



AGENDA

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

15 NOVEMBER 2021

MEMBERSHIP: Councillors J Diffey, V Etheridge, D Grant, A Jones, S Lawrence, G Mohr, K Parker and J Ryan.

The meeting is scheduled to commence at 5.30 pm.

PRAYER:

O God, Grant that by the knowledge of thy will, all we may resolve shall work together for good, we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen!

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY:

"I would like to acknowledge the Wiradjuri People who are the Traditional Custodians of the Land. I would also like to pay respect to the Elders both past and present of the Wiradjuri Nation and extend that respect to other Aboriginal peoples from other nations who are present".

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CCL21/270 LEAVE OF ABSENCE (ID21/2006)

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**CCL21/273a WORKING RELATIONSHIPS WITH GOVERNMENT AGENCIES -
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- CCL21/278 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (ID21/2011)**



Confirmation of Minutes

Confirmation of the minutes of the proceedings of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 25 October 2021 and the Ordinary Council meeting held on 28 October 2021.

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the proceedings of the Dubbo Regional Council at the Ordinary Council meeting held on 25 October 2021 comprising pages 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20 of the series, and the Ordinary Council meeting held on 28 October 2021 comprising pages 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28 and 29 of the series, be taken as read, confirmed as correct minutes and signed by the Mayor and the Chief Executive Officer.

Appendices:

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REPORT

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

25 OCTOBER 2021

PRESENT: Councillors J Diffey, V Etheridge, D Grant, A Jones, S Lawrence, K Parker and J Ryan.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

The Chief Executive Officer, the Executive Manager Governance and Internal Control, the Governance Team Leader, the Administration Officer Governance, the Communications Partner, the Director Organisational Performance, the Manager Property and Land Development, the Director Culture and Economy, the Director Infrastructure, the Manager Infrastructure Strategy and Design, the Director Development and Environment, the Manager Growth Planning and the Director Liveability.

Councillor S Lawrence assumed the Chair of the meeting.

The proceedings of the meeting commenced at 5.31 pm at the Dubbo Civic Administration Building, Council Chamber, with a prayer for Divine Guidance to the Council in its deliberations and activities. The acknowledgement of country was also read by Councillor J Diffey.

CCL21/231 LEAVE OF ABSENCE (ID21/1678)

A request for leave of absence was received from Councillor G Mohr who was absent from the meeting due to personal reasons.

Moved by Councillor A Jones and seconded by Councillor D Grant

MOTION

That such request for Leave of Absence be accepted and Councillor G Mohr be granted leave of absence from this meeting.

CARRIED

CCL21/232 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (ID21/1807)

The following interests were declared:

- Clr J Diffey declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in item CCL21/251. The reason for such interest is that that Councillor J Diffey is employed as the Senior Electorate Officer for the State Member and there are projects within the report that may require State Government funding; such conflict will in no way influence her decision making.
- Clr J Diffey declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in item CCL21/254. The reason for such interest is that Councillor J Diffey is a paid member of Dubbo Netball Association along with her daughter; and her other daughter is a paid member of Dubbo Touch Football Association; such conflict will in no way influence her decision making.

CCL21/233 PUBLIC FORUM (ID21/1808)

Council reports having heard from the following persons during Public Forum:

- Mrs Allaine Duncan and Mr Nasser Sedghi – Baha’i Prayer and Reading
- Ms Barbara Sutherland – CCL21/235 – Tree Preservation Order
- Ms Di Clifford – CCL21/235 – Tree Preservation Order

CCL21/234 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES (ID21/1809)

Confirmation of the minutes of the proceedings of the Ordinary Council meeting held 27 September 2021 and Extraordinary Council meeting held 28 September 2021.

Moved by Councillor J Diffey and seconded by Councillor A Jones

MOTION

That the minutes of the proceedings of the Dubbo Regional Council at the Ordinary Council meeting held on 27 September 2021 comprising pages 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20 of the series, and the Extraordinary Council meeting held on 28 September 2021 comprising pages 21, 22, 23 and 24 of the series, be taken as read, confirmed as correct minutes and signed by the Mayor and the Chief Executive Officer.

CARRIED

MAYORAL MINUTES:**CCL21/235 THANK YOU TO THE AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE AND WNSWLHD CEO SCOTT MCLACHLAN (ID21/1785)**

The Council had before it the Mayoral Minute regarding Thank You to the Australian Defence Force and WNSWLHD CEO Scott McLachlan.

Moved by Councillor S Lawrence and seconded by Councillor V Etheridge

MOTION

1. That Council acknowledges and thanks the ADF for their significant contribution to the Dubbo Region.
2. That Council write to the ADF, acknowledging the work of their personnel on the ground, who helped with the vaccination rollout.
3. That Council acknowledges and thanks WNSWLHD Chief Executive Officer Scott McLachlan for his commitment and dedication to the Western Region, and the Dubbo LGA, particularly throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.

CARRIED**CCL21/236 MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2021 (ID21/1825)**

The Council had before it the Mayoral Minute regarding Mayoral Appointments for September/October 2021.

Moved by Councillor S Lawrence and seconded by Councillor V Etheridge

MOTION

That the information contained in the Mayoral Minute be noted.

CARRIED**CCL21/236a INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION FINDINGS (ID21/1898)**

The Council had before it the Mayoral Minute regarding Independent Investigation Findings.

Moved by Councillor S Lawrence and seconded by Councillor J Ryan

MOTION

1. That it be noted the Independent Investigation conducted an inquiry into Council's management of Code of Conduct complaints and did not:
 - Investigate new code of conduct complaints; or
 - Reopen previously considered matters for investigation.
2. That the correspondence from the Office of Local Government be noted.
3. That, as noted at the 26 July 2021 Ordinary Council meeting, the Chief Executive Officer is obliged to refer any findings of alleged misconduct relating to former Councillors and former staff to the Office of Local Government and other relevant agencies, (which might include the NSW Police and the Independent Commission against Corruption) for their consideration.
4. That it be noted Council staff are actioning the recommendations of the Independent Investigation.
5. That an appropriately redacted copy of the Pinnacle Integrity report be published on the council website.

CARRIED

MATTERS CONSIDERED BY COMMITTEES:**CCL21/237 REPORT OF THE DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE - MEETING
11 OCTOBER 2021 (ID21/1810)**

The Council had before it the report of the Development and Environment Committee meeting held 11 October 2021.

Moved by Councillor K Parker and seconded by Councillor J Ryan

MOTION

That the report of the Development and Environment Committee meeting held on 11 October 2021, be noted.

CARRIED

**CCL21/238 REPORT OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE AND LIVEABILITY COMMITTEE - MEETING
11 OCTOBER 2021 (ID21/1811)**

The Council had before it the report of the Infrastructure and Liveability Committee meeting held 11 October 2021.

Moved by Councillor J Diffey and seconded by Councillor A Jones

MOTION

That the report of the Infrastructure and Liveability Committee meeting held on 11 October 2021, be noted.

CARRIED

**CCL21/239 REPORT OF THE CULTURE, ECONOMY AND CORPORATE COMMITTEE -
MEETING 11 OCTOBER 2021 (ID21/1812)**

The Council had before it the report of the Culture, Economy and Corporate Committee meeting held 11 October 2021.

Moved by Councillor J Diffey and seconded by Councillor V Etheridge

MOTION

That the report of the Culture, Economy and Corporate Committee meeting held on 11 October 2021, be noted.

CARRIED

REPORTS FROM STAFF:**CCL21/240 ADDITIONAL MEETING DATES 2021 (ID21/1880)**

The Council had before it the report dated 19 October 2021 from the Governance Team Leader regarding Additional Meeting Dates 2021.

Moved by Councillor K Parker and seconded by Councillor V Etheridge

MOTION

That additional Ordinary meetings of Council be held on the following dates:

- Thursday, 28 October 2021 at 12.00 pm; and
- Monday, 15 November 2021 at 5.30 pm.

Moved by Councillor A Jones and seconded by Councillor J Ryan

AMENDMENT

That additional Ordinary meetings of Council be held on the following dates:

- Thursday, 28 October 2021 at 5.30 pm; and
- Monday, 15 November 2021 at 5.30 pm.

The amendment on being put to the meeting was carried.

CARRIED

The amendment then became the motion and on being put to the meeting was carried.

CARRIED

CCL21/241 CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE (ID21/1821)

The Council had before it the report dated 12 October 2021 from the Governance Team Leader regarding Code of Meeting Practice.

Moved by Councillor K Parker and seconded by Councillor J Diffey

MOTION

1. That the Code of Meeting Practice, as attached at Appendix 1, be adopted, noting that amendments are not substantial and therefore public exhibition is not required in accordance with section 362(2) of the Local Government Act 1993.
2. That the Code of meeting Practice be reviewed within the first 12 months of the new council term, as per section 360(3) of the Local Government Act 1993.

CARRIED

CCL21/242 DRAFT MEDIA PROTOCOLS POLICY (ID21/1801)

The Council had before it the report dated 8 October 2021 from the Manager Corporate Image and Communications regarding Draft Media Protocols Policy.

Moved by Councillor D Grant and seconded by Councillor J Diffey

MOTION

1. That the report of the Manager Corporate Image and Communications, dated 8 October 2021, be noted.
2. That the draft Media Protocols Policy, as attached at Appendix 1, be placed on Public Exhibition for a period of 28 days, inviting the public to make submissions.
3. That, should the Media Protocols Policy be adopted by Council after the Public Exhibition period, such policy be reviewed biennially.

CARRIED

CCL21/243 DRAFT COUNCIL POLICY - SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY - PUBLIC OFFICIAL (COUNCILLOR) - RESULTS OF PUBLIC EXHIBITION (ID21/1850)

The Council had before it the report dated 15 October 2021 from the Manager Corporate Image and Communications regarding Draft Council Policy - Social Media Policy - Public Official (Councillor) - Results of Public Exhibition.

Moved by Councillor V Etheridge and seconded by Councillor J Ryan

MOTION

That the Social Media Policy – Public Official (Councillor), as attached at Appendix 1 to the report of the Manager Corporate Image and Communications dated 15 October, be adopted.

CARRIED

CCL21/244 PURCHASING AND PROCUREMENT POLICY (ID21/1824)

The Council had before it the report dated 13 October 2021 from the Acting Corporate Procurement Specialist regarding Purchasing and Procurement Policy.

Moved by Councillor A Jones and seconded by Councillor V Etheridge

MOTION

1. That Council's Local Purchasing Policy be rescinded.
2. That the draft Purchasing and Procurement Policy, as attached to this report as Appendix 1, be adopted and become effective 1 December 2021.

CARRIED

CCL21/245 END OF TERM REPORT (ID21/1519)

The Council had before it the report dated 7 October 2021 from the Manager Growth Planning regarding End of Term Report.

Moved by Councillor J Diffey and seconded by Councillor K Parker

MOTION

1. That the report of the Manager Growth Planning, dated 7 October 2021, be noted.
2. That the End of Term Report, as attached at Appendix 1, be noted and included in the 2020/2021 Annual Report.
3. That Council note the Model Code of Conduct's prohibition for using council resources and publications as electoral material.

CARRIED

CCL21/246 INTEGRATED PLANNING AND REPORTING OBLIGATIONS (ID21/1578)

The Council had before it the report dated 7 October 2021 from the Manager Growth Planning regarding Integrated Planning and Reporting Obligations.

Moved by Councillor A Jones and seconded by Councillor V Etheridge

MOTION

1. That the report from the Manager Growth Planning, dated 7 October 2021, be noted.
2. That Council update and extend the current Community Strategic Plan and supporting documents for the next 12 months, with extensive community consultation and additional changes to be made prior to July 2023 for the remainder of the Councillor term.

CARRIED

CCL21/247 PLANNING PROPOSAL - 300 NANIMA VILLAGE ROAD, WELLINGTON - RESULT OF PUBLIC EXHIBITION (ID21/1778)

The Council had before it the report dated 8 October 2021 from the Manager Growth Planning regarding Planning Proposal - 300 Nanima Village Road, Wellington - Result of Public Exhibition.

Moved by Councillor A Jones and seconded by Councillor V Etheridge

MOTION

1. That the report of the Manager Growth Planning, dated 8 October 2021, be noted.
2. That the Planning Proposal attached as Appendix 1, to amend the Wellington Local Environmental Plan 2012, be adopted by Council.

3. That Council liaise with the State Government Department of Planning, Industry and Environment to finalise the proposed mapping amendment.
4. That Council request Notification of the Plan following receipt of the Opinion from Department of Planning, Industry and Environment that the Plan be made.
5. That the Chief Executive Officer be authorised to execute any required documentation to finalise the amendment to the Wellington Local Environmental Plan 2012.

CARRIED

In accordance with s375A(2) of the Local Government Act 1993, a division was duly called, the following votes on the motion were recorded:

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Diffey	
Councillor Etheridge	
Councillor Grant	
Councillor Jones	
Councillor Lawrence	
Councillor Parker	
Councillor Ryan	
Total (7)	Total (0)

CCL21/248 PLANNING PROPOSAL - ADDITIONAL PERMITTED USE OF INFORMATION AND EDUCATION FACILITY (WIRADJURI TOURISM CENTRE) - ELIZABETH PARK - LOT 53 DP 259660, 2 CORONATION DRIVE DUBBO (ID21/1762)

The Council had before it the report dated 13 October 2021 from the Senior Growth Planner regarding Planning Proposal - Additional Permitted Use of Information and Education Facility (Wiradjuri Tourism Centre) - Elizabeth Park - Lot 53 DP 259660, 2 Coronation Drive Dubbo.

Moved by Councillor K Parker and seconded by Councillor J Ryan

MOTION

1. That the report of the Senior Growth Planner, dated 13 October 2021, be noted.
2. That the Planning Proposal provided in Appendix 1 be submitted to the NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment for a Gateway Determination to permit an information and education facility on Lot 53 DP 259660, 2 Coronation Drive, Dubbo as an additional permitted use under Schedule 1 of the Dubbo Local Environmental Plan 2011.
3. That Council not use its delegation under Section 3.36 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 to draft the amendments to the Dubbo Local Environmental Plan 2011.
4. That following completion of the public exhibition period, a further report be provided to Council detailing the results of the public exhibition.

CARRIED

In accordance with s375A(2) of the Local Government Act 1993, a division was duly called, the following votes on the motion were recorded:

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Diffey	
Councillor Etheridge	
Councillor Grant	
Councillor Jones	
Councillor Lawrence	
Councillor Parker	
Councillor Ryan	
Total (7)	Total (0)

CCL21/249 DESTINATION EVENTS FUND 2021/2022 (ID21/1642)

The Council had before it the report dated 22 September 2021 from the Manager Regional Events regarding Destination Events Fund 2021/2022.

Moved by Councillor J Ryan and seconded by Councillor V Etheridge

MOTION

1. That the information within the report from the Manager Regional Events, dated 22 September 2021, be noted.
2. That event funding applicants be advised on the outcome of their applications.
3. That funding be determined and conditional to each event supplying COVID-19 Safety Plans and meeting any conditions and restrictions in place under Public Health Orders.
4. That should any funded events not proceed the funds be returned to Council, and applicants requested to reapply for future events, with no further assessment weightings be applied to such applications after 2021.

CARRIED

CCL21/250 DESTINATION DUBBO INTERNATIONAL READY - OLD DUBBO GAOL HERITAGE PLAZA - DESIGN (ID21/1802)

The Council had before it the report dated 8 October 2021 from the Tourism Product Development Manager regarding Destination Dubbo International Ready - Old Dubbo Gaol Heritage Plaza - Design.

Moved by Councillor D Grant and seconded by Councillor J Ryan

MOTION

1. That the report of the Tourism Product Development Manager, dated 8 October 2021, be noted.
2. That Council endorse the heritage plaza design as outlined in the report.

CARRIED

CCL21/251 DUBBO TRANSPORTATION STRATEGY 2020 (ID21/1768)

The Council had before it the report dated 5 October 2021 from the Manager Infrastructure Strategy and Design regarding Dubbo Transportation Strategy 2020.

Moved by Councillor D Grant and seconded by Councillor J Ryan

MOTION

1. That the report of the Manager Infrastructure Strategy and Design, dated 11 October 2021, be noted.
2. That the report entitled *Dubbo Transportation Strategy 2020*, prepared by Stapleton Transportation and Planning Pty Ltd, attached as Appendix 1, be formally adopted as the new Transportation Strategy for Dubbo.
3. That Council note that the proposed construction of the River Street Bridge (North Bridge), being undertaken by the Transport for NSW aligns with the Strategy presented within the report entitled *Dubbo Transportation Strategy 2020*, prepared by Stapleton Transportation and Planning Pty Ltd, attached as Appendix 1.
4. That Council note that the proposed construction of the River Street Bridge (North Bridge), and specifically the realigned section of the Newell Highway, between the proposed western abutment of the bridge and the northern edge of the existing Whylandra Street and Thompson Street intersection, being undertaken by Transport for NSW, does not currently allow for the further extension of River Street to the west, or 'The Riverside Boulevard' to the north, by way of an intersection, as proposed within the report entitled *Dubbo Transportation Strategy 2020*, prepared by Stapleton Transportation and Planning Pty Ltd, attached as Appendix 1, and as currently adopted within the report entitled *Dubbo Road Transportation Strategy to 2045*, prepared by Dubbo City Council, attached as Appendix 2.
5. That Council continue to negotiate with Transport for NSW and work towards a solution that allows for River Street to be extended further to the west, and 'The Riverside Boulevard' further to the north, by way of an intersection arrangement with the proposed realignment of the Newell Highway, to be constructed as part of the River Street Bridge (North Bridge) project and in accordance with the Strategy presented within the report entitled *Dubbo Transportation Strategy 2020*, prepared by Stapleton Transportation and Planning Pty Ltd, attached as Appendix 1.
6. That Council note that the report entitled *Dubbo Transportation Strategy 2020*, prepared by Stapleton Transportation and Planning Pty Ltd, attached as Appendix 1, proposes the construction of a new road bridge (South Bridge) to the south of the LH Ford Bridge, within the next five to 10 years, to support the further development of the South Western Sector of Dubbo.
7. That Council actively seeks to protect all existing and future road corridors associated with the projects listed in Figures 17, 19 and 21, subject to technical review of alignments, and in accordance with the report entitled *Dubbo Transportation Strategy 2020*, prepared by Stapleton Transportation and Planning Pty Ltd, attached as Appendix 1, and that all such road corridors be considered for future embellishment by way of planting trees and shrubs.
8. That Council note that project costings shown within Figures 17, 19 and 21, and within Section 5 of the report entitled *Dubbo Transportation Strategy 2020*, prepared by

Stapleton Transportation and Planning Pty Ltd, attached as Appendix 1, are indicative only and subject to further review and refinement by Council's technical staff, as part of the development of a new Section 7.11 Developer Contributions Scheme and long-term financing requirements to cater for the urban growth of Dubbo to 2055 and beyond.

CARRIED

Councillor J Diffey declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the matter now before the Council and remained the room during the Council's consideration of this matter. The reason for such interest is that Councillor J Diffey is employed as the Senior Electorate Officer for the State Member and there are projects within the report that may require State Government funding, and such conflict will in no way influence her decision making.

CCL21/252 LICENCE OVER SOUTH DUBBO FORMER GIRL GUIDES HALL (ID21/1803)

The Council had before it the report dated 10 October 2021 from the Director Liveability regarding Licence Over South Dubbo Former Girl Guides Hall.

Moved by Councillor J Ryan and seconded by Councillor V Etheridge

MOTION

- 1. That a licence agreement be drafted with the intent of offering the Dubbo (Demons) Australian Football Club Inc. and the Dubbo Junior AFL Club a licence over the building and immediate surrounds for a five year period and a five year option.**
- 2. That the required public exhibition period of 28 days identifying Council's intent to licence the former Girl Guides Hall (South Dubbo) to the Dubbo (Demons) Australian Football Club Inc. and the Dubbo Junior AFL Club be advertised in accordance with Section 47(1)(a) of the *Local Government Act 1993*.**
- 3. That following the public exhibition period, and on the basis that Council receives no submissions of interest, the licence be offered to the Dubbo (Demons) Australian Football Club Inc. and the Dubbo Junior AFL Club at the annual fee of \$3,472 ex GST (CPI increased).**
- 4. That the existing user groups will be advised of the issuing of the joint licence to the Dubbo (Demons) Australian Football Club Inc. and Junior AFL Club.**
- 5. That Council facilitates meetings between the existing user groups and the Dubbo (Demons) Australian Football Club Inc. and Junior AFL Club in an effort to ensure equitable arrangements are put in place for their continued use of the hall.**

CARRIED

CCL21/253 TREE PRESERVATION ORDER REVIEW (ID21/1777)

The Council had before it the report dated 6 October 2021 from the Manager Recreation and Open Space regarding Tree Preservation Order Review.

Moved by Councillor J Ryan and seconded by Councillor V Etheridge

MOTION

1. That the report of the Manager Recreation and Open Space, dated 6 October 2021, be noted.
2. That further investigation in regards to the level of resourcing and associated costs in developing, implementing and resourcing the State Environmental Planning Policy (Vegetation) be carried out with a further report to Council by May 2022.

Moved by Councillor V Etheridge and seconded by Councillor J Diffey

AMENDMENT

1. That the report of the Manager Recreation and Open Space, dated 6 October 2021, be noted.
2. That it be noted that Council recognised the importance of urban tree canopy cover in a hot and warming climate such as Dubbo.
3. That further investigation in regards to the level of resourcing and associated costs in developing, implementing the State Environmental Planning Policy (Vegetation) be carried out to enable consideration in the 2022/2023 Operational Plan and Budget.

The amendment on being put to the meeting was carried.

CARRIED

The amendment then became the motion and on being put to the meeting was carried.

CARRIED

CCL21/254 DUBBO REGIONAL SPORTS COUNCIL - PLAYING FIELD IMPROVEMENT FUND (ID21/1569)

The Council had before it the report dated 9 September 2021 from the Recreation Coordinator regarding Dubbo Regional Sports Council - Playing Field Improvement Fund.

Moved by Councillor D Grant and seconded by Councillor J Ryan

MOTION

1. That the correspondence from the Dubbo Regional Sports Council be noted.
2. That consideration be given to the establishment of a Playing Field Improvement Fund as part of the development of the 2022/2023 Operational Plan and Budget.
3. That \$10,000 for the Dubbo Netball Association PA system upgrade be funded from the existing Recreation and Open Space budget.
4. That consideration be given to the request for \$20,000 from the Dubbo Touch Association should they be successful in a grant application and this be considered at the appropriate quarterly budget review.

CARRIED

Councillor J Diffey declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the matter now before the Council and remained in the room during the Council's consideration of this matter. The reason for such interest is that Councillor J Diffey is a paid member of Dubbo Netball Association along with her daughter; and her other daughter is a paid member of Dubbo Touch Football Association, and such conflict will in no way influence her decision making.

CCL21/255 QUESTION ON NOTICE - COUNCILLOR JOHN RYAN (ID21/1786)

The Council had before it the report dated 7 October 2021 from the Councillor regarding Question on Notice - Councillor John Ryan.

Council has received the following Question on Notice from Councillor J Ryan. The question and associated reply is submitted below for the information of Councillors.

Councillor J Ryan:

"I refer to my previous Notice of Motions for the development of a recreational lake, and would like to know how council plans to put the idea of a potential lake forward for the community consultation that will be undertaken for the revised Community Strategic Plan?"

Response:

The Integrated Planning and Reporting processes under the provisions of the Local Government Act, 1993 gives emphasis to community-led strategy development rather than Council-led. Council, in the review processes for the 2040 Community Strategic Plan will be undertaking a range of engagement activities with our community in early 2022. The priority for engagement is to ensure as many people in our community as possible can have access to the engagement process and can have their say in the review process. Our engagement activities will be continually reviewed, and additional activities will be included as required.

This will allow flexibility and maximise opportunities for feedback.

At the centre of the consultation, Council needs to understand what the community values about living in the Dubbo Regional Local Government Area, its strengths, and how we can build on these to address key challenges and opportunities facing our region both now and into the future. Consultation will also focus on the vision for the future of the region, what services or projects Council needs to prioritise, the projects Council should lobby other levels of government for, and how should Council approach financial management.

Prior to the commencement of any public engagement activities, an Engagement Strategy is required to be prepared. Council, in development of the 2040 Community Strategic Plan, used a wide range of consultation tools including consultation workshops in Dubbo, Wellington and the Villages, workshops with interest groups across a wide spectrum, public survey, consultation at markets and other public events and a significant on-line presence. Again, it is anticipated that similar consultation mechanisms will be used, including an increasing role for on-line consultation through social media platforms and other forms of communication. However, this will also be contingent on the COVID-19 settings at that time.

As part of the process of developing our Engagement Strategy for the project, Staff will also investigate outstanding Mayoral Minutes and Notices of Motion and incorporate these matters into our consultation and engagement processes.

Following the conclusion of community engagement, the issues and perspectives provided by the community and internal reviews will be utilised to complete the review process for the 2040 Community Strategic Plan and ensure we have a robust Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework.

CCL21/256 COMMENTS AND MATTERS OF URGENCY (ID21/1813)

There were no matters recorded under this clause.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL

At this juncture, it was moved by Councillor A Jones and seconded by Councillor D Grant that the Council resolve into a Committee of the Whole Council, the time being 6.59 pm.

The meeting resumed at 7.08 pm.

CCL21/257 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (ID21/1680)

The Executive Manager Governance and Internal Control read to the meeting the Report of Committee of the Whole held on 25 October 2021.

Moved by Councillor A Jones and seconded by Councillor V Etheridge

MOTION

That the report of the meeting of the Committee of the Whole held on 25 October 2021 be adopted.

CARRIED

The meeting closed at 7.12 pm.

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CHAIRPERSON



REPORT

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL

25 OCTOBER 2021

PRESENT: Councillors J Diffey, V Etheridge, D Grant, A Jones, S Lawrence, G Mohr, K Parker and J Ryan.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

The Chief Executive Officer, the Executive Manager Governance and Internal Control, the Manager Governance Operations, the Communications Partner, the Director Organisational Performance, the Director Culture and Economy, the Director Infrastructure, the Director Development and Environment and the Director Liveability.

Councillor S Lawrence assumed the Chair of the meeting.

The proceedings of the meeting commenced at 7.06 pm.

**CW21/21 PROPOSED ACQUISITION OF LAND FOR FUTURE ROAD INFRASTRUCTURE
(ID21/1669)**

The Committee had before it the report dated 27 September 2021 from the Manager Property and Land Development regarding Proposed Acquisition of Land for Future Road Infrastructure.

Moved by Councillor A Jones and seconded by Councillor D Grant

MOTION

That members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of this item, the reason being that the matter concerned information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business (Section 10A(2)(c)).

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor J Ryan and seconded by Councillor V Etheridge

MOTION

1. That Council accept the amendment to the design of the proposed road as outlined in this report and note the change in alignment from the previous resolution of Council (CCL17/170) (PDEC17/7) dated 27 November 2017.
2. That Council commence the process of acquiring the land in accordance with the specifications outlined in this report.
3. That Council authorise the Chief Executive Officer to:
 - a. Negotiate any compensation payable, and the form of compensation payment, as a result of any land acquisition in line with the requirements of the *Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991*;
 - b. Register an acquisition plan with the New South Wales Land Registry Service outlining the proposed acquisition areas required; and
 - c. Sign any documentation relating to the content of this report by Power of Attorney.

CARRIED

CW21/22 CREO CAFE FUTURE OPERATIONS (ID21/1806)

The Committee had before it the report dated 11 October 2021 from the Manager Regional Experiences regarding Creo Cafe Future Operations.

Moved by Councillor A Jones and seconded by Councillor D Grant

MOTION

That members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of this item, the reason being that the matter concerned information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business (Section 10A(2)(c)).

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor A Jones and seconded by Councillor V Etheridge

MOTION

1. That a public tender procurement process be undertaken to select a suitable external contractor to undertake a licence for the operation of the café at the Western Plains Cultural Centre In November 2021.
2. That, if the public tender process is unable to secure a suitable licensee, the operations of Creo Café, as an internal service delivery of Council, be maintained for a further 12 month trial period to determine the long term future management of the Café at the Western Plains Cultural Centre from February 2022 to February 2023.
3. That, if internal service delivery is undertaken, a further report be presented to Council in October 2022 detailing the review and further recommendations on the future operations of the café at the Wester Plains Cultural Centre.

CARRIED

**CW21/23 DUBBO CITY REGIONAL AIRPORT - FLYPELICAN - DUBBO-BALLINA/BYRON
ROUTE - PASSENGER FEE WAIVER (ID21/1814)**

The Committee had before it the report dated 11 October 2021 from the Manager Dubbo City Regional Airport regarding Dubbo City Regional Airport - FlyPelican - Dubbo-Ballina/Byron Route - Passenger Fee Waiver.

Moved by Councillor A Jones and seconded by Councillor D Grant

MOTION

That members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of this item, the reason being that the matter concerned information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business (Section 10A(2)(c)).

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor J Ryan and seconded by Councillor V Etheridge

MOTION

1. **That the report of the Manager Dubbo City Regional Airport, dated 11 October 2021, be noted.**
2. **That Council endorse the proposed 100% passenger fee waiver for FlyPelican for the Dubbo/Ballina service for an initial period of three months commencing 1 November 2021 and concluding 31 January 2022.**
3. **That if FlyPelican continues to meet criteria of the route viability assistance program that this 100% waiver continue for a further three months commencing 1 February 2022 and concluding 30 April 2022.**
4. **That the waiver for Fly Pelican be provided on the basis that the airline does not receive any other government assistance for this route.**
5. **That the specific passenger data contained within this report remain confidential to Council.**

CARRIED

The meeting closed at 7.07 pm.

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CHAIRPERSON



REPORT

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

28 OCTOBER 2021

PRESENT: Councillors J Diffey, V Etheridge, A Jones, S Lawrence, K Parker and J Ryan.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

The Chief Executive Officer, the Executive Manager Governance and Internal Control, the Governance Team Leader, the Communications Partner, the Director Organisational Performance, the Chief Financial Officer, the Director Culture and Economy, the Director Infrastructure, the Director Development and Environment and the Director Liveability.

Councillor S Lawrence assumed the Chair of the meeting.

The proceedings of the meeting commenced at 5.34 pm at the Dubbo Civic Administration Building, Council Chamber, with a prayer for Divine Guidance to the Council in its deliberations and activities. The acknowledgement of country was also read by Councillor V Etheridge.

CCL21/258 LEAVE OF ABSENCE (ID21/1901)

Requests for leave of absence were received from Councillors D Grant and G Mohr who were absent from the meeting due to personal reasons.

Moved by Councillor A Jones and seconded by Councillor V Etheridge

MOTION

That such requests for Leave of Absence be accepted and Councillors D Grant and G Mohr be granted leave of absence from this meeting

CARRIED

CCL21/259 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (ID21/1902)

No conflicts of interest were declared.

CCL21/260 PUBLIC FORUM (ID21/1903)

Council reports having heard from the following persons during Public Forum:

- Mr Nicholas Broadbent – CCL21/263 - Macquarie Conservatorium.
- Ms Di Clifford – CCL21/162 – Net Zero Emissions Future and Decarbonisation.
- Ms Barbara Sutherland – Thank you to the current Council.

CCL21/261 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES (ID21/1882)

Confirmation of the minutes of the proceedings of the Ordinary Council meeting held 25 October 2021.

Moved by Councillor J Diffey and seconded by Councillor K Parker

MOTION

That the minutes of the proceedings of the Dubbo Regional Council at the Extraordinary Council meeting held on 21 October 2021 comprising pages 4 and 5 of the series be taken as read, confirmed as correct minutes and signed by the Mayor and the Chief Executive Officer.

CARRIED

MAYORAL MINUTES:**CCL21/262 NET ZERO EMISSIONS FUTURE AND DECARBONISATION (ID21/1904)**

The Council had before it the Mayoral Minute regarding Net Zero Emissions Future and Decarbonisation.

Moved by Councillor S Lawrence and seconded by Councillor J Ryan

MOTION

1. **That the Mayor write to the NSW Treasurer/Minister for Energy and:**
 - **offer congratulations on the announcement of the NSW Hydrogen Strategy with its focus on green hydrogen and, noting Council's opposition to coal seam gas, express Council's support for a rapid reduction in the use of natural and coal seam gas in the NSW economy; and**
 - **request that the NSW Government urgently develop a gas decarbonisation roadmap so that NSW can be a leader by setting business, industry and households up to be resilient and sustainable in a decarbonising world, while safeguarding jobs in important manufacturing industries.**
2. **That it be noted that this is consistent with Council's resolution to join the Cities Power Partnership (CPP) program, joining forces with councils across the country in an effort to accelerate Australia's transition to a renewable energy future.**
3. **That a copy of the correspondence to the NSW Treasurer/Minister for Energy be forwarded to all regional associations of Councils in NSW.**

4. That Council lodge a motion calling on the NSW LGA Special Conference for 2022 to request that the NSW Government urgently develop a gas decarbonisation roadmap.

CARRIED

CCL21/263 MACQUARIE CONSERVATORIUM (ID21/1905)

The Council had before it the Mayoral Minute regarding Macquarie Conservatorium.

Moved by Councillor S Lawrence

MOTION

1. That Council notes the valuable educational, cultural and economic benefits of the Dubbo region having a Conservatorium.
2. That Council note that the central business district or Victoria Park precinct would be an appropriate long term location to maximise the benefits for the Conservatorium, the community and other cultural institutions.
3. That Council notes the role of local governments around the state in housing and supporting Conservatoriums.
4. That the Chief Executive Officer work with the Macquarie Conservatorium to create a long term strategic plan to support the establishment of a permanent facility, including a funding strategy and identified partnership opportunities with NSW Government and Australian Government.
5. That Council also refers the question of Council's role in supporting the Conservatorium to the strategic planning processes that will occur during the next term of Council.

CARRIED

CCL21/263a PINNACLE INTEGRITY REPORT (ID21/1980)

The Council had before it the Mayoral Minute regarding Pinnacle Integrity Report.

Moved by Councillor S Lawrence and seconded by Councillor A Jones

MOTION

1. That Council note Council's previous decision to release a redacted copy of the Pinnacle Integrity independent investigators' report.
2. That Council authorises the CEO at their discretion, at any time, to release a full, or fuller, version of the Pinnacle Integrity report, should circumstances change such that, in the CEO's opinion, it is lawful and appropriate to do so.

CARRIED

REPORTS FROM STAFF:**CCL21/264 ANNUAL REPORT ON COMPLAINT STATISTICS UNDER COUNCIL'S CODE OF CONDUCT (ID21/1906)**

The Council had before it the report dated 22 October 2021 from the Executive Manager Governance and Internal Control regarding Annual Report on Complaint Statistics Under Council's Code of Conduct.

Moved by Councillor J Ryan and seconded by Councillor K Parker

MOTION

That the report of the Executive Manager Governance and Internal Control, dated 22 October 2021, be noted.

CARRIED

CCL21/265 PRESENTATION OF COUNCIL'S 2020/2021 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (ID21/1907)

The Council had before it the report dated 20 October 2021 from the Chief Financial Officer regarding Presentation of Council's 2020/2021 Financial Statements.

Moved by Councillor A Jones and seconded by Councillor K Parker

MOTION

That the General Purpose Financial Statements and the Special Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2021 be accepted by Council.

CARRIED

CCL21/266 DUBBO REGION AQUATIC LEISURE CENTRES - COSTINGS 2016/2017 TO 2020/2021 (ID21/1912)

The Council had before it the report dated 15 October 2021 from the Manager Aquatic Leisure Centres regarding Dubbo Region Aquatic Leisure Centres - Costings 2016/2017 to 2020/2021.

Moved by Councillor J Ryan and seconded by Councillor V Etheridge

MOTION

- 1. That the report by Manager Aquatic Leisure Centres, dated 15 October 2021, be noted.**
- 2. That the Botanic Gardens Café's operational viability be reviewed with consideration to close, remove, or transfer to contract-management model via an Expression of**

Interest.

CARRIED

CCL21/267 RENEWAL OF VICTORIA PARK PLAYGROUND - RESULTS OF COMMUNITY CONSULTATION (ID21/1911)

The Council had before it the report dated 10 October 2021 from the Manager Recreation and Open Space regarding Renewal of Victoria Park Playground - Results of Community Consultation.

Moved by Councillor J Ryan and seconded by Councillor J Diffey

MOTION

1. That the report from the Manager Recreation and Open Space detailing the results of the Victoria Park Playspace survey be noted.
2. That, while recognising that over 70% respondents have indicated that they would like a fence around the playspace, the distance to Darling Street, Talbragar Street and Victoria Lane is far enough to preclude the need for a fence.
3. That in the event that Council determines that a fence is required that the perforated Aluminium screen is the preferred option to enable a visual timeline of the park to be incorporated into its manufacturing at an estimated cost of \$50,000 ex gst.
4. That consideration be given to the retention of the swings at the Fitness node, with the fitness cycles and cross trainer being repositioned to the eastern side of the area, at an estimated cost of \$15,000 ex gst.
5. That the current softfall arrangement of natural mulch and softfall be retained in both the junior and senior fitness area, noting that fully rubberised softfall would cost additional \$72,500.
6. That based on the community feedback that the Wee Hopper See Saw be swapped out in preference to the Wheelchair Accessible Carousel at an estimated increase in price of \$8,000 ex gst.
7. That any shortfall in the delivery of the Victoria Park Playspace be funded through the reallocation of funds for the Southlakes Playspace and that a new playground for Southlakes be considered in the development of the 2022/2023 Operational Plan and Budget.

Moved by Councillor A Jones and seconded by Councillor J Ryan

AMENDMENT

1. **That the report from the Manager Recreation and Open Space detailing the results of the Victoria Park Playspace survey be noted.**
2. **That suitable fencing be installed around the new Victoria Park Playground.**
3. **That consideration be given to the retention of the swings at the Fitness node, with the fitness cycles and cross trainer being repositioned to the eastern side of the area, at an estimated cost of \$15,000 ex gst.**

4. That based on the community feedback that the Wee Hopper See Saw be swapped out in preference to the Wheelchair Accessible Carousel at an estimated increase in price of \$8,000 ex gst.
5. That any shortfall in the delivery of the Victoria Park Playspace be funded through the reallocation of funds for the Southlakes Playspace and that a new playground for Southlakes be considered in the development of the 2022/2023 Operational Plan and Budget.
6. That \$72,500 be reallocated to Cameron Park playground for a suitable fence subject to Community Consultation.

The amendment on being put to the meeting was carried.

CARRIED

The amendment then became the motion and on being put to the meeting was carried.

CARRIED

CCL21/268 COMMENTS AND MATTERS OF URGENCY (ID21/1895)

There were no matters recorded under this clause.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL

At this juncture, it was moved by Councillor A Jones and seconded by Councillor J Ryan that the Council resolve into a Committee of the Whole Council, the time being 6.39 pm.

The meeting resumed at 6.45 pm.

CCL21/269 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (ID21/1909)

The Governance Team Leader read to the meeting the Report of Committee of the Whole held on 28 October 2021.

Moved by Councillor A Jones and seconded by Councillor J Ryan

MOTION

That the report of the meeting of the Committee of the Whole held on 28 October 2021 be adopted, save and except item CW21/25 with such matter being dealt separately.

CARRIED

CW21/25 WATER SECURITY INFRASTRUCTURE - ACQUISITION OF NORTHERN BOREFIELD - BUNGLEGUMBIE ROAD (ID21/1888)

The Committee had before it the report dated 21 October 2021 from the Manager Major Projects regarding Water Security Infrastructure - Acquisition of Northern Borefield - Bunglegumbie Road.

Moved by Councillor A Jones and seconded by Councillor J Ryan

MOTION

1. That the property known as 'Nevadon,' having an area of 532 hectares, be purchased for water security purposes.
2. That Council authorise the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate the purchase of the property in accordance with the specifications outlined in this report.
3. That all documentation in relation to this matter be executed under Power of Attorney.
4. That all dealings in relation to this matter remain commercial in confidence.

CARRIED

Executive Manager Governance and Internal Control, Ms A Rouse declared a non-pecuniary, significant interest in the matter now before the Council and left the room and was out of sight during the Council's consideration of this matter. The reason for such interest is that Executive Manager Governance and Internal Control, Ms A Rouse's parents own an adjoining property to the land in this report.

The meeting closed at 6.46 pm.

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CHAIRPERSON



REPORT

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL

28 OCTOBER 2021

PRESENT: Councillors J Diffey, V Etheridge, A Jones, S Lawrence, K Parker and J Ryan.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

The Chief Executive Officer, the Executive Manager Governance and Internal Control, the Governance Team Leader, the Communications Partner, the Director Organisational Performance, the Chief Financial Officer, the Director Culture and Economy, the Director Infrastructure, the Manager Major Projects, the Director Development and Environment and the Director Liveability.

Councillor S Lawrence assumed the Chair of the meeting.

The proceedings of the meeting commenced at 6.41 pm.

CW21/25 WATER SECURITY INFRASTRUCTURE - ACQUISITION OF NORTHERN BOREFIELD - BUNGLEGUMBIE ROAD (ID21/1888)

The Committee had before it the report dated 21 October 2021 from the Manager Major Projects regarding Water Security Infrastructure - Acquisition of Northern Borefield - Bunglegumbie Road.

Moved by Councillor A Jones and seconded by Councillor J Ryan

MOTION

That members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of this item, the reason being that the matter concerned information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business (Section 10A(2)(c)).

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor J Diffey and seconded by Councillor V Etheridge

MOTION

1. That the property known as 'Nevadon,' having an area of 532 hectares, be purchased for water security purposes.
2. That Council authorise the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate the purchase of the property in accordance with the specifications outlined in this report.
3. That all documentation in relation to this matter be executed under Power of Attorney.
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CARRIED

Executive Manager Governance and Internal Control, Ms A Rouse declared a non-pecuniary, significant interest in the matter now before the Council and left the room and was out of sight during the Council's consideration of this matter. The reason for such interest is that Executive Manager Governance and Internal Control, Ms A Rouse's parents own an adjoining property to the land in this report.

The meeting closed at 6.42 pm.

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CHAIRPERSON



MAYORAL MINUTE: Working Relationships with Government Agencies - Secondments

DIVISION: Executive Services
REPORT DATE: 11 November 2021
TRIM REFERENCE: ID21/2049

To the Council
Ladies and Gentlemen

Office of the Mayor
Civic Administration Building
Church Street, Dubbo

There has been a significant focus from the NSW government on regionalisation of public service positions with an increase in opportunities for people based in the Dubbo Regional LGA. This is also a feature of government policy settings, such as the Central West-Orana Renewable Energy Zone, leading to demand for professionals in a variety of roles. This presents both risks and opportunities for Council.

For individuals there are now more career development opportunities available by moving between local government and NSW Government in the Dubbo Regional LGA and Orana region. Council's employees are attracted to and indeed approached to join NSW Government agencies. For Council this potentially represents an immediate loss of corporate knowledge and momentum on key bodies of work and/or service delivery.

As more agencies recruit with a focus on regional NSW and are agnostic about location, this places pressure on Council's own recruitment for key roles, exacerbated when attempting to fill vacancies created when staff leave to join an agency or department.

In addition there is forecast substantial public and private sector investment in the LGA over coming years, which places additional pressures on existing staff and resources of Council, for example housing availability, renewable energy projects, and increased demand for planning approvals.

The opportunity side of this challenge is when staff are recruited, or potentially seconded, from NSW government agencies, this brings insights and new networks to the organisation that then assists in developing more effective service delivery for the community, more successful collaboration and potential realisation of better community outcomes.

To ensure a greater return on the investment in staff development, it would be a better outcome if Council could enter a formal relationship with the NSW Government agencies that allows for secondments between Council and the NSW Government as a measured and targeted approach.

Benefits include having NSW Government agencies' staff develop greater understanding of local government's challenges, focus areas and priorities for their communities. It will also enable a transfer of skills and insights between colleagues when working alongside Council. Relationships developed during secondment would have ongoing effects as the trust and understanding would be maintained. Similarly with Council staff able to seconded across NSW Government, they will gain appreciation for how policy and service delivery is managed and administered in state government, better enabling Council to work collaboratively with agencies for the betterment of the community.

RECOMMENDATION

That the CEO commence discussions with the NSW public service to establish formal secondment arrangements that allow Council staff and NSW Government agencies to have a regular program of staff sharing between the levels of government.

Stephen Lawrence
Mayor

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Mayor



REPORT: Investments Under Section 625 of the Local Government Act - October 2021

AUTHOR: Chief Financial Officer
REPORT DATE: 1 November 2021
TRIM REFERENCE: ID21/1977

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

As required by Clause 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005, set out below are the details of all monies that Council has invested under Section 625 of the Local Government Act as at 31 October 2021.

Investments, when placed, have been done so in accordance with the Local Government Act, Local Government Regulations and Council's Investment Policy and Strategy. Interest on investments for the month of October 2021 has been accounted for on an accrual basis. This report details investments and annualised returns for the month of October 2021.

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT

The 2040 Community Strategic Plan is a vision for the development of the region out to the year 2040. The Plan includes five principal themes and a number of strategies and outcomes. This report is aligned to:

Theme: 4 Community Leadership
CSP Objective: 4.3 The resources of Council are appropriately managed
Delivery Program Strategy: 4.3.2 The system of raising revenue is regarded as equitable and revenue from grants and other income sources is maximised

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Interest earned on investments has been included within Council's 2021/2022 Operational Plan, with total income generated from the Investment Portfolio forecast to be in excess of \$2,484,947.00.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications arising from this report.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information contained within the report of the Chief Financial Officer, dated 1 November 2021 be noted.

Michael Howlett
Chief Financial Officer

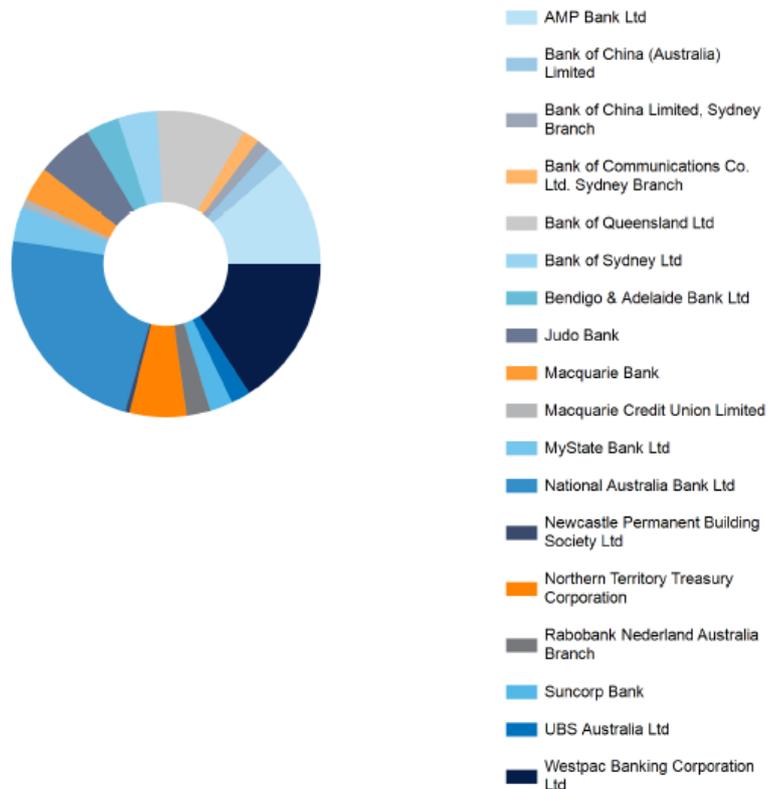
PORTFOLIO OVERVIEW

The below table details Council’s current investment portfolio:

Issuer	Market Value	% Total Value
AMP Bank Ltd	25,137,603.36	11.41%
Bank of China (Australia) Limited	4,509,131.09	2.05%
Bank of China Limited, Sydney Branch	3,003,750.00	1.36%
Bank of Communications Co. Ltd. Sydney Branch	3,774,600.00	1.71%
Bank of Queensland Ltd	20,691,043.48	9.39%
Bank of Sydney Ltd	9,014,264.39	4.09%
Bendigo & Adelaide Bank Ltd	7,672,641.78	3.48%
Judo Bank	13,057,534.27	5.93%
Macquarie Bank	7,934,400.00	3.60%
Macquarie Credit Union Limited	2,009,082.20	0.91%
MyState Bank Ltd	8,006,400.00	3.64%
National Australia Bank Ltd	51,016,551.21	23.16%
Newcastle Permanent Building Society Ltd	1,003,810.00	0.46%
Northern Territory Treasury Corporation	13,043,060.00	5.92%
Rabobank Nederland Australia Branch	5,537,850.00	2.51%
Suncorp Bank	5,276,750.00	2.40%
UBS Australia Ltd	4,487,535.00	2.04%
Westpac Banking Corporation Ltd	35,070,506.66	15.92%
Portfolio Total	220,246,513.43	100.00%

^Portfolio overview represents total market value. Investment face value is \$218,826,300.98.

Market Value by Issuer



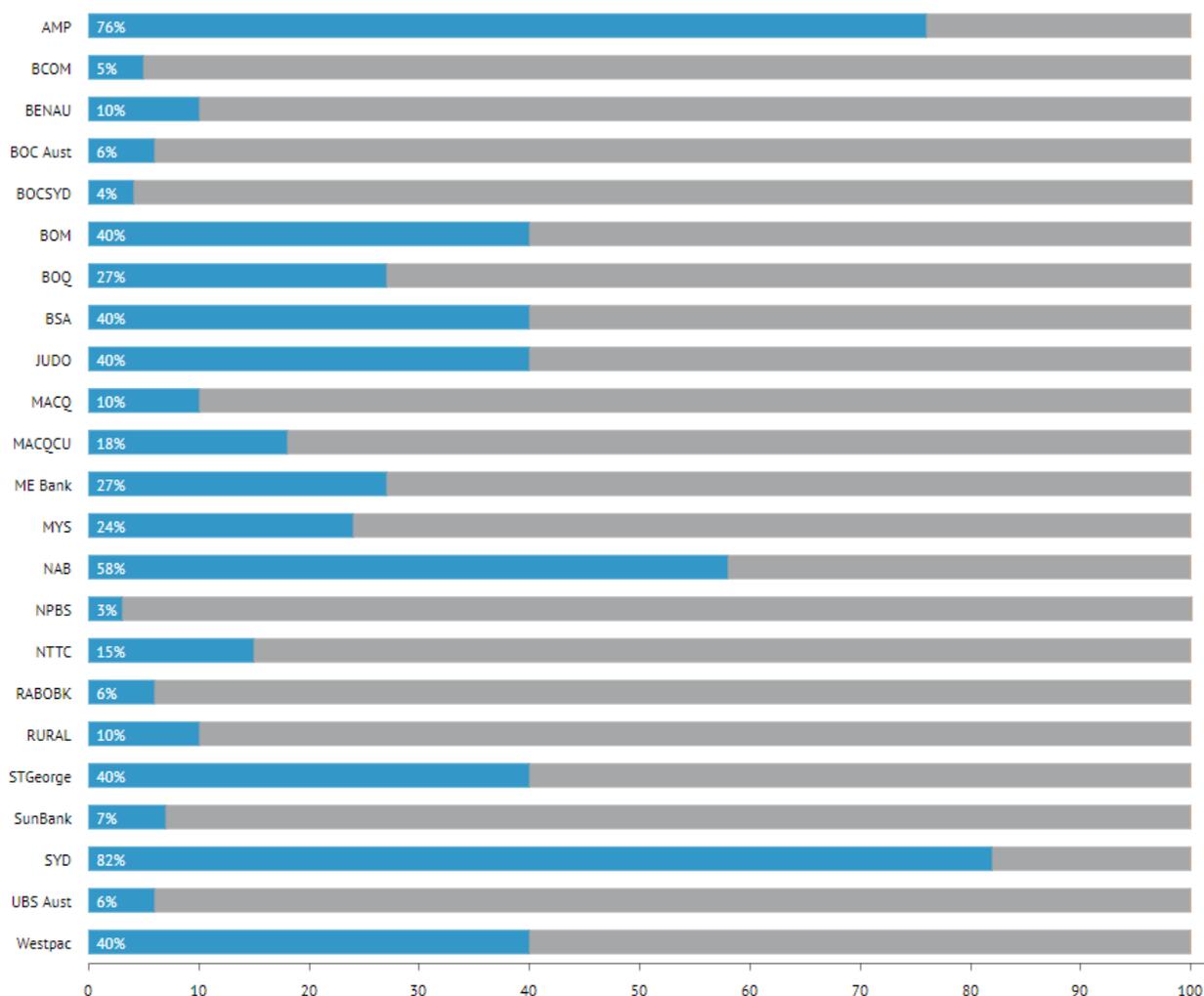
^ NAB is inclusive of Councils cash account.

^AMP is inclusive of Councils 31 day notice saver account.

INVESTMENT COMPLIANCE

The following table shows that Council's investments are compliant with the revised Investment Policy that was adopted at the Ordinary Council meeting held 22 March 2021.

Issuer Limits



INTEREST INCOME

The below table details payments of interest paid to Council between 1 October to 31 October 2021.

Security	Issuer	Income Expense Code	Settlement Date	Face Value (Basis of Interest Calculation)	Consideration Notional
Westpac 1.61 21 Oct 2022 1096DAY TD	Westpac Banking Corporation Ltd	IEI184949	21 Oct 2021	20,000,000.00	81,161.64
NPBS 1.65 24 Jan 2022 FRN	Newcastle Permanent Building Society Ltd	IEI185399	25 Oct 2021	1,000,000.00	4,176.03
BOCSYD 0.57 28 Apr 2024 FRN	Bank of China Limited, Sydney Branch	IEI186094	28 Oct 2021	3,000,000.00	4,460.61
NAB At Call In	National Australia Bank Ltd	IEI186246	29 Oct 2021		17,151.23
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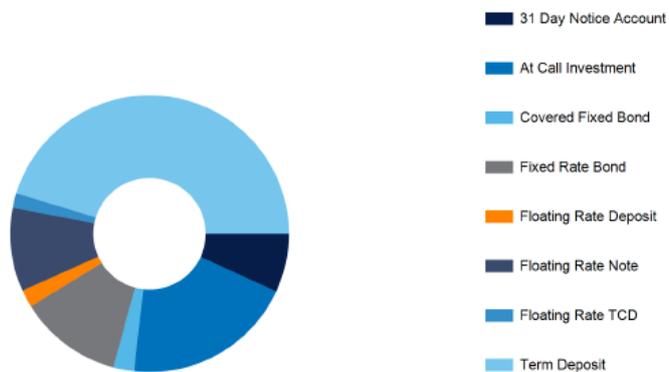
[^] Interest received consists of payments made to Council's allocated bank account and are exclusive of accruing interest.

INVESTMENT BY ASSET CLASS

The following table details Councils investment holdings by investment type:

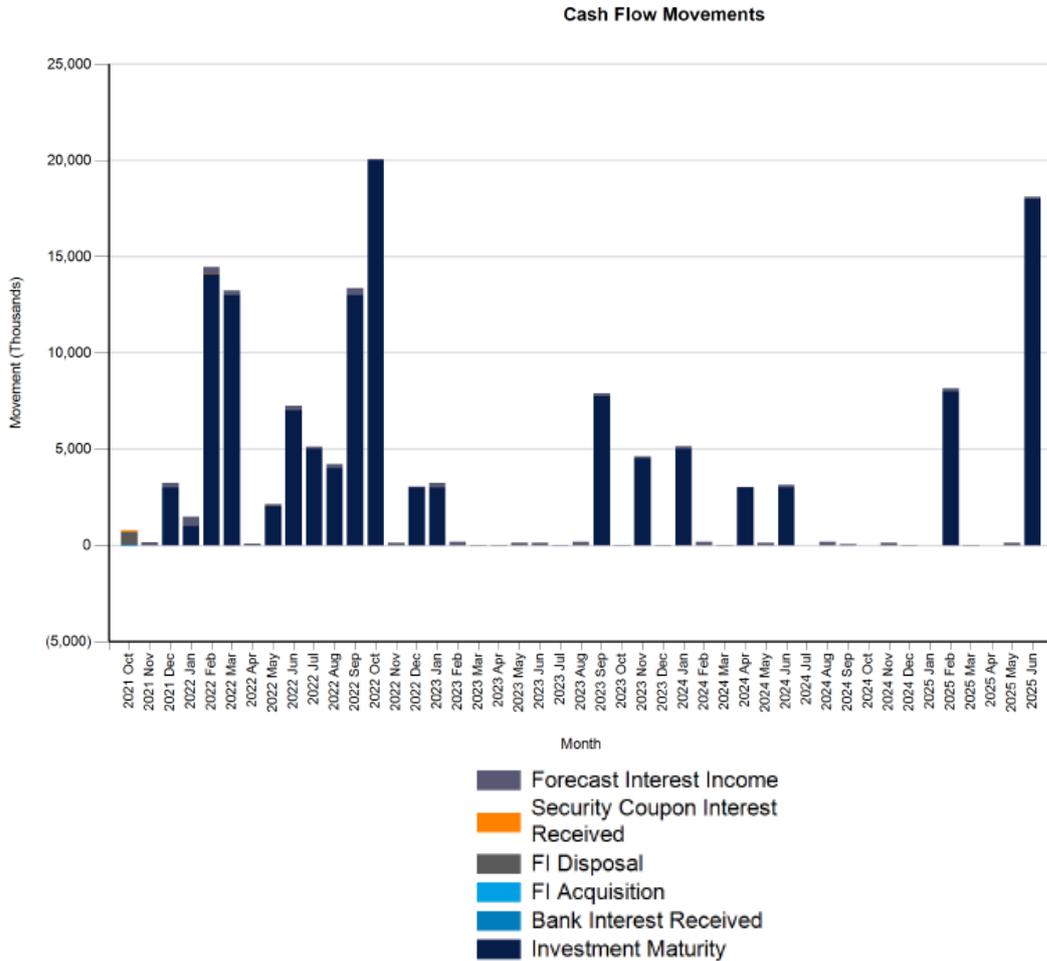
Security Type	Market Value	% Total Value
31 Day Notice Account	15,094,884.19	6.85%
At Call Investment	43,889,715.62	19.93%
Covered Fixed Bond	5,276,750.00	2.40%
Fixed Rate Bond	26,515,310.00	12.04%
Floating Rate Deposit	4,509,131.09	2.05%
Floating Rate Note	21,487,695.00	9.76%
Floating Rate TCD	3,774,600.00	1.71%
Term Deposit	99,698,427.54	45.27%
Portfolio Total	220,246,513.43	100.00%

Market Value by Security Type

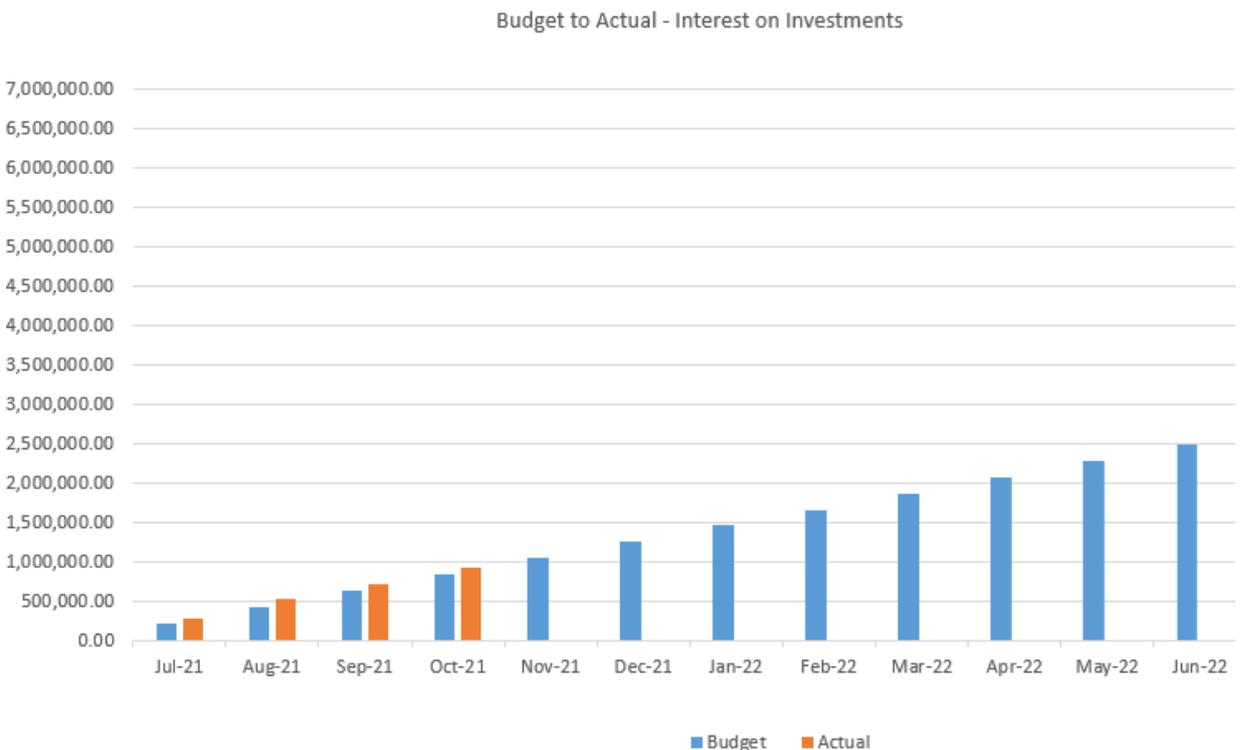


FUTURE MATURITY CASHFLOW

The below table details the expected cash flow of future investment maturity:



BUDGET TO ACTUAL – INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS



SUMMARY

Cash Account

Council outperformed the 11.00 am Official Cash Rate market benchmark for one month annualised return of 0.10%, achieving a return of 0.50% for its At Call investments for the month of October 2021.

Investment Portfolio

Council outperformed the one month annualised Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bill Index of 0.00%, with an average return of 1.3534% for its overall portfolio return.



DUBBO REGIONAL
COUNCIL

REPORT: Building Summary - October 2021

AUTHOR: Director Development and
Environment

REPORT DATE: 4 November 2021

TRIM REFERENCE: ID21/2012

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Information has been prepared on the statistics of the number of dwellings and other residential development approved in the Dubbo Regional Local Government Area (LGA) together with statistics for total approved Development Applications for the information of Council.

Appendix 1 relates specifically to residential approval figures, and includes both historical and current financial year data relating to the Dubbo Regional LGA. **Appendices 2 to 5** include both the current and retrospective figures for all development types approved within the Dubbo Regional LGA for the financial years stated.

All development applications, construction certificates and complying development certificates can be tracked online at <https://planning.dubbo.nsw.gov.au/Home/Disclaimer>.

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT

The 2040 Community Strategic Plan is a vision for the development of the region out to the year 2040. The Plan includes five principal themes and a number of strategies and outcomes. This report is aligned to:

Theme: 1 Housing

CSP Objective: 1.1 Residential housing opportunity meets the current and projected needs of our community

Delivery Program Strategy: 1.1.1 A variety of residential housing types is located close to appropriate services and facilities

Theme: 3 Economy

CSP Objective: 3.7 A Strategic framework is in place to maximise the realisation of economic development opportunities for the region

Delivery Program Strategy: 3.7.3 Planning controls ensure adequate and suitable land is available for new development opportunities

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications arising from this report.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information contained within the report of the Director Development and Environment, dated 4 November 2021, be noted.

Stephen Wallace

Director Development and Environment

REPORT

Provided, for information, are the latest statistics (as at the time of production of this report) for Development Applications for Dubbo Regional Council.

1. Residential Building Summary

Dwellings and other residential developments approved during October 2021 were as follows:

October

Single dwellings	13
Other residential development	4
(No. of units)	6

For consistency with land use definitions included in the Local Environmental Plan (LEP), residential development has been separated into 'Single Dwellings' (defined in the LEP as 'dwelling house') and 'Other residential development' (comprising 'dual occupancies', 'secondary dwellings', 'multi dwelling housing', 'seniors housing', 'shop top housing' and 'residential flat buildings').

These figures include development applications approved by private certifying authorities (in the form of Complying Development Certificates).

A summary of residential approvals for the former Dubbo City Council area since 2011-2012 is included in **Appendix 1**. However, it should be noted that the figures from July 2017 onwards include the approvals within the former Wellington Local Government Area as a consequence of the commencement of the merged application system.

2. Approved Development Applications

The total number of approved Development Applications (including Complying Development Certificates) for October 2021, a comparison with figures 12 months prior and the total for the respective financial years, are as follows:

	<u>1 October 2021 – 31 October 2021</u>	<u>1 October 2020 to 31 October 2020</u>
No. of applications	50	76
Value	\$16,344,497	\$9,498,280
	<u>1 July 2021 – 31 October 2021</u>	<u>1 July 2020 to 31 October 2020</u>
No of applications	251	301
Value	\$104,611,013	\$51,015,070

A summary breakdown of the figures is included in **Appendices 2-5**.

3. Online Application Tracking

All development applications, construction certificates and complying development certificates are tracked online and can be accessed at any time. A link is available on Councillor iPads for assistance (<https://planning.dubbo.nsw.gov.au/Home/Disclaimer>).

What information is available?

- All development applications, construction certificates and complying development certificates submitted from 1 November 2015 will provide access to submitted plans and supporting documents as well as tracking details of the progress of the application.
- More limited information is provided for applications submitted from 1 January 2001 to 31 October 2015.
- Occupation certificates (where issued) are provided from 2010.

What information is not available?

- Application forms.
- Documentation associated with privately certified applications.
- Internal reports.

Councillors are welcome to contact me should they require further information in respect of outstanding Development Applications emanating from the online tracking system.

The information included in this report is provided for notation.

Appendices:

- 1 [↓](#) Building Summary - October 2021
- 2 [↓](#) Approved Applications - 1 October 2021 to 31 October 2021
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STATISTICAL INFORMATION ON *SINGLE DWELLINGS AND **OTHER RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

		JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	TOTAL
DCC	2011/2012													
	Single Dwellings	6	12	10	6	7	16	4	16	12	8	12	9	118
	Other Residential Developments (No of units)	1 (14)	1 (2)	- (-)	1 (1)	2 (4)	2 (3)	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	1 (16)
DCC	2012/2013													
	Single Dwellings	3	7	14	13	9	3	9	9	13	13	15	13	121
	Other Residential Developments (No of units)	4 (8)	6 (6)	- (-)	- (-)	1 (2)	9 (11)	- (-)	- (-)	1 (2)	- (-)	2 (39)	- (-)	- (-)
DCC	2013/2014***													
	Single Dwellings	23	17	25	20	14	15	19	10	18	14	19	14	208
	Other Residential Developments (No of units)	- (-)	1 (2)	1 (2)	- (-)	- (-)	1 (2)	4 (46)	2 (1)	1 (2)	2 (4)	- (-)	3 (6)	15 (65)
DCC	2014/2015***													
	Single Dwellings	19	34	19	21	13	16	14	12	20	19	15	20	222
	Other Residential Developments (No of units)	3 (6)	1 (2)	6 (31)	5 (50)	6 (6)	12 (21)	- (-)	4 (87)	2 (4)	1 (1)	9 (25)	5 (10)	54 (243)
DCC	2015/2016***													
	Single Dwellings	27	20	26	19	21	26	19	14	16	17	17	22	244
	Other Residential Developments (No of units)	6 (50)	8 (98)	8 (12)	4 (7)	1 (2)	3 (5)	3 (18)	3 (4)	3 (5)	5 (14)	3 (6)	8 (23)	55 (244)
DCC	2016/2017***													
	Single Dwellings	24	13	17	18	12	21	16	18	18	14	18	36	225
	Other Residential Developments (No of units)	8 (10)	5 (10)	7 (13)	4 (7)	6 (10)	5 (16)	3 (6)	2 (75)	1 (2)	5 (8)	4 (13)	7 (14)	57 (184)
DRC	2017/2018***													
	Single Dwellings	26	21	13	12	16	19	4	22	16	21	22	16	208
	Other Residential Developments (No of units)	6 (11)	9 (16)	2 (3)	1 (2)	9 (16)	1 (2)	5 (8)	5 (5)	11 (23)	1 (2)	3 (3)	5 (9)	58 (100)
DRC	2018/2019***													
	Single Dwellings	15	26	13	7	17	8	19	5	8	11	19	6	154
	Other Residential Developments (No of units)	3 (4)	4 (7)	3 (5)	- (-)	6 (11)	2 (29)	2 (4)	1 (1)	5 (12)	7 (25)	9 (15)	5 (10)	47 (123)

		JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	TOTAL
	2019/2020***													
DRC	Single Dwellings	16	11	8	18	27	14	4	5	10	8	8	8	137
	Other Residential Developments	4	4	3	4	11	6	1	4	2	1	1	1	42
	(No of units)	(8)	(7)	(6)	(7)	(19)	(10)	(2)	(7)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(1)	(73)
	2020/2021***													
DRC	Single Dwellings	7	17	21	12	20	46	18	25	30	27	17	20	260
	Other Residential Developments	5	2	5	6	3	15	2	6	5	5	7	9	70
	(No of units)	(7)	(4)	(11)	(10)	(4)	(35)	(5)	(10)	(8)	(9)	(47)	(14)	(164)
	2021/2022***													
DRC	Single Dwellings	28	15	15	13									71
	Other Residential Developments	8	6	2	4									20
	(No of units)	(12)	(28)	(3)	(6)									(49)

* Single Dwellings = Single 'Dwelling House'

** Other Residential Developments = Dual occupancies, secondary dwellings, multi dwelling housing, seniors housing, shop top housing and residential flat buildings

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Development Type	Number of Applications	Est. \$	New Developments	Est. \$	Additions and Alterations	Est. \$	New Dwellings	New Lots
Alterations and additions to residential	4	611,447			4	611,447		
Balconies, decks patios terraces or ve	5	53,596	5	53,596				
Dwelling	13	4,674,337	13	4,674,337			13	
Earthworks / change in levels	1	50,000	1	50,000				
Educational establishment	1	30,000	1	30,000				
Garages carports and car parking spaces	3	94,304	3	94,304				
Group homes	1	1,100,000	1	1,100,000			1	
Home business	1	1,000	1	1,000				
Industrial development	1	100,000			1	100,000		
Multi-dwelling housing	1	880,000	1	880,000			3	
Other	1	6,855,014	1	6,855,014				
Pools / decks / fencing	6	191,470	6	191,470				
Recreational uses	1	700,000	1	700,000				
Restaurant or cafe	1	109,000			1	109,000		
Secondary dwelling	2	252,700	2	252,700			2	
Shed	4	192,400	4	192,400				
Signage	1	6,229	1	6,229				
Subdivision of land	2	358,000	2	358,000				7
Retail Premises	1	80,000			1	80,000		
Change of Use	1	5,000			1	5,000		

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Development Type	Number of Applications	Est. \$	New Developments	Est. \$	Additions and Alterations	Est. \$	New Dwellings	New Lots
Totals for Development Types	51	16,344,497						

Total Number of Applications for this period: 50

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Development Type	Number of Applications	Est. \$	New Developments	Est. \$	Additions and Alterations	Est. \$	New Dwellings	New Lots
Dwelling - single	20	5,402,964	16	4,818,031	4	584,933	16	
Dwelling- Transportable/Relocatable	1	292,407	1	292,407			1	
Dwelling - Secondary/Dual Occ Dwelling	6	1,423,000	6	1,423,000			9	
Dwelling - Dual Occupancy, >one storey	1	570,000	1	570,000			3	
Garage/Carport/Roofed Outbuildings	17	355,735	15	310,735	2	45,000		
Fences/Unroofed Structures	1	25,000	1	25,000				
Swimming Pool	17	488,626	17	488,626				
Office Building	1	58,773			1	58,773		
Retail Building	3	453,000			3	453,000		
Factory/Production Building	1	200,000			1	200,000		
Signs/Advertising Structure	5	110,775	2	50,575	3	60,200		
Demolition	3	17,000	1	2,000	2	15,000		
Change of Use - Commercial	1	70,000	1	70,000				
Subdivision - Commercial	1	27,000						2
Miscellaneous	1	4,000			1	4,000		
Totals for Development Types	79	9,498,280						

Total Number of Applications for this period: 76

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Development Type	Number of Applications	Est. \$	New Developments	Est. \$	Additions and Alterations	Est. \$	New Dwellings	New Lots
Dwelling - single	19	4,936,895	12	3,889,493	7	1,047,402	12	
Dwelling- Transportable/Relocatable	2	615,398	2	615,398			2	
Dwelling - Secondary/Dual Occ Dwelling	4	725,127	4	725,127			4	
Dwelling - Dual Occupancy, one storey	6	2,706,000	6	2,706,000			12	
Medium Density Res - one/two storeys	2	12,502,410	2	12,502,410			57	
Garage/Carport/Roofed Outbuildings	12	248,792	12	248,792				
Fences/Unroofed Structures	1	13,000	1	13,000				
Swimming Pool	3	108,000	3	108,000				
Office Building	3	511,000	2	498,000	1	13,000		
Retail Building	1	348,700			1	348,700		
Retail & Residential Building	1	28,000,000	1	28,000,000				
Factory/Production Building	1	1,000,000	1	1,000,000				
Warehouse/storage	4	1,378,800	4	1,378,800				
Health Care Facility - Other	2	710,000	1	710,000	1			
Educational Building	1	4,800,000	1	4,800,000				
Entertainment/Recreational Building	1	60,000			1	60,000		
Signs/Advertising Structure	1	12,000	1	12,000				
Home Business	1	2,000			1	2,000		
Change of Use - Commercial	3	23,000			2	3,000		13
Tourism Development	1	3,600,000	1	3,600,000				
Subdivision - Residential	10	2,532,000						34
Subdivision - Industrial	1	60,000						3

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Development Type	Number of Applications	Est. \$	New Developments	Est. \$	Additions and Alterations	Est. \$	New Dwellings	New Lots
Subdivision - Rural	3	21,500	1	5,000				2
Alterations and additions to commercial	4	563,424			4	563,424		
Alterations and additions to residential	10	1,072,367			10	1,072,367		
Balconies, decks patios terraces or ve	9	110,196	9	110,196			1	
Demolition	6	147,000	6	147,000				
Dual occupancy	2	765,700	2	765,700			3	
Dwelling	61	21,349,734	61	21,349,734			61	
Earthworks / change in levels	1	50,000	1	50,000				
Educational establishment	1	30,000	1	30,000				
Garages carports and car parking spaces	8	161,604	8	161,604				
Group homes	1	1,100,000	1	1,100,000			1	
Home business	1	1,000	1	1,000				
Industrial development	6	1,570,000	5	1,470,000	1	100,000		
Multi-dwelling housing	1	880,000	1	880,000			3	
Other	5	7,130,014	5	7,130,014				
Pools / decks / fencing	25	914,905	25	914,905				
Recreational uses	1	700,000	1	700,000				
Restaurant or cafe	1	109,000			1	109,000		
Secondary dwelling	6	674,200	6	674,200			6	
Shed	24	682,518	24	682,518				
Signage	3	370,229	3	370,229				
Subdivision of land	7	398,000	7	398,000				19
Take-away food and drink premises	2	180,000			2	180,000		
Telecommunications and communication fac	1	300,000	1	300,000				
Retail Premises	4	399,000	2	175,000	2	224,000		
Change of Use	2	15,000	1	10,000	1	5,000		
Artisanal Food and Drink	1	22,500	1	22,500				

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Development Type	Number of Applications	Est. \$	New Developments	Est. \$	Additions and Alterations	Est. \$	New Dwellings	New Lots
Totals for Development Types	276	104,611,013						

Total Number of Applications for this period: 251

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Development Type	Number of Applications	Est. \$	New Developments	Est. \$	Additions and Alterations	Est. \$	New Dwellings	New Lots
Dwelling - single	101	27,986,550	73	24,708,870	28	3,277,680	74	1
Dwelling- Transportable/Relocatable	3	601,777	3	601,777			3	
Dwelling - Secondary/Dual Occ Dwelling	14	3,958,000	14	3,958,000			23	
Dwelling - Dual Occupancy, one storey	4	1,460,000	4	1,460,000			7	
Dwelling - Dual Occupancy, >one storey	1	570,000	1	570,000			3	
Medium Density Res - one/two storeys	1	1,000,000	1	1,000,000			4	
Garage/Carport/Roofed Outbuildings	92	2,267,918	89	2,213,918	3	54,000		
Fences/Unroofed Structures	4	58,750	3	39,500	1	19,250		
Swimming Pool	39	1,165,922	39	1,165,922				
Office Building	7	1,076,773			7	1,076,773		
Retail Building	6	847,325			6	847,325		
Office & Retail Building	2	24,500	1	10,000	1	14,500		
Factory/Production Building	5	2,819,747	1	367,500	4	2,452,247		
Warehouse/storage	1	910,000	1	910,000				
Infrastructure - Transport, Utilities	2	280,000	2	280,000				
Educational Building	2	1,924,500	1	1,900,000	1	24,500		
Community/Public Building	1	80,000			1	80,000		
Signs/Advertising Structure	8	290,015	5	229,815	3	60,200		
Demolition	4	37,000	1	2,000	3	35,000		
Change of Use - Commercial	4	150,000	2	70,000	2	80,000		
Change of Use - Industrial	1	0			1			
Agricultural Development	1	300,000	1	300,000				

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Development Type	Number of Applications	Est. \$	New Developments	Est. \$	Additions and Alterations	Est. \$	New Dwellings	New Lots
Subdivision - Residential	9	3,090,000						115
Subdivision - Commercial	1	27,000						2
Subdivision - Industrial	2	28,000						5
Miscellaneous	2	44,000			2	44,000		
Alterations and additions to commercial	1	17,293			1	17,293		
Totals for Development Types	318	51,015,070						

Total Number of Applications for this period: 301

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REPORT: Teamster's Park Court Renewal - Clubgrants Category 3 Infrastructure Grants

AUTHOR: Manager Recreation and Open Space
REPORT DATE: 9 November 2021
TRIM REFERENCE: ID21/1996

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In order to address community concern about the lack of maintenance at Teamster's Park, Wellington, and due to a lack of available funds identified in the current forward budget, it is proposed that grant funding be sought to renew the court surfaces and fencing. This approach is consistent with a stronger focus on asset renewal rather than the development of additional new assets.

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT

The 2040 Community Strategic Plan is a vision for the development of the region out to the year 2040. The Plan includes five principal themes and a number of strategies and outcomes. This report is aligned to:

Theme: 5 Liveability
CSP Objective: 5.5 The community has the opportunity to participate in a diverse range of lifestyle, sporting and passive recreational pursuits
Delivery Program Strategy: 5.5.2 Quality passive and active open space is located to maximise access and use by the community

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The Clubgrants Category 3 Infrastructure Grant could provide up to \$300,000, if successful, for an asset renewal project.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications arising from this report.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council endorse the submission of a grant through the NSW Government's Club Grant Category 3 Infrastructure Grants to the value of \$300,000 for the renewal of the court surfaces and fencing at Teamster's Park, Montefiores, Wellington.

John Watts
Director Liveability

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BACKGROUND

Since the 2016 amalgamation, Dubbo Regional Council has expended in excess of \$15 million in former Wellington Council upgrading or replacing assets at a number of key facilities. Teamster's Park, being a lower level local park, has to date not received funding to renew the tennis courts and fencing. This was in part due to the court renewal at Rygate Park, completed in 2019, that provided these facilities.

Dubbo Regional Council has received letters of concern from community members of Montefiores about the quality of the existing tennis courts. The concerns raised by members of the community are around the lack of recreational facilities in Montefiores. Concerns have also been raised about the quality of the court surfaces and fencing, as well as safety concerns for users of the facility.

Past attempts to secure external funding has not been successful and this renewal is not identified within the Recreation and Open Space forward budget. Without intervention this asset will need to be closed to protect the community's safety. It is proposed to apply for \$300,000 ex GST to renew an existing asset at the end of its effective useful life, rather than apply for the grant to construct a new asset that will add to Council's financial maintenance burden.

Temporary repairs to the court surface were attempted 2019/2020. However, due to the poor construction of the courts these did not prove to be successful.

REPORT

Dubbo Regional Council has received letters of concern from community members of Montefiores about the quality and safety of the existing tennis courts. An external funding opportunity, through the NSW Government's Club Grant Category 3 Infrastructure Grants, has been identified that could effectively cover the cost of the renewal of this recreational facility. The maximum funding available under this grant is \$300,000. It shall be recommended that Council apply for the maximum amount to cover the cost of the renewal of the courts surfaces and the perimeter fence.

Estimates for the project have been derived from costs received for the construction of two netball courts, September 2021, at the Nita McGrath Netball Complex. It is estimated that the renewal of the two tennis courts will be approximately \$220,000 ex GST. Removal and preparation of the base a further \$20,000 ex GST and fencing \$40,000 ex GST. A contingency of \$20,000 is being allowed for.

This project, if the grant funding is secured, would be undertaken by Contractors following a quotation process in accordance with Dubbo Regional Council's Purchasing and Procurement Policy. It is proposed to reconstruct the courts as concrete rather than asphalt. This decision is based on a lower recurrent maintenance requirement, and the construction costs are generally similar to that of asphalt.

SUMMARY

It shall be recommended that Council endorses a grant submission through the NSW Government's Club Grant Category 3 Infrastructure Grants for the renewal of the court surfaces and fencing at Teamster's Park, Montefiores, Wellington.

If Council does not secure the grant funding or funds the renewal internally the facility will need to be closed. The next nearest facility is located at Rygate Park, approximately 2.7km. If Council can secure the external grant funds to undertake the renewal of the courts and fence, it will enable Council to continue to provide this facility, with minimal cost to Council.