



AGENDA

Ordinary Council Meeting

To be held in Council Chambers, Wolfram Street Westonia
Thursday 24th September 2026 Commencing 4.00pm

Dear Councillors,

The next Ordinary Meeting of the Council of the Shire of Westonia will be held on 24th September 2026 the Council Chambers, Wolfram Street, Westonia.

Concept Meeting – 2.30pm – 3.30pm

Afternoon Tea – 3.30 pm –4.00 pm

Council Meeting – 4.00 pm



BILL Price
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
22 September 2026



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Chief Executive Officer, Shire of Westonia

In accordance with Section 5.60-5.65 of the Local Government Act and Regulation 34(B) and 34(C) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations, I advise you that I declare a (☒ appropriate box):

☐ **financial interest (Section 5.60A)**

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☐ **proximity interest (Section 5.60B)**

A person has a proximity interest in a matter if the matter concerns a proposed —

(a) change to a planning scheme affecting land that adjoins the person's land;

(b) change to the zoning or use of land that adjoins the person's land; or

(c) development (as defined in section 5.63(5)) of land that adjoins the person's land.

☐ **interest affecting impartiality/closely associated persons (Regulation 24C).** I disclose that I have an association with the applicant. As a consequence, there may be a perception that my impartiality on the matter may be affected. I declare that I will consider this matter on its merits and vote accordingly.

An interest that would give rise to a reasonable belief that the impartiality of the person having the interest would be adversely affected but does not include a financial or proximity interest as referred to in section 5.60.

in the following Council / Committee Meetings to be held on _____

in Item number/s _____

the nature of the interest being _____

☐ Further, that I wish to remain in the Chamber to participate in proceedings. As such, I declare the extent of my interest as being:

Yours faithfully

(Councillor's signature)

Councillor's Name

The *Local Government Act* provides that it is the member's obligation to declare the Nature of an interest if they believe that they have a financial interest, proximity interest, closely associated persons or an interest affecting impartiality in a matter being discussed by Council.

The Act provides that the Nature of the interest may be declared in writing to the Chief Executive Officer prior to the meeting or declared prior to discussion of the Agenda Item at the meeting. The Act further provides that the Extent of the interest needs to be declared if the member seeks to remain in the Chamber during the discussion, debate or voting on the item.

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The decision of whether to disclose a financial interest is yours and yours alone. Nobody can disclose for you and you can not be forced to make a disclosure.



**SHIRE OF
WESTONIA**
A vibrant community lifestyle

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.

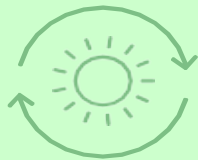
OUR VISION

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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.

Shire of Westonia: -

A vibrant community lifestyle.



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1. DECLARATION OF OPENING

The President, Cr Crees welcomed Councillors and staff and declared the meeting open at 4.00pm.

2. ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Councillors:

Cr DL Geier
Cr MJ Crews
Cr A Faithfull
Cr DL Simmonds

Via Teams

Cr RM Crees	<i>Shire President</i>
Cr RA Della Bosca	<i>Deputy Shire President</i>

Staff:

MR AW Price	<i>Chief Executive Officer</i>
Mrs JL Geier	<i>Deputy Chief Executive Officer</i>

Members of the Public:

Apologies:

Approved Leave of Absence:

3. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (4.10PM – 4.25PM)

NIL

4. APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

NIL

5. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

That the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on 20th August 2026 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

6. RECEIVAL OF MINUTES

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

That the minutes of the Great Eastern Country Zone Meeting Held on Thursday 13 August 2026 be accepted

Great Eastern Country Zone Minutes

13 August 2026

**Hosted by the Shire of Bruce Rock
Shire Hall, 54 Johnson St
Commenced at 9:30am**

ZONE STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

The following items are the Zone's priority issues, as resolved at the April 2026 Zone meeting:

- Regional Health Services to include:
 - Hospitals
 - Aged Care
 - Future of Nurse Practitioner Service
- Energy, Transport and Road Network
- Regional Housing and GROH
- Telecommunications
- Agricultural Land Use
- St John Ambulance Service
- Education
- Waste Management
- Regional Subsidiaries

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1. OPENING, ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

1.1. OPENING

The Chair opened the meeting at 9:35am.

1.2. ATTENDANCE

MEMBERS

2 Voting Delegates from each Member Council

Shire of Bruce Rock	President Cr Ramesh Rajagopalan Cr Stephen Strange Mr Mark Furr, Chief Executive Officer, non-voting
Shire of Cunderdin	President Cr Alison Harris Mr Stuart Hobley, Chief Executive Officer, non-voting
Shire of Dowerin	President Cr Darrel Hudson Cr Robert Trepp
Shire of Kellerberrin	Cr Emily Ryan Mr Raymond Griffiths, Chief Executive Officer, voting delegate
Shire of Kondinin	Deputy President, Cr Beverley Gangell Mr Bruce Wright, Chief Executive Officer, non-voting
Shire of Merredin	President Cr Donna Crook Cr Paul Boehme Mr Craig Watts, Chief Executive Officer, deputy delegate
Shire of Mount Marshall	President Cr Tony Sachse
Shire of Mukinbudin	President Cr Gary Shadbolt Ms Tanika McLennan, Chief Executive Officer, non-voting
Shire of Narembeen	President Cr Holly Cusack Deputy President, Cr Hannah Bald Raj Sunner, Executive Manager Corporate Services
Shire of Nungarin	President Cr Pippa de Lacy
Shire of Tammin	Deputy President, Cr Tanya Nicholls Mr Andrew Malone, Chief Executive Officer, non-voting
Shire of Trayning	President Cr Melanie Brown Mr Peter Naylor, Chief Executive Officer, non-voting
Shire of Yilgarn	President Cr Bryan Close Mr Ben Forbes, Chief Executive Officer, non-voting

Shire of Wyalkatchem Cr Rob Lawson Kerr
Mr Tom Kettle, Chief Executive Officer, non-voting

GUESTS

WALGA President Mayor Mark Irwin
Main Roads WA Mr Mohammad Siddiqui, Regional Manager Wheatbelt
Ms Vicky Eckersley, Customer Services Manager
Wheatbelt Development Commission Ms Renee Manning, A/Chief Executive Officer
CBH Group Ms Emma Haak, Planning and Approvals Lead
Mr Timothy Roberts, Specialist - Regulatory Approvals
Lumen Wheatbelt Study Hubs Ms Hannah Crute, Projects and Communications Officer
Department of Water and Environmental Regulation Ms Renae Thorpe, A/Manager Water Planning, Approvals - Statewide Delivery

WALGA

Mr Sam McLeod, Manager Commercial Services
Ms Habiba Farrag, State Council Governance Officer

1.3. APOLOGIES

MEMBERS

Shire of Dowerin Cr Ashley Jones
Mrs Manisha Barthakur, Chief Executive Officer, non-voting

Shire of Kondinin Cr Toni Smeed

Shire of Koorda President Cr Jannah Stratford
Deputy President, Cr Gary Greaves
Mr Zac Donovan, Chief Executive Officer, deputy voting delegate

Shire of Mt Marshall Deputy President, Cr Nicholas Gillett
Mr Ben McKay, Chief Executive Officer, non-voting

Shire of Narembeen Ms Rebecca McCall, Chief Executive Officer, deputy voting delegate

Shire of Nungarin Cr Gary Coumbe
Mr David Nayda, Chief Executive Officer, non-voting

Shire of Tammin President Cr Charmaine Thomson

Shire of Westonia President Cr Mark Crees
Deputy President, Cr Ross Della Bosca
Mr Bill Price, Chief Executive Officer

Shire of Wyalkatchem President Cr Christy Petchell
Deputy President, Cr Mischa Stratford

Shire of Yilgarn Cr Donna Newbury

GUESTS

Regional Development Mr Josh Pomykala, Director Regional Development

Australia WA

Water Corporation Ms Rebecca Bowler, Manager Customer &
Stakeholder – Goldfields & Agricultural Region

Wheatbelt District Emergency Ms Shelby Robinson
Management Committee

MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT

Hon Melissa Price MP, Member for Durack

Mr Rick Wilson MP, Member for O'Connor

Hon Steve Martin MLC

Mr Lachlan Hunter MLA, Member for Central Wheatbelt

Mr Peter Rundle MLA, Member for Roe

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We, the Great Eastern Country Zone of WALGA acknowledge the continuing connection of Aboriginal people to Country, culture and community, and pay our respects to Elders past and present.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Elected Members must declare to the Chairman any potential conflict of interest they have in a matter before the Zone as soon as they become aware of it. Councillors and deputies may be directly or indirectly associated with some recommendations of the Zone and State Council. If you are affected by these recommendations, please excuse yourself from the meeting and do not participate in deliberations.

Nil.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nil.

5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT 'VIRTUAL HOST'

A Zone member Local Government is invited to make a short (10 minutes) presentation on what is occurring in their Local Government.

The Shire of Bruce Rock made a presentation at this meeting.

The **Shire of Dowerin** is invited to make a presentation to next Zone meeting, in November.

6. GUEST SPEAKERS

Guest Speaker Protocols

- *The main speaker or keynote address to the Zone will be generally 30 minutes with 15 minutes for questions*
- *Other guest speakers will have a time limit of 20 minutes with 10 minutes for questions.*

6.1. WALGA PRESIDENT'S REPORT

WALGA President, Mayor Mark Irwin AM, provided the President's Report.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved: Shire of Cunderdin

Seconded: Shire of Bruce Rock

That the WALGA President's Report be received.

CARRIED

6.2. SPEAKERS FOR THE AUGUST ZONE MEETING

6.2.1. LUMEN WHEATBELT STUDY HUBS

Ms Hannah Crute, Projects and Communications Officer

Lumen Wheatbelt Study Hubs provided an overview of the program and the services provided.

Noted

6.2.2. DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATION

Ms Renae Thorpe, A/Manager Water Planning, Approvals - Statewide Delivery

Noted

7. MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT

Nil.

8. AGENCY REPORTS

Agency Reports Protocols

The Zone appreciates and prefers written updates (circulated with the Agenda) wherever possible. Agency representatives are invited to make brief (5 minute) remarks if the speaker wishes to provide context or a further update on a specific matter.

The Zone appreciates if time can be left for questions, typically for around 10 minutes. Briefings on a significant policy proposal or contentious topic are to be dealt with by the agency representative attending as a Guest or Keynote Speaker (item 6).

8.1. DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, INDUSTRY REGULATION AND SAFETY

The Department of Local Government, Industry Regulation and Safety report was submitted for the Zone. (Attachment 2)

Noted

8.2. WHEATBELT DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Ms Renee Manning, A/Chief Executive Officer

A verbal update was provided to the Zone.

Noted

8.3. REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AUSTRALIA WHEATBELT

Mr Josh Pomykala, Director Regional Development is an apology to the meeting.

The Regional Development Australia Wheatbelt report was distributed with the Agenda.

Noted

8.4. WATER CORPORATION

Please see the media release [here](#) relating to the announcement of the **winning bid for the GAWSS upgrade**:

WA-based Georgiou Group and SRG Global McConnell Dowell Joint Venture have secured contracts for the pipeline replacement works to deliver the \$543 million upgrade of the Goldfields and Agricultural Water Supply Scheme (GAWSS).

The upgrades will enable an additional 7.2ML of additional daily capacity across the scheme.

Works will include:

- Replacements and upgrades of 44.5 kilometres of ageing pipeline, mostly the original pipe, in the Shires of Merredin, Westonia, and Yilgarn, with new sections installed primarily below ground alongside the existing route
- Valve upgrades to improve network reliability
- Upgrades to the Binduli Reservoir in Kalgoorlie, doubling the water storage capacity

Burracoppin tank update:

- The Burracoppin tank is located in the Shire of Merredin. A minor leak was first reported a few years ago and was reported to have worsened significantly in May.
- To take the tank offline to try and fix it immediately, with no interim solution, would have impacted the 50 services receiving water from this part of the scheme.
- Water Corporation has now isolated the old tank and bypassed it with two 50-kilolitre temporary tanks installed on site to avoid water continuing to be lost.
- Permanent replacement options are currently being assessed.

Noted

8.5. CBH

Ms Emma Haak, Planning and Approvals Lead

A verbal update was provided to the Zone.

Noted

8.6. MAIN ROADS

Ms Vicky Eckersley, Customer Services Manager

Questions were provided to Ms Eckersley to Main Roads.

Noted

9. MINUTES

9.1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES FROM THE GREAT EASTERN COUNTRY ZONE MEETING HELD ON 11 JUNE 2026

The revised Minutes of the Great Eastern Country Zone meeting held on 11 June 2026 were provided with the Agenda.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved: Shire of Cunderdin

Seconded: Shire of Trayning

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Great Eastern Country Zone held on 11 June 2026 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.

CARRIED

9.2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE GREAT EASTERN COUNTRY ZONE MEETING HELD ON 11 JUNE 2026

Nil.

9.3. MINUTES OF THE GREAT EASTERN COUNTRY ZONE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 21 JULY 2026

The Minutes of the Great Eastern Country Zone Executive Committee meeting held on 21 July 2026 were provided as an attachment.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved: Shire of Nungarin

Seconded: Shire of Narembeen

That the Minutes of the Great Eastern Country Zone Executive Committee meeting held on 21 July 2026 be received.

CARRIED

9.4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE GREAT EASTERN COUNTRY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 21 JULY 2026

9.4.1. ZONE FORUM

The next Zone Forum is scheduled for 11 March 2027, to be hosted by the Shire of Cunderdin. The Zone has expressed a strong desire for the program to be directly relevant to member Local Governments. The working theme of "***Growing the Wheatbelt in a Changing World***" provides for sessions to consider global/national trends and issues and examine how they may impact on the Wheatbelt.

The Zone's Executive has been considering how to design the Forum to maximise impact and relevance for Zone Members, while managing costs. At its July meeting, the Executive Committee resolved to recommend a Zone-led model, with Zone members being invited to design sessions relevant to specific issues. A proposed framework of the Forum is presented below:

Session	Topic	Potential WALGA SME Assistance	Responsible Members "Session Group"	Potential Speakers/Ideas
Welcome breakfast (from 7 am)				
Session 1 (~70 mins)	Growing returns (Supporting industry and employment in the Wheatbelt - perhaps Ag, Energy, Manufacturing)	Economics	Bruce Rock, Dowerin, Kellerberrin	Relevant Ministers/Decision-makers; DPIRD (biomass etc.); Wheatbelt Development Commission; Agronomist; Interstate keynote; Energy policy specialists; success stories from local businesses
Morning Tea (10am)				
Session 2a (~60 mins)	Growing and caring (Health, Housing, and/or Wellbeing)	Community	Merredin, Kondinin, Cunderdin	DoHW; Minister for Housing; DevelopmentWA; WACHS; Rural Health West; Minister for Health; Mental Health Orgs; Minister for Education
Session 2b (~60 mins)	Growth and movement (The future of agricultural and mining supply chains)	Infrastructure	Yilgarn, Westonia, Trayning	Arc Infrastructure; CBH; Main Roads; WAPOL; Road Safety Commission; trucking companies; transport researchers
Lunch (1 pm)				
Session 3 (~70 mins)	Growing Resilience (Emergency Management and essential infrastructure - e.g. telecoms, fuel, water)	EM Community	Mount Marshall, Tammin, Wyalkatchem, Koorda	DFES; Fuel Coordinator; Community organisations; Disaster management experts; Telstra; Water Corp; Western Power
Afternoon Tea (3:30 pm)				

Session	Topic	Potential WALGA SME Assistance	Responsible Members "Session Group"	Potential Speakers/Ideas
Session 4 (~60 mins)	Growing the future (Advocacy and development for the leaders of tomorrow; community development; equity/inclusion)	Advocacy; Community	Narembeen, Nungarin, Mukinbudin	Current and former leaders (MPs, community leaders, Noongar elders, council members, member CEOs, sector legends, journalists etc.); advocacy specialists, etc.
Sundowner (5 pm)				

The Group of Zone members (including delegates and any support staff from their Local Governments) assigned to each session (the "Session Group") is therefore asked to determine and agree:

1. The format of each session - including whether it involves:
 - a. A single keynote address (with or without audience Q+A),
 - b. Consecutive presentations (with or without Q+A),
 - c. Panel discussions (with or without Q+A),
 - d. Audience workshop-style table discussions
 - e. Other content
2. The list of desired speakers for the session, with:
 - a. The intended role of each speaker:
 - i. within the proposed format (are they delivering a keynote, participating in a panel, taking audience questions, etc.); and
 - ii. particular topics or things the speaker is requested to address with enough detail for WALGA to convert into personalised email requests.
 - b. Additional/substitute speakers, with a clear order of preference, to enable WALGA to recruit enough speakers for the intended session format.

A template for this purpose has been prepared overleaf:

Template: Zone Forum Session Summary (to be fully completed by each Session Group)

Session number and topic:	[E.g. Session 1 - Growing returns – Future of grain growing and new tourism opportunities in the central Wheatbelt)]			
Format:	[Please describe – whether it involves: 1. A single keynote address (with or without audience Q+A), 2. Consecutive presentations (with or without Q+A), 3. Panel discussions (with or without Q+A), 4. Audience workshop-style table discussions 5. Other content Please describe how you would like time within the session to be allocated with as much detail as possible.]			
What key focus areas or issues do you want to explore in this session?	[Please describe the main focus of what is to be presented, and what you want the audience to come away with at the end of the session. What will the audience most like? What would be most valuable for the audience? How does the proposed format ensure the audience get the most value from this topic?]			
Proposed number of speakers and roles within session	[Describe how many speakers you would like within the session, and what you would like them to do. For example, you might specify: 1. One main keynote speaker, with one secondary speaker, followed by both participating in audience Q+A 2. Three very brief presentation followed by a panel discussion 3. Three consecutive short presentations and then a panel discussion with audience Q+A at the end 4. A facilitated workshop – including a briefing and then input from each table 5. Etc			
Requested Speakers	Who is this speaker?	What is their intended role within the proposed format (what would you like this speaker to do)?	What topics, issues, or ideas would you like this speaker to address?	Who would be the best substitute if this person is not available?
Most preferred speaker:	[Insert the name of a person]	[Are they delivering a keynote, participating in a panel, taking audience questions, etc.?)	[What do you want them to focus on? Topics to address and any subjects to avoid?]	[Insert the name of a person]
Second preferred speaker:	[Insert the name of a person]	[Are they delivering a keynote, participating in a panel, taking audience questions, etc.?)	[What do you want them to focus on? Topics to address and any subjects to avoid?]	[Insert the name of a person]
Third preferred speaker:	[As above]	[As above]	[As above]	[As above]
Fourth preferred speaker:	[As above]	[As above]	[As above]	[As above]
Fifth preferred speaker:	[As above]	[As above]	[As above]	[As above]
Sixth preferred speaker:	[As above]	[As above]	[As above]	[As above]
Seventh preferred speaker:	[As above]	[As above]	[As above]	[As above]

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It is proposed that each Session Group will:

1. Meet or discuss separately to develop their session no later than **the end of September** (each Session Group is to organise their own meeting, WALGA officers may be able to attend if requested);
2. Once agreed, complete and return the template to WALGA no later than **16 October 2026**;
3. Provide a brief (2 minute) summary of the proposed format at the **November Zone meeting** (which will provide an opportunity for discussion and any final refinement of the program across the sessions);
4. Liaise with WALGA and meet with the MC to finalise their session and brief speakers, etc. between **November and March**.

The session groups have been suggested based on Local Governments likely to have an interest in the topics. Delegates would be welcome to swap between sessions groups or be involved in multiple session groups, in the interest of developing the best possible program.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved: Shire of Trayning

Seconded: Shire of Merredin

That the Great Eastern Country Zone:

1. **Endorse the proposed Forum program design approach;**
2. **Appoint the member delegates to the Session Groups (allowing any swapping between groups by agreement between delegates);**
3. **Request Session Groups provide their completed template to the Executive Officer by 16 October 2026; and**
4. **Request Session Groups provide a summary of their proposed session at the November Zone meeting.**

CARRIED

10. WALGA STATE COUNCIL EXECUTIVE REPORTS

10.1. STATE COUNCILLOR REPORT

Cr Stephen Strange

RECOMMENDATION

Moved: Shire of Wyalkatchem

Seconded: Shire of Mukinbudin

That the State Councillor Report be received.

CARRIED

10.2. STATUS REPORT

Noted

Agenda Item	Zone Resolution	WALGA Response	Update Last Provided	WALGA Contact
13 November 2025 Zone Agenda Item 16.2 Review of the Community Sporting and Recreation Facilities Fund (CSRFF)	That the Great Eastern Country Zone: 1. Express its concern at the ongoing review of the Community Sporting and Recreation Facilities Fund (CSRFF) without a timeline for completion or confirmation of the program's future structure or funding levels. 2. Request WALGA to advocate to the Minister for Sport and Recreation and the Department of Creative Industries, Tourism and Sport (CITS) for: a. Public release of the CSRFF review's scope, commencement date and expected completion timeline; b. Confirmation of the program's continuation and funding levels beyond the review period, with increases to reflect inflation, demand, and regional construction costs; c. Commitment that CSRFF will remain a merit-based, transparent, and equitable program accessible to regional and metropolitan communities alike; and d. Urgent communication of future funding round dates to enable regional local governments and community clubs to plan projects effectively. 3. Request WALGA to highlight to the Minister that the lack of certainty around CSRFF is jeopardising the fruition of regional projects vital to community wellbeing, participation, and sustainability.	In July the CITS website was updated to advise that the review of the CSRFF and CNLP is being conducted between July and November 2026 ahead of funding rounds opening in February 2027. WALGA advocated strongly for meaningful sector consultation in the review as well as further information on the impact on current and future rounds. WALGA has agreed to lead Local Government consultation on behalf of CITS in July – August, including a short CITS survey and targeted workshops. An WALGA Members survey will gather additional insights to create a robust evidence base of Local Government feedback and inform the sector-wide response to the review and broader WALGA advocacy. WALGA will continue to engage with CITS on the review, including recommending ongoing engagement with Local Governments on the anticipated updated program guidelines and reopening of funding rounds in February 2027. The sector consultation and data analysis undertaken by WALGA will inform ongoing advocacy relating to CSRFF, CNLP and community infrastructure investment. CSRFF funding has been maintained at \$12 million per annum across the forward estimates in the 2026-27 State Budget.	August 2026	Nicole Matthews Executive Manager Policy nmatthews@walga.asn.au 9213 2039
13 February 2025 Zone Agenda Item 14.1 WA Telstra Automatic Transfer	That the Great Eastern Country Zone requests WALGA organise a roundtable with WALGA, Telstra, Department of Fire and Emergency Services and Department of Primary Industries and Regional	Negotiations with Telstra / InfraCo and the State Government through DPIRD are continuing with the objective of implementing clear backup generator deployment	June 2026	Ian Duncan Executive Manager Infrastructure iduncan@walga.asn.au

Unit Pilot Deployment Program	Development to discuss the drafting of Community Support Agents Agreement for the implementation of the WA Telstra Automatic Transfer Unit Pilot Deployment Program.	arrangements in place for the 2026/27 high threat season. Progress has been made in relation to required qualifications and training for people to connect the generators to an ATU. Significant challenges remain regarding the indemnities sought by Telstra from Local Governments and / or the State Government.		9213 2031
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11. ZONE REPORTS

11.1. CHAIR REPORT

President Cr Tony Sachse

Welcome to our fourth meeting for 2026.

The Zone Executive met on 21st July 2026. The Minutes of the meeting are attached.

The Shire of Bruce Rock are hosting and providing the 10-minute presentation today.

Special Welcome to WALGA President Cr Mark Irwin. We look forward to your address and update on WALGA business.

We also have the Wheatbelt LUMEN Study Hubs presenting today.

Thank you also to all the Agency representatives for sending in their respective reports and to those who are attending today.

Many thanks to our Executive Officer Sam McCeod and Executive Assistant Habiba Farrag from WALGA for their great support to our Zone. Thanks again to the Shire of Bruce Rock for hosting us today.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved: Shire of Yilgarn

Seconded: Shire of Merredin

That the Zone Chair's report be received.

CARRIED

11.2. WHEATBELT DISTRICT EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (DEMC)

President Cr Tony Sachse

Natalie Bell is now the District Emergency Management Advisor for the Wheatbelt District. She is filling the role for Shelby Robinson until February next year while she is on extended leave.

The last meeting of the Wheatbelt DEMC was an Annual Exercise, on **Wednesday 6 May 2026** from **10am-1pm**. The meeting and exercise related to the consequences of a prolonged water disruption across our region, and its impacts on communities and essential services. At the time of writing the minutes for this have not yet been distributed. There is a EM Webinar scheduled for Wednesday 26th August. This presentation is by Telstra who will provide insight on their Accessible Satellite Apps.

The Wheatbelt Operational Area Support Group (OASG)/ISG is now meeting on an as needed basis.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved: Shire of Narembeen

Seconded: Shire of Tammin

That the Wheatbelt District Emergency Management Committee Report be received.

CARRIED

12. ZONE BUSINESS

12.1. MAJOR LAND TRANSACTION PROVISIONS – REGIONAL WORKFORCE HOUSING PROJECTS

By Shire of Narembeen

PURPOSE

To seek WALGA Great Eastern Country Zone support for advocacy to the State Government regarding amendment of the *Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996* to provide greater flexibility for local government-led workforce housing projects undertaken for a public purpose.

BACKGROUND

Rural and regional local governments across Western Australia are increasingly being required to take a direct role in facilitating housing delivery due to ongoing housing shortages, workforce attraction challenges and limited private sector development in smaller communities.

Many local governments are now investing significant capital into workforce housing projects to support the attraction and retention of essential personnel including teachers, police officers, health professionals, emergency service personnel and local government employees.

Under the current legislative framework, workforce housing projects may become subject to the Major Land Transaction provisions contained within section 3.59 of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

Whilst the policy intent of the Major Land Transaction provisions is understood and supported, the provisions can unintentionally capture relatively modest workforce housing projects in regional communities.

The Major Land Transaction threshold is currently the lesser of \$2,000,000 or 10% of a local government's annual operating expenditure. For many rural and regional local governments, the applicable threshold is therefore significantly less than \$2,000,000.

For example, a local government with annual operating expenditure of approximately \$9 million would be captured at a threshold of approximately \$900,000. In today's construction market, this may equate to as few as two workforce dwellings.

As a consequence, local governments seeking to deliver housing for teachers, police officers, health professionals, local government employees and other essential workers can quickly become subject to Major Land Transaction requirements despite the project being undertaken for a clear public purpose and without any commercial profit motive.

A practical challenge is that workforce housing projects are often captured because a long-term lease is considered a form of land transaction or disposal under the legislation, notwithstanding the local government retains ownership of both the land and dwellings.

In many cases, the local government is not selling land, divesting assets or undertaking a commercial venture. Rather, it is investing significant capital and assuming financial risk to deliver housing outcomes that support essential government services and broader community wellbeing.

DISCUSSION

The current housing shortage across regional Western Australia has resulted in local governments increasingly partnering with State Government agencies and other stakeholders to deliver workforce housing solutions.

Recent examples include Government Regional Officers Housing (GROH), key worker housing initiatives and regional workforce accommodation projects being pursued by individual local governments and regional groupings such as NEWROC, ROEROC, WEROC and 4WDL.

There may be merit in reviewing the exemption provisions contained within the *Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996* to determine whether local government workforce housing projects delivered for a public purpose should be afforded separate consideration (be exempt) from Major Land Transaction Provisions).

Any such amendment could be limited to projects where:

- The primary purpose is workforce attraction and retention;
- The housing supports essential government services or identified workforce shortages;
- The local government retains ownership of the land and housing assets;
- The project is not being undertaken for commercial profit; and
- The project demonstrably addresses housing market failure within regional communities.

Such an approach would continue to preserve transparency and accountability whilst reducing unnecessary administrative burden and supporting the delivery of regional housing outcomes.

SECRETARIAT COMMENT

WALGA recognises that lack of available housing is a significant constraint for regional Local Governments. As a result, a growing number of Local Governments are increasingly compelled to provide housing to attract and retain key workers.

Further investigation may identify opportunities to reduce red tape for local governments. This may be suitable in circumstances where key projects meet pre-determined public purpose criteria.

In addition, it would be reasonable to review the value thresholds prescribed for Major Land Transactions to consider whether they reflect current property and construction values, and future market growth. While the tender threshold prescribed in the *Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996* was increased in 2020, values prescribed for Major Land Transactions and Major Trading Undertakings have not been adjusted since 2011. Some values prescribed for exempt disposals of property have not been increased since the regulations were introduced in 1996.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved: Shire of Narembeen

Seconded: Shire of Wyalkatchem

That the WALGA Great Eastern Country Zone:

- 1. Supports advocacy to the Minister for Local Government and to the Minister for Planning and Lands; Housing and Works seeking a review of the Major Land Transaction exemption provisions contained within the *Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996* as they relate to local government-led workforce housing projects undertaken for a public purpose.**
- 2. Requests WALGA State Council investigate and advocate for regulatory amendments which recognise workforce housing projects delivered by local governments to support essential services, workforce attraction and workforce retention in regional Western Australia.**
- 3. Requests WALGA engage with the Department of Local Government, Industry Regulation and Safety and relevant State Government agencies to identify opportunities to reduce unnecessary regulatory barriers impacting delivery of local government workforce housing projects.**

CARRIED

12.2. RURAL HEALTH ADVOCACY UPDATE

By Hannah Godsave, Manager Community Policy

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

This work aligns to [WALGA Advocacy Position 3.2.2 Rural and Remote Healthcare Services](#):

The Western Australian and Australian Governments are responsible for ensuring that all West Australians have equitable access to primary healthcare services, regardless of their location. Local Governments should not have to step in to support the provision of these services for their communities.

- 1. WALGA calls on the Western Australian and Australian Governments to address the systemic failures in the provision of rural and remote primary healthcare services, including through:*
 - a. the development and implementation of adequate, appropriate and sustainable funding models*

- b. incentivising rural and remote healthcare workforce recruitment and retention.*
- 2. Local Governments should be reimbursed for costs incurred to support the provision of primary healthcare services until sustainable funding and workforce models are in place.*

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COMMENT

WALGA continues to advocate for measures to address the cost impost borne by Local Governments supporting GP services. The [WALGA 2025 General Practice Support Survey Report](#) (the Report) identified that in 2024-25, West Australian Local Governments incurred over \$9.5 million in costs associated with supporting GP services.

WALGA is progressing advocacy efforts to advance the priorities and strategic objectives of the revised [Rural and Remote Healthcare Services Advocacy Position](#) endorsed by State Council in September 2025 across three related streams:

- raising awareness of the scale of support Local Governments are providing and that this is not a Local Government responsibility, including in:
 - meetings with State and Federal Ministers, Members of Parliament and the National Rural Health Commissioner
 - discussions with key health stakeholders including key State Government agencies
 - a submission and evidence provided to the [Commonwealth Inquiry into rural, regional and remote Medicare access and funding](#)
 - presenting at the Local Government Rural Health Funding Alliance Canberra Session in June 2026
 - sharing insights and progress with ALGA and Local Government Associations, including sharing the WALGA survey methodology to support the collection of nationally comparable data.
- calling for sector reimbursement, including the \$9.5 million per annum reimbursement fund ask within the WALGA 2026-27 [Federal](#) and [State](#) Budget Submissions
- facilitating cross-sector collaboration with health organisations to develop and advocate for sustainable service and funding model reforms that would reduce or remove the need for Local Government support and identifying opportunities to engage with the Commonwealth and State Governments' strategic reform direction.

Building on the existing partnership with Rural Health West, WALGA has brought together key health organisations to investigate practical, WA focussed alternative service and funding models. This approach also provides joint advocacy opportunities to increase the reach and impact of WALGA advocacy. The group provides a strong foundation for the development of sustainable, system-wide policy solutions responsive to the needs of communities, service providers and government stakeholders. The group includes: the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners WA, Australian Medical Association WA Rural Doctors Group, Health Consumers' Council WA, and Curtin University Medical School. The work has also been informed by input from WA Country Health Service, the WA Primary Health Alliance and the Office of the Chief Medical Officer. The work has also been informed by WALGA's discussions with the National Rural Health Commissioner in late July.

The group's findings and recommendations will be shared and tested with Members ahead of finalisation. WALGA is also considering mechanisms to support ongoing Member

engagement and collaboration on this issue, including opportunities for participation in advocacy activities.

WALGA welcomes ongoing Member engagement and collaboration on this important issue. Local Governments are uniquely placed to demonstrate the real community and human impacts of this issue, which is critical to ensuring advocacy is credible, meaningful and effective.

Noted

12.3. H5 BIRD FLU UPDATE

WALGA has prepared an item for noting, available in the [State Council Agenda](#) (item 10.6) which provides an update on WALGA's activities to support Local Government Members since the outbreak.

Noted

12.4. ZONE MUTUAL AID MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

By Catherine Feeney, LEMA Implementation Project Officer, and Sam McLeod, Zone Executive Officer

At the February meeting, the Zone agreed to a simplified process to renew and note the long standing in-principle agreement intended to encourage the voluntary provision of mutual aid between Local Government members in times of emergency and post-incident recovery. Several Zones have established similar mutual aid arrangements.

The Zone previously adopted a standing Mutual Aid Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) as a non-binding framework to support cooperation between member Local Governments during emergencies and post incident recovery.

The MOU does not create legal or financial obligations and preserves CEO discretion regarding the provision of any assistance, subject to local capacity and operational priorities.

Instead of formal signing and ratification, the Zone is requested to reaffirm a general commitment to the principles in the MOU. This reaffirmation is proposed to occur prior to the high-threat season to maintain awareness and readiness.

Following the Zone's resolution, each member Local Government is each invited to endorse the principles outlined in the MOU.

The purpose of Council endorsement is to acknowledge support for the principles of cooperation and ensure broad awareness of the MOU. WALGA has also prepared a pro-forma draft Council item template for inclusion in upcoming Council meeting papers for this purpose.

Importantly, decisions regarding the provision of personnel, plant, equipment or services remain the operational decisions of the Chief Executive Officer.

ATTACHMENTS

- GECZ MOU for Mutual Aid 2026
- MOU for Mutual Aid - Draft Agenda Item Template

RECOMMENDATION

Moved: Shire of Yilgarn
Seconded: Shire of Narembeen

That the WALGA Great Eastern Country Zone:

- 1. Notes and reaffirms commitment to the principles expressed in the Memorandum of Understanding for Mutual Aid in Emergencies and Post-Incident Recovery; and**
- 2. Encourages Zone members to:**
 - a. Present the MOU for the consideration of its Council; and**
 - b. Consider integrating the MOU into its Local Emergency Management Arrangements.**

CARRIED

12.5. REQUEST TO PRESENT – DEPARTMENT OF CREATIVE INDUSTRIES, TOURISM AND SPORT (CITS)

The Department of Creative Industries, Tourism and Sport (CITS) is responsible for supporting and growing Western Australia's creative industries, tourism, sport and active recreation sectors. The Department works in partnership with government, industry and community stakeholders to deliver social, cultural and economic benefits across the State. CITS is interested in engaging further with Local Governments through the Zones.

For those Zones that are interested, the presentation will provide an overview of CITS, including its responsibilities, strategic priorities and key areas of focus. The session will explore the Department's role in supporting communities across Western Australia and highlight opportunities for engagement and collaboration between CITS and Local Governments. The presentation will conclude with a question-and-answer session, providing Zone members with the opportunity to discuss matters of interest relevant to their communities and regions.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved: Shire of Trayning
Seconded: Shire of Merredin

That the Great Eastern Country Zone supports a presentation from the Department of Creative Industries, Tourism and Sport (CITS) at a future Zone meeting and that questions be provided to the WALGA Secretariat prior to the CITS representative attending the Zone meeting.

CARRIED

12.6. CONSULTATION OPPORTUNITIES

Nil.

13. WALGA STATE COUNCIL AGENDA

Zone Delegates are invited to read and consider the WALGA State Council Agenda, which has been provided as an attachment with this Agenda and can be found via the link [here](#).

The Zone can provide comment or submit an alternative recommendation on any of the items, including the items for noting. The Zone comment will then be presented to the State Council for consideration at their meeting.

The State Council Agenda items requiring a decision of State Council are extracted for Zone consideration below.

13.1. RETIREMENT OF ADVOCACY POSITIONS ACHIEVED BY REFORM – STATE COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM 8.1

By Felicity Morris, Manager Governance and Procurement

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- WALGA has been undertaking a process of reviewing and updating Advocacy Positions.
- Five Advocacy Positions within Section 2 (Governance and Organisational Services) of the [Advocacy Position Manual](#) have been reviewed, with a recommendation to retire these Positions as their intended outcomes have been achieved through legislative changes.
- The Governance Advisory Group considered these positions at their meeting held on 22 July 2026 and recommends the retirement of these positions to State Council.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

This report recommends that the below items be retired from the existing WALGA Advocacy Positions Manual.

2.5.17 – Clear Lease Requirements for Candidate and Vote Eligibility

The Local Government sector supports reforms to prevent the use of 'sham leases' in Council elections, including:

1. *Requiring a minimum lease period of 12 months for anyone to register a person to vote or run for Council;*
2. *Making home-based businesses ineligible to register a person to vote or run for Council because any residents are already eligible voter(s) for that address;*
3. *Clarifying the minimum criteria for leases eligible to register a person to vote or run for Council; and*
4. *Publishing the basis of eligibility for each candidate (e.g. type of property and suburb of property), including in the candidate pack for electors.*

2.5.19 Re-Counts

The Local Government sector supports the introduction of standard processes for vote re-counts if there is a very small margin (e.g. 10 or fewer votes) between

candidates, inclusive of Regulations that specify the circumstances in which the Returning Officer must arrange for some or all of the votes to be re-counted.

2.5.27 – Annual Review of Certain Employee's Performance

Section 5.38 of the Local Government Act 1995 should be deleted, or amended so there is only a specific requirement for Council to conduct the Chief Executive Officer's annual performance review.

2.5.33 – Vexatious and Frivolous Complainants

A statutory provision should be developed, permitting a Local Government to:

- 1. Enable discretion to refuse to further respond to a complainant where the CEO of the Local Government is of the opinion that the complaint is trivial, frivolous or vexatious or is not made in good faith, or has been determined to have been previously properly investigated and concluded, similar to the terms of section 18 of the Parliamentary Commissioner Act 1971.*
- 2. Provide for a complainant, who receives a Local Government discretion to refuse to deal with that complainant, to refer the Local Government's decision for third party review.*
- 3. Enable Local Government discretion to declare a member of the public a vexatious or frivolous complainant for reasons, including abuse of process; harassing or intimidating an individual, Elected Member or employee of the Local Government; or unreasonably interfering with the operations of the Local Government.*

2.6 Group Ticket Voting

The Local Government sector supports the removal of group ticket voting from the Legislative Council electoral system, and supports reforms modelled on the Senate reforms of 2016.

BACKGROUND

The Governance Advisory Group currently oversees approximately 100 Advocacy Positions on a wide range of issues. As part of a comprehensive review program, the WALGA Governance team is assessing these positions to identify opportunities to streamline and strengthen existing Advocacy Positions, while also updating or retiring those that have become outdated or superseded. At the meeting held on 22 July 2026, the Governance Advisory Group agreed to recommend to State Council the retirement of the positions outlined in this report.

COMMENT

Following recent legislative changes, particularly the ongoing reforms to the *Local Government Act 1995* (the Act), several positions have been identified for retirement as their objectives have been achieved.

2.5.17 – Clear Lease Requirements for Candidate and Vote Eligibility

This Position was adopted at the February 2022 Special State Council meeting.

Amendments to the Act and *Local Government (Elections) Regulations 1997* have achieved the following:

- Requirement of a right of occupation for a period of 12 months prior to an enrolment eligibility claim (Section 4.32(3)).
- Occupation of a residence does not constitute occupation for the basis of enrolment, with the effect that home based businesses are ineligible, while residents are enrolled on the residents' roll (Elections r.10A(2)(a)).

- Detailed minimum requirements for leases to constitute a basis for enrolment (Section 4.23, Elections r.10A, 12B, 12C).
- The basis of enrolment eligibility (resident, owner or occupier) must be identified by the Returning Officer and included in the information that must be published about each candidate for election (Elections r.29A).

Given that all elements of Position Statement 2.5.17 have been addressed through legislative reform, it is recommended that this Advocacy Position be retired.

2.5.19 Re-Counts

This Position was adopted at the December 2023 State Council meeting.

Amendments to the *Local Government (Elections) Regulations 1997* in 2025 introduced a new Part 12D, establishing requirements for mandatory recounts if the margin is less than a defined re-count threshold.

Given that the objective of the Position has now been achieved, it is recommended that this policy position be retired.

2.5.27 – Annual Review of Certain Employee's Performance

Section 5.38 of the Act has been amended to specify that the Local Government (Council) is responsible for the Chief Executive Officer's performance review, while the CEO is responsible for ensuring that the performance of each other employee for more than 1 year is reviewed.

When the *Local Government Amendment Act 2023* takes full effect, Section 5.38 will be further amended to expand on the process required for a CEO performance review and remove all references to employees other than the CEO.

As the required change has been achieved it is recommended that Position 2.5.27 be retired.

2.5.33 – Vexatious and Frivolous Complainants

This Position was adopted at the March 2019 State Council meeting.

On 1 January 2026, amendments to the Act took effect inserting a new Part 5, Division 11 – Restricting communication about complaints.

The new provisions:

- Provide CEOs with the authority to restrict communication with complainants in certain circumstances, including where the complaint has been responded to, would divert substantial resources, is vexatious, misconceived, frivolous or without substance.
- Provide a mechanism for review and oversight by the Local Government Inspector.

Considering these legislative changes, it is proposed that that Position 2.5.33 be retired, as the intent of the Advocacy Position has been substantially addressed through the Act.

2.6 Group Ticket Voting

This Position was adopted at the June 2021 State Council meeting.

Amendments to the *Electoral Act 1907* have implemented reforms that abolish group ticket voting and introduce optional preferential voting for the Legislative Council. These changes

were affected through legislative amendments, including the removal of Part IV (ss. 104–133) by the *Electoral Amendment (Finance and Other Matters) Act 2023*.

Given that the objective of Position 2.6 has now been achieved, it is recommended that this Advocacy Position be retired.

WALGA RECOMMENDATION

That State Council retire the following Advocacy Positions:

1. 2.5.17 – Clear Lease Requirements for Candidate and Vote Eligibility
2. 2.5.19 – Re-Counts
3. 2.5.27 – Annual Review of Certain Employee's Performance
4. 2.5.33 – Vexatious and Frivolous Complainants
5. 2.6 – Group Ticket Voting

RECOMMENDATION

Moved: Shire of Cunderdin

Seconded: Shire of Tammin

That the Great Eastern Country Zone supports the WALGA recommendation for State Council Agenda item 8.1 as contained in the State Council Agenda and as provided above.

CARRIED

13.2. CIRCULAR ECONOMY ADVOCACY POSITION – STATE COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM 8.2

By Rebecca Brown, Policy Manager, Environment and Waste

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- A new Advocacy Position on circular economy is proposed.
- To focus future advocacy, a draft Advocacy Position was developed for sector feedback, supported by a [Background Paper](#).
- The paper identified the potential that transitioning to a circular economy has to reduce cost of living pressures, maximise use of resources and reduce a range of environmental impacts associated with the manufacture, distribution and post consumption management of products.
- The Advocacy Position was endorsed by the Municipal Waste Advisory Council at its final meeting on 18 June 2026 and noted by the Environment, Planning and Waste Advisory Group at its 13 July 2026 meeting.

STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS

This item aligns with WALGA's Strategic Pillars:

- **Influence:** Lead advocacy on issues important to Local Government and lead policy development for the Local Government sector.
- **Support:** Anticipate, understand and respond to Member needs.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

A new policy position on circular economy is proposed:

1. *Local Government supports the principle of a circular economy and recognises its potential to:*
 - a. *maximise the value and use of resources through a products life cycle*
 - b. *minimise environmental and financial impacts associated with the manufacture, distribution and post consumption management of products.*
2. *Local Government calls on the:*
 - a. *State Government to undertake a detailed study to determine how Western Australia can move toward a circular economy.*
 - b. *Australian Government to:*
 - i. *establish and maintain a regulated product stewardship framework for products entering the Australian market*
 - ii. *set standards to ensure products are designed to be durable, reused, repaired and recycled at their highest value*
 - iii. *implement Right to Repair Legislation, including incentives, training and cost-effective insurance options.*
 - c. *Australian and State Governments to take a collaborative approach to:*
 - i. *identify and remove legislative barriers to enable more circular approaches*
 - ii. *streamline Government approvals processes and facilitate innovation*
 - iii. *embed circular procurement practices across Government*
 - iv. *support and provide incentives for recovered materials infrastructure and market development for priority materials across Western Australia.*

BACKGROUND

Circular economy is defined as 'an economic strategy that maintains the value of materials for as long as possible and ensures materials are used efficiently across all phases of their life cycle'. WALGA [submissions](#) on the review of the State Waste Strategy identified that an overall State Government position on a circular economy for Western Australia is needed, recommending that State Government, in consultation with Local Governments, develop a position and plan for a circular economy in Western Australia which includes consideration of costs, benefits and options.

WALGA's [submission to the Productivity Commission Inquiry into Opportunities in the Circular Economy](#) further highlighted priority action areas to promote circularity. This included the important role of procurement, the need for quality assurance and market development for recovered materials, specific programs and incentives to shift consumer behaviours, the Right to Repair and a mandated product stewardship framework.

A defined circular economy position and plan is required to back up the vision and identify the role of each sector in achieving a circular economy, both nationally and in Western Australia. There has been only limited discussion outside of the waste management context on what a circular economy is and its potential.

COMMENT

In April 2026, WALGA released the [Circular Economy Advocacy Position Background Paper](#). The Paper outlines that transitioning to a circular economy has the potential to reduce cost of living pressures, maximise use of resources and reduce a range of environmental impacts associated with the manufacture, distribution and post consumption management of products.

In drafting the draft Circular Economy Advocacy Position, WALGA drew on international, national and local circular economy policies and activities to identify the barriers and opportunities to move toward a circular economy in WA. The Advocacy Position outlines the actions needed from all levels of Government to change legislation and policies where required, put in place relevant incentives and lead by example.

Consultation on the Paper and draft Advocacy Position was carried out from 20 April to 15 May 2026. Responses were received from 10 Local Governments, five Metropolitan and five Regional. Of the submissions received, eight supported the Advocacy Position without amendments and two supported the Advocacy Position with minor suggested changes, which have been incorporated.

WALGA updated the Advocacy Position following feedback from the Municipal Waste Advisory Council at its 18 June 2026 meeting. The Advocacy Position was noted by the Environment, Planning and Waste Advisory Group at its 13 July 2026 meeting.

WALGA RECOMMENDATION

That State Council endorse the following new Circular Economy Advocacy Position:

1. *Local Government supports the principle of a circular economy and recognises its potential to:*
 - a. *maximise the value and use of resources through a products life cycle; and*
 - b. *minimise environmental and financial impacts associated with the manufacture, distribution and post consumption management of products.*
2. *Local Government calls on the:*
 - a. *State Government to undertake a detailed study to determine how Western Australia can move toward a circular economy.*
 - b. *Australian Government to:*
 - i. *establish and maintain a regulated product stewardship framework for products entering the Australian market;*
 - ii. *set standards to ensure products are designed to be durable, reused, repaired and recycled at their highest value; and*
 - iii. *implement Right to Repair Legislation, including incentives, training and cost-effective insurance options.*
 - c. *Australian and State Governments to take a collaborative approach to:*
 - i. *identify and remove legislative barriers to enable more circular approaches;*
 - ii. *streamline Government approvals processes and facilitate innovation;*
 - iii. *embed circular procurement practices across Government; and*
 - iv. *support and provide incentives for recovered materials infrastructure and market development for priority materials across Western Australia.*

RECOMMENDATION

Moved: Shire of Mukinbudin
Seconded: Shire of Wyalkatchem

That the Great Eastern Country Zone supports the WALGA recommendation for State Council Agenda item 8.2 as contained in the State Council Agenda and as provided above.

CARRIED

13.3. OTHER STATE COUNCIL AGENDA ITEMS

Zone Delegates are invited to raise for discussion, questions or decision any of the items in the State Council Agenda, including the items for noting, Advisory Group Reports or the Key Activity Reports.

14. EMERGING ISSUES

14.1. PUBLIC HEALTH ACT

Shire of Koorda

Moved: Shire of Yilgarn
Seconded: Shire of Bruce Rock

That the Great Eastern Country Zone requests WALGA's advice on the resources available to Local Governments to assist in the preparation of local laws under the new Public Health Act framework.

CARRIED

14.2. COMMUNITY WATER SUPPLIES

Shire of Mt Marshall

Moved: Shire of Mt Marshall
Seconded: Shire of Dowerin

That the Great Eastern Country Zone Executive Committee write a letter on Community Water Supplies Partnership Program and Agricultural Areas/Strategic Community Water Supply Programs on future and recurrent funding.

CARRIED

15. NEXT MEETING

The next Executive Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, 27 October 2026 commencing at 8:00am, via MTeams.

The next Great Eastern Country Zone meeting will be held on Thursday, 12 November 2026 commencing at 9:30am. This meeting will be hosted by the **Shire of Dowerin**.

16. CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 12:43pm.

7. PRESIDENT/COUNCILLORS ANNOUNCEMENTS

President, Cr Crees advised having attended the following meetings:

Deputy President, Cr Della Bosca advised having attended the following meetings:

Councillor Geier advised having attended the following meetings:

Councillor Simmonds advised having attended the following meetings:

Councillor Faithfull advised having attended the following meetings:

Councillor Crews advised having attended the following meetings:

8. DECLARATION OF FINANCIAL INTEREST, PROXIMITY INTEREST AND/OR INTEREST AFFECTING IMPARTIALITY

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 **24th September 2026**.

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 **24th September 2026**.

Name/Position	
Item No./Subject	
Nature of 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 **24th September 2026**.

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 – AUGUST 2026

Responsible Officer:	Bill Price, Chief Executive Officer	
Author:	Jasmine Geier, Deputy Chief Executive Officer	
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

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Legislative Requirement

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

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 may be obtained.

Comment

Attached is a copy of Accounts for Payment for the month of August 2026 The credit card/ Fuel Card statements currently show: -

MasterCard Transactions - \$6,744.97

CEO August 2026 \$2,836.02 associated with the purchase of Starlink, Magnific Icons Premium (Annual Report), Laser Bird Controller, 7/11 Diesel Fuel, International Fee & Bendigo - Card Fee

DCEO August 2026 \$ 3,908.95 associated with the purchase, 5xExchange, 9x365 Business Basic, 14x365 Business Std, Kinatic - CV Check, R Sing, Total Tools - Cigweld regulator, Perth Airport Parkin, Containers for Change Bins, Liquor Licence - Night at the Museum, Purchase of Laptop & other miscellaneous HACC supplies, Bendigo - Card Fee

Fuel Card Transactions Totalling \$676.95

CEO	\$ - 0.00
DCEO	\$ -445.68
Construction Supervisor	\$ - 231.27

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 2026/2027 Annual Budget.



Voting Requirements



Simple Majority



Absolute Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

That August 2026 accounts submitted to today’s meeting on Municipal D/Debits from DD5056 to DD5078 and Electronic Fund Transfers EFT8508 to EFT8585 (Inclusive of Department for Planning and Infrastructure / Creditor and Bank Fees Directly Debited and Credit Card Payments) totalling \$994,868.91 be passed for payment.

List of Accounts Due & Submitted to Council August 2026

Chq/EFT	Date	Name	Description	Amount	Bank	Type
925	03/08/2026	FEE - BANK FEES	BANK FEES	-308.69	1	FEE
EFT8508	05/08/2026	WALGA	GECZ Annual Sub	-1650.00	1	CSH
EFT8509	05/08/2026	Copier Support	Copier Support	-1364.56	1	CSH
EFT8510	05/08/2026	Ron Bateman & Co	Gen Set	-936.55	1	CSH
EFT8511	05/08/2026	HI-LO CONSTRUCTION	Building Maintenance	-11596.39	1	CSH
EFT8512	05/08/2026	Merredin Glazing Service	Blitz Window	-79.20	1	CSH
EFT8513	05/08/2026	Great Southern Fuel Supplies	Grease Cartridges Fuel WT111 & 02WT	-833.22	1	CSH
EFT8514	05/08/2026	Central Regional TAFE	Staff Training Admin Traineeship	-7309.00	1	CSH
EFT8515	05/08/2026	Australia Post	Postage	-39.23	1	CSH
EFT8516	05/08/2026	WA Contract Ranger Services P/L	Ranger Services	-462.00	1	CSH
EFT8517	05/08/2026	MACE Services Pty Ltd	P14 OWT Service	-1041.61	1	CSH
EFT8518	05/08/2026	Lite n'Easy	HACC Meals	-285.80	1	CSH
EFT8519	05/08/2026	Aged Care Provider Assistance Pty Ltd	Aged Care Provider Assistance	-1145.79	1	CSH
EFT8520	05/08/2026	C&F Building Approvals	Building Permits	-990.00	1	CSH
EFT8521	05/08/2026	Western Plumbing & Gas Fitting	Sewage Fix	-789.80	1	CSH
EFT8522	05/08/2026	Wongan Hills Pharmacy	HACC Products	-364.44	1	CSH
EFT8523	05/08/2026	Slipperys Earthmoving & Contracting	Private Works	-2546.50	1	CSH
EFT8524	05/08/2026	S A Deworboies & M J Deworboies	Storage Container Deposit	-1000.00	1	CSH
EFT8525	05/08/2026	The Fun Depot	WOTG Kids Entertainment Deposit	-4034.75	1	CSH
EFT8526	05/08/2026	The Mat Group	Floor Matting	-1689.60	1	CSH
4081	07/08/2026	Shire of Westonia	Annual Vehicle Licenses	-8041.85	1	CSH
DD5056.1	09/08/2026	Aware Super - Accumulation	Payroll deductions	-6881.23	1	CSH
DD5056.2	09/08/2026	AUSTRALIANSUPER	Superannuation contributions	-1333.76	1	CSH
DD5056.3	09/08/2026	MLC Masterkey	Superannuation contributions	-379.27	1	CSH
DD5056.4	09/08/2026	G E S B Super Scheme	Superannuation contributions	-291.39	1	CSH
DD5056.5	09/08/2026	HESTA	Superannuation contributions	-37.46	1	CSH
DD5056.6	09/08/2026	Amp Flexible Lifetime Super	Superannuation contributions	-305.31	1	CSH
DD5056.7	09/08/2026	Macquarie Super	Superannuation contributions	-379.27	1	CSH
DD5056.8	09/08/2026	Rest Industry Super	Superannuation contributions	-287.90	1	CSH
DD5056.9	09/08/2026	Australian Retirement Trust	Superannuation contributions	-372.45	1	CSH
949	11/08/2026	Employee Payroll	Salaries & Wages	-50064.59	1	PAY
EFT8527	11/08/2026	Services Australia Child Support	Payroll deductions	-438.19	1	CSH
DD5061.1	12/08/2026	Bendigo Business Mastercard	Linen Dog bags, cert frames, refreshments, CEO internet, Conference Exp, Vac Cleaner, poster frames, computer service, outdoor setting	-6399.37	1	CSH
DD5063.1	18/08/2026	TELSTRA CORPORATION LIMITED	Telephone Usage	-2862.45	1	CSH

List of Accounts Due & Submitted to Council August 2026

Chq/EFT	Date	Name	Description	Amount	Bank	Type
DD5064.1	18/08/2026	Synergy	Electricity Accounts	-1710.58	1	CSH
EFT8528	20/08/2026	Avon Waste	Waste Removal	-2375.75	1	CSH
EFT8529	20/08/2026	Landgate	UV Schedule R2026/4	-249.00	1	CSH
EFT8530	20/08/2026	Westonia Progress Association Inc.	Fuel Purchased	-19357.97	1	CSH
EFT8531	20/08/2026	Two Dogs Home Hardware	Caravan Park & Community Hub furniture, Security Cameras, consumables, herbicide, fertiliser, chlorine, plywood, tools	-4080.58	1	CSH
EFT8532	20/08/2026	BOC Limited	Annual Container Charge	-281.69	1	CSH
EFT8533	20/08/2026	Annemaree Jensen Marketing	Grant Acquittals	-1003.00	1	CSH
EFT8534	20/08/2026	BUILDING COMMISSION	Building Services Levy	-56.65	1	CSH
EFT8535	20/08/2026	Western Power	62 Wolfram Power Connection	-15478.00	1	CSH
EFT8536	20/08/2026	Ancor Electrical	Office Lights Replacement, Waralakin Hall switch upgrade	-8196.19	1	CSH
EFT8537	20/08/2026	Fullworks Fire Safety	Fire Extinguisher replacement	-755.15	1	CSH
EFT8538	20/08/2026	Graham L & Diane Jones	Reimbursements	-140.97	1	CSH
EFT8539	20/08/2026	MACE Services Pty Ltd	WT111 Service	-539.64	1	CSH
EFT8540	20/08/2026	Lite n'Easy	HACC Meals	-407.60	1	CSH
EFT8541	20/08/2026	Famlonga Building Contractors	Playground Cover	-400000.00	1	CSH
EFT8542	20/08/2026	Chiddacooping Farms	Gravel Purchase	-7040.00	1	CSH
EFT8543	20/08/2026	Wongan Hills Pharmacy	HACC Supplies	-49.94	1	CSH
EFT8544	20/08/2026	Slipperys Earthmoving & Contracting	Playground Works	-14630.00	1	CSH
EFT8545	20/08/2026	CSS tech Group Pty Ltd	WiFi upgrades	-7069.43	1	CSH
DD5066.1	21/08/2026	Deputy Commissioner of Taxation	BAS GST July 2026	-9260.00	1	CSH
DD5069.1	23/08/2026	Aware Super - Accumulation	Payroll deductions	-6951.01	1	CSH
DD5069.2	23/08/2026	AUSTRALIANSUPER	Superannuation contributions	-1247.00	1	CSH
DD5069.3	23/08/2026	MLC Masterkey	Superannuation contributions	-379.27	1	CSH
DD5069.4	23/08/2026	G E S B Super Scheme	Superannuation contributions	-203.69	1	CSH
DD5069.5	23/08/2026	Amp Flexible Lifetime Super	Superannuation contributions	-305.31	1	CSH
DD5069.6	23/08/2026	Macquarie Super	Superannuation contributions	-379.27	1	CSH
DD5069.7	23/08/2026	Rest Industry Super	Superannuation contributions	-287.90	1	CSH
DD5069.8	23/08/2026	Australian Retirement Trust	Superannuation contributions	-372.45	1	CSH
DD5069.9	23/08/2026	Hostplus	Superannuation contributions	-136.09	1	CSH
925	25/08/2026	2VNET - 2VNET MONTHLY MAINTENANCE FEE	2VNET MONTHLY MAINTENANCE FEE	-578.95	1	FEE
951	25/08/2026	Employee Payroll	Salaries & Wages	-53794.87	1	PAY
EFT8546	25/08/2026	Services Australia Child Support	Payroll deductions	-438.19	1	CSH
EFT8547	26/08/2026	New Town Toyota	CEO Vehicle	-120046.72	1	CSH
EFT8548	26/08/2026	True Blue Migration Services Pty Ltd	Management of 482 Visa	-4500.00	1	CSH

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Chq/EFT	Date	Name	Description	Amount	Bank	Type
EFT8549	28/08/2026	Shire of Kellerberrin	Street Sweep	-1572.50	1	CSH
EFT8550	28/08/2026	Copier Support	Copier Support	-1745.81	1	CSH
EFT8551	28/08/2026	Toll Transport Pty Ltd	Freight	-68.53	1	CSH
EFT8552	28/08/2026	BOC Limited	Industrial Gas	-179.08	1	CSH
EFT8553	28/08/2026	Merredin Rural Supplies Pty Ltd	Catering Goods	-759.00	1	CSH
EFT8554	28/08/2026	Readytech Gov Solutions Pty Ltd	SynergySoft updates	-1650.00	1	CSH
EFT8555	28/08/2026	Merredin Refrigeration & Air Conditioning	Medical Centre Aircons	-9864.94	1	CSH
EFT8556	28/08/2026	LGISWA	Property Insurance Adjustment	-5318.69	1	CSH
EFT8557	28/08/2026	Wheatbelt Liquid Waste	Septic/RV Pump out	-968.00	1	CSH
EFT8558	28/08/2026	Westonia Community Cooperative Limited	Catering Food & July Purchases	-11070.25	1	CSH
EFT8559	28/08/2026	LIWA Aquatics	Regional Conference	-220.00	1	CSH
EFT8560	28/08/2026	Modular WA	Progress Payment	-65197.00	1	CSH
EFT8561	28/08/2026	Ancor Electrical	Community Hub Accommodation Laundry	-3656.45	1	CSH
EFT8562	28/08/2026	LENIP P/L ta Asphalt In A Bag	Asphalt in a bag	-1402.50	1	CSH
EFT8563	28/08/2026	Fullworks Fire Safety	Fire Extinguisher replacement	-158.40	1	CSH
EFT8564	28/08/2026	Industrial Automation Group Pty Ltd	Standpipe support	-6091.80	1	CSH
EFT8565	28/08/2026	Merredin Steel Supplies	Steel	-70.02	1	CSH
EFT8566	28/08/2026	Gearing Construction Contractors	Cement works	-9927.50	1	CSH
EFT8567	28/08/2026	Moma Solar	Solar Bollards	-4128.47	1	CSH
EFT8568	28/08/2026	WA Contract Ranger Services P/L	Ranger Services	-506.00	1	CSH
EFT8569	28/08/2026	South Perth Settlements	Settlement Fees 44 Jasper	-1670.59	1	CSH
EFT8570	28/08/2026	B.G. & C.S. Johnston T/as Burracoppin Ways	Sand Purchased	-10010.00	1	CSH
EFT8571	28/08/2026	Sound Balance Physiotherapy	HACC Service	-230.00	1	CSH
EFT8572	28/08/2026	Out West Mechanical	Freightliner Turntable repairs	-4858.41	1	CSH
EFT8573	28/08/2026	MACE Services Pty Ltd	ComV Battery	-338.80	1	CSH
EFT8574	28/08/2026	Flight Plan Digital Pty Ltd /ta Live Life Alarms	HACC Service	-210.00	1	CSH
EFT8575	28/08/2026	Western Plumbing & Gas Fitting	Plumbing Works	-2049.54	1	CSH
EFT8576	28/08/2026	Wongan Hills Pharmacy	HACC Products	-495.83	1	CSH
EFT8577	28/08/2026	Guildford Garden Machinery	Mower Parts	-100.00	1	CSH
EFT8578	28/08/2026	CSS tech Group Pty Ltd	Phone Support	-1760.00	1	CSH
EFT8579	28/08/2026	Wheatbelt Tank Services	Playground Water Tank	-20752.80	1	CSH
EFT8580	28/08/2026	W A Soils & Concrete Testing Pty Ltd	Soil Samples	-1342.00	1	CSH
EFT8581	28/08/2026	Dovida Perth	HACC Services	-7241.30	1	CSH
EFT8582	28/08/2026	Everyday Independence Pty Ltd	HACC Services	-972.97	1	CSH
EFT8583	28/08/2026	Anthony De Mol	Welding Curtains	-189.80	1	CSH

List of Accounts Due & Submitted to Council August 2026

Chq/EFT	Date	Name	Description	Amount	Bank	Type
EFT8584	28/08/2026	Kate Newton	Catering Equipment	-380.53	1	CSH
EFT8585	28/08/2026	Chargefox Pty Ltd	EV Charger Management Fees	-753.34	1	CSH
DD5078.1	28/08/2026	Water Corporation	New Water Meter	-3716.21	1	CSH
925	31/08/2026	TPORT - DEPT TRANSPORT LICENSING	DEPT TRANSPORT LICENSING	-14325.60	1	FEE
925	31/08/2026	FEE - BANK FEES	BANK FEES	-71.77	1	FEE

-\$ 994,868.91

The above list of accounts has been paid under delegation, by the Chief Executive Officer, since the previous list of accounts. Municipal D/Debits from DD505056 to DD5078 and Electronic Fund Transfers EFT8508 to EFT8585 (Inclusive of Department for Planning and Infrastructure / Creditor and Bank Fees Directly Debited and Credit Card Payments) totalling \$994,868.91 submitted to each member of the Council on Thursday 24th September 2026, have been checked and are fully supported by vouchers and duly certified invoices with checks being carried out as to prices, computations and costing.



CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

9.1.2 MONTHLY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY– AUGUST 2026

Responsible Officer:	Bill Price, Chief Executive Officer	
Author:	Jasmine Geier, Deputy Chief Executive Officer	
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

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

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 August 2026 is attached for Councillor information, and consists of:

1. Statement of Financial Activity
2. Statement of Financial Position
3. Note 1 Basis of Preparation
4. Note 2 Statement of Financial Activity Information
5. Note 3 Explanation of Material Variances
6. Supplementary information

Statutory Environment

General Financial Management of Council
Council 2026/2027 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



Simple Majority



Absolute Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

That Council adopt the Monthly Financial Report for the period ending August 2026 and note any material variances greater than \$10,000 or 15%.

SHIRE OF SOMEWHERE

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

(Containing the required statement of financial activity and statement of financial position)

For the period ended 31 August 2026

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1995

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT) REGULATIONS 1996

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SHIRE OF SOMEWHERE
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 AUGUST 2026

Note	Adopted Budget Estimates (a) \$	YTD Budget Estimates (b) \$	YTD Actual (c) \$	Variance* \$ (c) - (b) \$	Variance* % ((c) - (b))/(b) %	Var.
OPERATING ACTIVITIES						
Revenue from operating activities						
General rates	1,297,477	1,302,677	1,294,159	(8,518)	(0.65%)	
Rates excluding general rates	5,200	0	0	0		
Grants, subsidies and contributions	1,589,092	343,553	342,875	(678)	(0.20%)	
Fees and charges	2,057,320	126,475	135,623	9,148	7.23%	
Interest revenue	344,600	175	24	(151)	(86.29%)	
Other revenue	376,650	22,532	27,830	5,298	23.51%	
Profit on asset disposals	5,000	0	0	0		
	5,675,339	1,795,412	1,800,511	5,099	0.28%	
Expenditure from operating activities						
Employee costs	(1,899,650)	(269,819)	(286,129)	(16,310)	(6.04%)	
Materials and contracts	(2,087,700)	(310,288)	(354,602)	(44,314)	(14.28%)	▼
Utility charges	(263,933)	(36,822)	(23,429)	13,393	36.37%	▲
Depreciation	(2,636,350)	(442,022)	(453,824)	(11,802)	(2.67%)	
Finance costs	(24,507)	0	0	0		
Insurance	(194,400)	(76,657)	(90,574)	(13,917)	(18.15%)	▼
Other expenditure	(61,500)	0	0	0		
Loss on asset disposals	(20,000)	0	0	0		
	(7,188,040)	(1,135,608)	(1,208,558)	(72,950)	(6.42%)	
Amounts excluded from operating activities	2(c) 2,660,350	442,022	453,824	11,802	2.67%	
Amount attributable to operating activities	1,147,649	1,101,826	1,045,777	(56,049)	(5.09%)	
INVESTING ACTIVITIES						
Inflows from investing activities						
Proceeds from capital grants, subsidies and contributions	1,108,775	336,094	335,982	(112)	(0.03%)	
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	176,000	0	0	0		
	1,284,775	336,094	335,982	(112)	(0.03%)	
Outflows from investing activities						
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	(2,935,000)	(622,000)	(621,133)	867	0.14%	
Acquisition of infrastructure	(1,986,500)	(331,076)	(70,892)	260,184	78.59%	▲
	(4,921,500)	(953,076)	(692,026)	261,050	27.39%	
Amount attributable to investing activities	(3,636,725)	(616,982)	(356,044)	260,938	42.29%	
FINANCING ACTIVITIES						
Inflows from financing activities						
Transfer from reserves	1,000,000	0	0	0		
	1,000,000	0	0	0		
Outflows from financing activities						
Repayment of borrowings	(59,073)	0	0	0		
Transfer to reserves	(300,000)	0	0	0		
	(359,073)	0	0	0		
Amount attributable to financing activities	640,927	0	0	0		
MOVEMENT IN SURPLUS OR DEFICIT						
Surplus or deficit at the start of the financial year	2(a) 2,056,023	2,056,023	1,979,984	(76,039)	(3.70%)	
Amount attributable to operating activities	1,147,649	1,101,826	1,045,777	(56,049)	(5.09%)	
Amount attributable to investing activities	(3,636,725)	(616,982)	(356,044)	260,938	42.29%	▲
Amount attributable to financing activities	640,927	0	0	0		
Surplus or deficit after imposition of general rates	207,874	2,540,867	2,669,717	128,850	5.07%	

KEY INFORMATION

- ▲▼ Indicates a variance between Year to Date (YTD) Budget and YTD Actual data outside the adopted materiality threshold.
 - ▲ Indicates a variance with a positive impact on the financial position.
 - ▼ Indicates a variance with a negative impact on the financial position.
- Refer to Note 3 for an explanation of the reasons for the variance.

This statement is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

SHIRE OF SOMEWHERE
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 AUGUST 2026

	Actual 30 June 2026	Actual as at 31 August 2026
	\$	\$
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	8,445,999	7,761,758
Trade and other receivables	61,361	1,269,477
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	8,507,360	9,031,235
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Inventories	40,339	40,339
Property, plant and equipment	16,159,334	16,651,852
Infrastructure	75,607,830	75,357,413
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	91,807,503	92,049,604
TOTAL ASSETS	100,314,863	101,080,839
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Trade and other payables	229,843	67,884
Borrowings	(48,601)	(48,601)
Employee related provisions	362,996	362,996
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	544,238	382,279
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Borrowings	600,000	600,000
Employee related provisions	22,929	22,929
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	622,929	622,929
TOTAL LIABILITIES	1,167,167	1,005,208
NET ASSETS	99,147,696	100,075,630
EQUITY		
Retained surplus	24,224,225	25,152,159
Reserve accounts	5,934,537	5,934,537
Revaluation surplus	68,988,932	68,988,932
TOTAL EQUITY	99,147,696	100,075,630

This statement is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

SHIRE OF SOMEWHERE
NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 AUGUST 2026

1 BASIS OF PREPARATION AND MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF PREPARATION

This prescribed financial report has been prepared in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1995* and accompanying regulations.

Local Government Act 1995 requirements

Section 6.4(2) of the *Local Government Act 1995* read with the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*, prescribe that the financial report be prepared in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1995* and, to the extent that they are not inconsistent with the Act, the Australian Accounting Standards. The Australian Accounting Standards (as they apply to local governments and not-for-profit entities) and Interpretations of the Australian Accounting Standards Board were applied with exception to the following:

The *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* specify that vested land is a right-of-use asset to be measured at cost, and is considered a zero cost concessionary lease. All right-of-use assets under zero cost concessionary leases are measured at zero cost rather than at fair value, except for vested improvements on concessionary land leases such as roads, buildings or other infrastructure which continue to be reported at fair value, as opposed to the vested land which is measured at zero cost. The measurement of vested improvements at fair value is a departure from AASB 16 which would have required the Shire to measure any vested improvements at zero cost.

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996, regulation 34 prescribes contents of the financial report. Supplementary information does not form part of the financial report.

Accounting policies which have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report have been consistently applied unless stated otherwise. Except for cash flow and rate setting information, the financial report has been prepared on the accrual basis and is based on historical costs, modified, where applicable, by the measurement at fair value of selected non-current assets, financial assets and liabilities.

PREPARATION TIMING AND REVIEW

Date prepared: All known transactions up to 00 January 1900

The local government reporting entity

All funds through which the Shire controls resources to carry on its functions have been included in the financial statements forming part of this financial report.

All monies held in the Trust Fund are excluded from the financial statements.

Material accounting policies

Material accounting policies utilised in the preparation of these statements are as described within the 2026-27 Annual Budget. Please refer to the adopted budget document for details of these policies.

Critical accounting estimates and judgements

The preparation of a financial report in conformity with Australian Accounting Standards requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that effect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenses.

The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors believed to be reasonable under the circumstances; the results of which form the basis of making the judgements about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

As with all estimates, the use of different assumptions could lead to material changes in the amounts reported in the financial report.

The following are estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year and further information on their nature and impact can be found in the relevant note:

- Fair value measurement of assets carried at reportable value including:
 - Property, plant and equipment
 - Infrastructure
- Impairment losses of non-financial assets
- Measurement of employee benefits

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2 NET CURRENT ASSETS INFORMATION

(a) Net current assets used in the Statement of Financial Activity

Current assets

Cash and cash equivalents
Trade and other receivables

Less: current liabilities

Trade and other payables
Borrowings
Employee related provisions

Net current assets

Less: Total adjustments to net current assets

Closing funding surplus / (deficit)

Note	Adopted Budget Opening 1 July 2026	Actual as at 30 June 2026	Actual as at 31 August 2026
	\$	\$	\$
	8,445,999	8,445,999	7,761,758
	61,361	61,361	1,269,477
	8,507,360	8,507,360	9,031,235
	(229,842)	(229,843)	(67,884)
	(59,073)	48,601	48,601
	(362,996)	(362,996)	(362,996)
	(651,911)	(544,238)	(382,279)
	7,855,449	7,963,122	8,648,956
2(b)	(5,799,426)	(5,983,138)	(5,983,138)
	2,056,023	1,979,984	2,669,717

(b) Current assets and liabilities excluded from budgeted deficiency

Adjustments to net current assets

Less: Reserve accounts
Add: Current liabilities not expected to be cleared at the end of the year
- Current portion of borrowings
Add: Current liabilities covered by funds held in reserve account
- Current portion of employee benefit provisions

Total adjustments to net current assets

	(5,934,537)	(5,934,537)	(5,934,537)
	59,073	(48,601)	(48,601)
	76,038	0	0
2(a)	(5,799,426)	(5,983,138)	(5,983,138)

(c) Amounts excluded from operating activities

Less: Profit on asset disposals
Add: Loss on disposal of assets
Add: Depreciation
Movement in current liabilities associated funds held in reserve account:
- Employee benefit provisions

Total amounts excluded from operating activities

	Adopted Budget Estimates 30 June 2027	YTD Budget Estimates 31 August 2026	YTD Actual 31 August 2026
	\$	\$	\$
	(5,000)	0	0
	20,000	0	0
	2,636,350	442,022	453,824
	9,000		
	2,660,350	442,022	453,824

CURRENT AND NON-CURRENT CLASSIFICATION

In the determination of whether an asset or liability is current or non-current, consideration is given to the time when each asset or liability is expected to be settled. Unless otherwise stated assets or liabilities are classified as current if expected to be settled within the next 12 months, being the local governments' operational cycle.

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3 EXPLANATION OF MATERIAL VARIANCES

The material variance thresholds are adopted annually by Council as an indicator of whether the actual expenditure or revenue varies from the year to date actual materially.

The material variance adopted by Council for the 2026-27 year is \$10,000 and 10.00% whichever is the greater.

Description	Var. \$	Var. %	
	\$	%	
Expenditure from operating activities			
Materials and contracts	(44,314)	(14.28%)	▼
Insurance	(13,917)	(18.15%)	▼
Outflows from investing activities			
Acquisition of infrastructure	260,184	78.59%	▲

	Timing Variance
	Material Variance

Schedule 03 General Purpose Funding

Prog	COA	Description	Original Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Var. \$	Var. %	Comment
Rates Income								
Operating Expense								
03	03100	ABC Costs- Rate Revenue	31,500	7,250	7,223	(27)	(0)%	
03	03101	Rate Notice Stationery expense	500	0	0	0		
03	03102	Rates Recovery - Legal Expenses	1,500	0	0	0		
03	03103	Valuation Expenses and Title Search	5,000	500	584	84	17%	
03	03107	Rates Written-off	500	0	0	0		
			39,000	7,750	7,807	57		
Operating Income								
03	03104	General Rates Levied	(1,297,477)	(1,297,477)	(1,289,085)	8,392	(1)%	
03	03105	Ex-Gratia Rates Received	(5,200)	(5,200)	(5,074)	126	(2)%	
03	03106	Penalty Interest Raised on Rates	(5,500)	(175)	(18)	157	(89)%	
03	03109	Instalment Interest Received	(4,000)	0	(5)	(5)		
03	03110	Rates Administration Fee Received	(1,000)	0	(12)	(12)		
03	03112	Other Revenue	(500)	(25)	(100)	(75)	300%	
			(1,313,677)	(1,302,877)	(1,294,295)	8,582		
Other General Purpose Funding								
Operating Expense								
03	03210	Bank Fees Expense	9,000	2,800	2,720	(80)	(3)%	
			9,000	2,800	2,720	(80)		
Operating Income								
03	03201	Grants Commission Grant Received	(278,011)	(69,503)	(68,139)	1,364	(2)%	
03	03202	Grants Commission Grant Received	(164,681)	(27,500)	(27,423)	77	(0)%	
03	03204	Interest Received	(335,100)	0	0	0		
03	03205	Other General Purpose funding rece	(250)	0	(0)	(0)		
			(778,042)	(97,003)	(95,563)	1,440		
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE			48,000	10,550	10,527	(23)		
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME			(2,091,719)	(1,399,880)	(1,389,857)	10,023		

Schedule 04 Governance

Prog	COA	Description	Original Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Var. \$	Var. %	Comment
Members Of Council								
Operating Expense								
04	04100	Members Travelling Expenses paid	1,000	0	0	0		
04	04101	Members Conference Expenses	30,000	0	0	0		
04	04102	Council Election Expenses	5,000	0	0	0		
04	04103	President's Allowance paid	6,500	0	0	0		
04	04104	Members Refreshments & Receptio	30,000	500	540	40	8%	
04	04105	Members - Insurance	22,000	11,000	10,997	(3)	(0)%	
04	04106	Members - Subscriptions	74,700	60,350	61,798	1,448	2%	
04	04107	Members - Donation & Gifts	3,000	0	0	0		
04	04108	Members communication Expenses	8,000	300	531	231	77%	
04	04109	Members Sitting Fees Paid	26,500	0	0	0		
04	04110	Consultant Fees Expense	38,000	4,000	4,091	91	2%	
04	04111	Training Expenses of Members	5,000	0	0	0		
04	04112	Maintenance - Council Chambers	5,200	864	981	117	14%	
04	04113	ABC Costs- Relating to Members	80,500	19,416	19,864	448	2%	
04	04114	Audit Fees expense	50,000	0	0	0		
04	04118	Advertising	3,000	0	0	0		
04	04120	Public Relations/ Promotions	2,500	0	0	0		
04	04199	Depreciation - Members of Council	50	8	0	(8)	(100)%	
			390,950	96,438	98,802	2,364		
Operating Income								
04	04121	Contributions, Reimbursements	(2,500)	(2,500)	(3,737)	(1,237)	49%	
04	04122	Photocopying	(100)	0	0	0		
04	04124	Sale of Electoral Rolls	(50)	0	0	0		
			(2,650)	(2,500)	(3,737)	(1,237)		
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE			390,950	96,438	98,802	2,364		
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME			(2,650)	(2,500)	(3,737)	(1,237)		

Schedule 05 Law, Order & Public Safety

Prog	COA	Description	Original Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Var. \$	Var. %	Comment
Fire Prevention								
Operating Expense								
05	05100	ABC Costs- Fire Prevention	23,500	4,916	5,417	501	10%	
05	05101	Bush Fire Control Maintenance Plan	10,000	500	467	(33)	(7)%	
05	05102	Bush Fire Control Maintenance Lanc	2,000	0	0	0		
05	05103	Bush Fire Control	1,000	0	0	0		
05	05104	Bush Fire Control Insurance	20,000	9,000	8,950	(50)	(1)%	
05	05112	Bush Fire Clothing, Training & Accs.	3,200	0	0	0		
05	05113	Utilities Communication & Power	4,500	625	819	194	31%	
05	05114	Other Goods & Services	1,000	0	0	0		
05	05199	Depreciation - Fire Prevention	21,500	3,582	3,870	288	8%	
			86,700	18,623	19,523	900		
Operating Income								
05	05107	FESA Operating Grant	(33,000)	(8,250)	(9,043)	(793)	10%	
05	05111	FESA ESL Admin Fee	(4,500)	(1,125)	0	1,125	(100)%	
			(37,500)	(9,375)	(9,043)	333		
Capital Expense								
05	5110	Purchase Plant Fire Prevention	0	0	0	0		
			0	0	0	0		
Animal Control								
Operating Expense								
05	05200	Expenses Relating to Animal Contro	0	0	0	0		
05	05201	Animal Control - Ranger Expense	7,000	1,750	880	(870)	(50)%	
			7,000	1,750	880	(870)		
Operating Income								
05	05202	Fines and Penalties - Animal Contro	(100)	0	0	0		
05	05203	Dog Registration Fees	(750)	0	0	0		
05	05301	Income Relating to Other Law	(50)	0	0	0		
			(900)	0	0	0		
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE			93,700	20,373	20,403	30		
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME			(38,400)	(9,375)	(9,043)	333		
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE			0	0	0	0		

Schedule 07 Health

Prog	COA	Description	Original Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Var. \$	Var. %	Comment
Health-HACC								
Operating Expense								
07	07110	HCS -Salaries	165,000	27,498	25,007	(2,491)	(9)%	
07	07112	Expenses Relating to Health HCS	150,000	19,000	18,290	(710)	(4)%	
07	07113	Travel & Accomodation - HACC	0	0	0	0		
07	07114	ABC Costs- Home Care Services	70,500	15,750	16,252	502	3%	
			385,500	62,248	59,549	(2,699)		
Operating Income								
07	07101	Service Fee	(400,000)	(1,500)	(1,154)	346	(23)%	
0	07102	Grant Funding	(183,000)	0	0	0		
07	13198	Profit on Sale of Asset	0	0	0	0		
			(583,000)	(1,500)	(1,154)	346		
Capital Expense								
07	07405	Purchase Plant - HCS Vehicle	0	0	0	0		
			0	0	0	0		
Capital Income								
07	07109	Proceeds on Sale of Asset	0	0	0	0		
			0	0	0	0		
Preventative Services - Administration & Inspections								
Operating Expense								
07	07400	ABC Costs- Preventative Services - /	17,000	2,832	3,612	780	28%	
07	07404	Analytical Expenses	400	400	382	(18)	(4)%	
07	07406	Contract - EHO Expense	4,000	750	0	(750)	(100)%	
			21,400	3,982	3,994	12		
Operating Income								
07	07401	Income Relating to Preventative Ser	0	0	0	0		
07	07407	Reimbursement	(100)	(25)	0	25	(100)%	
			(100)	(25)	0	25		
Preventative Services - Pest Control								
Operating Expense								
07	07500	Mosquito Control Preventative Serv	3,500	0	0	0		
			3,500	0	0	0		
Preventative Services -Other								
Operating Expense								
07	07600	Ambulance Services - Other	600	0	56	56		
07	07601	Medical Rooms & Dr Expense - Othe	28,500	2,898	4,060	1,162	40%	
08	08600	ABC Costs- Other Welfare	0	0	5,121	5,121		
			29,100	2,898	9,236	6,338		
Operating Income								
07	07602	Reimbursement Rural Health West	(6,000)	(500)	(55)	445	(89)%	
			(6,000)	(500)	(55)	445		
Other Health								
Operating Expense								
07	07700	Nurse Practitioner Clinic	57,000	9,498	10,473	975	10%	
07	07799	Depreciation - Health	2,100	350	347	(3)	(1)%	
			59,100	9,848	10,819	971		
Operating Income								
07	07603	First Responder - WPA Grant	0	0	0	0		
07	07703	Voluntary Contribution Health	(15,000)	(2,250)	(2,292)	(42)	2%	
07	07704	Medicare Benefits	(30,000)	(5,000)	(5,338)	(338)	7%	
			(45,000)	(7,250)	(7,630)	(380)		
Capital Expense								
07	07702	Purchase Buildings - Medical Centre	30,000	9,000	8,968	(32)	(0)%	
			30,000	9,000	8,968	(32)		
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE			498,600	78,976	83,599	4,623		
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME			(634,100)	(9,275)	(8,838)	437		
TOTAL CAPITAL INCOME			0	0	0	0		
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE			30,000	9,000	8,968	(32)		

Schedule 08 Community & Welfare

Prog	COA	Description	Original Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Var. \$	Var. %	Comment
Community Hub Accommodation								
Operating Expense								
08	08100	ABC Costs - Expenses Relating Comr	27,000	4,000	3,908	(92)	(2)%	
08	08101	Community Hub Accommodation	72,000	5,334	9,645	4,311	81%	
08	08199	Depreciation - Community Hub	17,000	3,082	3,957	875	28%	
			116,000	12,416	17,509	5,093		
Operating Income								
08	08103	Income Community Hub Accommod	(200,000)	(1,500)	(1,636)	(136)	9%	
08	08105	Income Community Hub Long Term	(20,000)	(4,332)	(4,864)	(532)	12%	
			(220,000)	(5,832)	(6,500)	(668)		
Capital Expense								
08	08104	Land & Buildings- Community Hub /	0	0	5,598	5,598		
08	08203	Furniture & Equipment - Community	25,000	1,000	1,093	93	9%	
			25,000	1,000	6,691	5,691		
Community Hub Warm Water Pool								
Operating Expense								
08	08200	Warm Water Pool Expenses	16,000	1,200	1,267	67	6%	
			16,000	1,200	1,267	67		
Operating Income								
08	08202	Warm Water Pool User Fee	(500)	(84)	(27)	57	(68)%	
			(500)	(84)	(27)	57		
Community Hub Activity Spaces								
Operating Expense								
08	08400	Expenses Relating to Activity Spaces	15,000	0	0	0		
08	08401	Activity Spaces Expenses	12,800	5,532	5,818	286	5%	
08	08402	Workshop/Misc. Expenses	500	500	900	400	80%	
			28,300	6,032	6,718	686		
Operating Income								
08	08403	Activity Spaces Memberships	(5,000)	(5,000)	(4,636)	364	(7)%	
08	08405	Activity Space User Fee	(500)	0	0	0		
			(5,500)	(5,000)	(4,636)	364		
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE			160,300	19,648	25,494	5,846		
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME			(226,000)	(10,916)	(11,164)	(248)		
TOTAL CAPITAL INCOME			0	0	0	0		
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE			25,000	1,000	6,691	5,691		

Schedule 09 Housing

Prog	COA	Description	Original Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Var. \$	Var. %	Comment
Staff Housing								
Operating Expense								
09	09100	ABC Costs- Staff Housing	24,000	4,000	5,417	1,417	35%	
09	09101	Maintenance 20 Diorite St -DCEO	18,000	1,664	1,862	198	12%	
09	09102	Maintenance 11 Quartz St	5,000	332	671	339	102%	
09	09105	Maintenance 7 Quartz St - Plant Oper	5,000	1,766	1,558	(208)	(12)%	
09	09107	Staff House Costs Allocated to Work	0	0	(1,970)	(1,970)		
09	09108	Depreciation - Staff Housing	53,000	8,832	7,967	(866)	(10)%	
09	09109	Maintenance 13 Pyrite Street -Plant	8,500	1,916	2,321	405	21%	
09	09201	Maintenance 4 Quartz St - Plant Oper	5,500	816	1,210	394	48%	
09	09202	Maintenance 55 Wolfram St -Admin	16,000	333	773	440	132%	
09	09211	Maintenance 301 Pyrite Street - Sen	7,000	1,164	1,657	493	42%	
			142,000	20,823	21,464	641		
Operating Income								
09	09122	Income 11 Quartz St	(11,700)	(1,950)	(2,250)	(300)	15%	
09	09125	Income 7 Quartz St - Plant Operator	(2,600)	(366)	(320)	46	(13)%	
09	09130	Income 13 Pyrite Street -Plant Oper	(2,600)	0	0	0		
09	09220	Income 4 Quartz St - Plant Operator	(2,600)	(432)	(400)	32	(7)%	
09	09221	Income 55 Wolfram St -Administrati	(7,800)	0	0	0		
09	09230	Income 301 Pyrite Street - Senior Fir	(2,600)	(432)	(360)	72	(17)%	
			(29,900)	(3,180)	(3,330)	(150)		
Other Housing								
Operating Expense								
09	09103	CEACA Contribution 3Units	200,000	0	0	0		
09	09200	ABC Costs- Other Housing	24,000	4,000	5,417	1,417	35%	
09	09203	Maintenance - Lifestyle	35,000	8,660	8,879	219	3%	
09	09206	Maintenance Quartz Street Age Uni	18,150	528	1,347	819	155%	
09	09207	Maintenance - Wolfram Street Worl	13,800	1,201	0	(1,201)	(100)%	
09	09208	Maintenance - 17 Pyrite Street JV U	44,850	1,212	1,466	254	21%	
09	09212	Westonia Progress - Unit 12 Lifestyl	13,500	1,000	997	(3)	(0)%	
09	09236	Depreciation Other Housing	60,500	11,082	11,505	423	4%	
			409,800	27,683	29,611	1,928		
Other Housing								
Operating Income								
09	09222	Income - Lifestyle	(36,840)	(3,140)	(3,040)	100	(3)%	
09	09227	Income 17Pyrite St - JV Units	(29,640)	(4,938)	(4,180)	758	(15)%	
09	09231	Income - Ramelius Resources Lease	(28,000)	(7,000)	(7,000)	0	0%	
09	09233	Wolfram Street Workers Accommod	(19,000)	(2,172)	(1,700)	472	(22)%	
09	09235	Unit 12 Lifestyle AirBnB	0	0	(9,150)	(9,150)		
09	09238	Income -Age Units Quartz Street	(39,520)	(6,584)	(7,220)	(636)	10%	
09	09298	Profit on Sale of Asset	0	0	0	0		
			(153,000)	(23,834)	(32,290)	(8,456)		
Capital Expense								
09	09239	CAPITAL-Single Persons Quarters	400,000	90,000	90,867	867	1%	
			400,000	90,000	90,867	867		
Capital Income								
09	09237	Proceeds on Sale -Housing CAPITAL	0	0	0	0		
			0	0	0	0		
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE			551,800	48,506	51,075	2,569		
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME			(182,900)	(27,014)	(35,620)	(8,606)		
TOTAL CAPITAL INCOME			0	0	0	0		
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE			400,000	90,000	90,867	867		

Schedule 10 Community Amenities

Prog	COA	Description	Original Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Var. \$	Var. %	Comment
Sanitation - Household Refuse								
Operating Expense								
10	10100	ABC Costs- Household Refuse	24,000	4,000	5,417	1,417	35%	
10	10103	Domestic Refuse Collection	20,000	1,666	1,591	(75)	(5)%	
10	10105	Refuse Collection Public Bins	15,000	2,498	2,035	(463)	(19)%	
10	10106	Refuse Maintenance	22,000	500	262	(238)	(48)%	
10	10107	Waste Oil Recycling	500	0	0	0		
10	10108	Containers for Change Recycling Bin	0	0	0	0		
			81,500	8,664	9,305	641		
Operating Income								
10	10120	Income Relating to Sanitation - Hou	(16,000)	(16,000)	(13,600)	2,400	(15)%	
10	10122	Drum-Muster	0	0	0	0		
			(16,000)	(16,000)	(13,600)	2,400		
Other Community Amenities								
Operating Expense								
10	10704	Maintenance - Public Conveniences	12,500	2,080	2,177	97	5%	
10	10705	Maintenance - Cemetery	0	0	0	0		
10	10706	Maintenance - Grave Digging	11,500	75	22	(53)	(70)%	
10	10799	Depreciation - Community Services	53,500	9,316	10,219	903	10%	
			77,500	11,471	12,418	947		
Operating Income								
10	10701	Income Relating to Other Communi	0	0	0	0		
10	10708	Cemetery Fees	(2,000)	(332)	(250)	82	(25)%	
			(2,000)	(332)	(250)	82		
Capital Expenditure								
10	10702	Purchase Land & Buildings - Niche V	25,000	0	0	0		
			25,000	0	0	0		
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE			159,000	20,135	21,724	1,589		
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME			(18,000)	(16,332)	(13,850)	2,482		
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE			25,000	0	0	0		

Schedule 11 Recreation & Culture

Prog	COA	Description	Original Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Var. \$	Var. %	Comment
Public Halls & Civic Centres								
Operating Expense								
11	11100	ABC Costs- Public Halls & Civic Cent	86,000	19,332	19,864	532	3%	
11	11104	Maintenance - Public Halls	23,500	3,910	5,430	1,520	39%	
11	11105	Maintenance - Complex/ Gym	34,000	5,660	5,573	(87)	(2)%	
11	11106	Maintenance - Wanderers Stadium	39,200	5,528	4,821	(707)	(13)%	
11	11107	MOU Westonia Progress Payment	0	0	0	0		
11	11199	Depreciation - Public Halls	62,300	10,382	10,134	(248)	(2)%	
			245,000	44,812	45,822	1,010		
Operating Income								
11	11110	Income Relating to Public Halls & Ci	(200)	(50)	0	50	(100)%	
11	11111	Income Edna May MOU 33%	0	0	0	0		
11	11112	Income Charges Stadium	(500)	(125)	0	125	(100)%	
11	11114	Income Edna May MOU WPA 67%	0	0	0	0		
			(700)	(175)	0	175		
Capital Expense								
11	11102	Purchase Land & Buildings	0	0	0	0		
11	11103	Purchase Furniture & Equipment -G	0	0	0	0		
11	11607	Furniture & Equipment - Disabled R	0	0	0	0		
			0	0	0	0		
Swimming Pool								
Operating Income								
11	11202	Swimming Pool Donations	0	0	0	0		
			0	0	0	0		
Operating Expense								
11	11207	Maintenance Westonia Swimming F	45,500	7,578	4,309	(3,269)	(43)%	
11	11208	Chlorine Expenses	5,000	532	116	(416)	(78)%	
11	11209	Management Contract Charges	80,000	15,385	16,118	733	5%	
11	11210	Water Charges	10,000	1,923	1,160	(763)	(40)%	
11	11299	Depreciaton - Swimming Pool	69,700	11,614	11,836	222	2%	
			210,200	37,032	33,540	(3,492)		
Capital Expense								
11	11204	Purchase Land & Buildings -Kiosk/At	0	0	0	0		
11	11205	Purchase Furniture & Equipment - S	0	0	0	0		
			0	0	0	0		
Other Recreation & Sport								
Operating Expense								
11	11307	Maintenance - Playground, Tennis &	406,000	50,660	49,312	(1,348)	(3)%	
11	11308	Maintenance - Recreation Oval	49,300	4,046	2,931	(1,115)	(28)%	
11	11399	Depreciation - Other Rec & Sport	174,000	28,998	29,599	601	2%	
			629,300	83,704	81,843	(1,861)		
Operating Income								
11	11302	Marquee Hire Charges	0	0	0	0		
			0	0	0	0		
Capital Income								
11	11203	LotteryWest	(250,000)	0	0	0		
11	11301	Playground Fundraising Committee	(100,000)	0	0	0		
11	11211	Corporate sponsorship	(100,000)	0	0	0		
			(450,000)	0	0	0		
Capital Expense								
11	11303	Purchase Land & Buildings - Stadium	50,000	0	0	0		
			50,000	0	0	0		
Television and Rebroadcasting								
Operating Expense								
11	11401	Maintenance - Television and Rebro	4,000	666	424	(242)	(36)%	
11	11499	Depreciation - TV & Radio	5,500	916	1,148	232	25%	
			9,500	1,582	1,572	(10)		
Capital Expense								
11	11404	Purchase Furniture & Equipment - T	0	0	0	0		
			0	0	0	0		

Schedule 11 Recreation & Culture

Prog	COA	Description	Original Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Var. \$	Var. %	Comment
Other Recreation & Sport								
Operating Expense								
11	11500	Expenses Relating to Libraries	0	0	0	0		
11	11504	Library Salaries	20,000	3,151	3,259	108	3%	
11	11505	Library Expenses	3,500	382	36	(346)	(91)%	
			23,500	3,533	3,294	(239)		
Operating Income								
11	11501	Income Relating to Libraries	(100)	0	0	0		
11	11502	Fines & Penalties Charged	(100)	0	0	0		
			(200)	0	0	0		
Capital Expense								
11	11503	Purchase Furniture & Equipment - L	0	0	0	0		
			0	0	0	0		
Other Culture								
Operating Expense								
11	11605	Nature Reserve Management	28,000	1,000	978	(22)	(2)%	
11	11606	Maintenance Walgoolan Info Bay	600	16	0	(16)	(100)%	
			28,600	1,016	978	(38)		
Operating Income								
11	11602	Income Charges History Books	(200)	(100)	(273)	(173)	173%	
11	11604	Ramelius Common Management - I	0	0	0	0		
			(200)	(100)	(273)	(173)		
Capital Expense								
11	11603	Purchase Land & Building - PlayGrou	500,000	390,000	387,870	(2,130)	(0.5)%	
11	11608	Purchase Furniture & Equipment - P	750,000	15,000	15,102	102	0.7%	
			1,250,000	405,000	402,971	(2,029)		
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE			1,146,100	171,679	167,048	(4,631)		
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME			(1,100)	(275)	(273)	2		
TOTAL CAPITAL INCOME			(450,000)	0	0	0		
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE			1,300,000	405,000	402,971	(2,029)		

Schedule 12 Transport

Prog	COA	Description	Original Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Var. \$	Var. %	Comment
Streets Roads Bridges & Depot Construction								
Capital Expense								
12	12101	Roads Construction Council	631,500	56,000	55,377	(623)	(1)%	
12	12103	MRWA Project Construction	738,000	0	0	0		
12	12104	Roads to Recovery Construction	617,000	16,000	15,516	(484)	(3)%	
12	12108	Footpath Construction	0	0	0	0		
			1,986,500	72,000	70,892	(1,108)		
Streets Roads Bridges & Depot Maintenance								
Operating Expense								
12	12202	Power - Street Lighting	8,500	2,125	1,164	(961)	(45)%	
12	12203	Maintenance - GRM	619,000	189,423	195,489	6,066	3%	
12	12204	Maintenance - Depot	35,500	5,914	5,165	(749)	(13)%	
12	12205	Maintenance - Footpaths	500	0	0	0		
12	12206	Traffic Signs Maintenance	42,000	0	0	0		
12	12208	Town Maintenance/Streetscape	200,000	33,000	33,339	339	1%	
12	12219	RRG Expenses	0	0	9,902	9,902		
12	12299	Depreciation - Street, Roads, Bridge	1,750,500	291,748	300,962	9,214	3%	
			2,656,000	522,210	546,021	23,811		
Operating Income								
12	12201	Income Relating to Streets, Roads, E	0	0	0	0		
12	12212	Grant - MRWA Direct	(205,300)	(205,300)	(205,361)	(61)	0%	
12	12213	Grant - MRWA Specific	(492,300)	(197,000)	(196,932)	68	(0)%	
12	12214	Grant - Electric Car Charging Station	(100)	0	0	0		
12	12215	Water Corp - Woolgar Street	(100,000)	0	0	0		
12	12216	Grant - Roads to Recovery	(616,375)	(139,094)	(139,050)	44	(0)%	
			(1,414,075)	(541,394)	(541,343)	51		
Capital Expense								
12	12218	Plant Shed - Depot	15,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
12	12220	Sea Container Storage Depot	20,000.00	1,000.00	909.09	(90.91)	(9.1)%	
			35,000.00	1,000.00	909.09	(90.91)		
Road Plant Purchase								
Operating Expense								
12	12359	Loss on Sale of Asset	0	0	0	0		
			0	0	0	0		
Operating Income								
12	12398	Profit on Sale of Asset	0	0	0	0		
			0	0	0	0		
Capital Income								
12	12306	Proceeds on Sale of Asset	0	0	0	0		
			0	0	0	0		
Road Plant Purchase								
Capital Expense								
12	12303	Graders - CAPITAL	530,000	0	0	0		
12	12305	Garden Water Trailer- CAPITAL	10,000	0	0	0		
			540,000	0	0	0		
Aerodromes								
Operating Expense								
12	12604	Airport Maintenance	8,900	480	278	(202)	(42)%	
			8,900	480	278	(202)		
Operating Income								
12	12601	Income Relating to Aerodromes	(100)	0	0	0		
			(100)	0	0	0		
Capital Expense								
12	12605	Airport Land - CAPITAL	0	0	0	0		
			0	0	0	0		
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE			2,664,900	522,690	546,299	23,609		
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME			(1,414,175)	(541,394)	(541,343)	51		
TOTAL CAPITAL INCOME			0	0	0	0		
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE			2,561,500	73,000	71,802	(1,198)		

Schedule 13 Economic Services

Prog	COA	Description	Original Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Var. \$	Var. %	Comment
Rural Services								
Operating Expense								
13	13100	ABC Costs- Rural Services	0	0	0	0		
13	13123	NRM Contract	5,000	0	0	0		
13	13125	Noxious Weed Control	2,000	0	0	0		
			7,000	0	0	0		
Operating Income								
13	13105	Govt. Grant Funding	0	0	0	0		
			0	0	0	0		
Capital Expense								
13	13107	Purchase Plant & Equipment - Warr	0	0	0	0		
			0	0	0	0		
Capital Income								
13	13108	Warralakin Water Tank DWER	0	0	0	0		
			0	0	0	0		
Tourism & Area Promotion								
Operating Expense								
13	13200	ABC Costs- Tourism & Area Promot	60,000	10,000	10,835	835	8%	
13	13210	Area Promotion	12,000	3,000	115	(2,885)	(96)%	
13	13211	SUBS- CW Visitor Centre	3,000	0	0	0		
13	13212	SUBS- Newtravel	15,000	0	0	0		
13	13213	Maintenance Caravan Park	128,750	40,031	40,665	634	2%	
13	13214	Information Bay- Carrabin	4,050	150	168	18	12%	
13	13215	Museum -Maintenance	76,000	23,164	23,417	253	1%	
13	13299	Depreciation - Tourism & Area Prom	39,200	6,532	6,584	52	1%	
			338,000	82,877	81,784	(1,093)		
Operating Income								
13	13201	Caravan Park Single Units	(200,000)	(5,000)	(4,800)	200	(4)%	
13	13202	Caravan Site Charges	(70,000)	(11,666)	(13,419)	(1,753)	15%	
13	13203	Tent Site Charges	(500)	(62)	(68)	(6)	10%	
13	13204	Souvenir Sales	(500)	(500)	(426)	74	(15)%	
13	13221	Income -Museum Entry	(20,000)	(5,998)	(6,445)	(447)	7%	
13	13223	Electric Car Charging Station - INCOI	0	0	0	0		
13	13226	Income - Westonia Historical Societ	(25,000)	0	0	0		
			(316,000)	(23,226)	(25,159)	(1,933)		
Capital Expense								
13	13217	Museum Expansion Project - Furnitu	200,000	0	502	502		
13	13224	Caravan Park - Decking/New Laundr	100,000	0	0	0		
			300,000	0	502	502		
Capital Income								
13	13225	LotteryWest Grant- Muesuem	0	0	0	0		
			0	0	0	0		
Building Control								
Operating Expense								
13	13301	Contract EH Services	5,000	1,250	900	(350)	(28)%	
			5,000	1,250	900	(350)		
Operating Income								
13	13303	Building Permit Charges	(3,000)	(3,000)	(2,759)	241	(8)%	
13	13304	Demolition Charges	(100)	0	0	0		
13	13305	Commission BRB	(200)	0	0	0		
13	13307	Planning Fee	0	0	0	0		
			(3,300)	(3,000)	(2,759)	241		
Community Development (CRC)								
Operating Expense								
13	13400	ABC Costs - Community Developme	60,000	15,000	16,252	1,252	8%	
13	13401	Programs / Activities	10,000	0	0	0		
13	13402	Workers Compensation Premiums	7,000	1,666	1,703	37	2%	
13	13403	Superannuation	13,000	2,166	1,592	(574)	(27)%	
13	13404	Salaries	81,000	1,832	1,320	(512)	(28)%	
13	13405	Community Events	60,000	7,000	3,668	(3,332)	(48)%	
13	13610	Building Maintenance	24,183	112	91	(21)	(19)%	
			255,183	27,776	24,627	(3,149)		

Schedule 13 Economic Services

Prog	COA	Description	Original Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Var. \$	Var. %	Comment
Operating Income								
13	13410	Grant Funding Opportunities	(40,000)	0	0	0		
13	13411	DPIRD Grants Funding (CRC)	(110,000)	(33,000)	(32,854)	146	(0)%	
			(150,000)	(33,000)	(32,854)	146		
Plant Nursery								
Operating Expense								
13	13502	Nursery Operating Costs	0	0	0	0		
			0	0	0	0		
Operating Income								
13	13505	Tree Planter Hire	0	0	(100)	(100)		
			0	0	(100)	(100)		
Other Economic Services								
Operating Expense								
13	13600	ABC Costs to Other Economic Servic	8,000	2,000	2,424	424	21%	
13	13611	Water Supply Standpipes	61,500	7,375	6,598	(777)	(11)%	
13	13613	Ramelius ResourceLease - Industrial	0	0	0	0		
13	13614	St Lukes Church	6,000	0	24	24		
13	13615	Contract Catering -Salaries	56,000	1,666	1,126	(540)	(32)%	
13	13616	Contract Catering -Food	84,000	10,000	9,977	(23)	(0)%	
13	16105	Loan Interest Loan # 1	24,507	0	0	0		
13	13699	Depreciation- Other Economic Servi	89,500	14,916	15,531	615	4%	
			329,507	35,957	35,679	(278)		
Other Economic Services								
Operating Income								
13	13602	Community Bus Hire Charges	(2,000)	(300)	(311)	(11)	4%	
13	13603	Ramelius Resource Lease - Industria	(22,000)	(5,500)	(5,500)	0	0%	
13	13604	Police Licensing Commissions	(9,000)	(1,500)	(1,447)	53	(4)%	
13	13607	SSL Interest Reimbursement	(5,600)	(2,357)	(2,357)	(0)	0%	
13	13608	SSL Principal Reimbursement	(13,768)	(6,816)	(6,816)	(0)	0%	
13	13609	Standpipe Water Charges - per kL	(75,000)	0	0	0		
13	13612	Contract Catering	(224,000)	0	0	0		
13	13618	Reimbursements General	(200)	0	0	0		
			(351,568)	(16,473)	(16,432)	41		
Capital Expense								
13	13606	Land & Buildings - Wolfram Street S	0	0	0	0		
			0	0	0	0		
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE			934,690	147,860	142,991	(4,869)		
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME			(820,868)	(75,699)	(77,304)	(1,605)		
TOTAL CAPITAL INCOME			0	0	0	0		
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE			300,000	0	502	502		

Schedule 14 Other Property & Services

Prog	COA	Description	Original Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Var. \$	Var. %	Comment
Private Works								
Operating Expense								
14	14102	Private Works	210,000	13,000	13,126	126	1%	
			210,000	13,000	13,126	126		
Operating Income								
14	14100	Private Works Income	(575,470)	(7,500)	(7,664)	(164)	2%	
			(575,470)	(7,500)	(7,664)	(164)		
Public Works Overheads								
Operating Expense								
14	14200	Administration Allocations to PWOH	258,000	54,832	59,313	4,481	8%	
14	14202	Sick Leave Expense	30,000	12,000	12,024	24	0%	
14	14203	Annual & Long Service Leave Expenses	200,000	13,332	13,014	(319)	(2)%	
14	14204	Protective Clothing - Outside Staff	6,000	0	0	0		
14	14205	Conference Expenses- Engineering	4,000	0	0	0		
14	14206	Medical Examination Costs	500	0	0	0		
14	14207	Public Works Overheads Allocated to	(817,000)	(166,166)	(171,810)	(5,644)	3%	
14	14208	OSH Expenses	4,500	0	0	0		
14	14209	Workers Compensation Payments	4,000	4,000	4,049	49	1%	
14	14211	Unallocated Wages	0	0	0	0		
14	14214	Eng. & Technical Support	10,000	0	0	0		
14	14215	Staff Training	24,000	0	0	0		
14	14216	Insurance on Works	31,000	10,500	10,404	(96)	(1)%	
14	14217	Supervision Costs	24,000	4,000	4,241	241	6%	
14	14218	Service Pay	7,000	1,166	1,210	44	4%	
14	14219	Superannuation Cost	160,000	24,666	22,108	(2,558)	(10)%	
14	14220	Allowances & Other Costs	38,000	4,332	3,251	(1,081)	(25)%	
14	14221	Fringe Benefits Tax - Works	10,000	0	0	0		
			(6,000)	(37,338)	(42,199)	(4,861)		
Operating Income								
14	14201	Income Relating to Public Works Ov	(7,000)	(1,666)	(2,120)	(454)	27%	
			(7,000)	(1,666)	(2,120)	(454)		
Plant Operation Costs								
Operating Expense								
14	14302	Insurance - Plant	14,500	6,500	6,362	(138)	(2)%	
14	14303	Fuel & Oils	270,000	55,500	56,432	932	2%	
14	14304	Tyres and Tubes	30,000	0	0	0		
14	14305	Parts & Repairs	150,000	6,500	7,790	1,290	20%	
14	14306	Internal Repair Wages	33,500	4,582	3,491	(1,091)	(24)%	
14	14307	Licences - Plant	9,000	7,000	6,881	(119)	(2)%	
14	14308	Depreciation - Plant	200,000	33,332	30,880	(2,452)	(7)%	
14	14309	Plant Operation Costs Allocated to V	(756,000)	(106,000)	(83,580)	22,420	(21)%	
14	14310	Blades & Tynes	15,000	0	0	0		
14	14311	Consumable Items	20,000	1,000	942	(58)	(6)%	
14	14312	Expendable Tools	10,000	1,000	1,069	69	7%	
			(4,000)	9,414	30,268	20,854		
Stock Fuels & Oils								
Operating Expense								
14	14402	Purchase of Stock Materials	0	0	22,149	22,149		
			0	0	22,149	22,149		
Operating Income								
14	14404	Diesel Fuel Rebate	(50,000)	(11,000)	(11,060)	(60)	1%	
14	14405	Sale of Stock	(500)	0	0	0		
14	14406	Sale of Fuel and Scrap	(2,000)	0	0	0		
			(52,500)	(11,000)	(11,060)	(60)		
Administration								
Operating Expense								
14	14500	Expenses relating to Administration	494,000	82,332	79,548	(2,784)	(3)%	
14	14501	Administration Office Maintenance	87,500	20,828	22,303	1,475	7%	
14	14502	Workers Compensation Premiums-	21,250	21,250	22,248	998	5%	
14	14503	Office Equipment Maintenance - Ad	9,000	2,250	2,828	578	26%	
14	14504	Telecommunications - Admin	10,000	1,366	2,799	1,433	105%	
14	14505	Travel & Accommodation - Admin	2,000	0	0	0		

Schedule 14 Other Property & Services

Prog	COA	Description	Original Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Var. \$	Var. %	Comment
Administration								
Operating Expense - Continued								
14	14506	Legal Expenses Administration	5,000	0	0	0		
14	14507	Training Expenses - Admin	7,500	7,500	7,309	(191)	(3)%	
14	14508	Printing & Stationery - Admin	10,000	1,866	1,223	(643)	(34)%	
14	14509	Fringe Benefits Tax - Admin	17,000	0	0	0		
14	14510	Conference Expenses - Admin	6,000	1,500	1,185	(315)	(21)%	
14	14511	Staff Uniform - Admin	3,000	750	0	(750)	(100)%	
14	14515	Administration Costs Allocated to Pr	(769,750)	(180,290)	(180,583)	(293)	0%	
14	14517	Postage & Freight	1,500	375	36	(339)	(90)%	
14	14521	IT/Accounting Programs	45,000	31,000	32,552	1,552	5%	
14	14522	Advertising	3,000	750	0	(750)	(100)%	
14	14524	Superannuation -Admin	0	0	1,571	1,571		
14	14559	Admin Loss on Sale	20,000	0	0	0		
14	14599	Depreciation - Admin	38,000	7,332	8,553	1,221	17%	
			10,000	(1,191)	1,571	2,762		
Operating Income								
14	14525	Admin - Reimbursement	(1,000)	(1,000)	(5,256)	(4,256)	426%	
14	14598	Profit on Sale of Asset - Admin	(5,000)	0	0	0		
			(6,000)	(1,000)	(5,256)	(4,256)		
Capital Expense								
14	14514	Purchase Furniture & Equipment Ad	30,000	6,000	5,827	(173)	(3)%	
14	14519	Carport Admin Office - CAPITAL	50,000	0	0	0		
14	14520	CEO Vehicle - CAPITAL	120,000	110,000	109,997	(3)	(0)%	
14	14523	DCEO Vehicle - CAPITAL	80,000	0	0	0		
			280,000	116,000	115,824	(176)		
Operating Expense								
14	14602	Gross Salaries & Wages	2,010,000	335,000	287,838	(47,162)	(14)%	
14	14603	Less Sal & Wages Alloc to Works	(2,010,000)	(335,000)	(287,838)	47,162	(14)%	
			0	0	0	0		
Unclassified								
Operating Income								
14	14701	Income Relating to Unclassified	(40,000)	(30,000)	(30,000)	0	0%	
14	14705	Ramelius Resources Haulage Operat	0	0	0	0		
			(40,000)	(30,000)	(30,000)	0		
Unclassified								
Capital Expense								
14	14704	Land Development	350,000	18,200	17,800	(400)	(2)%	
			350,000	18,200	17,800	(400)		
Capital Income								
14	14799	Proceeds on Sale of Assets	(276,000)	0	0	0		
			(276,000)	0	0	0		
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE			210,000	(16,115)	24,916	41,031		
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME			(680,970)	(51,166)	(56,100)	(4,934)		
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE			630,000	134,200	133,623	(577)		
TOTAL CAPITAL INCOME			(276,000)	0	0	0		

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BASIS OF PREPARATION - SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Supplementary information is presented for information purposes. The information does not comply with the disclosure requirements of the Australian Accounting Standards.

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3 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Description	Classification	Unrestricted	Reserve Accounts	Total	Trust	Institution	Interest Rate	Maturity Date
PETTY CASH and FLOATS	Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 870	\$	\$ 870	\$		NIL	On Hand
MUNCIPAL BANK ACCOUNT	Cash and cash equivalents	1,826,351		1,826,351		Bendigo	Variable	Cheque Acc.
RESERVE FUND	Cash and cash equivalents	0	5,934,537	5,934,537		Bendigo	Variable	Term Deposit
TRUST FUND CASH AT BANI	Cash and cash equivalents	0		0	43,303	Bendigo	Variable	Cheque Acc.
Total		1,827,221	5,934,537	7,761,758	43,303			
Comprising								
Cash and cash equivalents		1,827,221	5,934,537	7,761,758	43,303			
		1,827,221	5,934,537	7,761,758	43,303			

KEY INFORMATION

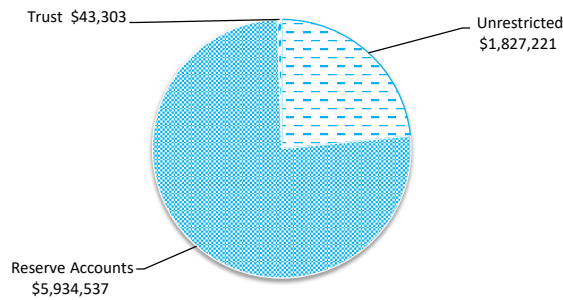
Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, cash at bank, deposits available on demand with banks and other short term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

Bank overdrafts are reported as short term borrowings in current liabilities in the statement of net current assets.

The local government classifies financial assets at amortised cost if both of the following criteria are met:

- the asset is held within a business model whose objective is to collect the contractual cashflows, and
- the contractual terms give rise to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest.

Financial assets at amortised cost held with registered financial institutions are listed in this note other financial assets at amortised cost are provided in Note 7 - Other assets.



Transaction Summary	Corporate MasterCard	Total Amount	Institution	Interest Rate	Period End Date
		\$			
Card # **** *693					
Price, Arthur W	Starlink	165.00	Bendigo	17.99%	31-Aug-26
	Magnific Premium	29.70			
	Bird Control Laser	2,444.90			
	7/11 - Diesel	191.53			
	International Fee	0.89			
	Bendigo - Card Fee	4.00			
		\$2,836.02			
Card # **** *035					
Geier, Jasmine L	5xExchange, 9x365 Business Basic, 14x365 Business Std	625.39	Bendigo	17.99%	31-Aug-26
	Kinatic - CV Check, R Sing	76.90			
	Total Tools - Cigweld regulator	102.22			
	Perth Airport Parking	193.00			
	Perth Airport Parking	193.00			
	Containers for Change Bins	1,730.00			
	Liquor Licence - Night at the Museum	62.00			
	Purchase of Laptop & other miscellaneous HACC supplies	922.44			
	Bendigo - Card Fee	4.00			
		\$3,908.95			
		\$6,744.97			
Transaction Summary	Corporate Fuel Cards	Total Amount	Institution	Interest Rate	Period End Date
		\$			
Card #**** *7401					
Bill Price	Fuel Card Purchases - 0WT	\$0.00	BP		31-Aug-26
		\$0.00	Fuel Distributors		31-Aug-26
		\$0.00			
Card #**** *5677					
Kevin Paust	Fuel Card Purchases - Works Super - WT111	\$231.27	BP		31-Aug-26
		\$231.27			
Card #**** *5510					
Jasmine Geier	Fuel Card Purchases - DCEO - 02WT	\$445.68	BP		31-Aug-26
		\$445.68			
		\$676.95			

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4 RESERVE ACCOUNTS

Reserve account name	Budget				Actual			
	Opening	Transfers	Transfers	Closing	Opening	Transfers	Transfers	Closing
	Balance	In (+)	Out (-)	Balance	Balance	In (+)	Out (-)	Balance
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Reserve accounts restricted by legislation								
Reserves- Long Service Leave Reserve	176,534	9,000	0	185,534	176,534	0	0	176,534
Reserves- Plant Replacement	1,170,272	59,000	(250,000)	979,272	1,170,272	0	0	1,170,272
Reserves- Building Reserve	1,070,210	54,000	(250,000)	874,210	1,070,210	0	0	1,070,210
Reserves- Communication/It Reserve	79,828	4,000	0	83,828	79,828	0	0	79,828
Reserves- Community Development Reserve	2,356,318	120,000	(500,000)	1,976,318	2,356,318	0	0	2,356,318
Reserves- Waste Management Reserve	141,538	7,000	0	148,538	141,538	0	0	141,538
Reserve- Swimming Pool Reserve	401,087	20,000	0	421,087	401,087	0	0	401,087
Reserves- Roadworks Reserve	538,750	27,000	0	565,750	538,750	0	0	538,750
	5,934,537	300,000	(1,000,000)	5,234,537	5,934,537	0	0	5,934,537

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5 CAPITAL ACQUISITIONS

Capital acquisitions	Adopted		YTD Actual	YTD Variance
	Budget	YTD Budget		
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Buildings - specialised	1,190,000	490,000	488,613	(1,387)
Furniture and equipment	1,005,000	22,000	22,523	523
Plant and equipment	740,000	110,000	109,997	(3)
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	2,935,000	622,000	621,133	(867)
Infrastructure - roads	1,986,500	331,076	70,892	(260,184)
Acquisition of infrastructure	1,986,500	331,076	70,892	(260,184)
Total capital acquisitions	4,921,500	953,076	692,026	(261,050)
Capital Acquisitions Funded By:				
Capital grants and contributions	1,108,775	336,094	335,982	(112)
Other (disposals & C/Fwd)	176,000	0	0	0
Reserve accounts				
Reserves- Building Reserve	250,000	0	0	0
Reserves- Community Development Reserve	500,000	0	0	0
Contribution - operations	2,886,725	616,982	356,044	(260,938)
Capital funding total	4,921,500	953,076	692,026	(261,050)

KEY INFORMATION

Initial recognition

An item of property, plant and equipment or infrastructure that qualifies for recognition as an asset is measured at its cost.

Upon initial recognition, cost is determined as the amount paid (or other consideration given) to acquire the assets, plus costs incidental to the acquisition. The cost of non-current assets constructed by the Shire includes the cost of all materials used in construction, direct labour on the project and an appropriate proportion of variable and fixed overheads. For assets acquired at zero cost or otherwise significantly less than fair value, cost is determined as fair value at the date of acquisition.

Assets for which the fair value as at the date of acquisition is under \$5,000 are not recognised as an asset in accordance with *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 17A(5)*. These assets are expensed immediately.

Where multiple individual low value assets are purchased together as part of a larger asset or collectively forming a larger asset exceeding the threshold, the individual assets are recognised as one asset and capitalised.

Individual assets that are land, buildings and infrastructure acquired between scheduled revaluation dates of the asset class in accordance with the Shire's revaluation policy, are recognised at cost and disclosed as being at reportable value.

Measurement after recognition

Plant and equipment including furniture and equipment and right-of-use assets (other than vested improvements) are measured using the cost model as required under *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 17A(2)*. Assets held under the cost model are carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and any impairment losses being their reportable value.

Reportable Value

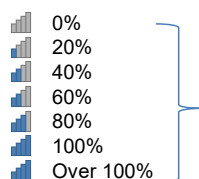
In accordance with *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 17A(2)*, the carrying amount of non-financial assets that are land and buildings classified as property, plant and equipment, investment properties, infrastructure or vested improvements that the local government controls.

Reportable value is for the purpose of *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 17A(4)* is the fair value of the asset at its last valuation date minus (to the extent applicable) the accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses in respect of the non-financial asset subsequent to its last valuation date.

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5 CAPITAL ACQUISITIONS (CONTINUED) - DETAILED

**Capital expenditure total
Level of completion indicators**



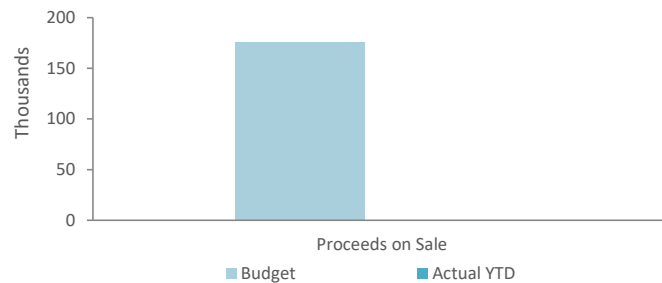
Percentage Year to Date Actual to Annual Budget expenditure where the expenditure over budget highlighted in red.

		Adopted			Variance
Account Description		Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	(Under)/Over
		\$	\$	\$	\$
Building					0
07702	Purchase Buildings - Medical Centre Upgrades	30,000	9,000	8,968	32
09239	CAPITAL-Single Persons Quarters	400,000	90,000	90,867	(867)
10702	Purchase Land & Buildings - Niche Wall Cemetery	25,000	0	0	0
11303	Purchase Land & Buildings - Stadium	50,000	0	0	0
11603	Purchase Land & Building - PlayGround Redevelopment	500,000	390,000	387,870	2,130
12218	Plant Shed - Depot	15,000	0	0	0
12220	Sea Container Storage Depot	20,000	1,000	909	91
13224	Caravan Park - Decking/New Laundry - CAPITAL	100,000	0	0	0
14519	Carport Admin Office - CAPITAL	50,000	0	0	0
Buildings Total		1,190,000	490,000	488,613	1,387
Furniture & Equipment					0
08203	Furniture & Equipment - Community Hub/Leisure Centre Project	25,000	1,000	1,093	(93)
11608	Purchase Furniture & Equipment - PlayGround Redevelopment	750,000	15,000	15,102	(102)
13217	Museum Expansion Project - Furniture & Equipment	200,000	0	502	(502)
14514	Purchase Furniture & Equipment Administration	30,000	6,000	5,827	173
Furniture & Equipment Total		1,005,000	22,000	22,523	(523)
Plant & Equipment					0
12303	Graders - CAPITAL	530,000	0	0	0
12305	Garden Water Trailer- CAPITAL	10,000	0	0	0
14520	CEO Vehicle - CAPITAL	120,000	110,000	109,997	3
14523	DCEO Vehicle - CAPITAL	80,000	0	0	0
Plant & Equipment Total		740,000	110,000	109,997	3
Infrastructure-roads					0
C0011	Maxfield Road (No 0011)	84,000	14,000	9,100	4,900
C0019	4 Mile Gate Road (No 0019)	78,500	13,082	0	13,082
C0030	Maisefield Gravel Resheet	95,000	15,832	0	15,832
C0031	Elachbutting Road (No 0031)	90,000	15,000	0	15,000
C0034	Farina Road (No 0034)	88,000	14,666	46,277	(31,611)
C0064	Elsewhere Road (No 0064)	96,000	16,000	0	16,000
C0096	Woolgar Street (0096)	100,000	16,666	0	16,666
MRWA Project Construction					0
RRG16R	Leach Road ReSeal (No 0016)	369,000	61,500	0	61,500
RRG16C	Leach Road Reconstruction (No 0016)	369,000	61,500	0	61,500
Roads to Recovery Construction					0
R2R61	Wolfram Street Footpaths/ Drainage (No 0061)	250,000	41,666	15,516	26,150
R2R60	Cement Street Footpaths	152,000	25,332	0	25,332
R2R53	Hodgeson Road (No 0053)	125,000	20,832	0	20,832
R2R25	Rabbit Proof Fence Road (No 0025)	90,000	15,000	0	15,000

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6 DISPOSAL OF ASSETS

Asset Ref.	Asset description	Budget				YTD Actual			
		Net Book	Proceeds	Profit	(Loss)	Net Book	Proceeds	Profit	(Loss)
		Value				Value			
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
	Plant and equipment								
A570	Toyota LandCruiser - 0WT	120,000	100,000	0	(20,000)			0	0
A579	Toyota Prado -02WT	71,000	76,000	5,000	0			0	0
		191,000	176,000	5,000	(20,000)	0	0	0	0



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9 BORROWINGS

Repayments - borrowings

Information on borrowings		Loan No.	1 July 2026	New Loans		Principal Repayments		Principal Outstanding		Interest Repayments	
Particulars				Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
Antique Fuel Industry Museum Dis	1		\$ 551,399	\$	\$	\$ 0	\$ (59,073)	\$ 551,399	\$ 492,326	\$ 0	\$ (24,507)
Total			551,399	0	0	0	(59,073)	551,399	492,326	0	(24,507)
Current borrowings			59,073					-48,601			
Non-current borrowings			492,326					600,000			
			551,399					551,399			

All debenture repayments were financed by general purpose revenue.

KEY INFORMATION

The City has elected to recognise borrowing costs as an expense when incurred regardless of how the borrowings are applied.

Fair values of borrowings are not materially different to their carrying amounts, since the interest payable on those borrowings is either close to current market rates or the borrowings are of a short term nature.

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10 OTHER CURRENT LIABILITIES

	Note	Opening Balance 1 July 2026 \$	Liability transferred from/(to) non current \$	Liability Increase \$	Liability Reduction \$	Closing Balance 31 August 2026 \$
Other current liabilities						
Employee Related Provisions						
Provision for annual leave		219,050	0			219,050
Provision for long service leave		143,946	0			143,946
Total Provisions		362,996	0	0	0	362,996
Total other current liabilities		362,996	0	0	0	362,996

Amounts shown above include GST (where applicable)

A breakdown of contract liabilities and associated movements is provided on the following pages at Note

KEY INFORMATION

Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Shire has a present legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result and that outflow can be reliably measured.

Provisions are measured using the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period.

Employee Related Provisions

Short-term employee benefits

Provision is made for the Shire's obligations for short-term employee benefits. Short-term employee benefits are benefits (other than termination benefits) that are expected to be settled wholly before 12 months after the end of the annual reporting period in which the employees render the related service, including wages, salaries and sick leave. Short-term employee benefits are measured at the (undiscounted) amounts expected to be paid when the obligation is settled.

The Shire's obligations for short-term employee benefits such as wages, salaries and sick leave are recognised as a part of current trade and other payables in the calculation of net current assets.

Other long-term employee benefits

The Shire's obligations for employees' annual leave and long service leave entitlements are recognised as employee related provisions in the statement of financial position.

Long-term employee benefits are measured at the present value of the expected future payments to be made to employees. Expected future payments incorporate anticipated future wage and salary levels, durations of service and employee departures and are discounted at rates determined by reference to market yields at the end of the reporting period on government bonds that have maturity dates that approximate the terms of the obligations. Any remeasurements for changes in assumptions of obligations for other long-term employee benefits are recognised in profit or loss in the periods in which the changes occur. The Shire's obligations for long-term employee benefits are presented as non-current provisions in its statement of financial position, except where the Shire does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least 12 months after the end of the reporting period, in which case the obligations are presented as current provisions.

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11 GRANTS, SUBSIDIES AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Provider	Grants, subsidies and contributions revenue		
	Adopted	YTD	YTD
	Budget Revenue	Budget	Revenue Actual
	\$	\$	\$
Grants and subsidies			
Grants Commission Grant Received - General	278,011	69,503	68,139
Grants Commission Grant Received- Roads	164,681	27,500	27,423
FESA Operating Grant	33,000	8,250	9,043
Grant Funding	183,000	0	0
Reimbursement Rural Health West	0	0	55
LotteryWest	250,000	0	0
Corporate sponsorship	100,000	0	0
Playground Fundraising Committee	100,000	0	0
Grant - MRWA Direct	205,300	205,300	205,361
Grant -Electric Car Charging Station	100	0	0
Water Corp - Woolgar Street	100,000	0	0
Income - Westonia Historical Society	25,000	0	0
Grant Funding Opportunities	40,000	0	0
DPIRD Grants Funding (CRC)	110,000	33,000	32,854
	1,589,092	343,553	342,875

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12 CAPITAL GRANTS, SUBSIDIES AND CONTRIBUTIONS

		Capital grants, subsidies and contributions revenue		
Provider	Adopted Budget	YTD	YTD Revenue	
	Revenue	Budget	Actual	
	\$	\$	\$	
Capital grants and subsidies				
Income Relating to Libraries	100	0		0
Grant - MRWA Specific	492,300	197,000		196,932
Grant - Roads to Recovery	616,375	139,094		139,050
	1,108,775	336,094		335,982

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13 TRUST FUND

Funds held at balance date which are required by legislation to be credited to the trust fund and which are not included in the financial statements are as follows:

Description	Opening Balance			Closing Balance
	1 July 2026	Amount Received	Amount Paid	31 August 2026
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Westonia Tennis Club	9,202	0	0	9,202
Westonia Historical Society	25,445	0	0	25,445
Cemetery Committee	8,656	0	0	8,656
	43,303	0	0	43,303

9.1.3 GST RECONCILIATION REPORT – AUGUST 2026

Responsible Officer:	Bill Price, Chief Executive Officer	
Author:	Jasmine Geier, Deputy Chief Executive Officer	
File Reference:	F1.4.4 Audit Report	
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil	
Attachments:	Attachment 9.1.3 GST Report	
Signature:	Officer 	CEO 

Purpose of the Report

☐ Executive Decision ☒ Legislative Requirement

The GST reconciliation is presented to Council as a means of indicating Council's current GST liability, which has an impact on Council's cash-flow.

Background

The Reconciled Balance of the GST Ledger to the General Ledger as reported as at August 2026 provided to Council on a monthly basis as a means of keeping Council informed of its current GST liability.

Comment

The GST Reconciliation Report is attached for Councillor consideration.

Statutory Environment

Nil

Policy Implications

Council does not have a policy in regard to Goods and Services Tax.

Strategic Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

The GST reconciliation is presented to Council as a means of indicating Council's current GST liability, which has an impact on Council's cash-flow.

Voting Requirements

☒ Simple Majority ☐ Absolute Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

That the GST Reconciliation totalling **(\$20,259.00)** for the period ending August 2026 adopted.

Shire of Westonia
Business Activity Statement
August 2026

Total Sales and Purchases		\$
G1	Total Sales	772,517
G3	Other GST Free Sales	475,843
G4	Input Taxed	17,955
G10	Capital Purchases	706,799
G11	Non-Capital Purchases	116,215

Amounts you owe the ATO (Credits in ledger)		\$
1A/ G9	GST On Sales (GL Balance)	25,338
4	PAYG (GL 94660)	30,576
6A	FBT Instalment	
7C	Fuel Tax credit over claim	-
<i>Total you owe the ATO</i>		<u>55,914</u>

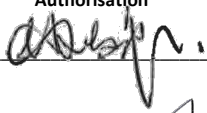
PAYG		\$
W1	Total Salary Wages & Other	139,900
W2	Amount withheld from Payments at W1	30,576
W4	Amount withheld where no ABN is quoted	
W3	Other amounts withheld	

Amounts the ATO owes you (Debits in ledger)		\$
1B/ G20	GST on Purchases (GL Balance)	69,239
7D	Fuel Tax Credit	6,934
<i>Total the ATO owes you</i>		<u>76,173</u>

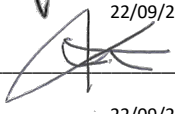
FBT		\$
F1	FBT Instalment Amount	-

Activity Statement Net Amount		\$
Amounts you owe the ATO (Credits in ledger)		55,914
Amounts the ATO owes you (Debits in ledger)		76,173
Payment (Red - Refund)		<u>(20,259)</u>

Authorisation

Prepared By: 

Date: 22/09/2026

Checked & Lodged By: 

Date: 22/09/2026

BAS Journal		
Debit	Credit	Description
1405000 - GST Income (Liability)	25,338	BAS liability due to ATO
1406010 - PAYG Tax Gen	30,576	PAYG paid to ATO
1304000 - GST Expense (Asset)	69,239	BAS purchases claimed from ATO
1144040.114 - Fuel Tax Credit Gen	6,934	FTC
1145090.580 - Fringe Benefits Tax - Admin Gen 60%		FBT
1142210.502 - Fringe Benefits Tax - Works Gen 40%		FBT
1406020 - ATO Clearing Account	-	Due from/to ATO
	20,259	BAS-Rounding
	<u>55,914</u>	<u>55,914</u>

9.2 COMMUNITY AND REGULATIONS

9.2.1 WESTERN PREMIUM SEEDS – COLLECTION OF SEED AUTHORITY

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

The purpose of this report is to consider providing permission for Western Premium Seeds to collect Native Flora within the shire boundaries.

Background

Western Premium Seeds is seeking Council’s permission to collect native seed from Reserves under management order to the Shire of Westonia.

The Council has not granted this organization permission in the past under normal conditions.

Comment

Council has granted permission before to several entities with the following conditions.

- All persons collecting native seed are licenced according to the Wildlife Conservation Act 1950 and will abide by the conditions of this licence.
- Permission is for a twelve-month period, commencing October 2026.
- Appropriate hygiene measures will be followed at all times to prevent the spread of plant disease and weeds.
- All care will be taken to avoid the disturbance of fauna habitat.
- All care will be taken to avoid any disturbance that may lead to soil degradation; and
- There be a requirement to donate to the Shire of Westonia, 10% of all seed from each species collected within the shire. This will go towards rehabilitation projects in the shire.

Statutory Environment

Nil

Policy Implications

There are no policies relating to this matter.

Strategic Implications

N/A

Financial Implications

N/A

Voting Requirements

☐

Simple Majority

☐

Absolute Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

That Council authorise Western Premium Seeds to collect native seed from reserves under management order to the Shire of Westonia in accordance with the conditions set out below.

- All persons collecting native seed are licenced according to the Wildlife Conservation Act 1950 and will abide by the conditions of this licence.
- Permission is for a twelve-month period, commencing October 2026.
- Appropriate hygiene measures will be followed at all times to prevent the spread of plant disease and weeds.
- All care will be taken to avoid the disturbance of fauna habitat.
- All care will be taken to avoid any disturbance that may lead to soil degradation; and
- There be a requirement to donate to the Shire of Westonia, 10% of all seed from each species collected within the shire. This will go towards rehabilitation projects in the shire

9.2.2 YOUNG LEADERS FORUM - REPORT

Responsible Officer:	Bill Price, CEO	
Author:	Bill Price, CEO	
File Reference:	ES1.7.1	
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil	
Attachments:	Young Leaders Forum Report Parents Signed letter for Early Learning Space	
Signature:	Officer	CEO
		

Purpose of the Report



Executive Decision



Legislative Requirement

The purpose of this report is for Council to formally endorse the Young Leaders Forum Report which will form the basis of a new Community Strategic Plan document for the Shire of Westonia.

Background

Council are aware of organising a Young Leaders Forum, facilitated by Peter Kenyon, in the Old Miners Hall on Wednesday 19 August 2026.

The forum was very well attended with @ 30 attendees out of a possible 50 invites. Peter Kenyon, renowned small town inspirational speaker, coordinated a workshop to brainstorm creative ideas that will shape the future of the Westonia community.

Comment

A final report identifying all of the outcomes from the meeting has been formulated for Council consideration. It is intended that staff (usually consultants) will now use the feedback and information from the session to form the basis of the Community Strategic Plan which is a requirement of local governments as per S 5.56(1) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996.

Council's existing Community Strategic Plan expired in 2023.

Another major outcome arising from the Forum is the eagerness for the young parents to have a space for early learning, creche style facilities as per a signed letter from the group asking Council consideration for some consideration in this area.

Statutory Environment

S 5.56(1) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996

Policy Implications

Nil

Strategic Implications

Governance – provide leadership and governance for the community.

Financial Implications

Nil

Voting Requirements



Simple Majority



Absolute Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

That Council formally endorse the Young Leaders Forum Report which will form the basis of a new Community Strategic Plan document for the Shire of Westonia.

YOUNG LEADERS FORUM

Peter Kenyon – Bank of I.D.E.A.S

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Executive summary

On the 19th of August 2026 (total of attendees) renowned community development specialist Peter Kenyon joined an engaging and interactive forum designed to empower young leaders to share their ideas and help shape the future of Westonia.

Key achievements

- **Individuals Opinions:** Get the community members who will be the ones shaping our future to have their opinion on what they want the future of Westonia to look like.
- **Brainstorming:** Work as a team and individually to really think about what will work and what we can do to form this change
- **Collaboration and innovation:** Working together to make a plan on how we can get these ideas off of the ground.

Who is Peter Kenyon?

A social capitalist and community enthusiast. Over the last four decades, he has worked with more than 2000 communities throughout Australia and overseas seeking to facilitate fresh and creative ways that stimulate community and local economic renewal. He is motivated by the desire to create healthy, caring, inclusive, connected, sustainable and enterprising communities and local economies.

Peter has a background as a youth worker, teacher, youth educator officer, tertiary lecturer and senior public servant.

Peter is convinced that one cannot develop communities from the top down or from outside in. it requires communities to build from the inside out, and for their members to invest themselves, ideas, assets and resources in the process. Peter has created bank of I.D.E.A.S (Initiative for the Development of Enterprising Action and Strategies) to promote such a paradigm shift and assist with the necessary facilitation, ideas and skills.



“It is very pleasing to see such a good roll up. It means that you guys are invested in Westonia.

I have had the pleasure of knowing Peter since the early 90's when I was working in Kulin. Peter was the major driver in the Kulin community and creating the Kulin Bush Races/ Tin Horse Highway initiative which has put Kulin on the map and generated significant charity for other great projects for the community.

As you know, Westonia has had 2x key strategies since 1995 to reinvigorate the town.

1. Facades (tourism, streetscape, museum)
2. Lifestyle Village (Health Clinic, Home care services, 40+ houses & bowling green hub)

The council believe that these strategies have nearly ran their race.

The outcome we are hoping from today's forum is what new strategies, initiatives and projects we need over the next 5-10 years to continue to be relevant.”

Bill Price – CEO

We would like to acknowledge Wheatbelt Connect for their financial contribution.



Activities

Go around the room asking what

“what do you and your generation want to see happen?”

3 questions;

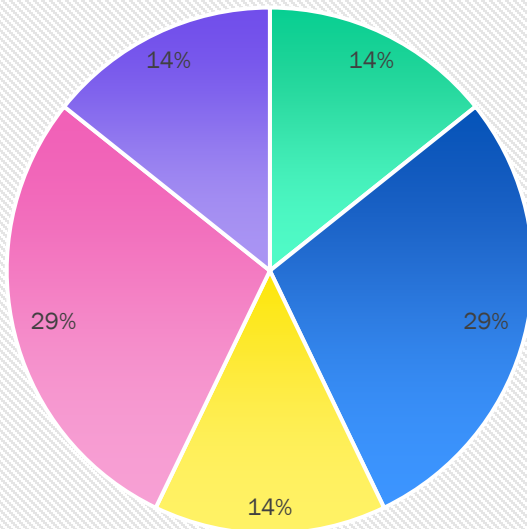
1. What currently works that you don't want to lose?
2. What would you modify/change to have more impact?
3. What don't we have here which we need?



Data

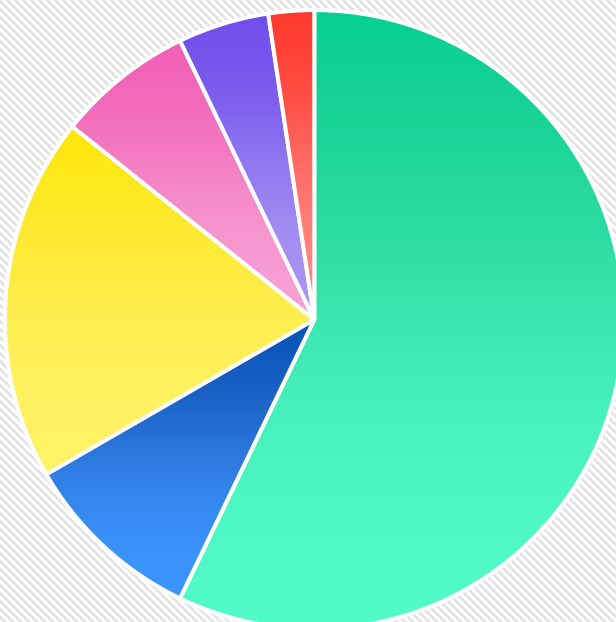
Everyone was given 8 sticky dots each to put next to the things which matter most to them about Westonia and what they wanted to modify or introduce.

Retain/Love



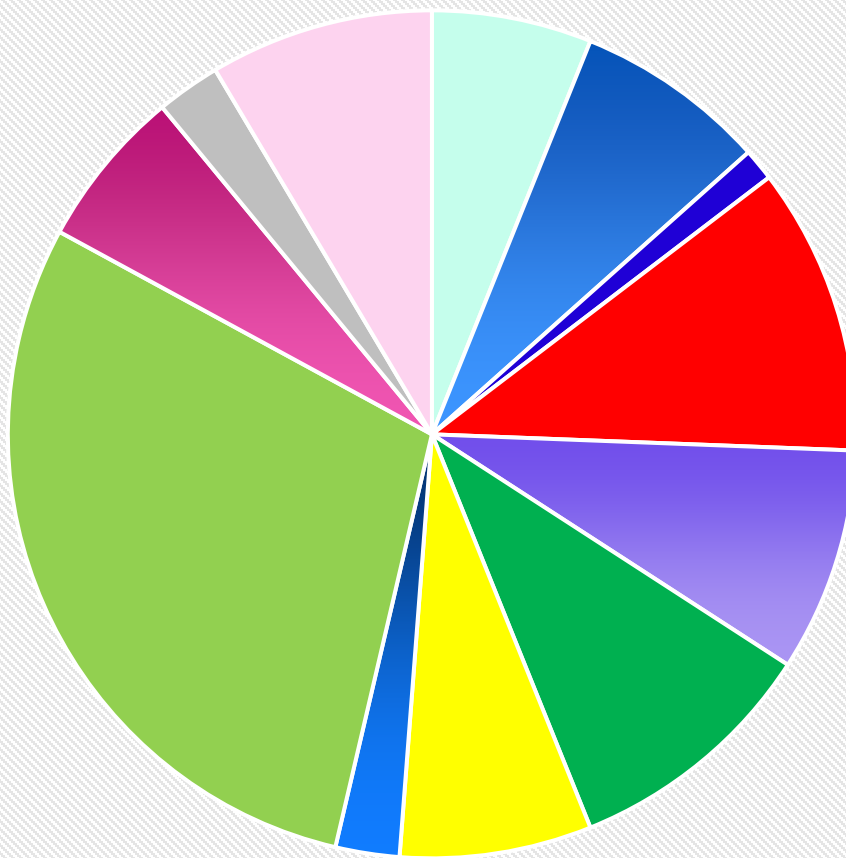
- Community Involvement
- Volunteers
- Committees - WPA, Co-op, Medical
- Events - WOTG
- Sense of Pride

Change/Modify



- Increase Eating options - opening hrs & kid friendly
- Rec Centre - Repairs/upgrade gym
- Increase Shire boundaries
- Encourage younger demographics
- Improve Mine lookout
- Expand Accommodation - Caravan Park

Start/Create



- Ski lake @ mine pit
- Community ran school
- Caravan/truck wash
- Westonia sports club
- Improve facilities at the rocks - zipline
- Creche/Daycare
- Sunday Sessions
- Kid friendly cafes
- Racetrack/gocart/bmx/mx
- Gun Club
- WORKSHOPS - Lifeskills
- More businesses

2. At the end of the forum, we picked 7 major changes we wanted to see in Westonia. Everyone got to choose what matter most to them and brainstorm the outcomes, the elements and the first 3 steps to get this happening.

CRECHE/COMMUNITY SCHOOL
Outcomes – Kids interacting and socializing, utilise locals (sewing group, library, museum etc.), mums can go back to work
Elements – Kids don't have to travel, community facilities being used, education
First 3 steps – Find a location, Find a fitting platform and form a committee

NEW BUSINESSES
Outcomes - Attract remote businesses to fill gaps (hairdresser, fresh produce etc.)
Elements - industrial/land facilities, office space
First 3 Steps – find location for land, advertise

REC CENTRE IMPROVEMENTS
Outcomes - more accessible for the community
Elements - footy goals and oval lighting
First 3 steps - design, repair roof & upgrade bathrooms

GUN CLUB
outcomes - Gun safety, Community
Elements - practice shooting, learn and track gun safety & merge surrounding clubs
First 3 steps - Contact authorities, find a location & form a committee

SONGS ON THE SALT (NEW EVENT)
Outcomes - Huge tourism, fundraising opportunities
Elements - low-cost event, lend toilets, use the rock to amplify music, plenty of camping
First 3 steps - Working group, fundraising, time of year to host

INCREASE IN EATING OPTIONS
Outcomes - More welcoming for families, socialising area, helping tourism
Elements – larger range of opening hours, more inviting, variety in accommodation options (dongas > 5 star rooms)
First 3 steps – Location, Infrastructure, staffing

CENTRAL MOTORSPORT/BMX HUB
Outcomes - central for all ages to come together to reduce isolation & mental health awareness
Elements - Upgrade current BMX track - shelter, table, maintenance. Use current racetrack, build enduro track, relocate airport shed to use as central hub, tie with afterschool space and care, use mobile au pair
First 3 steps – form a committee, Investigate regulations, Busy bees



IDEA	CONTRIBUTION
Facilities at rocks/baladjie rock concert	Help set up/pack up, organise space for camp, toilets, stages
Creche/daycare/homeschool building	Grants, committee member, volunteer
more whole community events (xmas carols, tennis, park runs)	Assist with planning & organising
Improve kid infrastructure - bmx, bball, skatepark, pool for all ages	Happy to contribute to busy bees and planning
Kid friendly café areas open all week. Garden space	Assist in developing/building
Community sports (tennis, bowls, cricket)	participation
Mine lookout improvement	
More small businesses	Search for suited businesses and find buildings, get involved in the co-op
More community based events.. In more social places in town	organise cookoffs, workshops and push to upgrade pub/cafes
social sports events	Help coordinate/show up and participate or volunteer
More community activities	Helping plan and sort events
Westonia sporting team for all ages	Supporting and joining in
Music festival at Baladjie Rock	Assist, funding, volunteer, sponsor and be part of the committee
Yoga, pilates, gardening, visiting coffee van	
Sunday sesh, food can visiting rocks, bowls, pool, playground	Help coordinate
Kid friendly space for families	help coordinate
Bringing paid work to mens shed, sewing room etc	help promote, create ideas, learn skills from the oldies
Social workshops events, community engagement	be apart, volunteer and support
homeschool run by the community	use local businesses to learn life skills (sewing group inc.)
Motocross track,	Help upgrade existing track
baladjie rock music events	Volunteer & help cart concert equipment
Racetrack	Help with track development, part of the committee
Community footy and cricket team	team captain
songs on the salt	promote, volunteer, sing
community events, rec centre upgrades	volunteer, organise
baladjie rock concert	Help out
baladjie rock concert, go cart track, ski lake	volunteer, equipment, land
School	Donating my time
Motorplex	gravel supply
Keeping and bringing more younger demographic to live in the community	Attend meetings and share ideas

1. More things to do - Sport, social activities and events
2. Better facilities - Pool, family spaces
3. Stronger community connection - Volunteering, events and social spaces
4. Economic growth - Attract and support small businesses and tourism
5. Youth & families - Create opportunities which encourage younger people and families to stay and invest in wessy

This feedback strongly shows that the community members want more local events (such as music festivals at Baladjie or just small community workshops) and a better area to socialise, eat and enjoy an afternoon with the family.

Conclusion

The feedback from the Westonia community forum clearly demonstrates a strong desire to make Westonia a more connected, vibrant and sustainable place to live, work and raise a family.

The seven proposed initiatives—community childcare and schooling, attracting new businesses, improving the recreation centre, establishing a gun club, introducing *Songs on the Salt*, increasing eating options, and developing a central motorsport/BMX hub—reflect these priorities and provide practical opportunities for positive change.

Overall, the feedback highlights that the community wants more opportunities to socialise, participate, support local businesses and bring families together. By working collaboratively, forming community groups and committees, attracting investment and making better use of existing facilities and local resources, Westonia can build on its strengths and create a more active, welcoming and connected community for current and future residents.

Date: 20/08/2026

Dear Bill and the Shire Council of Westonia,

I wanted to commend you on organising such an excellent initiative with the Future Leaders Forum. A wonderful opportunity to come together and share ideas for our community. We look forward to seeing how it shapes the future strategies for Westonia.

Thank you for providing a crèche, it really made it possible for us to participate. We left the day feeling energised and excited for the future, while also appreciating the vibrant community we live in!

One area that we were unsure if we truly captured the need for was child care. There were five other local mothers who weren't at attendance, caring for their young kids at home.

With wonderful population growth in our Shire - over 20 kids born in the last 9 years and 12 in the 0-4 age group, with more growth only imminent. There is a need to explore some creative child care solutions - with our priority for the 0-5 years and secondly occasional care for school aged children.

Access to child care in our Shire is non existent and the surrounding centres in Mukinbudin, Southern Cross and Merredin have long waitlists. The lack of access and the realities of the businesses our families run means the majority of the child care falls on the women and many are forced out of the workforce for the first 5 years of each child's life.

Parents caring for children full-time have less capacity to volunteer, sit on committees, run sporting clubs and contribute to community initiatives, which small towns rely heavily upon. During seeding and harvest, parents can be working very long hours. Lack of childcare can mean young children are at risk around machinery and active farming operations because families simply don't have another option.

Establishing a childcare service could provide a great opportunity for training in early education for our young adults in the community or attract further skilled workforce to our town. Furthermore, it provides opportunities for Westonia to attract business and investment from the families in surrounding towns who will ultimately travel to town for child care.

There were many great initiatives shared and we recognise the work The Shire is doing in investing in future proofing our community with playground and supporting facilities but also felt it was important to encourage further conversations and solutions to be explored to support our families and further attract and retain future generations to our community.

Thank you,

Zoe Ashby- Deering and Morgan Price

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9.3 WORKS AND SERVICES

Nil

9.4 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH, PLANNING AND BUILDING SERVICES

9.4.1 REFUND OF MONIES - LOT 103 JASPER STREET

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

Purpose of the Report

☒ Executive Decision ☐ Legislative Requirement

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider refunding the purchase price (\$10,000) for Lot 103 Jasper Street to the estate of Mr Cam Hart on compassionate grounds.

Background

Council have been selling land via a Conditional Land Release arrangement to help promote population growth and development within the townsite.

Council, at its November 2025 meeting, resolved to sell lot 103 Jasper Street Westonia to a Mr Cam Hart who intended to construct a 2 x 2 residence and large shed. The sale was still in its agreement stage and no transfer of title has transpired.

Below is a map illustrating the lot in question.



Comment

Council would be aware that Mr Hart was tragically killed in a recent traffic accident on the Westonia Carrabin Road.

It is considered that on compassionate grounds a gesture to refund the original purchase price to the estate of Mr Cam Hart should be the correct course of action from the Council.

Council continues to receive plenty of enquiries for available lots.



Statutory Environment

Nil



Policy Implications

Nil



Strategic Implications

Nil



Financial Implications

\$ 10,000 refund of land sale



Voting Requirements



Simple Majority



Absolute Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

That Council refund the purchase price (\$10,000) for Lot 103 Jasper Street to the estate of Mr Cam Hart on compassionate grounds

10. ELECTED MEMBERS MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

11. NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE INTRODUCED BY A DECISION OF THE MEETING

12 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next ordinary meeting of Council will be held on Thursday schedule 15th October 2026 commencing at 4.00pm.

13. MEETING CLOSURE

There being no further business the Shire President, Cr Mark Crees declared the meeting closed at pm