

Awoonga Lake Rail Staging - (Walker/Cyclist & Bridle Trail)

- Stage 1 Boynedale Bush Camp to Nagoorin (16km) \$6,427,655
- Stage 2 Nagoorin to Ubobo (5.6km) \$626,175
- Stage 3 Boynedale Bush Camp to Gladstone Monto Road (north of GAWB gates) (2.3km) -\$960,825
- Stage 4 Gladstone Monto Road (north of GAWB gates) to Futters Creek (12kms) -\$2,718,830

Kalpower Tunnels Rail Staging - (Walker/Cyclist & Bridle Trail)

- Stage 1 Kalpower to Golembil siding (17.1km) \$3,554,880
- Stage 2 Golembil siding to Builyan (14.1km) \$3,022,545

The Business Case

- The economic impacts are dependent on the extent to which the trails are marketed and promoted.
- A package of three trails will attract users, particularly new overnight visitors who want to do the three as a package.
- The total injection of dollars into the local economies from local, day trip and overnight visitors range from \$857,368/year to \$6,248,999/year (under a range of conservative scenarios).
- Complex economic analysis is needed to determine how many jobs are likely to be created by such expenditure.
- User and visitor numbers will not necessarily be realised in the first years of operation. The
 predicted user numbers shown below are an "end state". Trail numbers will build in the first 5
 years of a trail section being opened (after 5 years a trail is a "mature product"). It is assumed
 that the trail will increase by steady increments, however, the use of social media may speed
 up the growth in numbers.
- Forecast user scenarios and economic benefits are shown in the table below.

Forecast user scenarios and economic benefits

	Awoonga Lake Rail Trail	Kalpowar Tunnels Rail Trail	Burnett River Bridges Rail Trail	2 Trail Package	Boyne Burnett Inland Rail Trail Experience (3 trail package)
Local use (numbers)	1,520	2,628	12,968	4,148	17,116
Day trippers	3,000	6,000	3,000	11,000	14,000
Overnight visitors (converted from day trippers)	1,000	2,000	1,000	3,000	4,000
Overnight visitors (extending their stay)	1,000	2,000	1,000	3,000	4,000
New overnight visitors	0	0	0	2,000	4,000
\$ injected into local economies	\$857,368	\$1,706,760	\$881,981	\$3,695,418	\$6,248,999

Feasibility Statement

The Study recommends the development of three shorter trails (as detailed above) should be pursued. A series of shorter trails provides a better experience for a wider range of users, provides for a cheaper project to both build and maintain, and delivers a range of economic and non-economic benefits to the host communities.

Should one of the Councils determine not to proceed with a trail within its jurisdiction, the trail/s in the other jurisdiction should still proceed as there will still be economic and non-economic benefits to the communities; just not as significant as a three-trail package.

Potential Next Steps

- Comprehensive community consultation
- Councils prepared to accept vesting of the appropriate sections of former railway corridor with an acknowledge that sub-leases may be required to permit other activities.
- Detailed design development plans and costings
- One-on-one discussion with affected adjoining landowners
- External funding is sought
- Commitment to ongoing maintenance being given by both Councils, a Committee of Management and volunteers

The above information is provided in summary form only. The complete Feasibility Study has been provided as Attachment 1.

The Consultant has also provided (under separate cover), a USB containing the asset registers for the three proposed trails and accompanying photos.

In considering the progression of the rail trail any further, the following options exist:

Option 1 – Note study only

Even though community interest in this project is high, there has been no Council resolution to date to include this project into Council's Long-Term Financial Plan nor has this project specifically been

identified in Council's Strategic Planning documents. As such, this option (recommended option) is for Council to note the Feasibility Study and proceed no further.

Option 2 – Offer Support to progress the Rail Trail

There is an option for Council to support the continuation of this project via internal resources, with a minimal financial allocation and this could include working with the Boyne Burnett Inland Rail Trail Committee and Gladstone Area Water Board (GAWB). Conversations could continue with GAWB to progress their 3.5km section identified in their Recreational Strategy and to encourage them to consider other sections that pass through their land.

It should be noted that neither financial budget or staff resources to proceed with this option have been allocated, however could be considered when allocating Strategic Projects in the 19/20 Operational Plan.

In order to advance the project, Council could undertake the following:

- 1. Community Engagement with both the broader community and affected adjoining landowners.
- 2. Apply for 100% funding from DTMR for the detailed design development plan
- 3. Negotiate with DTMR in relation to funding on-going maintenance.
- 4. Negotiate with DTMR/GAWB/BBIRT in relation to undertaking the on-going maintenance.
- 5. Seek commitment from GAWB in relation to development of the Rail Trail on their land.
- 6. Seek 50% funding from DTMR for construction of part of the Rail Trail.

Potential Alternative Recommendation:

That Council:

- 1. Note the Boyne Burnett Inland Rail Trail Feasibility Study, March 2019 prepared by Mike Halliburton Associates.
- 2. Allocate sufficient staff and budget resources in the 2019/2020 Operational Plan to continue with items 3 through to 7 below.
- 3. Undertakes Community Engagement with the broader community, adjoining landholders and key stakeholders.
- 4. Applies for 100% funding from DTMR for the detailed design development plan for [advise on section/s]
- 5. Negotiate with DRMR/GAWB/BBIRT in relation to undertaking the on-going maintenance.
- 6. Seek commitment from GAWB in relation to development of the Rail Trail on their land.
- 7. Seek 50% funding from DTMR for construction of part of the Rail Trail.

Option 3 - Community Engagement

Council could undertake Community Engagement with the broader community, adjoining landholders and key stakeholders prior to proceeding with any further decisions on the Rail Trail project.

It should be noted that neither financial budget or staff resources to proceed with this option have been allocated, however could be considered when allocating Strategic Projects in the 19/20 Operational Plan.

Potential Alternative Recommendation:

That Council:

- 1. Note the Boyne Burnett Inland Rail Trail Feasibility Study, March 2019 prepared by Mike Halliburton Associates.
- 2. Allocate sufficient staff and budget resources in the 2019/2020 Operational Plan to continue with items Community Engagement noted in item 3 below.
- 3. Undertakes Community Engagement with the broader community, adjoining landholders and key stakeholders.

Communication and Consultation (Internal/External):

Boyne Valley Inland Rail Trail Inc (BBIRT) Adjoining affected landowners GAWB Department of Transport and Main Roads Qld Rail

• Correspondence dated 10 January 2019 has been received (Attachment 2) from BBIRT proposing a meeting between all interested parties in the new year to discuss the funding model for the proposed Boyne Burnett Inland Rail Trail and seek your support to enable this.

This correspondence will require consideration by Council in conjunction with consideration of the Feasibility Study.

• A meeting between GRC/GAWB was held on Friday 1 February 2019.

GAWB advises that their Recreational Strategy includes a 3.5km section of the Awoonga Lake Rail Trail. This section runs from Boynedale Bush Camp to Four Mile Scrub (refer image below). Funding commitments for the Strategy will not be known until September this year.



Legal Environmental and Policy Implications:

At the 3 July 2018 General Meeting, a report was presented to seek approval to progress with the Request for Quote for the Boyne Burnett Inland Rail Trail Feasibility Study. This report also contained information pertaining to ownership/liability of the rail trail assets. Confidential legal advice was also provided.

Financial and Resource Implications:

Nil funds have been allocated to construct any part of the Trail or proceed any further with the project including any community engagement expenses..

Commentary:

DTMR have advised that there is funding available to progress the Rail Trail.

- 100% funding available for the detailed design development plans and costings
- 50% funding available for construction costs
- The matched 50% funding does not have to be Council funds, it can come from anywhere (other than DTMR)
- GRC has to make funding application
- Possible funding may be available for ongoing maintenance
- Ongoing maintenance will require discussion between DTMR/GRC/BBIRT/Others

DTMR have provided formal correspondence dated 21 February 2019 (Attachment 2) in relation to asset ownership, insurance, fencing, maintenance and funding.

Summary:

Nil

Anticipated Resolution Completion Date:

2019/2020 Financial Year (dependent on resolution)

Attachments:

- 1. Boyne Burnett Inland Rail Trail Feasibility Study March 2019
- 2. DTMR correspondence 21 February 2019

Tabled Items:

Nil.

Report Prepared by: Strategic Projects Specialist

G/3.2.2. AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION NATIONAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY MOTIONS

Responsible Officer: General Manager Strategy and Transformation

Council Meeting Date: 19 March 2019

File Ref: GR3.1

Purpose:

To provide Council with the opportunity to consider submission of motions to the National General Assembly of Local Government held by the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) to be held 16 - 19 June 2019 in Canberra.

Officer's Recommendation:

That Council submit the following national general assembly motions to the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA):

- 1. That the Australian Local Government Association National General Assembly calls on the Australian Government to commit to investment in the development of future energy sources in order to ensure diversity of alternative sources of dispatchable power.
- 2. That the Australian Local Government Association National General Assembly supports the Roads of Strategic Importance (ROSI) policy of the Australian Government and the associated future budget commitments.
- 3. That the Australian Local Government Association National General Assembly calls on the Australian Government to consider appropriate support to regional airports in order to provide affordable travel.
- 4. That the Australian Local Government Association National General Assembly calls on the Australian Government to consider appropriate initiatives to support employment in rural regions.
- 5. That the Australian Local Government Association National General Assembly calls on the Australian Government to consider appropriate initiatives to improve the level of healthcare in rural regions.

Background:

The Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) will be hosting the National General Assembly on 16 – 19 June in Canberra and attracts representatives from councils across the states and territories.

As part of preparation for the National General Assembly, ALGA seeks the submission of motions from Councils in advance for debate at the upcoming assembly. Motions are due to be submitted by Friday 29th March and must first be agreed and approved through Council processes. Accordingly, this report identifies proposed motions for discussion and endorsement before submission to ALGA for consideration.

Consideration:

The following list of motions have been suggested:

- Investment in the development of future energy sources
- Support for the Roads of Strategic Importance (ROSI) policy
- Support for regional airports
- Initiatives to support employment in regional areas
- Initiatives to improve the level of healthcare in rural regions

Communication and Consultation (Internal/External):

Internal communication has occurred with the Office of the CEO and respective Councillors for suggested submissions.

Legal Environmental and Policy Implications:

Council is required to formally approve motions for submission to the ALGA Board's National General Assembly Sub-Committee prior to 29 March 2019.

Financial and Resource Implications:
There are no costs associated with submitting motions for debate other than internal staff resources.
Commentary:
Nil.
Summary:
Nil.
Anticipated Resolution Completion Date:
29 March 2019
Attachments:
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1. Australian Local Government Association National General Assembly potential motions

Tabled Items:

Nil.

Report Prepared by: Strategy and Policy Specialist

G/3.3. STRATEGIC ASSET PERFORMANCE

Nil

G/3.4. OPERATIONS

Nil

G/3.5. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND EVENTS

G/3.5.1. APPOINTMENTS TO RECONCILIATION ACTION PLAN REFERENCE GROUP

Responsible Officer: General Manager Community Development and Events
Council Meeting Date: 19 March 2019
File Ref: CR8.1, CR3.2

Purpose:

To seek formal approval and appointment of a Chair to Gladstone Regional Council Reconciliation Action Plan Reference Group and approval and appointment of an additional member for the Gladstone Regional Council Reconciliation Action Plan Reference Group.

Officer's Recommendation:

That Council:

- 1. Appoint elected member Councilor _____ as the Chair of the Gladstone Regional Council Reconciliation Action Plan Reference Group.
- 2. Appoint Tia Horan as the seventh Committee member of the Gladstone Regional Council Reconciliation Action Plan Reference Group.

Background:

At the General Meeting on the 1st of May 2018 Council endorsed the 2018 – 2019 Reflect Reconciliation Action Plan and its registration with Reconciliation Australia as a commitment to reconciliation. This commitment will create lasting and meaningful relationships, encourage respect and promote sustainable opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders within the Gladstone Region.

In August 2018 Council appointed a Reconciliation Action Plan Officer; since this appointment the Officer has been in constant discussion with all relevant departments that are involved in the Reconciliation Action Plan.

At Council's General Meeting held on the 4th of December 2018, six (6) committee members were appointed to the Gladstone Regional Council Reconciliation Action Plan Reference Group with one (1) position left vacant.

The Gladstone Regional Council Reconciliation Action Plan Reference Group will be instrumental in guiding our Reflect Reconciliation Action Plan and future Reconciliation Action Plan's Innovate, Stretch and Elevate to completion.

Consideration:

As per the Terms of Reference for the Gladstone Regional Council Reconciliation Action Plan Reference Group, committee member Annette Rutherford was appointed to the position of Co-Chair. During discussions at the Gladstone Regional Council Reconciliation Action Plan Reference Group meeting, it was requested that Council appoint one of the Councillors as Chair of the Group as per the groups Terms of Reference.

At Council's General Meeting 4 December 2018, Council nominated and appointed Councillor O'Grady and Councilor Muszkat to the Reconciliation Action Plan Reference Group. It is recommended that Council nominate either Cr O'Grady or Cr Muszkat as Chair of the group. It is anticipated the appointed Chair will commence their role at the next Gladstone Regional Council Reconciliation Action Plan Group Meeting on 20th of March 2019.

An expression of interest was received from Tia Horan wishing to join Gladstone Regional Council's Reconciliation Action Plan Reference Group. This will fill the current vacancy and align the group with the Terms of Reference and was unanimously supported by members of the Gladstone Regional Council's Reconciliation Action Plan Reference Group at its Inaugural meeting.

Communication and Consultation (Internal/External):

Reconciliation Action Plan Reference Group

Legal Environmental and Policy Implications:

The Reconciliation Action Plan Terms of Reference was adopted at the General Meeting held on the 4th of December 2018. As per resolution below:

Formation and Appointments – Gladstone Regional Council Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) Reference Group.

Financial and Resource Implications:

No Budget set for the current Reconciliation Action Plan "Reflect"
Commentary:
Nil.
Summary:
Nil.
Anticipated Completion Date:
March 2019
Attachments:
Nil.
Tabled Items:
Nil.

Report Prepared by: Reconciliation Action Plan Officer

G/3.5.2. ASSESSMENT OF SPORT & RECREATIONAL REGIONAL EVENT FUNDING PROGRAM ROUND 2 - 2018/19

Responsible Officer: General Manager Community Development and Events

Council Meeting Date: 19 March 2019

File Ref: SR3.1

Purpose:

Sport and Recreation Assessment Panel recommending allocation of Round 2 Regional Events Grant 2018/19.

Officer's Recommendation:

That the following applications under Round 2 of the Gladstone Regional Council Sport and Recreation Regional Events Grant be approved for funding as outlined below:

2018/2019 Regional Sport & Recreation Event Grant Program Round 2			
Applicant	Event Name	Requested Funding	Recommended Funding
Gladstone Road Runners	Gladstone Harbour Festival Fun Run	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Gladstone Road Runners Inc	Ecofest Trail Run	\$500.00	\$500.00
Miriam Vale Ladies Bowling Club	Bush to Beach Carnival	\$800.00	\$800.00
Raw Movement (CrossFit Tannum Sands)	Beachside Mixer	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
Central Queensland Target Sports Club Inc	IPSCQ Handgun QLD State Titles 2019	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
1770 Dragons Inc	Round 4 Greater Wide Bay Dragon Boat Regatta	\$3,000.00	\$1,500.00
Gladstone Gymnastic Club Inc	Queensland Masters	\$2,800.00	\$2,800.00
Gladstone Netball Association	Pam Moore Carnival	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
Gladstone Croquet Club	Gladstone Easter Carnival	\$100.00	\$100.00
Central Queensland Drag Racing Association (C.Q.D.R.A.)	Summit Qld Championship Eighth Mile Series Round 2	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
Gladstone Tennis & squash Association Inc	2019 Gladstone Open Tennis Championship	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
Gladstone & District Junior Rugby League Inc	Jason Hetherington Cup	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
Miriam Vale& District Performance Horse Club Inc	Team Penning	\$3000.00	\$1500.00
		TOTAL	\$26,200.00

Background:

The Regional Sport and Recreation Event Grant Program assists sporting clubs, community groups and business to deliver quality sport and active recreational events for the Gladstone Region. The objectives are to:

- Assist local organisations to deliver successful sport and recreation events;
- Attract, promote and retain quality events that enhance the reputation of the Gladstone Region;
- Attract visitors from outside the region who contribute to the region's economic growth; and
- Develop opportunities to host and attract quality events in future years and attract quality events in future years

The Regional Sport and Recreation Event Grant Program has two (2) funding rounds per year, opening in July and February. Round two (2) opened on the 1st of February and closed on the 28th of February.

Consideration:

Council received eighteen (18) applications, seeking a total funding amount of \$37,992.50. Thirteen (13) applications are recommended to receive funding and include regionally significant and high participation evets such as:

- Gladstone Harbour Festival Fun Run (19/04/19 East Shores Precinct)
- Queensland Masters Gymnastics (13-14/07/19 Gladstone Gymnastics)
- Pam Moore Carnival (15-16/06/19 Memorial Park)
- Gladstone Open Tennis Championship (31/05/19 02/06/19 Gladstone Tennis)
- Jason Hetherington Cup (12-14/07/19 Marley Brown Oval)

Communication and Consultation (Internal/External):

Internal representatives of the Sport and Recreation Assessment Panel Include:

- Cr Rick Hansen
- Cr Peter Masters
- Manager Engagement and Partnerships
- Community Development Specialist
- Community Investment Officer
- Program Support Officer

Legal Environmental and Policy Implications:

Assessment was undertaken in accordance with Council's Regional Sport and Recreation event Grant Program guideline.

Declaration of Conflict of Interest were made by members of the Sport and Recreation Assessment Panel in relation to the assessment of three applications where a conflict of interest was disclosed, be it perceived or real. That member did not take part in the assessment of that application. Members of the assessment panel making declaration are noted below:

- Manager Engagement and Partnerships
- Cr Peter Masters
- Cr Rick Hansen

Financial and Resource Implications:

The budget for each round of regional event grants is capped at \$12,500. Although the total funding recommended for Round 2 is \$13,700 above the allocated budget, the balance required will be funded using unallocated funds from both the 2018/19 Facility Assistance Grant Program for Community and Strategic Projects (\$54,500).

Council's annual budget for the 2018/19 Sport and Recreation Grant Program is \$245,000.

Commentary:

The event period for this funding commences 1 April 2019.

Summary:

Of the eighteen (18) applications received, thirteen (13) have received the panel's recommendation, with a further five (5) deemed not suitable to support. See attachment 1 for further relating to those applications not recommended.

Anticipated Resolution Completion Date:

The event period for this funding concludes 31st August 2019.

Attachments:

1. 2018/19 Regional Sport & Recreation Event Grant Panel Recommendations

Tabled Items:

Nil.

Report Prepared by: Community Development Specialist

G/3.6. CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE

Nil

G/3.7. PEOPLE CULTURE AND SAFETY

Nil

G/3.8. FINANCE GOVERNANCE AND RISK

G/3.8.1. REVIEW OF COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT POLICY

Responsible Officer: General Manager Finance Governance and Risk

Council Meeting Date: 19 March 2019

File Ref: CM28.2

Purpose:

To review and adopt proposed changes to the Community Engagement Policy.

Officer's Recommendation:

That Council:

- 1. Repeal existing P-2014-20 Community Engagement Policy; and
- 2. Adopt P-2019-06 Community Engagement Policy.

Background:

The Community Engagement Policy (along with associated corporate standard) are key corporate documents that outline the commitments and direction for community engagement activities undertaken by the organisation.

The existing policy is overdue for review and accordingly proposed draft changes are attached for consideration.

It should also be noted that subject to adoption of the revised policy, a revision to the Corporate Standard and a new draft Community Engagement Toolkit are under development to support implementation of the policy.

Consideration:

Council is not required to adopt a Community Engagement Policy and therefore an option is to not revise the policy but instead repeal the existing policy. However, given the strategic direction contained within Council's corporate plan, guiding principles with the *Local Government Act 2009* and the reputational risk associated with engagement activities not undertaken in a consistent manner, it is considered appropriate to review and re-adopt the policy with proposed changes. This will ensure leaders have clear directions on when community engagement should be undertaken.

Communication and Consultation (Internal/External):

Manager Governance and Community Engagement Specialist worked to develop proposed draft policy which were then initially communicated via emails to all leaders.

A feedback session was undertaken where the following officers attended:

- General Manager Community Development & Events
- Manager Engagements & Partnerships
- Disaster Response Specialist
- Property Acquisition & Disposal Specialist

- Manager Asset Design
- Technical Officer
- Manager Environment & Conservation
- Governance Officer

In addition, feedback was received separately from Manager Insights & Innovation, Knowledge Management Specialist, Strategic Projects Specialist and acting General Manager People, Culture & Safety.

The final draft has also been consulted on through the Governance & Risk Executive Meeting in February.

Legal Environmental and Policy Implications:

There is no legal requirement to adopt of Community Engagement Policy.

Adoption of the policy will result in clear direction to the community and the organisation on its commitment to engagement activities. The policy also provides information in how the policy will be applied.

Financial and Resource Implications:

Existing operational budgets will cover the costs associated with implementation of the policy.

Commentary:

Nil.

Summary:

The main changes to the policy are:

- Alignment of terminology and language to those currently used with the organisation
- Streamlining content to be succinct and clear of principles for engagement, how to determine when engagement should occur and the levels of engagement
- Expanding on purpose and scope of policy
- Inclusion of links to corporate plan
- Realignment of values to those outlined in International Association of Public Participation (IAP2)

Anticipated Resolution Completion Date:

Within one month of adoption.

Attachments:

- 1. Proposed P-2019-06 Community Engagement Policy
- 2. Existing P-2014-20 Community Engagement Policy

Tabled Items:

Nil.

Report Prepared by: Manager Governance

G/3.8.2. REVIEW OF RURAL FIRE BRIGADE FUNDING ARRANGEMENTS POLICY

Responsible Officer: General Manager Finance Governance and Risk

Council Meeting Date: 19 March 2019

File Ref: CM28.2

Purpose:

To review and adopt proposed changes to the Rural Fire Brigades Funding Arrangements Policy for the Gladstone Region.

Officer's Recommendation:

That Council:

- 1. Repeal P-2015/32 Rural Fire Brigade Funding Arrangements Policy;
- 2. Rescind part 8 of Council Resolution G/16/2781 that adopts the Gladstone Regional Council Rural Fire Finance Committee as an Advisory Committee under section 264(1)(b) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*; and
- 3. Adopt P-2019-02 Rural Fire Brigade Funding Arrangements Policy.

Background:

The Rural Fire Brigades Funding Arrangements Policy is a key document that supports Council's ability to respond to disasters by outlining details of arrangements and financial support for the Rural Fire Brigades in the Gladstone Region. This policy is due for its scheduled three year review.

Consideration:

Whilst Council is not required to adopt this policy, it is a key document that publicly outlines the arrangements and financial support provided to the Rural Fire Brigades in the Gladstone Region in support of their contribution to disaster situations.

The review of the policy has identified changes to be proposed as listed below (and identified in tracked version of proposed policy attached):

- Updated position titles where required
- Removed references to 'Advisory Committee' as does not operate in accordance with legislative requirements for a committee. Proposed to be identified as an advisory group to allow continued operation as currently occurs. Overall budget to be determined by Council through budget process with individual brigade budgets recommended by group to decision maker at administrative level.
- Updated functions of group to be those identified in Council report on 4 May 2010 due to incorrect reference to original Council Resolution establishing group.
- Removed specific deadlines to allow flexibility based on timelines for external groups.
- Clarified accountabilities for determining funding allocations and adjusted requirements accordingly within policy.

Communication and Consultation (Internal/External):

Drafting of proposed changes to policy occurred with Manager Governance in conjunction with Disaster Response Specialist and General Manager Finance, Governance & Risk.

The Executive Team have reviewed and endorsed proposed changes.

External consultation has occurred with Inspector / Area Director of Gladstone Region Rural Fire Service Queensland.

Legal Environmental and Policy Implications:

The proposed changes to the policy, if adopted, will ensure that the current process for assessing, determining and allocating funds to Rural Fire Brigades occurs in line with the adopted policy.

If Council wishes to continue the group as an Advisory Committee to Council, the policy will require re-drafting to ensure it complies with the requirements of the *Local Government Act 2009* and *Local Government Regulation 2012*, including the following requirements:

- Meetings being open to the public to attend;
- Formalised voting on recommendations and recording of votes;
- Publishing of meeting minutes in Council's public office and on its website within 10 days after the meeting.

Financial and Resource Implications:

The financial impacts of the policy are assessed and determined each year during annual budget deliberations. It is not expected that the proposed policy changes will result in requiring additional resources to manage the process.

Commentary:

Under <u>Strategic Goal 4 – Ethical and responsible government</u> in Council's 2018/2019 Operational Plan, there is a target to 'review existing and develop new organisational committees that are aligned to strategic objectives'. Accordingly, as part of the review of this policy, the governance arrangements of the Rural Fire Brigade Funding Committee have been assessed. It is recommended that the Committee is more appropriately aligned to an advisory group with Council setting the overall budget and determining group allocations taking into consideration recommendations from the group.

Summary:

The proposed changes are intended to clarify the responsibilities for funding Rural Fire Brigades that support Council's disaster response preparedness.

Anticipated Resolution Completion Date:

Within one month of resolution.

Attachments:

- 1. Proposed P-2019-02 Rural Fire Brigade Funding Arrangement Policy;
- 2. Existing P-2015-32 Rural Fire Brigade Funding Arrangement Policy;
- 3. Proposed P-2019-02 Rural Fire Brigade Funding Arrangement Policy (with tracked changes)

Tabled Items:

Nil.

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Report Prepared by: Manager Governance

G/3.8.3. REVIEW OF STATE EMERGENCY SERVICE FUNDING ARRANGEMENTS POLICY

Responsible Officer: General Manager Finance Governance and Risk

Council Meeting Date: 19 March 2019

File Ref: CM28.2

Purpose:

To review and adopt proposed changes to the Gladstone Region State Emergency Service Funding Arrangements Policy.

Officer's Recommendation:

That Council:

- 1. Repeal P-2015/31 Gladstone Region State Emergency Service Funding Arrangements Policy;
- 2. Rescind part 7 of Council Resolution G/16/2781 that adopts the Gladstone Regional Council SES Management Group as an Advisory Committee under section 264(1)(b) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*; and
- 3. Adopt P-2019-01 Gladstone Region State Emergency Service Funding Arrangements Policy.

Background:

The State Emergency Service Funding Arrangements Policy is a key document that supports Council's ability to respond to disasters by outlining details of arrangements and financial support for the State Emergency Service in the Gladstone Region. This policy is due for its scheduled three year review.

Consideration:

Whilst Council is not required to adopt this policy, it is a key document that publicly outlines the arrangements and financial support provided to the State Emergency Service in the Gladstone Region in support of their contribution to disaster situations.

The review of the policy has identified changes to be proposed as listed below (and identified in tracked version of proposed policy attached):

- Minimal changes proposed with majority related to change in position titles as referenced within document.
- It is noted the policy correctly outlines a 'management group' instead of an 'Advisory Committee' and as such is not proposed to change. However, there is a Council resolution (G/16/2781, part 7) separately from 19 April 2016 that identify this group as an Advisory Committee. This contradiction is proposed to be addressed through recommendation 2 of this report.
- Removed date for reports to be submitted (section 6.2.3) as this can change on case by case basis for special allocations granted.
- Removed section on 'Other Funding Sources' as not considered relevant to Council policy and is subject to change outside of Council's jurisdiction.

Communication and Consultation (Internal/External):

Drafting of proposed changes to policy occurred with Manager Governance in conjunction with Disaster Response Specialist and General Manager Finance, Governance & Risk. The Executive Team have reviewed and endorsed proposed changes.

External consultation has occurred with the Local Controller and Deputy Controller in the Gladstone Region.

Legal Environmental and Policy Implications:

The proposed changes to the policy, if adopted, will ensure that the current process for assessing, determining and allocation of funds to State Emergency Service groups occur in line with the adopted policy.

If Council wishes to change the group to be an Advisory Committee to Council, the policy will require re-drafting to ensure it complies with the requirements of the *Local Government Act 2009* and *Local Government Regulation 2012*, including the following requirements:

- · Meetings being open to the public to attend;
- Formalised voting on recommendations and recording of votes:
- Publishing of meeting minutes in Council's public office and on its website within 10 days after the meeting.

Financial and Resource Implications:

The financial impacts of the policy are assessed and determined each year during annual budget deliberations. It is not expected that the proposed policy changes will result in requiring additional resources to manage the process.

Commentary:

Under <u>Strategic Goal 4 – Ethical and responsible government</u> in Council's 2018/2019 Operational Plan, there is a target to 'review existing and develop new organisational committees that are aligned to strategic objectives'. Accordingly, as part of the review of this policy, the governance arrangements of the State Emergency Services Funding Management Group have been assessed. It is recommended that the Committee is appropriately aligned as an advisory group with Council setting the overall budget and determining group allocations taking into consideration recommendations from the group.

Summary:

The proposed changes are intended to clarify the responsibilities for funding local State Emergency Service groups that support Council's disaster response preparedness.

Anticipated Resolution Completion Date:

Within one month of resolution.

Attachments:

- 1. Proposed P-2019-01 Gladstone Region State Emergency Service Funding Arrangement Policy;
- 2. Existing P-2015-31 Gladstone Region State Emergency Service Funding Arrangement Policy;

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3. Proposed P-2019-01 – Gladstone Region State Emergency Service Funding Arrangement Policy (with tracked changes)

Tabled Items:

Nil.

Report Prepared by: Manager Governance

G/3.8.4. MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 28 FEBRUARY 2019

Responsible Officer: General Manager Finance Governance and Risk

Council Meeting Date: 19 March 2019

File Ref: FM15.1

Purpose:

This report seeks Council adoption of the Monthly Financial Statements for the 2018-19 year to date, for the period ended 28 February 2019, as required under Section 204 *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

Officer's Recommendation:

That Council adopt the Monthly Financial Statements attached to this report for the 2018-19 year to date, for the period ended 28 February 2019 as required under Section 204 *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

Background:

Nil.

Consideration:

Budget Variations

Since the adoption of the 2018-19 budget on 24 July 2018, a number of variations to budget have been processed in line with emergent needs. Revisions are visible through the Program Budgets and Aggregated Financial Statements with both Adopted and Revised Budget columns displayed.

All Council departments have reviewed their income and expenditure for year to date and the revised budget position will be included in the financial statements for the March 2019 reporting period.

As these reviews were underway, no additional budget revisions were processed during the month of February. Therefore, the year to date effect of variations by fund remains unchanged from the previous report.

	(A)	(B)	
Fund/ Reserve		Revisions that deplete fund/ reserve balance	
General Fund	7,257,000	7,490,000	(233,000)
Sewerage Fund	-	-	-
Water Fund	-	60,000	(60,000)
Regional Waste Management Reserve	125,000	25,000	100,000
Future Capital Works Reserve	-	100,000	(100,000)
Plant Asset Replacement Reserve	-	16,000	(16,000)
TOTAL	7,382,000	7,691,000	(309,000)

The funds and reserves listed above have been affected by the approved budget revisions for the current financial year. These are pools of money that Council has available to complete capital and operating work that relates to the purpose of the fund/reserve. Spending out of reserves is by Council resolution only. Column A shows the approved revisions that have increased the balance of these pools, such as increased income budgets and reduced expenditure budgets. Column B shows the approved revisions that have decreased the balance of these pools, such as reduced income budgets and increased expenditure budgets. The overall effect is that Council has approved revisions that will decrease the reserve and fund balances by \$0.3m so far this year.

Statement of Income and Expenditure

The pro-rata rate as at 28 February 2019 is 67.1%

<u>Income – Recurrent Revenue</u>

Recurrent revenue is reporting within expectations at \$133.3m or 72% of the revised budget of \$186.1m. Notable variations from expectations include:

Sales – Contract and Recoverable Works	Percentage of Revised Budget
Sales – Contract and Recoverable Works	40%

Currently at \$2.1m of the revised budget of \$5.3m. Recoverable work undertaken for the year has been significantly less than expected, resulting in both income and expenditure of this nature reporting considerably below budgets.

Grants, Subsidies, Contributions and	Percentage of Revised Budget
Donations	35%

Currently at \$5.3m of the revised budget of \$15.2m. The largest instalment of the Financial Assistance Grant is usually received in June, and this makes up approximately 25% of the revised budget amount. The rest of the variance can be explained by a significant difference in the amount budgeted versus the amount received of NDRRA funding. Additional claims for NDRRA funding are expected to be lodged and paid in the coming months and the budget for income is also being reviewed.

State Government grants and subsidies are currently at 110.8% of the revised budget. Council has received a grant from the Department of Education that was not included in the budget. It was also discovered that there were some grants incorrectly classified as Federal, not State funding when the original budget was prepared. Adjustments for these matters will be processed as part of the larger review currently occurring.

Interest Received	Percentage of Revised Budget
	68%

The total interest earned for the year is \$1.9m which is in line with pro-rata. However, the sources of the interest received show variances from the budgeted amounts.

Interest received from investments is currently \$1.4m compared to a revised budget of \$2.6m which equates to 53%. Council has several investments that are expected to reach maturity between now and the end of the year.

Conversely, interest from overdue rates and utility charges is sitting at \$0.6m compared to a revised budget of \$0.3m equaling 204%. It appears that the amount for interest received from ratepayers will be closer aligned to the 17/18 amount of \$0.8m than it will to the revised budget.

Other Recurrent Income Percentage of Revised Budget	
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This category includes a budgeted amount of \$1.7m for dividends to be paid to Council from the Gladstone Area Water Board. Once this is taken into consideration, the percentage of revised budget is 62% which is in line with pro-rata.

Income - Capital Revenue

Capital revenue is reporting at 15% of the revised budget, totalling \$3.2m of an expected \$20.1m for the year. Included in this category are:

Grants, Subsidies, Contributions and	Percentage of Revised Budget
Donations	16%

Currently at \$3.0m of the revised budget of \$18.8m. A claim for the Works 4 Queensland project is expected to be lodged in the coming weeks, which will increase the percentage. The rest of the variance can be explained by a significant difference in the amount budgeted versus the amount received of NDRRA funding. Additional claims for NDRRA funding are expected to be lodged and paid in the coming months and the budget for income is also being reviewed.

Developer Contributions	Percentage of Revised Budget
	9%

Currently at \$0.2m of a revised budget of \$2.0m. This time last year, Developer Contributions received was also at \$0.2m. It is unlikely that the budget amount will be received, and a budget revision will be processed as part of the greater review currently occurring.

Expenses – Recurrent Expenses

Year to date expenditure is tracking in line with expectations, currently sitting at 61% of the revised budget of \$185.7m. Included in this category are:

Employee Benefits	Percentage of Revised Budget
	62%

The final staff pay run for February was not processed at the time of these report. The inclusion of this pay (approximately \$2m) will bring the employee benefits expense back in line with pro-rata.

Motorials and Carriage	Percentage of Revised Budget
Materials and Services	59%

Currently sitting at \$39.3m of a revised budget of \$67m. Materials and services expenditure was at 61% of the revised budget for the same period last year.

The net operating result for the year to date is \$19.3m compared to \$43m for the same period last year.

Statement of Financial Position

Year to Date Assets	ear to Date Assets Current Value Revised Budget		Percentage of Revised Budget
	\$2.56b	\$2.59b	98%
Year to Date Liabilities	Current Value	Revised Budget	Percentage of
	Current value	Revised Budget	Revised Budget
Liabilities	\$147.5m	\$148.5m	99%

Assets and liabilities are within expectations for this time of year.

Capital Expenditure

Year to Date Capital	Year to Date	Revised Budget	Percentage of Revised Budget
Expenditure	\$27.7m	\$104.5m	27%
Including Commitments	\$47.3m	\$104.5III	45%

Capital works expenditure up to 28 February was 27% of the revised budget. However, when outstanding purchase orders (commitments) are included, the total capital spend is increased to 45% of budget. Substantial changes to the capital budget are expected to arise from the current revision process.

Significant actual capital expenditure (not including commitments) is presented by group in the table below:

Group	Adopted Budget	Revised Budget	YTD Actual	Actuals as % of Revised Budget
Road Assets	\$36.937m	\$37.891m	\$13.587m	36%
Water Assets	\$14.263m	\$14.323m	\$2.956m	21%
Sewerage Assets	\$29.535m	\$29.535m	\$4.870m	16%
Waste Assets	\$1.645m	\$1.645m	\$0.083m	5%
Parks & Environment Assets	\$2.875m	\$3.145m	\$1.173m	37%
Delivery Support & Performance	\$6.815m	\$6.815m	\$4.214m	62%
Property Assets	\$0.000m	\$2.594m	\$0.445m	17%
Strategy & Transformation	\$6.752m	\$7.272m	\$0.293m	4%

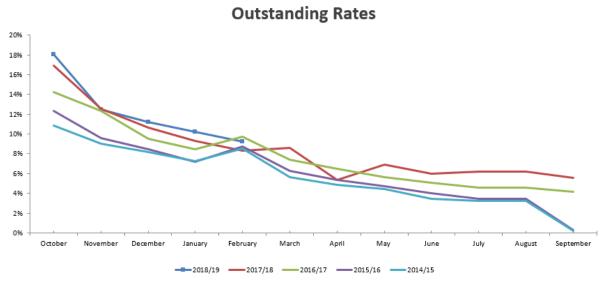
Outstanding Rates

Outstanding rates as a percentage of gross rates levied is at 9.22% at the end of February compared to 8.3% for the same period last year.

Of the \$13.0m of outstanding rates 12% relates to commercial / industrial assessments and 88% represents residential assessments.

These figures include \$2.1m of rates that are currently being repaid under an authorised payment plan, for which there were 67 commercial/industrial assessments and 1,708 residential

assessments. This is a total of 1,775 assessments, which is a decrease from 1,802 assessments in January.



There are 5106 ratepayers who have been paying their rates in advance, for a total amount of \$5.98m. This amount is not included in the above figures.

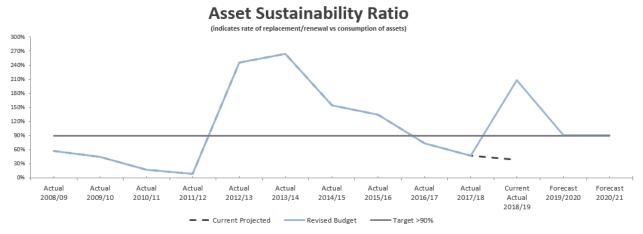
Sustainability Ratios

Councils Sustainability Ratios for the period are generally in line with expectations at this stage of the reporting year. Throughout the year the ratios are distorted as revenue is raised in stages and not evenly across the year. Capital and operating expenditure is incurred on an incremental basis throughout the year.

Asset Sustainability Ratio

This ratio compares Councils expenditure on Capital renewal or replacement assets with the rate at which our assets are depreciating. A slower rate of capital spending has produced a lower result compared to the same period in the previous year. Once the revision process is completed the actual result should align closer to budget however council has not achieved the target range since the 2015/16 financial year.

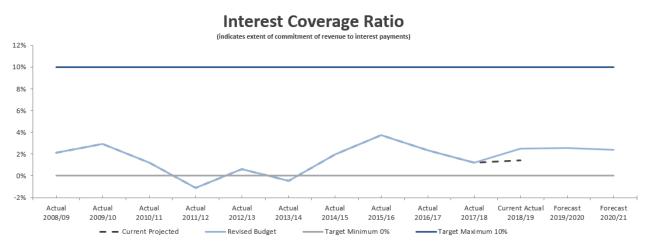
Asset Sustainability Ratio				
Current Year to Date Prior Year to Date Budget Target				
38.94% 54.58% 208.19% >90%				



Interest Coverage Ratio

The interest coverage ratio for the year to date is within the target range. The gap between budgeted income and income received is the cause of the variance between the budgeted and actual result of this ratio. As the revenue received is less than expected this year, a higher percentage of that revenue is needed to cover Councils interest commitments.

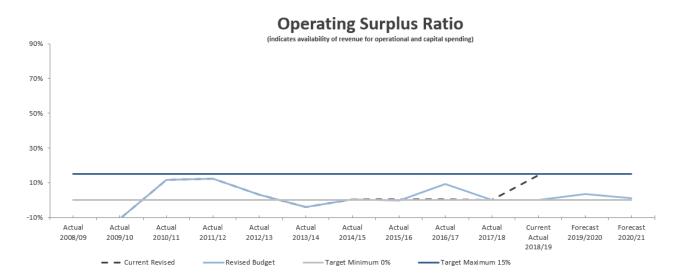
Interest Coverage Ratio				
Current Year to Date	Prior Year to Date	Budget	Target	
1.45% 0.97% 2.51% 0-10%				



Operating Surplus Ratio

The generation of rates at the beginning of financial year causes the operating surplus ratio to exceed the current year revised budget ratio. While the current results of this ratio are sitting well above the target range, it is expected to align closer to budget as the year progresses and operating expenditure requirements are met. This trend is clear as the result of 14.47% for February is a drop from 25.01% in January.

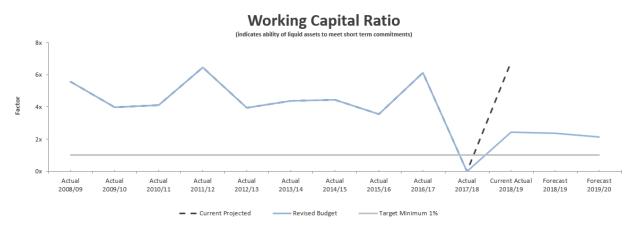
Operating Surplus Ratio				
Current Year to Date	Prior Year to Date	Budget	Target	
14.47% 28.31% 0.2% 0-15%				



Working Capital Ratio

As the majority of the annual rates have been generated, the working capital ratio remains in excess of the target minimum, reflecting a healthy position for Council.

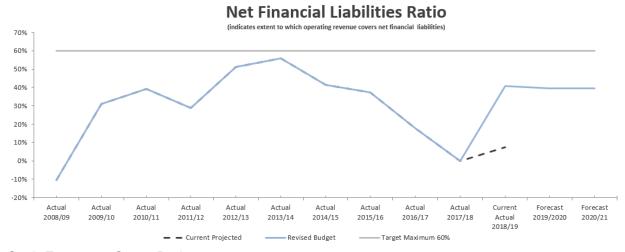
Working Capital Ratio					
Current Year to Date					
6.77x 9.16x 2.43x >1.1					



Net Financial Liabilities Ratio

This ratio is affected by a strong current asset value due to generation of annual rates early in the year. It is anticipated to align to budget as the year progresses. The difference between last months result of -4.10% and the current result is a large issue of gravel to roads projects, resulting in a lower inventory value.

	Net Financial L	iabilities Ratio	
Current Year to Date	Prior Year to Date	Budget	Target
7.53%	-10.48%	40.63%	<60%

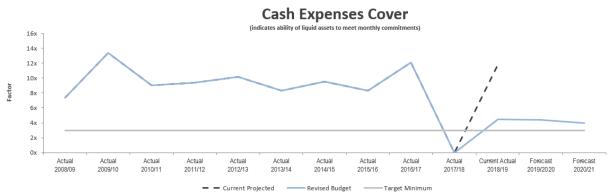


Cash Expenses Cover Ratio

The current result reflects a continuing strong cash position proportional to operating costs. This result is well above the target ratio.

	Cash Expense	es Cover Ratio	
Current Year to Date	Prior Year to Date	Budget	Target

11.8x 13.53x 4.45x >3x



Communication and Consultation (Internal/External):

Input regarding budget variations sought from Systems Modelling and Metrics Specialist. Input regarding unpaid and prepaid rates sought from Manager Revenue Services.

Legal Environmental and Policy Implications:

Nil.

Financial and Resource Implications:

Nil.

Commentary:

Nil.

Summary:

Nil.

Anticipated Resolution Completion Date:

Nil.

Attachments:

- 1. Operating Statement for Month End February
- 2. Monthly Financial Statements period ending 28 February 2019

Tabled Items:

Nil.

Report Prepared by: Statutory Accountant

G/4. DEPUTATIONS

G/5. COUNCILLORS REPORT

G/6. URGENT BUSINESS

G/7. NOTICE OF MOTION

G/8. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

G/8.1. 77/19 SEWER AND STORMWATER REHABILITATION PROJECT

Responsible Officer: General Manager Operations

Council Meeting Date: 19 March 2019

File Ref: WS9.1, PE1.1

Reason for Confidentiality:

This report is **CONFIDENTIAL** in accordance with Section 275 (1) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the meeting is to be closed to the public to discuss business relating to the following: -

(e) contracts proposed to be made by it.

G/8.2. WORKFORCE MANAGEMENT SERVICES SOLE SUPPLIER

Responsible Officer: General Manager Operations

Council Meeting Date: 19 March 2019

File Ref: PE1.1

Reason for Confidentiality:

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ATTACHMENTS