

SHIRE OF
WESTONIA
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Minutes

Ordinary Council Meeting

Held in Council Chambers, Wolfram Street Westonia
Thursday 18th August 2022

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

These minutes were confirmed by the Council on 15th September 2022 as a true and accurate record of the Ordinary Council Meeting held 18th August 2022.

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Cr Karin Day
Shire President

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STRATEGIC COMMUNITY

SNAPSHOT

PLAN

2018-2028

CORE DRIVERS

1. Relationships that bring us tangible benefits (to the Shire and our community)
2. Our lifestyle and strong sense of community.
3. We are prepared for opportunities and we are innovative to ensure our relevancy and destiny.

OUR VALUES

Respect – We value people and places and the contribution they make to the Shire.

Inclusiveness – Be receptive, proactive, and responsive.

Fairness and Equity – Provide services for a variety of ages and needs.

Communication – Create opportunities for consultation with the broad community.

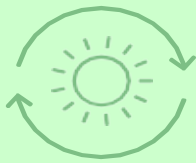
OUR VISION

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MISSION

Provide leadership and direction for the community.

ECONOMIC



Support growth and progress, locally and regionally...

Efficient transport connectivity in and around our Shire.

- Continue to utilise our Road Management Plan, which incorporates a road hierarchy, minimum service levels and maintenance policy.
- RAV Ratings and Shire boundaries are consistent across local government boundaries.
- Lobby and build enduring partnerships with key Government Departments to improve Great Eastern Hwy.
- Actively participate in the Secondary Freight Network group.
- Develop and implement a Road Asset Plan highlighting key funder and strategic partnerships to support sustainability.
- Develop a Gravel Reserve Policy which identifies future gravel reserves and recognises cost to local government.
- Educate road users about road safety and driving on gravel roads.
- Optimal and safe use of our plants and equipment assets.
- Ensure that appropriate RAV vehicles traverse correct RAV routes.
- Maintain our airport with a view to improvements to meet commercial and recreational aviation needs.

Facilitate local business retention and growth.

- Council recognises the opportunity of partnering with Westonia Progress Association, works closely and supports them to help achieve their economic development projects and our strategic goals.
- Council continue to have a role in facilitating the presence of a Co-op in our community.
- Enhance local economic activity by supporting the growth of tourism in our Shire and region including applying for funding to improve tourist facilities.
- Improve our online tourism presence.
- We forward plan to improve the economic diversity in our community.
- In partnership with Council, the mine develops long term business plans for current mine assets.
- Investigate options for multipurpose accommodation if vacancies arise in mine accommodation.

SOCIAL



Provide community facilities and promote social Interaction...

Plan for community growth and changing demographics.

- Develop the Town Planning Scheme.
- Plan and develop residential and industrial land.
- Community safety and ease of access around town is a priority.
- Our lifestyle, facilities and sense of community is promoted.
- The CEACA project continues to expand the number of universally designed dwellings in our town.
- We support our emergency services.
- We enable visiting health professionals to our community.
- The Community Resource Centre receives external funding to provide preventative health and community development initiatives to the community.
- We facilitate healthy and active ageing in place
- Our cemetery is well presented.

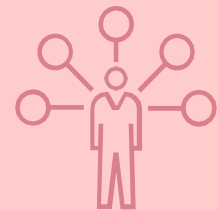
Our community has the opportunity to be active, socialised and connected.

- We collaborate and encourage active engagement in local clubs and community initiatives that support a healthy lifestyle.
- Investigate motor sport opportunities around the Shire.
- Preserve and celebrate our local history.
- Support our volunteers and clubs to remain strong, dynamic, and inclusive.
- Encourage lifelong learning.
- Children and youth have active and social opportunities.
- Continue to provide high standard and accessible shire facilities.
- Retain and expand Westonia's unique tourism experience.

Natural spaces are preserved and bring us value.

- Sustainably manage our reserves and open spaces.
- Participate in best practice waste management.
- Work collaboratively to meet legislative compliance with managing weeds and pests as well as our environmental health standards.
- Investigate renewable energy generation technologies.

GOVERNANCE



Continually enhance the Shire's organisational capacity to service the needs of a growing community...

Be progressive and capture opportunities.

- Be open to local productivity/ best practice and cost saving opportunities locally and regionally.
- Investigate joint resourcing and tendering
- Advocate and develop strong partnerships to benefit our community.
- Be prepared by forward planning our resources and focusing on continuous improvement.
- Identify risks and opportunities after the life of the mine.

The community receives services in a timely manner.

- Meet our legislative and compliance requirements.
- Work towards optimal management of our assets.
- Work to develop Councillor and staff skills and experience to provide career and succession opportunities within the Shire.
- Inside and outside staff are multi skilled to understand the business of local government and provide a seamless service to the community.
- Communicate and engage with our community regularly.

Financial resources meet the ongoing needs of the community.

- Seek external funding for significant capital improvements that deliver upon our strategic objectives.
- Investigate ways to reduce reliance on operational grants given the current State and Federal Government priorities.

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1. DECLARATION OF OPENING

The Deputy President, Cr Crees welcomed Councillors and staff and declared the meeting open at 3.30pm.

2. ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Councillors:

Cr KM Day	President via Teams
Cr RM Crees	Deputy President
Cr WJ Huxtable	
CR RS Corsini	
Cr RA Della Bosca	

Staff:

Mr.AW Price	Chief Executive Officer
Mrs JL Geier	Deputy Chief Executive Officer

Members of the Public: Nil

Apologies: Cr DL Geier

Approved Leave of Absence: Nil

3. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (3.35pm-3.55pm)

Nil

4. APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

5. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 21st July be confirmed as a true and correct record.

RESOLUTION

Moved:	Cr DellaBosca	Seconded:	Cr Huxtable
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01/08-22	That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 21st July be confirmed as a true and correct record
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CARRIED 5/0

6. RECEIVAL OF MINUTES

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

That the minutes of the NEWTRAVEL general meeting held on 27th July 2022 in Mukinbudin be accepted.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Della Bosca

Seconded: Cr Corsini

02/08-22 That the minutes of the NEWTRAVEL general meeting held on 27th July 2022 in Mukinbudin be accepted.

CARRIED 5/0

7. PRESIDENT/COUNCILLORS ANNOUNCEMENTS

The President, Cr Day advised having attended the following meetings:

- 26 July 2022 Ambulance Meeting and Training Night
- LGIS Golf Day 4, 5 & 6 August 2022
- GECZ Executive Phone Meeting 18 August 2022

The Deputy President, Cr Crees advised having attended the following meetings:

- LGIS Golf Day 4, 5 & 6 August 2022

Cr Corsini advised having attended the following meetings:

- LGIS Golf Day 4, 5 & 6 August 2022

Cr DellaBosca advised having attended the following meetings:

- LGIS Golf Day 4, 5 & 6 August 2022

8. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

In accordance with Section 5.65 of the *Local Government Act 1995* the following disclosures of **Financial** interest were made at the Council meeting held on **18th August 2022**.

Name/Position	
Item No./Subject	
Nature of interest	
Extent of Interest	

In accordance with Section 5.65 of the *Local Government Act 1995* the following disclosures of **Closely Association Person and Impartiality** interest were made at the Council meeting held on **18th August 2022**.

Name/Position	Bill Price
Item No./Subject	9.1.4 Appointment of Acting Chief Executive Officer
Nature of interest	Closely Association Person and Impartiality Interest
Extent of Interest	



In accordance with Section 5.60B and 5.65 of the *Local Government Act 1995* the following disclosures of **Proximity. interest** were made at the Council meeting held on **18th August 2022**.

Name/Position	
Item No./Subject	
Nature of interest	
Extent of Interest	

9. MATTERS REQUIRING A COUNCIL DECISION

9.1. GOVERNANCE, ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCIAL SERVICES

9.1.1 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Responsible Officer:	Bill Price, CEO
Author:	Jasmine Geier, Manager of Corporate Services
File Reference:	F1.3.3 Monthly Financial Statements
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Attachments:	Attachment 9.1.1 List of Accounts
Signature:	Officer  CEO 

Purpose of the Report

Executive Decision Legislative Requirement

Background

This information is provided to Council on a monthly basis in accordance with provisions of the Local Government Act 1995 and Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996. A Local Government is to develop procedures for the authorisation of, and payment of, accounts to ensure that there is effective security for, which money or other benefits June be obtained.

Comment

Attached is a copy of Accounts for Payment for the month of 31st July 2022. The credit card statements currently show: -

CEO July 2022 \$8,455.23 associated with the purchase of 1049451 Cloud Anti Spam Recurring, Malwarebytes Endpoint Protection - Workstations, Servers & Anti Spam/Domain Microsoft 365 Business Standard Recurring, Microsoft 365 Business Standard Recurring Microsoft Office365 Business Standard Recurring - Diesel for Landcruiser, 100GB Skymuster Activ8me-Administration Office 100GB Skymuster Activ8me - CEO 100GB Skymuster Activ8me, Staff accommodation

Statutory Environment

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 Regulations 12 & 13 requires the list of accounts to be presented to Council. Payments are made by staff under delegated authority from the CEO and Council.

Policy Implications

Council does not have a policy in relation to payment of accounts.

Strategic Implications



Accounts for payment are presented to Council in the interests of accountability and provide information on Council expenditure.

Financial Implications

Expenditure in accordance with the 2022/2023 Annual Budget.

Voting Requirements

9.1.2 MONTHLY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY – JULY 2022

Responsible Officer:	Bill Price, CEO
Author:	Jasmine Geier, Manager of Corporate Services
File Reference:	F1.3.3 Monthly Financial Statements
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Attachments:	Attachment 9.1.2 Monthly Statement of Financial Activity
Signature:	Officer  CEO 

Purpose of the Report

- Executive Decision Legislative Requirement

Background

This information is provided to Council on a monthly basis in accordance with provisions of the Local Government Act 1995 and Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996.

Comment

The Monthly Statement of Financial Activity for the period ending 31st July 2022 is attached for Councillor information, and consists of: -

Note 1 – Statement of Financial Activity by Nature & Type.

Note 2 – Cash & Financial Assets.

Note 3 - Capital Acquisitions.

Note 4 – Disposal of Assets.

Note 5 – Reserve Accounts.

Note 6 – Statement of Financial Activity by Program.

Note 7 - Explanation of Material Variances.

Statutory Environment

General Financial Management of Council
Council 2022/2023 Budget
Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 34 1996
Local Government Act 1995 section 6.4

Policy Implications

Council is required annually to adopt a policy on what it considers to be material as far as variances that require to be reported for Council. Council policy is that the material variation be set at \$10,000 and 15%.

Strategic Implications

The Monthly Statement of Financial Activity is a record of Council's activities and financial performance during the reporting period.

Financial Implications

There is no direct financial implication in relation to this matter.

Voting Requirements

Statutory Environment

Section 5.36 of the Local Government Act 1995 provides that:

(1) A local government is to employ —

(a) a person to be the CEO of the local government; and

(b) such other persons as the council believes are necessary to enable the functions of the local government and the functions of the council to be performed.

(2) A person is not to be employed in the position of CEO unless the council —

(a) believes that the person is suitably qualified for the position; and

(b) is satisfied with the provisions of the proposed employment contract.

(3) A person is not to be employed by a local government in any other position unless the CEO —

(a) Believes that the person is suitably qualified for the position; and

(b) is satisfied with the proposed arrangements relating to the person's employment.

(4) Unless subsection (5A) applies, if the position of CEO of a local government becomes vacant, it is to be advertised by the local government in the manner prescribed, and the advertisement into contain such information with respect to the position as is prescribed.

(5A) Subsection (4) does not require a position to be advertised if it is proposed that the position be filled by a person in a prescribed class.

(5) For the avoidance of doubt, subsection (4) does not impose requirement to advertise a position before the renewal of contract referred to in section 5.39.

Regulation 18 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations provides that:

(1) If a position of CEO, or of senior employee, of a local government becomes vacant, the local government is to advertise the position —

(a) on a notice board exhibited to the public at the local government's offices, if the position is —

(i) to be filled on a part time basis by a person who is also employed by another local government; or

(ii) an acting position for a term not exceeding one year;

or

(b) otherwise, in a newspaper circulating generally throughout the State.

(2) An advertisement referred to in sub regulation (1) is to contain —

(a) the details of the remuneration and benefits offered;

(b) details of the place where applications for the position are to be submitted;

(c) the date and time for the closing of applications for the position;

(d) the duration of the proposed contract;

(e) contact details for a person who can provide further information about the position; and

(f) any other information that the local government considers is relevant.

Consultation

Shire President and Council.

Policy Implications

Nil.

Strategic Implications

The appointment of an external Acting Chief Executive Officer will allow operation to continue and be suitably resourced.

Effective Staff Performance

Civic Leadership

- Manage the Organisation in a responsible and accountable manner.



Financial Implications

Allocation in the 2022/23 Annual Budget



Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Absolute Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

That Council approve that Mr John Merrick be appointed as Acting Chief Executive Officer with full delegation from 1st September to 30th September 2022, with a remuneration package within the Band 4 range prescribed by the Salaries and Allowances Tribunal under Section 7A of the Salaries and Allowances Act 1975.

RESOLUTION

Moved:

Cr Della Bosca

Seconded:

Cr Huxtable


07/08-22

That Council approve that Mr John Merrick be appointed as Acting Chief Executive Officer with full delegation from 1st September to 30th September 2022, with a remuneration package within the Band 4 range prescribed by the Salaries and Allowances Tribunal under Section 7A of the Salaries and Allowances Act 1975

CARRIED 5/0

9.1.5 RAC RECONNECT WA 22/23 GRANTS – WOLFRAM STREETSCAPE

Responsible Officer:	Bill Price, CEO	
Author:	Bill Price, CEO	
File Reference:		
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil	
Attachments:	Nil	
Signature:	Officer	CEO



Purpose of the Report

- Executive Decision Legislative Requirement

This report seeks Council’s endorsement of the RAC Reconnect WA 22/23 grant submission for a range of streetscape upgrades for Wolfram Street.

Background

RAC’s Reconnect WA Initiative will run again in 2022-23, providing up to \$1 million to co-fund projects and partner with local governments across WA. Applications will open in July 2022, for a period of five weeks.

As a purpose-led member organisation, RAC works collaboratively with all levels of government, its members, and the community in moving towards our 2030 vision for a safer, sustainable, and connected future for Western Australians.

In 2020, they launched our Reconnect WA Initiative to partner with local governments to deliver projects that reimagine and revitalise streets and public spaces. Projects delivered to date have included quick, lower-cost, and innovative improvements and pop-ups to test new ideas with communities and create more inviting public spaces and people-friendly streets.

To be eligible, projects must:

- Align with the objectives of Reconnect WA, which are to help reimagine and revitalise streets and public spaces to:
- Create vibrant and active places for Western Australians to interact and connect with our cities and towns, and to each other.
- Inspire and empower residents and business communities to co-design and drive change in their local area; and
- Lay the foundations for longer-term improvements to support safe, sustainable, and connected communities.
- Involve quick, lower cost and innovative infrastructure changes that, temporarily or permanently, transform the look and feel of a street(s) and/or public space(s). These changes could be to improve safety, connectivity and/or priority for people on foot, bicycle, and other forms of micro mobility; reduce traffic speeds and/or vehicle dominance; and/or create opportunities for social interaction and to encourage people to linger longer.
- Be impactful, responding to an identified community need.
- Seek to do something differently, for example applying innovative design elements, materials and/or co-design techniques, rather than predominantly being business as usual / capital work activities.


Comment

As discussed at the July briefing session, it was resolved that Council would submit an application to the RAC Reconnect Program to leverage additional funds that will compliment the existing commitments already in the 2022/23 budget for the streetscape upgrades for Wolfram Street which includes, tree removal, concrete footpaths, pedestrian lighting, façade enhancements etc.

9.2 COMMUNITY AND REGULATORY SERVICE

9.2.1 APPLICATION FOR EXPLORATION LICENCE 77/2964

Responsible Officer:	Bill Price, CEO
Author:	Bill Price, CEO
File Reference:	ES1.6.1
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Attachments:	Location Map EL 77/2964
Signature:	Officer CEO



Purpose of the Report

Executive Decision

Legislative Requirement

This report seeks Council's comment on an Exploration license in the northern part of the shire

Background

The Shire has been advised of an application for an Exploration license having been lodged by Aurora Tenement Consulting on behalf of Avail Resources Pty Ltd (E77/2964).

The application relates to land in the North of the Shire between the Elachbutting & Yanneymooning Reserves (See Attached)

Comment

I could not find any listings for Avail Resources Pty Ltd.

Previous exploration approvals have been granted with the following conditions:

- 1) That dust suppression is carried out so that others are not adversely affected.
- 2) That any saline ground water found is contained by pumping it into a water trailer and disposed of through normal mining practices under the terms of the company's mining conditions.
- 3) Any ground water that escapes onto the ground around the drill site is to be bunded so that it does not spread.
- 4) All plastic bags used for soil samples are to be removed from the site and disposed of in a suitable manner.
- 5) All rubbish is to be disposed of at the local landfill site in the appropriate manner.
- 6) A firefighting unit is to be always available, and drilling is to cease if a total fire and harvest ban is called.
- 7) No drill holes are to extend under any public railway line or any roadways. Drilling being carried out is not to interfere with road drainage and must be beyond the batter line (this is to minimise damage to capped drill holes during maintenance grading) – refer to Typical Cross Section of Road Formation diagram.
- 8) Safety signs are to be erected in accordance with Australian Standards – to warn both mining staff, contractors, and the public/visitors.
- 9) All drill holes are to be capped as soon as possible/practical after drilling.
- 10) If working within 100m from a residence, all noise generated is to be limited in accordance with the Environmental Protection (Noise) Regulations 1997, when working between 7:00 pm. and 7:00 am.
- 11) That the proposed drilling work is advertised in the local newsletter "Westonian" prior to any work commencing to notify the general public of this work; and
- 12) That no drilling is to occur within any Shire gravel pits, and no drilling operation is to affect any part of the Elachbutting & Yanneymooning Reserves and Road Surface in any way.

Statutory Environment

The Mining Act prevails in this matter.

Policy Implications

Nil

Strategic Implications

Nil.

Financial Implications

Nil

Voting Requirements



Simple Majority



Absolute Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

That Council grants approval to Avail Resources Pty Ltd (E77/2964) to carry out drilling along sections of Council controlled road reserves with these respective Exploration Leases as shown on the attached maps with the following conditions: -

- 1) That dust suppression is carried out so that others are not adversely affected.
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RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Corsini **Seconded:** Cr

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CARRIED 5/0

9.2.2 APPLICATION FOR EXPLORATION LICENCE 70/6171

Responsible Officer:	Bill Price, CEO
Author:	Bill Price, CEO
File Reference:	ES1.6.1
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Attachments:	Location Map EL 70/6171
Signature:	Officer CEO



Purpose of the Report



Executive Decision



Legislative Requirement

This report seeks Council's comment on an Exploration license in the northern part of the shire.

Background

The Shire has been advised of an application for an Exploration license having been lodged by Aurora Tenement Consulting on behalf of Avail Resources Pty Ltd (E70/6171).

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- 8) Safety signs are to be erected in accordance with Australian Standards – to warn both mining staff, contractors, and the public/ visitors.
- 9) All drill holes are to be capped as soon as possible/practical after drilling.
- 10) If working within 100m from a residence, all noise generated is to be limited in accordance with the Environmental Protection (Noise) Regulations 1997, when working between 7:00 pm. and 7:00 am.
- 11) That the proposed drilling work is advertised in the local newsletter "Westonian" prior to any work commencing to notify the general public of this work; and
- 12) That no drilling is to occur within any Shire gravel pits, and no drilling operation is to affect any part of the Elachbutting & Yanneymooring Reserves and Road Surface in any way.

CARRIED 5/0

9.2.3 APPLICATION FOR EXPLORATION LICENCE 77/2961

Responsible Officer:	Bill Price, CEO
Author:	Bill Price, CEO
File Reference:	ES1.6.1
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Attachments:	Location Map EL 77/2961
Signature:	Officer CEO



Purpose of the Report



Executive Decision



Legislative Requirement

This report seeks Council's comment on an Exploration license in the northern part of the shire.

Background

The Shire has been advised of an application for an Exploration license having been lodged by Emerald Tenement Service on behalf of Redscope Enterprises Pty Ltd.

The application relates to land just North of the M040 and includes the Chiddarcooping Nature Reserve. (See Attached)

Comment

Redscope Enterprises Pty Ltd is an ASIC listed company based in Subiaco.

Previous exploration approvals have been granted with the following conditions:

- 1) That dust suppression is carried out so that others are not adversely affected.
- 2) That any saline ground water found is contained by pumping it into a water trailer and disposed of through normal mining practices under the terms of the company's mining conditions.
- 3) Any ground water that escapes onto the ground around the drill site is to be bunded so that it does not spread.
- 4) All plastic bags used for soil samples are to be removed from the site and disposed of in a suitable manner.
- 5) All rubbish is to be disposed of at the local landfill site in the appropriate manner.
- 6) A firefighting unit is to be always available, and drilling is to cease if a total fire and harvest ban is called.
- 7) No drill holes are to extend under any public railway line or any roadways. Drilling being carried out is not to interfere with road drainage and must be beyond the batter line (this is to minimise damage to capped drill holes during maintenance grading) – refer to Typical Cross Section of Road Formation diagram.
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- 11) That the proposed drilling work is advertised in the local newsletter "Westonian" prior to any work commencing to notify the general public of this work; and
- 12) That no drilling is to occur within any Shire gravel pits, and no drilling operation is to affect any part of the Chiddarcooping Nature Reserve and Road Surface in any way.

Statutory Environment

The Mining Act prevails in this matter.

Policy Implications

Nil

Strategic Implications

Nil.

Financial Implications

Nil

Voting Requirements



Simple Majority



Absolute Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

That Council grants approval to Redscope Enterprises Pty Ltd (E77/2961) to carry out drilling along sections of Council controlled road reserves with these respective Exploration Leases as shown on the attached maps with the following conditions: -

- 1) That dust suppression is carried out so that others are not adversely affected.
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RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Huxtable

Seconded: Cr Della Bosca

11/08-22 That Council grants approval to Redscope Enterprises Pty Ltd (E77/2961) to carry out drilling along sections of Council controlled road reserves with these respective Exploration Leases as shown on the attached maps with the following conditions: -

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- 2) That any saline ground water found is contained by pumping it into a water trailer and disposed of through normal mining practices under the terms of the company's mining conditions.
- 3) Any ground water that escapes onto the ground around the drill site is to be banded so that it does not spread.
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CARRIED 5/0

9.3 WORKS AND SERVICE

9.3.1 REGIONAL ROAD GROUP – 5 YEAR PROGRAM & 23/24 PROJECT MCA'S

Responsible Officer:	Bill Price, CEO
Author:	Bill Price, CEO
File Reference:	T.1.1.3
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Attachments:	Nil

Signature:	Officer	CEO
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Purpose of the Report



Executive Decision



Legislative Requirement

The purpose of this report is for Council to endorse the Regional Road Group 5 year program and the 23/24 project MCA for Warralakin Road.

Background

As part of the Regional Road Group Funding Arrangements, Council are required to review its 5-year road program and provide updated MCA's for the 23/24 financial year and beyond.

Comment

Council Roads currently eligible under the Regional Road Group program are;

- Warralakin Road
- Koorda Bullfinch Road (M040)
- Leach Road
- Rabbit Proof Fence Road (sealed section only)
- Westonia/Carrabin Road
- Stoneman Road

A submission is currently being prepared to include Boodarockin Road on the list.

Annually Council are required to review its 5 year program to ensure that it is relevant with the its current priorities and reflects the current and proposed status of the road projects.

Attached is the draft 5 Year Road Program 23/24 to 28/29 financial years for Councillors discussion and perusal.

The proposed MCA's application for funding in the 23/24 financial year incorporates the following project

1. Warralakin Road – reconstruct 4.0km including 2 coat seal \$ 582,975.

Attached is the summary cover sheet for the project for Councillor information.

Statutory Environment

Nil

Policy Implications

Nil

Strategic Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

\$ 388,650 Regional Road Group Funding for the 23/24 financial year.

Voting Requirements



Simple Majority



Absolute Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

That Council review and endorse the following for submission to the Regional Road Group:-

- 5 Year Road Program 23/24 to 28/29 financial years; and
- 23/24 MCA submission for Warralakin Road as presented.

RESOLUTION

Moved:

Cr Day

Seconded:

Cr Della Bosca

12/08-22

That Council review and endorse the following for submission to the Regional Road Group:-

- 5 Year Road Program 23/24 to 28/29 financial years; and
- 23/24 MCA submission for Warralakin Road as presented


CARRIED 5/0

9.4 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH, PLANNING AND BUILDING SERVICES

NIL

10.2 CHANGE OF ORDINARY MEETING DATE – SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER 2022

Responsible Officer:	Bill Price, CEO
Author:	Karin Day, Shire President
File Reference:	T.1.1.3
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Attachments:	Nil
Signature:	Officer CEO



Purpose of the Report

Executive Decision Legislative Requirement

The purpose of this report is to In accordance with Regulation 12(2) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996, that notice be given that the Ordinary Council Meetings previously scheduled to be held in September and October, now be held on Thursday 22 September 2022 and Tuesday 18 October 2022 both commencing at 3.30pm

Background

In accordance with Regulation 12(1) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996 once a year Council is required to provide local public notice of the date, time and place the Ordinary Council Meetings for the next 12 months are to be held.

Several Councillors are requesting consideration for the following meetings being changed to suit individual schedules:

Thursday 15 September 2022

Thursday 20 October 2022

Comment

The date for the September meeting is currently set as Thursday 15 September 2022 & October meeting is currently set as Thursday 20 October 2022, requested consideration to change and be held on Thursday 22 September 2022 and Tuesday 18 October 2022 both commencing at 3.30pm

Policy Implications

Administration Policy 1.1 – Council Meetings.

Strategic Implications

Nil.

Financial Implications

Nil.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority Absolute Majority

