

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Balranald Shire Council, held in Council Chambers, Balranald on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February, 2012 at 4pm.

**PRESENT:** Cr O'Halloran, Cr Mannix, Cr Lawler, Cr Mengler, Cr Byron, Cr Barnes, Cr Morphett and Cr Purtill

General Manager Chris Littlemore, Director Infrastructure & Development John Stevenson and Director Corporate Services Robert Rayner were also in attendance.

**APOLOGIES:** Cr T Powis.

### **DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS**

Cr Mannix declared an interest in Item C3, Donation Request and Presentation.

Cr Byron declared an interest in Item I3 Development Application 12/2012, Mr Ray Jones proposed Motor Home Parking off Nixon Street, Euston.

### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

<b>Calendar of Events</b>	
<b>February - March</b>	
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	
29 <sup>th</sup>	Crime @ 2.00pm
<b>MARCH</b>	
6 <sup>th</sup>	Euston Beautification
7 <sup>th</sup>	Balranald Beautification
13 <sup>th</sup>	Tourism & Development Committee

### **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**Recommendation:**

That:

“The minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2011 copies having previously been circulated to each Councillor be taken as read and confirmed”.

**02.12.3009 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Mannix and Morphett that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Tuesday December 20<sup>th</sup> 2011 be taken as read and confirmed.

### **MAYORAL MINUTE/REPORT**

Wakool Mayor post Christmas dinner  
Condobolin visit with Aboriginal group  
International music night at the Theatre Royal  
Danny Kelly meeting in regards to the “Bunyip” skeleton  
Inspector Tunks discussion regarding Police Sergeant  
Attended Yanga community meeting

**02.12.3010 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Mengler and Barnes that the Iluka briefing be brought forward.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS FOR ADOPTION**

#### **REPORT & RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE MEETING OF BALRANALD SHIRE COUNCIL AUSTRALIA DAY COMMITTEE HELD AT COUNTRY ENERGY ON THURSDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2011 COMMENCING AT 9.00AM**

**PRESENT:** Cr Jeff Mannix, Hutch Lawrie (representative of the Australia Day Festival Committee), Cr Tina Powis, Robyn Ryan Director of Tourism & Economic Development and Robert Rayner Director of Corporate Services.

**APOLOGIES:** Linda Nelson

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Nil

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

- 1) Selection of Awards: 22 nominations were received this year including 8 nominees for the Citizen of the Year. Citizen, Young Citizen and 11 special achievement awards were selected.
- 2) Australia Day Festival Activities: Balranald Got Talent Concert will be held commencing at 10.30am to 1pm. Ice-creams and three BBQs with the Balranald Yanga Gift (100m sprint) to be held at 1.15 to 1.30pm. There will be \$500 prize money. Beach cricket will commence at the Golf Club at 2.30pm.
- 3) Event Set Up: Cr Powis and Robyn Ryan will decorate Greenham Park Hall & the Euston Multipurpose Centre on 25/1/12. The Ambassador is Rugby Union great Jeff Sayle.

Meeting closed 10.10am.

**Recommendation:** that the report be received.

**02.12.3011 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Mannix and Byron that the Report from Australia Day Committee held on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2011 be received and recommendations therein be adopted.

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**REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BALRANALD SHIRE COUNCIL CARAVAN PARK COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT THE BALRANALD SHIRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON THURSDAY 15<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2011 COMMENCING AT 11.35AM**

**PRESENT:** Councillors Powis, Lawler, Mannix and Purtill, General Manager Chris Littlemore, Mark & Wendee Mattner and Director of Economic and Community Development Robyn Ryan.

**APOLOGIES:** NIL

Committee Chair, Clr Powis thanked the Committee for their attendance throughout the year and congratulated the park managers on the park presentation.

**MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:** Moved Clr Lawler and seconded by Clr Mannix.

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:**

1. Dump Point - waiting on DID to locate plumbing. If CMCA funding for the dump point is declined then the project will be re-prioritised.

ACTION: DECD to follow up with CMCA in relation to funding.

2. Covered BBQ/seating structure – has been relocated to the park. Installation of power and lighting to the structure to be investigated in the future.

3. Riverside cabins – cabins have been installed and are booked over Christmas period. Paths and gardens to be completed

4. Bush Camping Sites – area has be designated and cleaned up with riverview patches created along pathway. The development of river viewing areas could be considered in the 2012/2013 budget and involve work for the Dole or community service programs.

5. Gum Trees Maintenance - four main areas that were identified have been completed.

6. Fishing Platform – not a high priority. No action to date

7. Floating Floor – is currently being installed in cabins. Cabin 6 has new flooring, paintwork and kitchen update.

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

1. Old Bridge Lift Span – plaque to be installed.

ACTION: DECD to check budget and arrange for plaque to be installed.

Spraypainting of lift span to be considered in the 2012/2013 budget.

Mayor left the meeting at 12 noon.

1. Garden Beds – three new garden beds added and extra plants added to existing gardens.

2. Cabin Hire Fees - fees to be reviewed for 2012/2013 budget. Investigations to continue in relation to bolt on ensuites.

ACTION: Park Managers to continue investigation into options for bolt-on ensuites.

3. Solar Power Panels – Quote received but is cost prohibitive. No action further action to date.

Energy lights at the end of the park will need to be replaced.

ACTION: Energy lights to be considered in the 2012/2013 budget.

4. Park Entrance – bamboo fencing erected around pool. Entrance design and entrance lighting concept to be developed by the Park Managers for consideration in 2012/2013 budget .

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Park Entrance – bamboo fencing erected around pool. Entrance design and entrance lighting concept to be developed by the Park Managers for consideration in 2012/2013 budget.

2. March Fishing Competition – DECD to arrange a meeting with Park Manager and Fishing Club in early 2012 to discuss the hosting of the event.

3. Park Presentation – Councillor Lawler commented that he had been receiving good feedback in relation to the appearance of the park.

4. Operators Update –

- Weed control an issue – discussions with GM
- Additional staff at park during holiday period
- Could correspondence received by council either good or bad be forwarded to Park Managers
- Cabin compliant
- Letters of congratulations re- park be published in Council newsletter

- Good feedback from visitor in relation to park upgrade and maintenance.

**NEXT MEETING:**

The next meeting will be held in March 2012. Date to be advised.  
Meeting concluded at 12.55pm.

**Recommendation:** that the report be noted and recommendations made therein be adopted.

**02.12.3012 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Lawler and Mannix that the Report from Caravan Park Committee held on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2011 be received and recommendations therein be adopted.

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**REPORT OF THE BALRANALD SHIRE COUNCIL CRIME PREVENTION COMMITTEE/CSP MEETING HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, ON WEDNESDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2011 COMMENCING AT 2.05PM**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Alan Purtill (Chair), Cr Peter Lawler, Besley Murray, Wally Johnson, Wendy Thompson, Acting Inspector Jye Brown, Constable Andrew Harris, Father Patrick Austin, General Manager Chris Littlemore, Paul Townsend, Steven Smith, Dale Pope, Paul McCullagh, Myrtle Matarazzo, Shirley Matarazzo and Director of Economic and Community Development Robyn Ryan.

**Apologies:** Inspector Tunks, Wendy Macpherson and Clare Butler.

The Mayor discussed protocol for Committee meetings.

**1. Business Arising**

- a) Wendy McPherson, Stephen Smith and the Director of Economic and Community Development to work on Crime Prevention Plan actions.  
ACTION: Updated Crime Prevention Plan to be tabled at the March meeting for comment.
- b) Youth Leadership Program for Youth Week 2012 program.

ACTION: Director of Economic and Community Development to continue to investigate the inclusion of the youth leadership program in the 2012 Youth Week activities.

- c) Balranald Inc. has placed a submission for funding with Community Partnerships – not response to date. Danny Kelly has advise the Mayor that Aboriginal Health will contribute \$3000 to the Skate Park project.
- d) Discussion was held in relation to security cameras at the Ex-Servicemen's Club.

ACTION: Mayor to follow-up with the Club Manager.

- e) White Ribbon Day was a great success. Congratulations to Mallee Family Care for coordinating the event.
- f) New Police Officers – will commence in late January and February 2012.

## **2. New Business**

Liquor Accord – Constable Harris gave an overview on how the Liquor Accord is established and accessing funding for community safety and education programs to reduce anti-social behaviour.

To establish a Liquor Accord licensed premises need to administer the Accord and meet quarterly.

Premises with limited licenses can join the Liquor Accord including packaged liquor outlets.

The objective of the Liquor Accord is to promote the responsible service of alcohol.

The Accord is run by a licensee with stakeholders including Police, Council and Emergency Services.

**Recommendation:** the Committee request that the Police establish a Liquor Accord for all licensed premises in the Balranald Shire.

ACTION: that Constable Harris progresses the establishment of the Balranald Shire Liquor Accord with the support of the Director of Economic and Community Development.

- a) Alcohol Free Zones – are the responsibility of Local Government and are enforced by the Police and/or the Council Inspector. The Mayor advised that the Balranald Alcohol Free Zones are to be renewed in June 2012.
- b) I – Watch – is a new Facebook program being operated by the Police Service. Deniliquin Local Area Command is now online.
- c) Police advised that the magistrate will be able to issue Community Service Orders for over 18 year olds in the future.
- d) Balranald Shire Crime Statistics (Balranald and Euston) were tabled by the Police for discussion. No major crime trends identified.
- e) Stock Theft - no major issues within the Shire.

- f) Police provided an update on the Sargent's position. Possible appointment in the near future.
- g) Drugs – Police currently targeting the highway and Hay.
- h) New Police and other Emergency Service staff – it was requested that new staff be introduced to the community. The Mayor advised of a Council welcome function.

ACTION: Acting Inspector Brown to discuss staff inductions with Inspector Tunks.

- i) List of Services Providers to the Shire

ACTION: Stephen Smith to provide a copy of the Service Provider list to Council and the Committee.

- j) Interagency Meeting – will be held in January 2012.

- k) Regional Action Group

ACTION: Wally Johnson to provide Council with a copy of the Service Provider list.

- l) Flying of the Aboriginal Flag – the Mayor advised that at the December meeting of Council it was resolved that Council fly the Aboriginal flag at the front of the Balranald Shire Council Chambers.

### **3. Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held at **2.00pm on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2012.**

Apologises for the next meeting: Wendy Thompson

The Mayor thanked the Committee for their support, the Police for travelling to the meetings, and wished the Committee a Merry Christmas.

- 4. Meeting Close:** there being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 3.10pm.

- 5. Recommendation:** that the report be received and recommendations made therein be adopted.

**02.12.3013 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Lawler and Mannix that the Report from Crime Prevention Committee held on 21st December 2011 be received and recommendations therein be adopted.

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**REPORT OF THE 2011 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE  
ROYAL HALL BUILDING RESTORATION WORKING PARTY**

**HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS BALRANALD ON WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup> 2011 COMMENCING AT 4.23PM**

**PRESENT:** Tony Conway (Chairman), John Giansiracusa and Doreen Greenham.

**APOLOGIES:** Sue Balshaw

Motion: Apologies be accepted

Moved: Tony Conway

Seconded: Doreen Greenham

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS AGM MINUTES:**  
Nil

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Nil

**CHAIR REPORT:** Verbal report outlining the activities undertaken.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:**

30 June 2011

Funds                   \$5171.00

Gas Heater \$ 476.00

Total                 \$5647.00

Motion: That the Financial Report be accepted.

Moved: John Giansiracusa  
*Carried*

Seconded: Tony Conway

**MEETING CLOSE:** 4.27PM

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Tony Conway  
CHAIRMAN

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**REPORT & RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BALRANALD SHIRE COUNCIL CULTURAL COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF BALRANALD ON WEDNESDAY 21 DECEMBER 2011 COMMENCING AT 4.30PM**

**PRESENT:** Doreen Greenham (Chair), Mayor Purtill, Clr Lawler, General Manager Chris Littlemore, Tony Conway, Jan Lawler, Bella Mannix, John Giansiracusa and the Director of Economic and Community Development Robyn Ryan.

**APOLOGIES:** Sue Balshaw, Clrs Morphett and Mengler and Alyce Fischer.

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:**

Inga Weber is leaving St Joseph's School.

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

*International Performance* – will be held at the Theatre Royal on Thursday February 2, 2012. Two international performers, Roberto Fabbriciani (flute) and Massimo Scattolin (guitar) will perform in Balranald as part of The Murray River International Music Festival.

Tickets will be available from Visitor Information Centre at a cost of \$35 pp - includes cheese and wine. Doors open 7.30pm for 8pm. Dress code – upmarket.

Event promotional opportunities identified included: bus from Euston, Bishop's Lodge Hay, Council newsletter, media releases for Swan Hill Guardian, Robinvale Sentinel and Riverine Grazier and posters.

The GM and DECD will undertake the planning of the event and volunteers will be need on the night.

**ACTION:** The GM to investigate the public address system requirements.

A planning meeting will be held at the theatre on January 23, 2012 commencing at 5.30pm. Clr Lawler and Mrs Lawler will be apologies for the next meeting.

**ACTION:** Theatre lighting to be checked at this meeting.

**ACTION:** A notice to be placed in the next Council newsletter seeking people with stage lighting expertise.

**ACTION:** DECD to investigate the cost a running a bus from Euston.

*South West Arts* – Alyce Fischer to present an overview of the South West Arts program for 2012 at a future meeting.

*Rollover Funds* – the rollover funds from the Royal Theatre Working Party will be utilised for future cultural activities within the Shire.

**NEXT MEETING:** March 2012 – date to be advised.

**MEETING CLOSED:** There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 5.45pm.

**02.12.3014 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Lawler and Mannix that the Report from Cultural Committee held on 21st December 2011 be received and recommendations therein be adopted.

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**REPORT & RECOMMENDATION OF THE EUSTON  
BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT THE  
EUSTON MULTIPURPOSE CENTRE ON TUESDAY 7<sup>th</sup>  
February 2012 COMMENCING AT 9AM**

**PRESENT:** Vivienne McMahon, Barry Watts, Maureen Pupillo, Edna Price, Cr Ken Barnes, Cr Leigh Byron, Cr Ron Mengler and Director Infrastructure & Development John Stevenson

**APOLOGIES:** Vicki Barnes, Bev Harbinson

**Previous minutes:** The Minutes of November 8th 2011 were discussed and confirmed.

**Business arising:**

- Anzac Park Trees – suitable deciduous trees to be planted as soon as weather cools.
- DID to investigate random tipping of rubbish at rear of tip on Crown reserve.
- Cemetery perimeter fence – Council staff to remove wind blown litter and grass.
- DID advised meeting of progress towards establishing roadside mound gardens on eastern approach. Plants to be located on bark chip and watering system to eastern side at this time.
- Consultation with Pickering's Transport progressing and Councils assistance towards their establishment of gardens to follow on from the above work.

**Anderson Park:**

1. The committee has requested an investigation towards grants for the restoration of cemetery monuments. The DID to investigate and report back.
2. Meeting was informed of the likely restoration of the local Mens Shed organisation from the Robinvale Hospital Grounds. Barry Watts to liaise with Mens Shed in an effort to identify a suitable site in the Euston town area – unanimously supported by committee.
3. DID to install suitable camper van dump station signage on corner Murray Terrace and Nixon Street.

4. DID to pursue Caltex Oil Company on the lack of progress with Cary Street Service Station site.
5. DID to install suitable vehicle barrier at the Robinvale bridge end of the Euston shared pathway. Attention to bitumen surface also required.
6. **MOVED** B. Watts/M.Pupillo – Council make formal approach for funding through Inland Waterways for a boat ramp facility downstream of Euston Weir. **CARRIED**
7. DID to liaise with suitable builders and/or structural builders consultants to obtain a formal building appraisal and maintenance options for the Euston Court House. DID to obtain repair costs to align with preparation for the forthcoming estimates for both Euston Memorial Park and Euston cemetery.
8. Cr Leigh Byron left meeting at 10.25am
9. Cr Ken Barnes presented estimates from a brass plaque manufacturer and advised of the need for alternative quotes. Cr Barnes to seek alternative costings and report back to committee.
10. Signs at Lake Benanee be made a matter of priority

There being no further general business the meeting closed at 10.40am.

**Next Meeting:**

Tuesday 6th March 9am

**02.12.3015 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Byron and Barnes that the Report from Euston Beautification Committee held on 7<sup>th</sup> February 2012 be received and recommendations therein be adopted with the amendment of Signs at Lake Benanee be made a matter of priority.

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**REPORT OF THE BALRANALD SHIRE COUNCIL LOCAL  
TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN COUNCIL  
CHAMBERS, ON WEDNESDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2012,  
COMMENCING AT 12.00PM.**

**PRESENT** Graham Gibbins RMS, Mayor A Purtill, Cr S O'Halloran, S/Cst Keith Skinner Balranald Highway Patrol, Margie Vanzanten, and Director Infrastructure and Development John Stevenson.

**APOLOGIES:** Cr T Powis, General Manager Chris Littlemore, S/Cst Mark Goeths

**Previous Minutes:** The Minutes from November 11<sup>th</sup> 2011 were read and confirmed.

**QUESTIONS:**

1. DID advised the meeting of audits on various intersections presently being undertaken. All intersections in Balranald satisfy requirements. However, works at Morris Road/Sturt Highway (altering from a 90° intersection) are required. Committee noted previous advice from Maurice Morgan (RMS) that works associated with the Sturt Highway upgrade in the area may well encompass this intersection. DID to pursue.
2. Extension of 50km speed zone Endeavour Drive, Balranald – The committee were informed of the most recent resolution of Council which expressed concern with the proposal without further consideration. Matter deferred to new business.

**MINUTES Confirmed and carried**

**New Business**

**1. Euston Club Grand Prix Triathlon**

The committee endorsed actions of the DID following an electronic meeting process for this item. As no objections were raised the usual consent was issued to the Coomealla Triathlon for Street closure.

**2. BEMAX Heavy Mineral Sand Mining.**

This company is seeking consent to haul product from the Wampo Mine site to the Ivanhoe rail head. The DID explained the developers approach to consider using the Shire Road network from the mine site to MR67 and the alternative which considers a new haul road directly from Wampo to Magenta through Iona. The committee considered the need for a formal consideration towards existing MR67 North maintenance and the completion of the unsealed section. The DID to consult with the RMS on the process to derive a maintenance contribution/km.

**MOTION** *Basin Sands Logistics Pty Ltd be advised that Council requires MR67 North be maintained to a safe and trafficable standard acceptable to Council via a contribution to be advised. Further that the unsealed section be formed and sealed to Councils satisfaction prior to the commencement of product freight. CARRIED.*

**MOTION** *Basin Sands Logistics Pty Ltd be advised that all vehicle movements to and from the Atlas and Campaspe (Wampo) mine sites from MR67 north be via the existing shire*

*road network and that these roads be upgraded to Councils satisfaction prior to the commencement of product freight. Further, these Shire roads be maintained to Councils specified standard for the duration of their use as a mine haulage road.*

**CARRIED**

3. Sturt Highway Signs Review- Craig Gibbins presented the committee with details of this review which involves the replacement of numerous signs and the alteration of some wording. General discussion was held on the effectiveness on some charges to signage and the need to ensure they are erected at a suitable height for pedestrians. Craig Gibbins to provide further details on desirable wording prior to installation. DID to provide Council with a summary of change proposals.
4. Extension of 50km zone Endeavour Drive-Committee discussed the merits of the 50km extension at Endeavour Drive. Suggestions were put that alternative signs may be erected in lieu of this action for example “Urban Area Slow Moving Traffic Ahead”

**MOTION** *It is recommended that Council advise the RMS of its concern and request that the matter be reviewed with the above mentioned opportunities incorporated.* **CARRIED**

5. Market Street Heavy Patch – The DID advised the committee of Councils ongoing maintenance to Market Street pending any outcome to reconstruct sections. Cr O’Halloran suggested that the RMS should be urged to plan for part Highway replacements with a permanent fix within Market Street as a priority. The DID to pursue this matter A.S.A.P. It is suggested that these matters may be included on a J.P.S tour and that approach be made to the R.M.S to organise.
6. Road Train Access Morris Road – General discussion regarding the need to utilise line marking in Bertram and Morris Roads at intersections to further control traffic movements. RMS to undertake inspection of Morris Road. DID to undertake line marking at three locations (and repaint within Euston Township).
7. Service Hub Murray Valley Highway – DID informed the meeting of correspondence with the developers representative and the RMS to finalise developers requirements for traffic matters. Craig Gibbins informed the committee of the current doubt on the completion of the formal naming process “Yanga Way”. RMS to provide exact detail to next meeting and DID to consult with Wakool Council.

8. Craig Gibbins advised meeting of a recent outcome on weights and loads limiting certain truck configurations on the timber structure approaching the Robinvale Bridge.

9. **MOTION** Committee expresses its great concern with this likely load limit in position on a critical Highway link and requests the RMS to develop a strategy to overcome the matter urgently. **CARRIED**

**NEXT Meeting:**

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2012 at 12noon.

There being no further business the Meeting **closed** at 1.50pm.

**Recommendation** that the Report be received.

**02.12.3016 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs O'Halloran and Mannix that the report from Local Traffic Committee held on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2012 be received and the recommendations therein be adopted.

**02.12.3017 RESOLVED** on the motion of Cr O'Halloran Seconded by Cr Byron that we contact both State Members regarding the RMS advice of the deficiencies of the 3<sup>rd</sup> approach bridge at Euston/Robinvale.

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**REPORT & RECOMMENDATION OF THE BALRANALD  
BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON WEDNESDAY 8<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2012.**

**Present:** Vicki Burke, Jill Bath, Mary Grisdale, Marg Vanzanten and DID

**Apologies:** Gaye Renfrey, Greg Camin, Mayor Alan Purtill, Cr Steve O'Halloran.

Actions from last meeting were discussed and minutes confirmed.

**Note:** Committee noted the inability of Mrs Sylvia Cameron to attend due to ill health and wish to express their gratitude for her assistance to Balranald Beautification matters over a period of years.

**General Discussion:**

- Saltbush plantings at windmill features to be pruned DID to investigate termites in the fencing.
- DID informed the meeting of current discussions with Mr Wayne Campbell re a start on river tree removal and realignment.

- Committee to commence on improvements at low level weir picnic site in line with management plan.
- DID informed the committee of Councils plans to undertake a tree avenue beyond River Street from the school agricultural yard to the Moto X track.

These works will involve planting and watering systems. The committee offered to adopt the ongoing maintenance together with the Central School if they wish to become involved.

- DID to attend the following matters:
  - (i) Remove dead tree Market Street at business centre.
  - (ii) Investigate placement of sand to create a mini beach at river bend prior to the fishing classic weekend.
  - (iii) Remove dangerous branches from footpath trees at 173 Market Street.
  - (iv) Committee to be provided with budget position for the remainder of the year.

The future meetings to commence at the old time of 7pm

There being no further business the meetings closed 6.45pm.

**02.12.3018 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Lawler and Mengler that the report from Balranald Beautification Committee Meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> February be received and the recommendations be adopted.

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**REPORT OF THE BALRANALD SHIRE LOCAL EMERGENCY  
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE HELD AT THE BALRANALD ON  
THURSDAY 9 FEBRUARY 2012 COMMENCING AT 11.00AM.**

**PRESENT:** Acting LEMO (BSC) Chris Littlemore Chairman, Mayor Cr Alan Purtill, DEMO Kevin Gabriel, NSW Police Insp Bob Tunks, Paul Hadlow NSW VRA, Karen Norfolk NSW VRA, Graham Manning NSW VRA, Steve Walker Rural Fire Service, and, Annette Vaarzon Morel GWAHS, Wyn Scott GWAHS, Paul Murphy SES NSW, James Kydd NSW Ambulance, Trent McLennan NSW Ambulance, Peter Bath FR NSW, Tom Clarkestone FR NSW

**APOLOGIES:** Cr Steve O'Halloran, Adrian Mathews Balranald Police, Lance Howley Rural Fire Service, Dean Whitehead NSW DPI, Cr. L Byron BSC  
MOVED S Walker SECONDED K Norfolk that the apologies be accepted and carried.

**MINUTES:** Moved W Scott seconded K Norfolk that the minutes be accepted and carried.

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:**

1. Insp Tunks advised that provision of a sat phone had not been approved.
2. GM advised that an answer from Parliamentary Secretary was due soon.
3. GM advised that DISPLAN had been reviewed and tabled same for perusal.
4. DEMO advised that a new mapping system was being rolled out by Lands Dept.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

DEMO Report

District quiet over Xmas compared to last year

OEH running a climate workshop 28-9 March @ Narrandera

MOU's being organised between aged care facilities to deal with evacuations. Template available.

Moved S Walker seconded P Bath that the DEMO's report be received

S Walker gave a verbal report on FHR (fire hazard reduction).

Burning not completed due to weather.

800ha fire break along Burke & Wills Rd

Roadside reductions completed by Council

Exercise scheduled for 1<sup>st</sup> home game in May at Greenham Park.  
5 May ?

Police search SOPS to be provided by Insp Tunks. Also new Sergeant may arrive in April.

Tom Clarkestone provided an insight into the recent tragic nursing home fire and explained that the fire was set at two locations to maximise loss of life. He explained that it would be rare for a regular fire to cause such a tragedy.

Paul Murphy gave an update on the local flood plan, a committee has been established and they were working with Council staff to update info on the levy banks. The committee intend to meet in Euston next to review the operating procedures there.

Next meeting 26 April to be an activation exercise DEMO to co-ordinate.

Meeting closed at 12.30pm

**Recommendation:** that the report be received.

**02.12.3019 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Purtill and Morphett that the report from Local Emergency Management Committee Meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> February be received and the recommendations be adopted.

**REPORT OF THE BALRANALD SHIRE COUNCIL TOURISM & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT THE BALRANALD SHIRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS MARKET STREET BALRANALD ON THURSDAY FEBRUARY 16, 2012 COMMENCING AT 5.05PM**

**1. PRESENT:** Cr Ken Barnes (Chair), Cr Peter Lawler, Cr Leigh Byron, Ms Silvana Keating NSW NPWS, Mrs Shirley Matarazzo, Mrs Myrtle Matarazzo, Mr Ray Jones GM Chris Littlemore and DECD Robyn Ryan.

**2. APOLOGIES:** Mrs Lynda Nelson & Late apology Ken Spinks

**3. BUSINESS ARISING:**

As attached Progress Sheet

**RECOMMENDATION:** That Council approve the amendments to the Five Rivers Logo

*Moved: Clr Byron*

*Seconded: Clr Lawler*

**RECOMMENDATION:** That funding for the Lake Benanee signage be considered in the 2012/2013 Management Plan

*Moved: Clr Byron*

*Seconded: Myrtle Matarazzo*

**RECOMMENDATION:** That in the event that the CMCA Rally comes to Euston/Robinvale, Council provide as much support as possible to the Rally Manager.

*Moved: Shirley Matarazzo  
Matarazzo*

*Seconded: Myrtle*

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the Balranald Shire Tourism and Marketing Strategy be adopted as a draft for public comment and that urgent actions be progressed.

*Moved: Clr Lawler*

*Seconded: Clr Byron*

**4. NEW BUSINESS:** Nil

**5. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING**

**6. CLOSURE** There being no further business the meeting closed at 6.25pm

The Committee adjourned to the Theatre to view the Interpretive Centre designs

**7. NEXT MEETING** Tuesday 13 March 2012.

**Recommendation:** That the report be received and recommendations made therein be adopted.

**02.12.3020 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Lawler and Byron that the report from Tourism and Economic Development Committee Meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> February be received and the recommendations be adopted with the amendment of Lake Benanee Signage be repaired now.

**Balranald Shire Tourism and Economic Development Action Report (February 2012)**



Meeting Date	Item	Action Required	Progress as at February 2012	Outcomes from Meeting 16/2/2012
7 June 2011	Town Map – Yanga Way Promotional brochure Branding	Design and installation of new information board and town map on Yanga Way Brochure to be updated Trade marking of Five Rivers logo	Balranald Inc progressing signage amendments Completed Investigations show no action on trade marking – Committee to discuss any further action required	Investigate cost/process for trade marking – DECD  RECOMMENDATION: That Council approve the amendments to the Five Rivers Logo  Moved: Cllr Byron Seconded: Cllr Lawler
	Nyah Gliding Club	Letter to Nyah Gliding Club re location offer	DECD no correspondence found to date	Correspondence to Nyah Gliding Club re event/facility invitation - DECD
12 July 2011	Bakery wall signage	Investigate ideas for wall signage	The latest draft sign will be tabled at February meeting for comment	Committee supported the concept design – DECD to progress
	Provision for aviation fuel at airport	Investigate provision of aviation fuel at airport	General Manager liaising with mining companies in relation to airport facility requirements	General Manager advised that this matter will be raised with the mining companies at a meeting on February 21.
	Information board at airport	Investigate the provision of an information board at the airport	Will be addressed in BSC Tourism and Marketing Strategy - signage audit No action to date	
	Local photographs as advertising	Investigate framing of local NP photos for promotional purposes and that local operators be approached to gauge support of hanging these images		Mrs Myrtle Matarazzo to ascertain interest from operators. DECD to provide image costings to Mrs Matarazzo – A1, A4 and A3 Include item in February Council Newsletter.
	Membership of Tourism Organisations	Letter to John Williams re RTOs status and outlining the importance of Outback RTO	Correspondence sent August 2011 – The Committee	No further action required

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2 August 2011	Ben Scott Memorial Bird Trail	Develop draft action plan	should note that the situation with ORTO has changed Draft Action Plan tabled at February meeting for comment	Action Plan to include Bird Watching brochure and Lifting flood prone areas of the walking track No further action required
	Market and Mayall Street signage	Installation of new directional signage	Completed	
	Lake Benanee information board	Sliding lockable Perspex cover for information board	Design concepts and costings being investigated for the 2012/2013 budget. Flat panel signage should be considered – similar to the Balranald Inc. sign on the Swan Hill Road	Investigate flat panel design for Lake Benanee signage Balranald/Euston/Lake history  RECOMMENDATION: That funding for the Lake Benanee signage be considered in the 2012/2013 Management Plan  Moved: C/r Byron Seconded: Myrtle Matarazzo
	Community history	Investigate documenting local history as it will be lost	Being addressed in Tourism and Marketing Strategy and Interpretive Centre	
4 October 2011	CMA tree planting	Apply for funding to develop this area in conjunction with the Lions Club	Application successful General Manager to provide site location details to the meeting	Site location confirmed by General Manager.
	Town tourism signage	Signage to be updated and cleaned	Signage opportunities identified in the Tourism and Marketing Strategy	Sign cleaning continuing
	RV Friendly Town - Balranald	Agreement to be completed and lodged	Agreement lodged and application being followed up by DECD	DECD to follow up
13 December 2011	Local history	Mrs Nelson to provide a progress report to the February meeting		
	New visitors guide	Format to be A5.	Quotes received. Artwork being developed. Advertising sales to commence in late March 2012	

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	Visitor information centre opening hours	Change opening hours from 9-3 to 10-4	Centre opening hours now 10am – 4pm seven days per week – implemented January 2012.	
	Relocation of Vic during construction	Discuss with centre staff	Due to space issues at the museum staff have identified that the theatre ticketing office would be an ideal option	
	Christmas decorations RV Friendly Destination - Euston	Investigate Christmas decorations for 2012 RV Friendly Destination application to be lodged with CMCA	No action to date Application currently being prepared	DECD preparing application  Mr Ray Jones provided the Committee with an overview of the Euston / Robinvale bid to secure the CMCA Rally for April 2014 – announcement expected in the next few weeks.  RECOMMENDATION: That in the event that the CMCA Rally comes to Euston/Robinvale, Council provide as much support as possible to the Rally Manager.  Moved: Shirley Matarazzo Seconded: Myrtle Matarazzo
16 February 2012	Draft Tourism and Marketing Strategy	Comment of the draft Tourism and Marketing Strategy	Draft presented to Committee	RECOMMENDATION: That the Balranald Shire Tourism and Marketing Strategy be adopted as a draft for public comment and actions be assessed.  Moved: Cllr Lawler Seconded: Cllr Byron

<b>BEN SCOTT MEMORIAL BIRD TRAIL ACTION PLAN</b>				
<b>OBJECTIVE: To develop the Ben Scott Memorial Bird Trail as a marketable attraction that will meet the needs of the residents and visitors</b>				
Strategy	Actions	Responsible/Partners	Budget/Funding Source	Priority
Update and maintain signage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Undertake a signage audit</li> <li>• Design and erect high quality signage at the information bay. Signage to incorporate the new branding and positioning elements</li> <li>• Design and erect additional bird identification pillars along trail</li> <li>• Install an all-weather brochure rack</li> </ul>	BSC Beautification and Tourism Committees	\$3,000 current budget	
Enhance the trail entrance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review vehicle turning circle at trail campark</li> </ul>	BSC	Staff resources	
Establish vegetation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Revegetation project</li> <li>• Planting trees along entrance roads</li> <li>• Establish a working group to help with tree planting and maintenance</li> </ul>	BSC Beautification and Tourism Committees	\$14,000 grant Murrumbidgee CMA	
Sealed roadway leading to the bird trail	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identify need for sealing- survey visitors</li> <li>• Investigate costs</li> <li>• Investigate possible funding opportunities</li> </ul>	BSC		
Create a maintenance schedule	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop and prioritise a comprehensive maintenance schedule to be considered in Council's 2012/2013 budget</li> </ul>	Beautification and Tourism Committees	2012/2013 Management Plan	
Development and maintenance of infrastructure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Annual review of infrastructure – ie sealing, pillars, signage etc</li> </ul>	Beautification and Tourism Committees		
Promote Bird Trail	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Include marketing actions for the bird trail in the Balranald Shire Tourism and Marketing Strategy</li> <li>• Develop a bird watching brochure</li> </ul>	BSC		
Regional bird watching/trail networks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Be an active member of the Riverina &amp; South West Slopes Nature Based Tourism Group</li> <li>• Participate in group marketing activities ie apps, brochure, targeted media and education programs (school groups)</li> </ul>	BSC		
Track Accessibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lift flood prone areas of the walking track</li> </ul>	BSC	2012/2013 Management Plan	
Rifle Butt	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grade track to Rifle Butt</li> <li>• Historical significance interpretive information to be included at information bay</li> </ul>	BSC	2012/2013 Management Plan	

**DELEGATES REPORTS**

Mengler – North West Vic & South West NSW Transport forum  
 Mengler – Murray Darling Association at Leeton  
 Mengler – Lower Murray Darling CMA workshop to update CMA plan  
 Mengler – Visit to Condobolin  
 Lawler – Visit to Condobolin was worthwhile  
 O’Halloran – Roads and Transport conference

**NOTICES OF MOTION/RECISSION**

**GENERAL MANAGERS REPORTS (Incorporating all Staff Reports)**

**Corporate Services Division**

Item C - 1	STATEMENT OF FUNDS	
Reporting Officer	Director Corporate Services – Robert Rayner	File 85

**Purpose of Report**

Funds Report for the Month Ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 2011

**Report**

**Bank Reconciliation**

Balance B/F From Previous Month		692,167.43
ADD Receipts for Month:		
Natural Disaster	475,092.84	
Roads Maintenance Council Contract	124,889.11	
Hostel Subsidy	112,090.98	
Rates & Water	105,179.13	
C/Park Fees	28,594.30	
Other Revenue	147,832.83	993,679.19
LESS Payments for the Month:		
Plant Hire	221,526.26	
Loan Repayments	80,487.00	
Purchase Road Sweeper	37,400.00	
Workers Compensation Installment	24,365.01	
Audit Fees	23,650.00	
Other Payments	636,604.02	1,024,032.29
<b>Cash Book Balance as at End of Month</b>		<b>661,814.33</b>
LESS Outstanding Deposits as at end of Month		
ADD Unpresented Cheques as at end of Month		25,363.48
<b>Bank Balance as at End of Month</b>		<b>687,177.81</b>

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<b>Funds Held</b>					
<b>Funds</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>DWM</b>	<b>Water</b>	<b>Sewer</b>	<b>Combined</b>
Bank	30,065.80	104,448.84	273,446.33	253,853.36	661,814.33
Investment	2,850,000.00	-	-	1,150,000.00	4,000,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,880,065.80</b>	<b>104,448.84</b>	<b>273,446.33</b>	<b>1,403,853.36</b>	<b>4,661,814.33</b>
Restricted	1,357,297.07				1,357,297.07
Working Funds	1,522,768.73	104,448.84	273,446.33	1,403,853.36	3,304,517.26

<b>Investment Held:</b>		
	IMB Ltd	\$1,000,000.00
	Suncorp	\$1,000,000.00
	Bank West	\$1,000,000.00
	Westpac	\$1,000,000.00

All investments shown have been made in accordance with Section 625 of the Local Government Act 1993, the regulations and council's investment policy.

**Recommendation:** For Information.

**02.12.3021 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Mannix and Byron that the report be received and recommendation be adopted.

<b>Item C - 2</b>	<b>STATEMENT OF FUNDS</b>	
Reporting Officer	Director Corporate Services Rayner	File 85

**Purpose of Report**

Funds Report for the Month Ending 31<sup>st</sup> January 2012

**Report**

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**Bank Reconciliation**

Balance B/F From Previous Month 661,814.33

ADD Receipts for Month:

Natural Disaster	326,700.00	
Block Grant	287,925.00	
Debtors	99,602.69	
Rates & Water	56,829.90	
C/Park Fees	28,594.30	
Other Revenue	116,707.30	916,359.19

LESS Payments for the Month:

Purchase of Tractors	237,151.20	
Progress payment Hostel	100,000.00	
BAS - December	44,684.00	
Electricity	35,126.96	
Line Marking	25,826.45	
Other Payments	552,654.23	995,442.84

**Cash Book Balance as at End of Month 582,730.68**

LESS Outstanding Deposits as at end of Month 770.26

ADD Unpresented Cheques as at end of Month 3,818.65

**Bank Balance as at End of Month 585,779.07**

**Funds Held**

Funds	General	DWM	Water	Sewer	Combined
Bank	- 34,489.23	103,998.85	251,831.11	261,388.39	582,729.12
Investment	2,850,000.00	-	-	1,150,000.00	4,000,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,815,510.77</b>	<b>103,998.85</b>	<b>251,831.11</b>	<b>1,411,388.39</b>	<b>4,582,729.12</b>

Restricted 1,315,239.23 1,315,239.23

Working 1,500,271.54 103,998.85 251,831.11 1,411,388.39 3,267,489.89

Funds

Investment Held:		
	IMB Ltd	\$1,000,000.00
	Suncorp	\$1,000,000.00
	Bank West	\$1,000,000.00
	Westpac	\$1,000,000.00

All investments shown have been made in accordance with Section 625 of the Local Government Act 1993, the regulations and council's investment policy.

**Recommendation:** For Information.

**02.12.3022 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Mannix and Byron that the report be received and recommendation be adopted.

<b>Item C - 3</b>	<b>DONATION REQUEST &amp; PRESENTATION</b>	
Reporting Officer	Director of Corporate Services – Robert Rayner	File 56

**Purpose of Report**

Request for a donation and to make a presentation to Council from the Balranald Murrumbidgee Classic Fishing Competition.

**Report**

The committee of the Balranald Murrumbidgee Classic are again running their fishing competition on 24 & 25 March 2012.

The two events ran so far have been quite a success and they are again seeking a financial contribution from the Council.

Past events have brought a number of visitors to Balranald.

**Budget Implications**

Council decided not to make specific provision in the current budget for financial support for the Classic; however there is a small amount of discretionary funding available in the 355 Donations vote.

**Attachments**

Request for donation form from the Balranald Murrumbidgee Classic

**Recommendation**

That Council receive the presentation and consider whether to provide further financial support for this event. Make \$1800 available now and find where in the budget, the additional \$2200 may be sourced in the budget.

**02.12.3023 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs O'Halloran and Byron that the report be received and recommendation be adopted.

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## BALRANALD SHIRE COUNCIL

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PO BOX 120  
BALRANALD NSW 2715

### REQUEST FOR DONATION FORM

Name/Organisation: Balranald Murrumbidgee Classic  
Address: P.O. Box 221 Balranald N.S.W. 2715  
Phone: 0427 50 20 10 President B. Shirley  
50201214 Secretary J. Bodinnar  
Registered for GST: Yes /  (Please circle) We have an ABN  
Amount Requested: \$ 4,000.00  
Organisation's current bank account balance: \$ 7,871.97

Reason for the Request  
(Including a brief description on what the money will be used for.)

See attached.

If successful, Council will require brief written feedback after the event or occasion.

Please return form to The General Manager PO Box 120 Balranald NSW 2715

\*Please note if insufficient space on this form please attach other documents as necessary to support your request.

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The Balranald Murrumbidgee Classic is a non-profit organization which has hopes of becoming a stand-alone group in the next 2 to 5 years.

The first classic brought 140 anglers to the town and last year saw us cater for 160 fishermen and women, all of whom stayed at the Balranald Caravan Park and supported the local business houses. We had anglers from every state in Australia except Tasmania.

The classic is a totally catered for event, therefore all food and drink purchases are done within the town.

We realize the growth of our classic will take time, but we have only had positive feedback about our relaxed and hospitable town.

Once our ideal number of 200 entries is reached we believe we will be able to operate without council assistance and contribute more to other organizations within the town.

We already donate money to the following organizations for their assistance, Can Assist Balranald Branch, Rescue Volunteer Ass Balranald, Balranald Lions Club, B.D.E.S.M. Anglers Club and the N.S.W. D.P.I. restocking program for the Balranald area. This year we will add the Men's Shed and the Balranald Cricket Club to the growing list.

Our aim is to spread the eventual profits throughout the community.

The funding we are seeking will be spent on the purchase of plant and equipment, eventually eliminating the need to borrow or hire equipment from outside the town, therefore saving us approximately \$4000-00 each year and help us to become independent sooner.

Our ultimate aim would be to own all our own equipment and have a permanent home base.

As the major sponsor Balranald Shire Council would be listed in a prominent position at the top of all entry forms and associated advertising, also council would receive the same recognition for any funding they give us as the rest of our sponsors do.

The council logo would be displayed on the entry forms, 2000 of which are sent to over 60 tackle stores around the states of Victoria, South Australia and N.S.W.

The Mayor or his representative would be invited to draw and present the major prize, a boat and motor package.

In the past we have always obtained pamphlets from the staff at the information centre about Balranald and District sights and "Yanga" National Park to be included in our registration envelopes for our competitors to take home to their families.

We thank you for your consideration of our request.

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<b>Item C - 4</b>	<b>COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN</b>	
Reporting Officer	Director of Corporate Services – Robert Rayner	File 155b

### **Purpose of Report**

To provide Council with the draft copy of the Community Strategic Plan, and to advise Council, on a timeline for the delivery of the remainder of its integrated planning and reporting requirements.

### **Report**

A copy of the draft Community Strategic Plan has been included as a separate document for perusal and comment.

Community consultation has been undertaken by Peter Kenyon and his associates culminating in the completion of the document before Council.

Council's Workforce Plan is nearing completion and a draft should be available for the March meeting.

The budgeting process will commence early March and a Council workshop is planned during April with another to be held in May to finalise the Operational Plan (annual), the Delivery Program (next four years) and also the Long Term Financial Plan covering from year 6 to 10 in the budget process.

Council has received \$30,000 funding from the Department of Local Government to assist with the planning process. A majority of this funding will be used to engage an engineering consultant to produce Council's asset management policy, strategy and plans. Council's engineering department will work closely with the consultant on these documents but does not have the time due to other work demands to complete all the tasks.

Quotes are being obtained for the consultancy work and it is anticipated a consultant will be engaged soon to enable the plans to be completed by April 2012 thus enabling the budgeting process to be completed.

The final step will be the Council meeting in May when the budget documents are authorised to be put on public display.

### **Budget Implications**

Funding of \$30,000 (grant), plus \$5,000 of Council's budget remains to complete the integrated planning.

### **Attachments**

Nil

**Recommendation**

That Council authorise the draft Community Strategic Plan be placed on public exhibition for 28 days.

**02.12.3024 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Morphett and Barnes that the report be received and recommendation be adopted.

<b>Item</b>	<b>C - 5</b>	<b>KIRINARI PRESENTATION</b>	
Reporting Officer		Director of Corporate Services – Robert Rayner	File 56

**Purpose of Report**

To advise Council of the attendance of a representative from Kirinari Community Services Ltd.

**Report**

Kirinari is a not for profit organisation which supports people with disabilities in supported accommodation and through Outreach services in the Community.

Kirinari received a \$300 donation towards a bus trip to Albury for their awards night.

Kirinari has three clients in Balranald, two workers and three accompanying family members attended the event

**Budget Implications**

Nil.

**Attachments**

Letter of thanks from Kirinari.

**Recommendation**

That Council receive the presentation.

**02.12.3025 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Morphett and Byron that the report be received and recommendation be adopted.

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Received: 09 JAN 2012			
CO:			
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LETTER No. 28161			

Balranald Shire Council  
70 Market Street,  
Balranald 2715.

Dear Sir/ Madam

I take this time to thank you all for the donation of \$300 which was used to help bring the people we support from Balranald to our annual Celebration Party. Due to your organisations generosity this was the first time they have been able to attend.

The look of pure joy when they all arrived on the bus and settled into their accommodation can not be put into words. Nor, can the time they had at the party that night especially when they won an award or two.

They have all communicated that they can not wait for this year party on November 10 and again we will be fund raising on their behalf to help them realize this.

I hope you all realize your generosity was received by Kirinari with both delight and a feeling of humbleness.

Yours Faithfully  
Lynda Veres  
Branch Manager  
Hume Riverina

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<b>Item C - 6</b>	<b>DRAFT STRENGTHENING BASIN COMMUNITIES DEVELOPMENT PLANS FOR BALRANALD AND EUSTON</b>	
Reporting Officer	Director of Corporate Services – Robert Rayner	File 155

**Purpose of Report**

To provide to Council the draft of the Strengthening Basin Communities Development Plans for Balranald and Euston.

**Report**

As part of the Strengthening Basin Communities Project, Peter Kenyon has completed the draft of the Strengthening Basin Communities Development Plans for Balranald and Euston.

The document is enclosed for your review and approval.

The next phase of the project is for this document to be put on public display.

**Budget Implications**

Nil

**Attachments**

The Strengthening Basin Communities Development Plans for Balranald and Euston has been provided as a separate document.

**Recommendation**

That the Strengthening Basin Communities Development Plans for Balranald and Euston be approved and placed on public display.

**02.12.3026 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Lawler and Morphett that the report be received and recommendation be adopted.

<b>Item C - 7</b>	<b>LIBRARY GRANT</b>	
Reporting Officer	Director of Corporate Services – Robert Rayner	File 514

**Purpose of Report**

To advise Council of the receipt of a one off Revitalising Regional Libraries Grant

**Report**

The State Government have commenced rolling out of their Revitalising Regional Grants Program which will take place of the next 4 years. Under the program all 111 NSW country councils will receive a grant of \$16,000 to help revitalise their public libraries.

Balranald is one of the first Councils to receive the funding in the 2011/12 financial year. State Library staff will work with each

Council on a needs assessment which will identify the expenditure for this grant.

The data collected as part of this assessment will be used by the State Library in the preparation of advice for the State Government on specific public library funding needs in the future.

**Budget Implications**

\$16,000 extra funding to be spent on the library.

**Attachments**

Nil

**Recommendation**

For Information.

**02.12.3027 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Byron and Mannix that the report be received and recommendation be adopted.

<b>Item C - 8</b>	<b>QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW STATEMENT</b>	
Reporting Officer	Director of Corporate Services – Robert Rayner	File 154

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**Quarterly Budget Review Statement**  
for the period 01/10/11 to 31/12/11

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**Quarterly Budget Review Statement**  
for the period 01/10/11 to 31/12/11

**Report by Responsible Accounting Officer**

The following statement is made in accordance with Clause 203(2) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2005:

It is my opinion that the Quarterly Budget Review Statement for Balranald Shire Council for the quarter ended 31/12/11 indicates that Council's projected financial position at 30/6/12 will be satisfactory at year end, having regard to the projected estimates of income and expenditure and the original budgeted income and expenditure.

Signed:  \_\_\_\_\_

date: 10/02/2012

Robert Rayner  
Responsible Accounting Officer

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**Quarterly Budget Review Statement**

for the period 01/10/11 to 31/12/11

**Income & Expenses Budget Review Statement**

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 December 2011

**Income & Expenses - Council Consolidated**

(S00's)	Original	Approved Changes			Revised	Variations for this Dec Qtr	Notes	Projected Year End Result	Actual YTD figures
	Budget 2011/12	Other than by a QBRS	Sep QBRS	Dec QBRS	Budget 2011/12				
<b>Income</b>									
Organisation Management	32,500		1,000		33,500			33,500	8,221
Civic Services	17,000				17,000			17,000	-
Finance & Administration	3,654,860				3,654,860	40,000	2	3,694,860	2,162,691
Retirement Hostel	893,250		20,000		913,250	64,000	3	977,250	580,597
Cultural & Community Development	21,480				21,480			21,480	-
Tourism & Economic Development	325,000				325,000	39,500	7	364,500	277,358
Transport Infrastructure	6,789,527		78,000		6,867,527	30,000	1	6,897,527	3,084,776
Emergency Services	52,612				52,612			52,612	49,989
Plant & Depot Management	1,158,300				1,158,300	45,000	8	1,203,300	593,520
Parks, Sporting & Recreation	19,600				19,600	4,500	4	24,100	13,509
Community Facilities	83,000				83,000			83,000	43,329
Planning & Development	63,200				63,200			63,200	15,907
Environment & Health	36,950				36,950	4,000	5	40,950	4,356
Waste Services	300,530		4,000		304,530			304,530	277,422
Water Services	730,675				730,675			730,675	477,482
Sewer Services	315,869				315,869			315,869	273,715
<b>Total Income from Continuing Operations</b>	<b>14,494,353</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>103,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>14,597,353</b>	<b>227,000</b>		<b>13,262,029</b>	<b>7,863,071</b>
<b>Expenses</b>									
Organisation Management	191,050				191,050			191,050	108,683
Civic Services	259,100				259,100			259,100	121,888
Finance & Administration	1,663,650		4,000		1,667,650	68,000	12	1,735,650	855,872
Retirement Hostel	893,250				893,250			893,250	435,152
Cultural & Community Development	91,150				91,150			91,150	46,557
Tourism & Economic Development	585,930		(1,000)		584,930	59,500	9	644,430	391,285
Transport Infrastructure	7,005,131		11,000		7,016,131	29,000	8	7,045,131	3,347,824
Emergency Services	270,415		(4,000)		266,415			266,415	26,478
Plant & Depot Management	645,460		(3,000)		642,460	25,000	10	667,460	385,945
Parks, Sporting & Recreation	333,805		(1,000)		332,805	10,000	11	342,805	185,242
Community Facilities	197,307		(5,500)		191,807	10,000	14	201,807	140,931
Planning & Development	93,600				93,600			93,600	34,162
Environment & Health	93,100				93,100	2,000	13	95,100	28,223
Waste Services	263,385				263,385			263,385	80,662
Water Services	628,077		(2,000)		626,077			626,077	216,804
Sewer Services	160,950				160,950			160,950	44,289
<b>Total Expenses from Continuing Operations</b>	<b>13,373,360</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(1,500)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>13,371,860</b>	<b>203,500</b>		<b>13,575,360</b>	<b>6,449,998</b>
<b>Net Operating Result from Continuing Operations</b>	<b>1,120,993</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>104,500</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,225,493</b>	<b>23,500</b>		<b>(313,331)</b>	<b>1,413,073</b>
Discontinued Operations									
<b>Net Operating Result from All Operations</b>	<b>1,120,993</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>104,500</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,225,493</b>	<b>23,500</b>		<b>(313,331)</b>	<b>1,413,073</b>

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Balranald Shire Council

**Income & Expenses Budget Review Statement**  
**Recommended changes to revised budget**

Budget Variations being recommended include the following material items:

**Notes Details**

1	F	30000.00	Income - Workers Comp Reimbursement	Number of Workers Compensation claims more than expected
2	F	10000.00	Income - Insurance Reimbursement	Incentive Dividend under budgeted
	F	30000.00	Income - Local Govt Reforms Grant	Income received but not budgeted
3	F	64000.00	Income - Grants	Local Palliative Care Grants not budgeted
4	F	4500.00	Income - Fees	Greenham park sporting grounds revenue more than anticipated
5	F	4000.00	Income - Dental Health Centre	Rental of the building not anticipated
6	F	45000.00	Income - Private Works Charges	Increase in number of Private Works undertaken
7	F	39500.00	Income - Wages Contribution Balranald INC	Wages administered for Balranald INC
8	UF	18000.00	Expense - Workers Compensation Paid	Number of Workers Compensation claims more than expected
	UF	7000.00	Expense - Training	Additional training required for new and existing staff
	UF	4000.00	Expense - Material & Contract - Urban Roads Unsealed	Extra care required due to wet season
9	UF	20000.00	Expense - Caravan Park R & M	High level of R/M required on changeover of park management
	UF	39500.00	Expense - Wages Balranald INC	Wages administered for Balranald INC
10	UF	25000.00	Expense - Private Works Expense	Increase in number of Private Works undertaken
11	UF	10000.00	Expense - Visitor Site R/M	Budgeting error
12	UF	68000.00	Expense - Consultancy	Asset revaluation expenses approved in 10/11 FY and Local Govt Reform Expenses
13	UF	2000.00	Expense - R/M Dental Health Centre	R/M on the building not anticipated
14	UF	10000.00	Expense - R/M Housing	Increase in R/M to bring to satisfactory condition

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Balranald Shire Council  
**Capital Budget Review Statement**

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 December 2011  
**Capital Budget - Council Consolidated**

(5000 \$)	Original Budget 2011/12	Approved Changes		Revised Budget 2011/12	Variations for this Dec Qtr	Projected Year End Result	Actual YTD figures
		Other than by a QBRs	Sep QBRs				
<b>Capital Expenditure</b>							
Organisation Management	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civic Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Finance & Administration	25,000	12,602	-	37,602	-	37,602	30,710
Retirement Hostel	173,000	43,577	-	216,577	-	216,577	231,990
Cultural & Community Development	105,000	5,000	-	110,000	-	110,000	-
Tourism & Economic Development	2,737,000	3,500	-	2,740,500	-	2,740,500	141,161
Transport Infrastructure	4,163,971	239,847	-	4,403,818	-	4,403,818	537,877
Emergency Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Plant & Depot Management	904,700	-	-	904,700	-	904,700	474,650
Parks, Sporting & Recreation	150,650	80,789	-	231,439	-	231,439	-
Community Facilities	203,000	182,585	-	385,585	-	385,585	105,837
Planning & Development	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Environment & Health	3,000	3,000	-	6,000	-	6,000	-
Waste Services	11,000	15,800	-	26,800	-	26,800	-
Water Services	88,500	7,000	-	95,500	-	95,500	38,910
Sewer Services	15,000	-	-	15,000	-	15,000	-
<b>Total Capital Expenditure</b>	<b>8,599,821</b>	<b>593,700</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9,193,521</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9,193,521</b>	<b>1,561,135</b>
<b>Capital Funding</b>							
Organisation Management	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civic Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Finance & Administration	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Retirement Hostel	173,000	-	-	173,000	-	173,000	166,330
Cultural & Community Development	100,000	-	-	100,000	-	100,000	-
Tourism & Economic Development	2,742,000	-	-	2,742,000	-	2,742,000	97,918
Transport Infrastructure	4,112,071	-	-	4,112,071	-	4,112,071	475,060
Emergency Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Plant & Depot Management	297,000	-	-	297,000	-	297,000	124,432
Parks, Sporting & Recreation	110,500	-	-	110,500	-	110,500	-
Community Facilities	75,000	-	-	75,000	-	75,000	-
Planning & Development	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Environment & Health	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Waste Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Water Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sewer Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Capital Funding</b>	<b>7,609,571</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7,609,571</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7,609,571</b>	<b>863,741</b>
<b>Net Capital Funding</b>	<b>(990,250)</b>	<b>(593,700)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(1,583,950)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(1,583,950)</b>	<b>(697,394)</b>

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Balranald Shire Council  
**Cash & Investments Budget Review Statement**  
 Budget review for the quarter ended 31 December 2011  
**Cash & Investments - Council Consolidated**

	Opening Balance 2011/12	Approved Changes		Movement for this Dec Qtr	Closing Balance
		Other than QBRBS	Sep QBRBS		
<b>(6000 \$)</b>					
<b>Externally Restricted <sup>(1)</sup></b>					
Balranald Aboriginal Com Working Party	473	-	-	(328)	145
Levee Bank Grants	224,327	-	-	(28,313)	196,012
NSW DASR Youth Activity	6,498	-	-	-	6,498
Glimmer Gardens - Hostel	19,214	-	-	-	19,214
Our Rights of Passage - An End of Life Project	25,406	-	-	-	25,406
RLCIP - Swimming Pool	30,000	-	-	-	30,000
Domestic Waste Management	19,789	-	-	84,660	104,449
Water Supply Funds	3,067	-	-	270,379	273,446
Sewerage Funds	1,260,974	-	-	142,879	1,403,853
NSW Communities Arts Grant	99,585	-	-	-	99,585
Threatened Species	2,577	-	-	-	2,577
<b>Total Externally Restricted</b>	<b>1,691,911</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>469,275</b>	<b>2,161,186</b>
<sup>(1)</sup> Funds that must be spent for a specific purpose					
<b>Internally Restricted <sup>(2)</sup></b>					
Balranald Football Club Drainage	2,000	-	-	-	2,000
Balranald Netball Club Resurface	1,270	-	-	-	1,270
Balranald Football Club Upgrade	3,000	-	-	-	3,000
Caravan Park Reserve	97,918	-	-	(97,918)	(0)
Employee Leave Entitlements	118,000	-	-	-	118,000
Health Reserve	3,000	-	-	-	3,000
Hostel Bonds	342,386	-	-	(84,744)	257,642
Hostel Reserve	221,174	-	-	(166,330)	54,844
Main Street Revitalisation	584,000	-	-	-	584,000
Town Clock	2,959	-	-	-	2,959
Easton Wharf Stage 3	15,789	-	-	-	15,789
<b>Total Internally Restricted</b>	<b>1,391,497</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>348,992</b>	<b>1,026,715</b>
<sup>(2)</sup> Funds that Council has committed for a specific purpose					
<b>Unrestricted (ie. available after the above Restrictions)</b>	<b>1,927,189</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(469,064)</b>	<b>1,477,913</b>
<b>Total Cash &amp; Investments</b>	<b>5,010,596</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>348,782</b>	<b>4,661,814</b>

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**Quarterly Budget Review Statement**

for the period 01/10/11 to 31/12/11

**Cash & Investments Budget Review Statement**

**Comment on Cash & Investments Position**

**Investments**

Investments have been invested in accordance with Council's Investment Policy.

**Cash**

The value of Cash at Bank which has been included in the Cash & Investment Statement totals \$687,178

This Cash at Bank amount has been reconciled to Council's physical Bank Statements.

The date of completion of this bank reconciliation is 31/12/11

**Reconciliation Status**

The YTD Cash & Investment figure reconciles to the actual balances held as follows:

	<b>\$ 000's</b>
Cash at Bank (as per bank statements)	687,178
Investments on Hand	4,000,000
less: Unpresented Cheques	(25,363)
add: Undeposited Funds	
less: Identified Deposits (not yet accounted in Ledger)	
add: Identified Outflows (not yet accounted in Ledger)	
less: Unidentified Deposits (not yet actioned)	
add: Unidentified Outflows (not yet actioned)	
<b>Reconciled Cash at Bank &amp; Investments</b>	<b>4,661,814</b>
<b>Balance as per Review Statement:</b>	<b>4,661,814</b>
Difference:	-

**Quarterly Budget Review Statement**  
 for the period 01/10/11 to 31/12/11

Balranald Shire Council

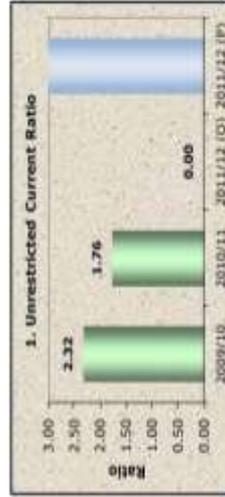
**Key Performance Indicators Budget Review Statement**

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 December 2011

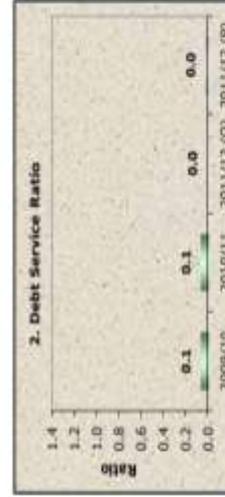
(5000's)	Current Projection Amounts 11/12	Indicator 11/12	Actuals Prior Periods 10/11	09/10
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The Council monitors the following Key Performance Indicators:

1. Unrestricted Current Ratio	3921	3.40	1.76	2.32
Unrestricted Current Assets	1152			
Current Liabilities not relating to Restricted Assets				



2. Debt Service Ratio	153	0.02	0.06	0.06
Net Debt Service Cost	7863			
Operating Revenue				



**Quarterly Budget Review Statement**  
for the period 01/10/11 to 31/12/11

Balranald Shire Council

**Contracts Budget Review Statement**

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 December 2011

**Part A - Contracts Listing - contracts entered into during the quarter**

Contractor	Contract detail & purpose	Contract Value	Start Date	Duration of Contract	Budgeted (Y/N)	Notes
Statewide Mutual	Property & Public Liability Insurances	181,767	01/07/11	12 Months	Y	
State Cover Mutual	Workers Compensation Insurance	87,150	01/07/11	12 Months	Y	
MG & WH Mattner	Caravan Park Management	89,265	01/07/11	36 Months	Y	

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**Quarterly Budget Review Statement**  
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**Consultancy & Legal Expenses Budget Review Statement**

Consultancy & Legal Expenses Overview

Expense	YTD Expenditure (Actual Dollars)	Budgeted (Y/N)
Consultancies	45,970 *	Y
Legal Fees	1,675	Y

**Definition of a consultant:**

A consultant is a person or organisation engaged under contract on a temporary basis to provide recommendations or high level specialist or professional advice to assist decision making by management. Generally it is the advisory nature of the work that differentiates a consultant from other contractors.

**Comments**

Expenditure included in the above YTD figure but not budgeted includes:

**Details**

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\* Includes \$40,678 for re-valuation of Infrastructure Assets approved on 10/11 FY

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**Recommendation** for the information of Council.

**02.12.3028 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Lawler and Mengler that the report be received and recommendation be adopted.

### **Economic & Community Development Reports**

<b>Item E - 1</b>	<b>AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE (ALGWA)</b>
Reporting Officer	Director of Economic and Community Development - Robyn Ryan
	File 25

#### **Purpose of Report**

To advise Councillors of the forthcoming Australian Local Government Women's Association (NSW) Conference – *Creators of Change*.

#### **Report**

Council has received an invitation for interested delegates to register for the Australian Local Government Women's Association (NSW) 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, to be held at the Dubbo Regional Theatre and Convention Centre from Thursday March 22 to Saturday March 24, 2012.

To obtain the early bird conference fee of \$540 per delegate, registrations must be paid prior to February 24. Council has been represented at the conference in previous years.

Accommodation is available at a reasonable rate, and is within walking distance of the conference venue.

Councillors Powis and Morphett have expressed interest in attending this conference.

#### **Budget Implications**

Funds are available from the Conferences vote.

#### **Attachments**

Nil

#### **Recommendation**

That Council endorse Councillors Powis and Morphett's participation in the Australian Local Government Women's Association (NSW) Conference to be held in Dubbo from March 22 – 24, 2012.

**02.12.3029 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Mengler and Mannix that the report be received and recommendation be adopted.

<b>Item E - 2</b>	<b>SING AUSTRALIA REQUEST TO WAIVER THEATRE ROYAL HIRE FEES</b>	
Reporting Officer	Director of Economic and Community Development - Robyn Ryan	File 56

**Purpose of Report**

To advise Council of a request for support of this event.

**Report**

Council received correspondence on January 9, 2012 from the Balranald branch of Sing Australia seeking Council's support for their dinner dance.

The dinner dance will be held on Saturday March 10, 2012 at the Theatre Royal, and the branch is requesting that Council consider the waiving of the facility hire fees (excluding the cleaning fees).

**Budget Implications**

Nil.

**Attachments**

Correspondence received from the Balranald Branch of Sing Australia.

**Recommendation**

That Council support the Balranald Branch of Sing Australia by making a donation equivalent to 50% of the hall hire fee.

**02.12.3030 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Mengler and O'Halloran that the report be received and recommendation be adopted.

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The General Manager  
 Balranald Shire Council  
 PO Box 120  
 BALRANALD 2715

file: 47840

Received	09 JAN 2012			
LETTER NO.	28159			

re: SING AUSTRALIA - BALRANALD

Dear Chris

As you may be aware Sing Australia is having a dinner dance and entertainment evening on Saturday 10th March in the Royal Theatre.

We are hoping to attract many visitors to Balranald for the event and for the weekend. Because we are trying to minimise costs our committee is wondering if the Council would consider donating the use of the Royal Theatre (excluding cleaning costs).

Thanking you.

Yours sincerely,



Carole Lance (Secretary)  
 211 Market Street  
 Balranald 2715  
 Ph: 50200150

5th January 2012

<b>Item E - 3</b>	<b>LGSA TOURISM CONFERENCE (GUNNEDAH) AND THE OUTBACK NSW TOURISM SYMPOSIUM (BROKEN HILL)</b>	
Reporting Officer	Director of Economic and Community Development - Robyn Ryan	File 770

**Purpose of Report**

To inform Council of the forthcoming Local Government and Shire's Association Tourism Conference and the Outback NSW Tourism Symposium.

**Report**

***LGSA Tourism Conference***

Registration Fee: \$660.00 per participant

The 2012 Local Government and Shire's Association Tourism Conference will be held in Gunnedah from March 12 – 14, 2012.

The theme of the Conference is '*Check in or Check out! Does your service meet your visitor's expectations?*'

The keynote address by Penny Burke, Director, Author, Speaker and Brand Advertiser will feature '**Perception is Reality – it's not about you, it's about your customers!**'. Penny, creator of the

‘Not Happy Jan...’ advertisement for Yellow Pages, will provide information about the reality of customer service and perceptions.

Conference sessions will include:

- Managing the potential conflict between tourism and other industries
- Identifying the impacts that an industry may have on your town and tourism
- Making visitors comfortable in your town
- Meeting, managing and changing perceptions and getting up to scratch!
- Updates on the Visitor Economy Taskforce Strategy and Local Government Planning Tool
- Making the most of what you've got

**Outback NSW Tourism Symposium**

Registration Fee: \$200 per participant

The Outback NSW Tourism Symposium will be held in Broken Hill from March 1 – 2, 2012.

The program will include:

- Indigenous Tourism – our opportunity!
- Tour Guiding – everyone is a tour guide
- What tourism businesses get wrong
- Changing needs of the visitor
- Technology and social media

The two conferences provide an excellent program and the opportunity to network with the tourism industry.

The LGSA Conference will feature a one hour session on “How does tourism and mining sit side-by-side?” – “What are the challenges and benefits” which would be extremely beneficial to our community. That being said, all presentations and handouts from the conference will be available electronically following the event.

The Outback NSW Tourism Symposium’s program is very much a regional event, and will provide a great opportunity for our Council to build relationships with our neighbouring Shire’s and tourism operators.

**Budget Implications**

Funds are available from the Conferences vote

**Attachments**

Nil

**Recommendation**

That Council attend the 2012 Outback NSW Tourism Symposium to be held in Broken Hill from March 1-2, 2012.

**02.12.3031 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Lawler and Barnes that the report be received and recommendation be adopted.

<b>Item E - 4</b>	<b>NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK 2012</b>	
Reporting Officer	Director Economic and Community Development – Robyn Ryan	File 045A

**Purpose of Report**

Report on National Reconciliation Week 2012

**Report**

National Reconciliation Week celebrations will take place from 27 May to 3 June, 2012.

The week celebrates, and builds on the respectful relationships shared by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People and other Australians and is filled with events giving all Australians the chance to explore ways to join the national reconciliation effort.

The theme for 2012 is *Let's Talk Recognition*.

Council has received correspondence from Reconciliation Australia seeking support for National Reconciliation Week 2012.

Some support ideas include:

- Hosting a National Reconciliation Week community BBQ or event with local elders
- Flying Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags
- Displaying National Reconciliation Week posters
- Displaying National Reconciliation Week screensavers in local libraries
- Organising local cultural walks
- Getting in touch with the NSW Reconciliation Council
- Encouraging young people and schools in your electorate to enter the NSW Reconciliation Schools Challenge  
[www.nswreconciliation.org.au](http://www.nswreconciliation.org.au)

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**Attachments:**

Copy of correspondence received.

**Budget Implications:**

Funds available through the community events vote.

**Recommendation:**

That Council support National Reconciliation Week 2012 by working with the local indigenous community to host a community event.

**02.12.3032 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Lawler and Barnes that the report be received and recommendation be adopted.



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WEB [www.reconciliation.org.au](http://www.reconciliation.org.au)

Cr Steve O'Halloran  
Mayor  
Balranald Shire Council  
PO Box 120  
BALRANALD NSW 2715

2 December 2011

**NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK 2012**



Dear Cr O'Halloran,

Reconciliation Australia, the peak national organisation promoting reconciliation between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and other Australians, is once again proud to be coordinating National Reconciliation Week celebrations in 2012. And we'd like to invite your Council and local community to take part in next year's activities.

Each year from 27 May to 3 June, National Reconciliation Week celebrates and builds on the respectful relationships shared by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and other Australians. The week-long event gives all Australians the chance to explore ways to join the national reconciliation effort. The theme for 2012 is *Let's Talk Recognition*, with a particular focus on the formal recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians in our Constitution.

In 2011 Reconciliation Australia was appointed to work with the Panel for Constitutional Recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples to actively promote and support discussions around changes to our Constitution that recognise our nation's first peoples. We want to encourage Australians to continue the national conversation in 2012—and create opportunities for people to have their voices heard.

Your Council can support National Reconciliation Week 2012 by:

- Hosting a National Reconciliation Week community BBQ or event with local elders
- Flying Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags or street banners in your Council area
- Displaying National Reconciliation Week posters
- Displaying National Reconciliation Week screensavers in local libraries
- Organising local cultural walks
- Advertising the week on Council allocated bus shelters
- Getting in touch with the NSW Reconciliation Council 02 9562 6355
- Encouraging young people and schools in your electorate to enter the NSW Reconciliation Schools Challenge [www.nswreconciliation.org.au](http://www.nswreconciliation.org.au)

You can receive more information, or order posters, via [www.reconciliation.org.au](http://www.reconciliation.org.au) or by calling 02 6273 9200. We would greatly appreciate your participation in National Reconciliation Week 2012.

Yours sincerely

Handwritten signature of Dr Tom Calma.

Dr Tom Calma  
Reconciliation Australia Co-Chair

Handwritten signature of Ms Melinda Cilento.

Ms Melinda Cilento  
Reconciliation Australia Co-Chair

<b>Item E - 5</b>	<b>BALRANALD VOLUNTEER RESCUE SQUAD Inc. REQUEST FOR CONTRIBUTION</b>	
Reporting Officer	Director of Economic and Community Development - Robyn Ryan	File 224

**Purpose of Report**

To advise Council of Balranald Volunteer Rescue Squad Inc. request for a contribution for the current financial year 2011/2012.

**Report**

The Balranald Rescue Squad Inc. is a volunteer organisation, which relies on support from the community, other community based organisations and the business sector.

Over a number of years, Council has provided an ongoing annual contribution to the Squad.

In correspondence to Council the Secretary of the Squad acknowledges the ongoing support of Council and is again seeking a contribution of \$2,500 for 2011/2012, which is the same contribution as 2010/2011.

**Budget Implications**

Funding is provided in the Emergency Services – Contributions Vote.

**Attachments**

Letter of request.

**Recommendation**

That Council contribute the amount of \$2,500 to the Balranald Rescue Squad Inc. for the 2011/2012 financial year.

**02.12.3033 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Mannix and Morphett that the report be received and recommendation be adopted

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Volunteer Rescue Association of NSW



Balranald Rescue Squad Inc.  
 PO Box 190  
 Balranald NSW 2715  
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 Fx: (03) 50201620

8 February 2012

The General Manager  
 Balranald Shire Council  
 Market Street  
 Balranald NSW 2715

File: 224

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LETTER No: 28279			

Dear Chris,

Re: Balranald Rescue Squad Inc. Funding 2011/12.

We are grateful to the Balranald Shire Council for its previous support of the Squad over a number of years.

The Balranald Rescue Squad is a volunteer organisation, which relies on support of the community and other community organisations and business for its' funding.

The Squad provides an important role to the travelling public and support to the local community in good times and bad.

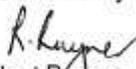
The ongoing support from the Shire is invaluable and we would again like to thank the Mayor, Councillors and staff.

Hence, we hereby request the Council provide the budgeted funding of \$2,500.00 to the Squad for this financial year.

We look forward to hearing from you soon.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

  
 Robert Rayner  
 Secretary

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<b>Item E - 6</b>	<b>NATIVE FISH STOCKING PROGRAM</b>	
Reporting Officer	Director of Economic and Community Development – Robyn Ryan	File 770

**Purpose of Report**

To report on the native fish restocking program fund (dollar for dollar) supported by the NSW Department of Primary Industries.

### **Report**

Council has received an invitation to submit an expression of interest for the 2012-2013 Native Fish Stocking Program.

Fish stocking is recognized for its importance to the community in terms of providing quality recreational fishing and conservation. Subsequently the stocking program has had economic benefits that have grown in response to the activity over many years.

For 2012 – 2013 stocking season (September 2012 – May 2013) matching funding has been set aside for the stocking of Australian Bass, Murray Cod and Golden Perch fry or fingerlings.

Applications to stock fish are assessed against the fish stocking fishery management plan, including interactions between stocked species and threatened species.

Closing date for applications:

Australian Bass stock: Friday 30 March 2012  
Murray Cod and/or Golden Perch stock: Friday 27 April 2012

### **Attachments:**

Nil

### **Budget Implications:**

Funds have been provided in the budget.

**Recommendation:** That Council support the three local fishing clubs on a dollar for dollar basis up to \$1000 each.

**02.12.3034 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Mannix and Lawler that the report be received and recommendation be adopted.

<b>Item E - 7</b>	<b>BALRANALD CARAVAN PARK FEE INCREASE</b>	
Reporting Officer	Director of Economic and Community Development - Robyn Ryan	File 750

### **Purpose of Report**

To advise Council of a request to increase the fees at the Balranald Caravan Park.

### **Report**

Council has received a request from the Managers of the Balranald Caravan Park seeking to increase site and cabin fees effective immediately. Rates are as follows: (per night).

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**Current Rate    Proposed Rate**  
**Con/Singles**

Unpowered site	\$18	\$20	\$18
Powered site	\$25	\$28	\$25
New cabins	\$109	\$129	

As you will see in the snapshot below, this fee increase is in line with current charges at neighbouring parks.

It should be noted that two of these parks listed below are members of Big 4 and Top Tourist Parks chains, and also offer a member discount.

CARAVAN PARK FEES	Off-peak (\$)	Peak (\$)
Hay Plains Holiday Park		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unpowered site</li> <li>• Powered site</li> <li>• Standard Cabin</li> <li>• Holiday Cabin</li> </ul>	22 30 70 85	
Big 4 Riverside Swan Hill		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unpowered site</li> <li>• Powered site</li> <li>• Powered site   riverside</li> <li>• Budget Cabin</li> <li>• Family Cabin</li> <li>• Deluxe Cabin</li> </ul>	34 39 43 100 115 170	
Euston Riverfront Caravan Park		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unpowered site</li> <li>• Powered site</li> <li>• Standard Cabin</li> <li>• Ensuite Cabin</li> </ul>	20 24 60 80	22 28 80 95
Robinvale Riverside Caravan Park		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unpowered site</li> <li>• Powered Site</li> <li>• Standard Cabin</li> <li>• Waterview   Cabin</li> </ul>	20 25 60 80	24 28 80 95

**Budget Implication**

Nil

**Attachments**

Nil

**Recommendation**

That Council endorse the fee increase as detailed in this report, effective from March 1, 2012.

**02.12.3035 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Lawler and Byron that the report be received and recommendation be adopted.

<b>Item E - 8</b>	<b>PROGRESS REPORT ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF BALRANALD'S VISITOR AND INTERPRETIVE CENTRE</b>	
Reporting Officer	Director Economic & Community Development – Robyn Ryan	File 771(c)

**Purpose of Report:**

To report on the progress of the development of Balranald's new Visitor and Interpretive Centre.

**Report:**

On December 22, 2011 seven consulting firms were invited to submit a proposal for the design and construction of Balranald's Visitor and Interpretive Centre. Applicants were given six weeks to submit their work.

The intention of this exercise was to find the right multidisciplinary team that would assist re-develop Balranald's Heritage Park, and the construction of the new Visitor and Interpretive Centre.

Participants were asked to demonstrate their capability to design and present a coherent and unique vision for the project. The emphasis was on clear and comprehensible demonstration of the architectural and interpretive approach based on the elements described on the project's brief and suggested design criteria.

Seven proposals were received and were displayed for public comment in the Theatre Royal on Thursday 16th February.

Following the Theatre Royal event a further report has been prepared detailing the outcomes of the community consultation and discussions held with the management team about the most suitable proposal and associated consulting team that should take this project to completion.

The selection of the preferred proposal will need to be done via a closed Council meeting, as financial details need to be considered.

**Attachments:**

Copies of the proposals, excluding the proposed fees.

**Budget Implications:**

Nil

**Recommendation**

That the report be received.

**02.12.3036 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Byron and Lawler that the report be received and recommendation be adopted.

<b>Item E - 9</b>	<b>CARAVAN AND CAMPING SHOWS</b>	
Reporting Officer	Director of Economic and Community Development - Robyn Ryan	File 770

**Purpose of Report**

To advise Council of the forthcoming Caravan and Camping Shows.

**Report**

Over the coming months Balranald Shire will be showcased at various Caravan, Camping and Lifestyle Shows.

The 2012 Show schedule is as follows:

Adelaide    Wednesday February 22 to Sunday February 26, 2012

Melbourne    Thursday March 8 to Tuesday March 13, 2012

Bendigo    Friday June 1 to Sunday June 3, 2012

These three shows have been operating for many years and are very well promoted. They attract thousands of potential visitors and provide an ideal opportunity for Council to promote Balranald and District.

Council's Tourism Project Manager German Ugarte and the Director of Economic and Community Development Robyn Ryan have created a series of promotional banners and marketing material to assist in attracting additional visitors to the area.

A "Hot Deals" flyer has been developed for distribution at the shows along with promotional stickers.

The site costs, accommodation, travel and production of the promotional material has been funded through the Red Gum program, and Inland NSW Tourism.

**Budget Implication**

Funded by the Red Gum program and Inland NSW Tourism.

**Attachments**

Nil

**Recommendation**

For the information of Council.

**02.12.3037 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Lawler and Barnes that the report be received and recommendation be adopted.

<b>Item E - 10</b>	<b>BALRANALD INC. COMMITTEE REPRESENTATION</b>	
Reporting Officer	Director of Economic and Community Development - Robyn Ryan	File 504

**Purpose of Report**

To advise Council of additional representation on the Balranald Inc. Committee.

**Report**

Following discussions with the Executive of Balranald Inc. Council is advised that the Director of Economic and Community Development Robyn Ryan will join Councillor Lawler as a representative on the Balranald Inc. Committee.

**Budget Implication**

Nil

**Attachments**

Nil

**Recommendation**

For the information of Council.

**02.12.3038 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Mengler and Mannix that the report be received. Defeated.

<b>Item E - 11</b>	<b>MURRUMBIDGEE CLASSIC MEETING</b>	
Reporting Officer	Director of Economic and Community Development - Robyn Ryan	File 750

**Purpose of Report**

To inform Council of a meeting between the Balranald Murrumbidgee Classic Committee and the Balranald Caravan Park Managers.

**Report**

On Tuesday January 24, the General Manager and the Director of Economic and Community Development attended a meeting with the Balranald Murrumbidgee Classic Committee and the Balranald Caravan Park Managers.

The meeting provided an opportunity for all parties to discuss the planning and hosting of the forthcoming event.

The Classic will be held over the weekend of March 24 & 25, 2012 with over 130 entries received to date.

The Classic Committee and the Park Managers will be working collaboratively to ensure another successful event.

**Budget Implications**

Nil

**Attachments**

Nil

**Recommendation**

For the information of Council.

**02.12.3039 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Mengler and Morphett that the report be received and recommendation be adopted.

<b>Item E - 12</b>	<b>INTERNATONAL WOMEN'S DAY EVENT</b>	
Reporting Officer	Director of Economic and Community Development - Robyn Ryan	File 025

**Purpose of Report**

To advise Council of the proposed 2012 International Women's Day event.

**Report**

In March each year, millions of women around the world gather to celebrate International Women's Day. The event provides an opportunity for the community to recognise the achievements of women, and their contribution to society.

Council has submitted a funding application to the Office for Women's Policy requesting \$1000 to host a local International Women's Day event to be held on Saturday March 17, 2012 at the Theatre Royal.

In 2011, the Balranald International Women's Day Committee hosted an extremely successful event with over 100 women joining in the celebrations. The Committee met in December 2011 and late January 2012 to progress planning for this year's event.

**Budget Implication**

Nil

**Attachments**

Nil

**Recommendation**

For the information of Council.

**02.12.3040 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Mengler and Morphett that the report be received and recommendation be adopted.

<b>Item E - 13</b>	<b>ULYSSES CLUB MARKETING OPPORTUNITY</b>
Reporting Officer	Director of Economic and Community Development - Robyn Ryan File 025

**Purpose of Report**

To advise Council of a targeted marketing opportunity.

**Report**

In March 2012, Mildura will play host to the Ulysses Club Annual General Meeting.

Over 6,000 members are expected to attend the meet, with a significant number of these members travelling through Balranald and Euston either to the meet, or on their return trip.

The Annual General Meeting will commence on March 26 and conclude on April 1, 2012.

This event has the potential to provide Balranald Shire businesses with an opportunity to capitalise on the flow through traffic.

To assist in promoting Balranald as a stopover, Council has placed an advertisement in the Ulysses Club “Riding On” magazine which has a subscription base of over 29,000 members.

**Budget Implication**

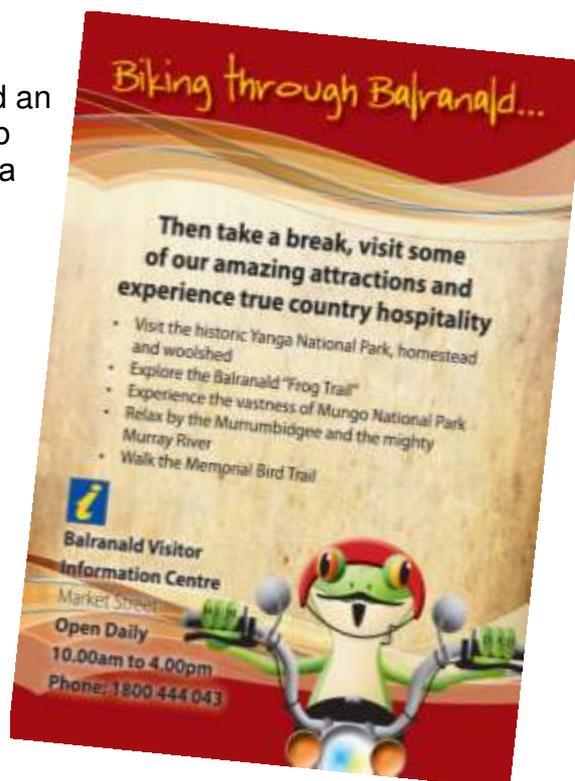
Funded from current advertising budget

**Attachments**

Nil

**Recommendation**

For the information of Council.



**02.12.3041 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Mengler and Barnes that the report be received and recommendation be adopted

<b>Item E - 14</b>	<b>VARIETY BASH VISIT</b>		
Reporting Officer	Director of Economic and Community Development	-	File 770
	Robyn Ryan		

**Purpose of Report**

To inform Council that the South Australian Variety Bash will visit to Balranald in August.

**Report**

The organisers of the South Australian Variety Children’s Charity visited Balranald recently to progress the planning for their Variety Bash in August 2012, and to secure accommodation.

The General Manager and the Director of Economic and Community Development discussed venue and catering options with the Bash Coordinator Doug Lehmann and other representatives of the charity.

The Bash (with over 300 participants) will stop in Balranald overnight on August 17, and most accommodation outlets are now fully booked.

This event will provide a much needed boost to the local economy.

Further updates will be provided to Council over the coming months.

**Attachments**

Nil

**Recommendation**

For the information of Council.

**02.12.3042 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Morphett and Barnes that the report be received and recommendation be adopted

<b>Item E - 15</b>	<b>REGIONAL AND LOCAL COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM (RLCIP Round 3) HEATED POOL PROJECT</b>	
Reporting Officer	Director of Economic and Community Development - Robyn Ryan	File 565

**Purpose of Report**

To advise Council on the progress of the heated pool project.

**Report**

In 2011, Council was successful in securing funding of \$30,000 under the Regional and Local Community Infrastructure Program (RLCIP) Round 3. Council also committed \$20,000 to this project.

Following extensive discussions with the Greater Murray Area Health Service Exercise Physiologist Jacquie Crawford, the Balranald Shire Pool Manager and various pool builders, Council has now placed an order for a 7m x 5m pool from Swan Hill.

The project will include the installation of the pool, solar heating, fencing and landscaping and has a project completion date of March 31, 2012.

Future efforts will of course, address the installation of an enclosure for the pool, perhaps a more efficient form of heating and access into the pool via a lift chair or similar.

**Budget Implication**

RLCIP Round 3 funding and budget allocation

**Attachments**

Nil

**Recommendation**

For the information of Council.

**02.12.3043 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs O'Halloran and Byron that the report be received and recommendation be adopted.

<b>Item E - 16</b>	<b>BALRANALD INC. COMMITTEE MEETING UPDATE</b>	
Reporting Officer	Director of Economic and Community Development - Robyn Ryan	File 504

**Purpose of Report**

To advise Council of the outcomes of the Balranald Inc. Committee Meeting held on Tuesday January 31, 2012.

**Report**

Council's Director of Economic and Community Development attended the Balranald Inc. Committee Meeting.

Discussion was held in relation to:

- Balranald Inc. application under the Biodiversity Fund
- Balranald Inc. Business and Marketing Plan
- Signage on the Swan Hill intersection
- Mining Taskforce progress
- Customer Service training packages currently being delivered
- Retailers and Local Business Taskforce
- Festivals Australia funding application for the Outback Festival
- Skate Park application – no outcome until March 2012, and
- Balranald Inc. website and newsletter

Council's invitation to Balranald Inc. to take a place on Council's Interpretive Centre Project Management Team was discussed, with Chair Paul Connellan being endorsed as the representative and Jan Lawler was endorsed as the alternate representative in Mr Connellan's absence.

The Committee also took the opportunity to thank Mrs Mia Zaffina for her outstanding contribution to Balranald Inc. over the years.

Mrs Zaffina recently resigned from her role as Public Officer for Balranald Inc. but will remain as a Committee member on the Indigenous Taskforce.

**Budget Implication**

Nil

**Attachments**

Nil

**Recommendation**

For the information of Council.

**02.12.3044 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Morphett and Lawler that the report be received and recommendation be adopted.

### **Infrastructure & Development Reports**

<b>Item 1 - 1</b>	<b>Access Via Purtil Court 134 Ballandella Street, Balranald</b>	
Reporting Officer	Director Infrastructure & Development - John Stevenson	File

#### **Purpose of Report:**

To recognise a formal point of access to property 133 Turandurey Street for Mr and Mrs Thiele.

#### **Report:**

Mr and Mrs Thiele have requested an improved access to their property, principally for emergency services use due to their age and increasing need for doctor or ambulance services. As Council is aware, present access to the land is via Purtil Court off Ballandella Street as well as an informal access off the river bend recreation area (Turandurey Street not physically existing in this area). The best option for the Thiele's is considered to only access their property via Purtil Court and formalise this address. Mr and Mrs Mann, the only other residence in this location have indicated their strong desire to be recognised as living at Purtil Court address.

Council can alter the official address of a property under the provisions of the Local Government Act and in accordance with Australian Standards 4819-2003 to the effect that 133 and 135 Turandurey Street could cease as an address in lieu of 3 and 5 Purtil court. To formalise the existence of Purtil Court Council will need to surrender the freehold title of the subject land (Lot 17 DP 758048, known as No. 134 Ballandella street and register the land for public access or road purposes.

A period of 28 days is afforded for property owners to advise all personal parties of the address change.

Council will notify in writing all service providers i.e.

- Australia Post
- NSW Lands and Property Information (LPI)
- Australian Electoral Commission
- Telstra
- Essential Energy
- Emergency Agencies (Police, Ambulance, Fire Service)

In conversation with the Thiele's, it was mentioned that, at the time of Councils purchase of 'Purtil Court' land from them, there was a

discussion to name the access over the land “Thiele Court”. No further undertaking has been promised other than to note that information.

**Attachments:**

Plan.

**Budget Implications:**

Council will incur some minor costs to advise emergency and public services of the change, and erect new signage together with the surrender of freehold title in lieu of public roads.

**Recommendation:**

1. Council formally re-address lot 17 in DP 758048 (Thiele’s property) as number 5, Purtill Court in lieu of 133 Turandurey Street, and similarly Lot 2 DP 758048 (Mann’s) as number 7 Purtill Court.
2. Mr Thiele be advised that Council intends to take no action to rename the access lane “Thiele Court”.
3. Council surrender the freehold title on lot 17 DP 758048 in lieu of public road.

**02.12.3045 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Lawler and Byron that the report be received and recommendation be adopted as amended.



<b>Item 1 - 2</b>	<b>POLICY TO CLOSE SHIRE ROADS WHEN WET</b>	
Reporting Officer	Director Infrastructure & Development – John Stevenson	File 700

### **Purpose of Report**

To bring before Council, a proposal to warn road users of likely fines if closed roads are damaged.

### **Report**

Last year a community forum was unanimous in supporting Council towards a formal process of closing Shire Roads when wet and imposing penalties on known offenders who wilfully damage closed road surfaces.

The matter was reported to August meeting, whereby Council resolved to revisit the subject.

Some 23 locations around the Shire have been identified as appropriate points to advise the public of the wet/road closed circumstance and sections 102 and 239 of the Roads Act 1993 stipulates Councils powers to take action against persons proven to have caused road damage or fail to abide by the instruction “Road Closed” penalties prescribed under the Roads Regulation 2008 provide for a fine of (currently) \$315 in these cases.

This process will include community consultation and advertising councils’ intentions to the wider community. Wentworth, Central Darling and Carrathool Shires are also implementing a signage position with closed roads and it would be mutually advantageous if all Councils have a common expectation.

### **Budget Implications:**

The procurement and installation of 23 signs would be approximately \$4,200 and a consideration in the forthcoming budget if Council proceeds with the matter.

### **Attachments:**

Nil

### **Recommendation:**

1. The appropriate community consultation process be undertaken.
2. Council issue fines in accordance with the Roads Act 1993 and Regulations 2008 to offenders who are known to cause damage to road surfaces during or after wet weather.
3. Appropriate signage be erected at 23 locations around the Shire informing the travelling public that roads are closed when wet and that fines may apply if they are damaged, whilst closed. Draught signage to come back to the next meeting.

**02.12.3046 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Mengler and Lawler that the report be received and recommendation be adopted.

<b>Item 1 - 3</b>	<b>DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION 12/2012 MR RAY JONES PROPOSED MOTOR HOME PARKING, OFF NIXON STREET EUSTON</b>	
Reporting Officer	Director Infrastructure & Development - John Stevenson	File DA12/2012

**Purpose of Report:** To consider application of Euston Recreation and Bowling Club to establish motor home parking at the rear of the club premises.

**Report:** Ray Jones on behalf of the Euston Bowling & Recreation Club has lodged a Development Application to fill and level lots 1,2 and 3 on DP 758402 facing the unmade Broughton Street (access via Selwyn Street, Euston). The club wish to raise the land to approximately levee height, fence the perimeter and install power and lighting. The proposed access drive will be off Selwyn Street as per the attached plan. The site will be grassed with limited paved areas and a sewer dump/pump station will be installed with a rising main to Councils sewer network. Water supply exists and is metered to the site at this time. Mr Jones has indicated that this development will be quite separate from the existing cabin park which is accessed via the river side reserve. No additional cabins or structures are envisaged on the site. The development has been referred to the only two landowners in proximity to comply with the requirements of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000, and Councils requirements. The attached plan shows much of the adjoining lands to be the clubs property.

**Attachments:** Plan

**Budget Implications:** Nil

**Recommendation:**

Council approve the application of Ray Jones on behalf of Euston Bowling and Recreation Club for the development of a motor home parking area on lots 1,2 and 3 on Broughton Street, Euston subject to the following conditions:

1. All site filling is to be undertaken to the satisfaction of Council or it's delegate. Any disturbance to the Euston flood levee should be reinstated at the developers full cost and to the satisfaction of the respective agencies and/or Council.
2. Head works charge of \$1000.00 representing an equivalent of three residential lots for water and sewer be remitted prior to the completion of works and establishing any business activity on the site.

3. The installation of any effluent pump station and rising mains are at the developers full cost and must connect to the town sewer network as directed by Council
4. The concurrence of Essential Energy is to be provided for the development.
5. Entrance driveway, drainage structures off Selwyn Street and any hard standing areas on site are to be flush sealed and suitably line marked to satisfaction of Council or it's delegate and at the developers full cost.

**02.12.3047 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Morphett and Mengler that the report be received and recommendation be adopted.

In accordance with Section 375A of the Local Government Act 1993, the Mayor called for a Division.

**ALL COUNCILLORS VOTED IN FAVOUR OF THE MOTION.**



<b>Item I - 4</b>	<b>CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATES</b>	
Reporting Officer	Director Infrastructure & Development - John Stevenson	File 600

**Purpose of Report:**

To advise Council of Construction Certificates issued under delegated authority.

**Report:**

The following certificates have been issued since the December meeting of Council.

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01/2012	Charlie Costa for The Grape House – Kilpatrick Road, Euston	Farm Machinery Shed
02/2012	Wes Lehman and Denese Kitt – 43 Nixon Street, Euston	Extend Carport
03/2011	Summertime Pools for Mr & Mrs Curran – ‘Wampo Station’ Balranald	Fibre glass swimming pool
06/2012	P.V. & S.M. Militto – 56 Moa Street, Balranald	Extensions to dwelling and new carport
07/2012	P & H Edmonds – Off O’Connor Street, Balranald	Free standing steel canopy
14/2012	Balranald Shire Council	In-ground Swimming Pool within pool complex

**Recommendation:** That the report be noted.

**02.12.3048 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Mengler and O’Halloran that the report be received and recommendation be adopted

<b>Item I - 5</b>	<b>MAINTENANCE &amp; CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM</b>	
Reporting Officer	Director Infrastructure & Development – John Stevenson	File: 726

**Purpose of Report**

To provide Council with a progress report on works.

**Report**

**1. Council Team 1 – Duryea Street**

Council’s Team 1 grader has finished patrol grading and gravel patching on Tillara road. From Tillara Road, moved to grade and shape Yanga Way fruit fly zone and completed 3 kilometres of shoulder grading work. From Yanga Way commenced gravel capping work on Duryea Street. Wemby Kylite reshaping for sealing, hospital front car park gravel capping, Jones lane and some town jobs, team 1 grader will move to MR67 North for two kilometres formation work which will be sealed by mid-April. (pending outcome of negotiations with Bemax.)

2. **Council Team 2 –Clare Mossgiel Road**  
Team 2 grader has finished all fire break work and has finished about 14 kms of grading work in Clare Mossgiel road. Commencing from the boundary of Carrathool shire westward, finished 8 kms and shifted to Clare bore side to get rid of water problem. Team 2 grader will be in Clare Mossgiel road for 5 weeks more. A scraper may-be employed.
3. **Council Team 3 – Mildura Ivanhoe Road Formation**  
Team 3 has been continuing westerly on Mildura Ivanhoe road and only 4 km away from last years upgraded section in Mandleman. Team 3 grader has also completed work on washout at Binda. As works under road to recovery is to be finished by June, team 3 grader will start working on 2 kilometers of formation work near Mandleman..
4. **Cameron's – on Oxley Clare Road**  
M .Cameron has finished patrol grading on Tarwong Freshwater Road. He has also finished about 7 kms of rough sections in Nandum Corrong road. After Nandum Corrong road, maintenance to the Oxley Clare road will be undertaken. After reaching MR514 road, about 700 meters of formation work under roads to recovery will be undertaken.
5. **Contractor Bott's – on Boree Plains Gol Gol Road**  
Contractor C. Bott has resumed work on Boree Plains Gol Gol road from this week. This work is estimated to continue for approximately 6 weeks.
6. **Fitzgerald's – Guthul Access**  
Drains in Morris Road have been cut. About 7 km of grading work is remaining on Guthul access This work will be completed within the week. These contractors are then to move north on the Euston Prungle Road doing patchwork followed by maintenance of the Melton Grove – Dockerty Road.
7. **West Balranald Drainage**  
Backfilling works have been completed on this site and investigations on a suitable emergency pump unit are almost finalised. Information on Essential Energy's component of this work should be available by the meeting.
8. **Euston Cycle way, Curla Lane Sealing and other sealing works**  
Euston/Robinvale Cycleway has been resealed in the first week of January. Curla lane works are almost complete. Duryea Street, Jones Lane, 3klms of Windomal Road and a Wemby Kyalite road will be sealed within the month.

**9. Airport Second coat of line marking**

The second coat of line marking of Balranald Airport strip and taxiway has been completed.

Formalise section of MR67 South as Yanga Way O'Halloran/Barnes

**Miscellaneous**

- a) Yanga Way fruit fly zone drainage has been upgraded.
- b) Euston tip fencing work is continuing.
- d) Balranald tip paper collection and fire break has been undertaken.
- e) All guide posts and culverts on MR67 have been marked. This will assist grass slashing.
- f) A commencement of the Heavy vehicle inspection pit has been made within the depot.
- g) Preliminary design works for heritage Park Car park and Paika Creek new culvert structure has been undertaken.
- h) Automatic gate has been installed in Aged Care Hostel, on Market Street access.

**Recommendation:**

For the information of Council.

**02.12.3049 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Lawler and Morphett that the report be received and recommendation be adopted.

<b>Item I - 6</b>	<b>DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION 05/2012 MR ANTHONY CONWAY CHANGE OF USE FROM PROFESSIONAL OFFICE TO LAUNDROMAT, 30 MAYALL STREET BALRANLD</b>	
Reporting Officer	Director Infrastructure & Development - John Stevenson	File DA 05/2012

**Purpose of Report:** to advise of Development consent issued under delegated authority.

**Report:**

Council received an application from Mr Tony Conway seeking Council's consent to alter the use of the premises at 30 Mayall Street Balranald, from a previous professional office to a Laundromat. The applicant will refit the premises in order to establish the new business, and has completed all necessary documentation for the proposal. Written notice of the proposal as prescribed under Section 88 1(a) of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Regulation 2000 was unnecessary as he proponent is the owner of neighbouring properties.

The existing residential unit at the rear of the property will remain with separate access and rear parking via a side driveway. It is considered that this new laundry will not generate car parking requirements beyond the present kerbside spaces.

In view of the absence of a January meeting of Council, approval under delegated authority with conditions was issued.

**Budget Implications:** Nil

**Attachments:**

1. NOD 05/2012

**Recommendation:** that the information be noted.

**02.12.3050 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Morphett and O'Halloran that the report be received and recommendation be adopted.

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ALL COMMUNICATIONS  
MUST BE ADDRESSED TO  
THE GENERAL MANAGER

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BALRANALD NSW 2715  
TELEPHONE: (03) 50201300  
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CONTACT:

EMAIL: council@balranald.nsw.gov.au

**Notice of Determination of a Development Application No. DA 05/2012**

This notice is issued to an applicant, and any person who made a submission about the applicant's proposal, once the application has been assessed by the consent authority.

**1. Details of the applicant**

For privacy reasons, the applicant's details only appear in the notice given to the applicant.

Mr  Ms  Mrs  Dr  Other

First name  Last/Family name

Flat/street no.  Street or Property name/ Postal Address

Suburb or town  State  Postcode

Daytime Phone  Fax  Mobile

**2. Details of the land to be developed**

Land Owner Details:  
Mr  Ms  Mrs  Dr  Other

Land Owner Family / Company name/s

Street Address

Suburb or town  State  Postcode

Lots  DP  Assessment No.

Development application no. 05/2012

Description of the development

If the development involves a building, the class of the building under the Building Code of Australia

**3. Decision of the consent authority**

Consent is granted without any conditions.

Date from which the consent operates

Date the consent expires

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Consent is granted subject to the conditions listed in <b>Attachment A</b> . Conditions have been placed on the consent for the following reasons:
<p>(i) to ensure compliance with the terms of the Environmental Planning instruments;</p> <p>(ii) having regard to Council's duties of consideration under Section 79C of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, as well as Section 80A which authorises the imposing of the consent conditions; and</p> <p>(iii) having regard to the circumstances of the case and the public interest.</p>	
Date from which the consent operates	Date the consent expires
<input type="text" value="16 January 2012"/>	<input type="text" value="16 January 2017"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Consent is granted to erect a temporary building.
Date from which the consent operates	Date the consent expires
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	The application is refused.
The application is refused for the following reasons:	
<input type="text"/>	
<b>4. Date of this decision</b>	
<input type="text" value="16 January 2012"/>	
<b>5. Information attached to this decision</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	A fire safety schedule, for a change of building use where no building work will be carried out.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Conditions of the consent listed in <b>Attachment A</b> .
<b>6. Other approvals</b>	
The following approvals will be granted, consistent with this consent, if the applicant applies to the state agencies listed within 3 years of the date of this decision:	
<input type="text"/>	
The following approvals have been granted under the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i> :	
<input type="text"/>	
A Commission of Inquiry has been held	
Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
No	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>7. Signature</b>	
For this notice to be valid, it must be signed by the consent authority.	
Signature	<input type="text" value="John Stevenson"/>
Name	<input type="text" value="John Stevenson"/>
Position	<input type="text" value="Director Infrastructure and Development"/>
Date of this notice	<input type="text" value="16 January 2012"/>

## **8. Rights of appeal**

### **If you are the applicant:**

You can appeal against this decision in the Land and Environment Court within 12 months of the date of this notice. You cannot appeal, however, if a Commission of Inquiry was held and the development is designated development or state significant development.

### **If you objected to the proposal in writing and the application was for designated Development:**

- you can appeal against this decision to the Land and Environment Court within 28 days of the date of this notice. You cannot appeal if a Commission of Inquiry was held.

if the applicant appeals against this decision, you will be given a notice of the appeal and you can apply to the Land and Environment Court within 28 days of the date of this notice to attend the appeal and make submissions at the appeal.

## **Attachment A Conditions of the development consent**



### **Development Approval 05/2012**

***Consent is granted to Mr Anthony Conway for a 'Change of Use' of the premises located at 30 Mayall Street on Lot A DP 352058, from a professional Office to a Laundromat subject to the following conditions:***

- 1) Development shall be limited to a Laundromat service. No other activity is permitted unless separately approved by Council.*
- 2) 48 hours prior notice is given for a final inspection and issue of an Occupation Certificate.*
- 4) All building work shall be carried out in accordance with the provisions of The Building Code of Australia and relative Australian Standards.*
- 5) All plumbing and electrical work is to be carried out to the satisfaction of Council or its delegate and in accordance with the Building Code of Australia.*
- 6) A site drainage diagram is to be provided prior to an occupation certificate being issued. This diagram is to be to scale and include changes and or additional drainage to the present system.*
- 8) Clothes dryer exhaust systems must be vented to the outside of the building and to the satisfaction of Council or its delegate.*
- 7) No work is to be carried out which would cause nuisance by way of emission of noise, vibration, smell, fumes, smoke vapour, steam, soot, ash, dust, grit, oil, waste-water, waste products or otherwise."*

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8) Access for people with disabilities is to be provided in accordance with the Building Code of Australia.

11) The business must not impact negatively on the environment or the neighbours or detract from the amenity of the area. Specific issues that must be addressed include:

- Waste disposal - is to be disposed of as per the proper methods
- Odours / Fumes - control of odours / fumes that may be emitted from the premise
- Traffic and Parking - access and parking to the property must be accomplished to the satisfaction of Council or its Delegate.

12) Any proposed signage must be approved by Council before erection. No free standing signage is consented to. Any signage must be attached to the building.

<b>Item I - 7</b>	<b>DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION 70/2011 BEMAX RESOURCES MINERAL PRELIMINARY EXPLORATION MINERAL SANDS, "WAMPO"</b>	
Reporting Officer	Director Infrastructure & Development - John Stevenson	File DA 70/2011

**Purpose of Report:** to advise Council of initial works at the Atlas and Campaspe mines on "Wampo".

**Report:**

Council received an application from Bemax resources to install a test bore and four monitoring wells on Lot 4727 D.P 767893, "Wampo" via Balranald.

The DPI (Catchment and Lands) provided Council with model conditions for the activities on this Western Land Lease. As this proposal involves mining, DPI Mineral Resources will be the determining authority via Pts 4, 89(c) and 5 of the Assessment Act. The Atlas and Campaspe mines will ultimately be determined via the Director General of Planning NSW – incorporating conditions sought from Council. To this end Council has already tendered model conditions on the transport routes and comments towards eventual site rehabilitation.

Council has contacted Bemax Resources explaining this process, and attached correspondence received from DPI (Catchment & Lands) with conditions for Bemax to comply with.

**Budget Implications:** Nil

**Attachments:**

1. Correspondence to Bemax from Council
2. Letter from DPI (Catchment & Lands)

**Recommendation:** that the information be noted.

**02.12.3051 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Barnes and Lawler that the report be received and recommendation be adopted.

## BALRANALD SHIRE COUNCIL

ALL COMMUNICATIONS  
MUST BE ADDRESSED TO  
THE GENERAL MANAGER

PO BOX 120  
BALRANALD NSW 2715

Contact: JS:CM:DA 70/2011

TELEPHONE: (03) 5020 1300  
FAX: (03) 5020 1620  
EMAIL: council@balranald.nsw.gov.au

2 February 2012

BEMAX Resources  
4463 Benetook Ave  
THURLA VIC 3498

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Re: Your Proposal for Test Bore and Monitoring Wells on Lot 4727  
DP 767893 "Wampo" Via Hatfield**

Council advises that this matter has been referred to the relative State agencies under Integrated Development process.

As the proposal essentially involves mining, the respective determining authority will be DPI Mineral Resources, provided via part 5 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act.

The intention to undertake preliminary investigations via the above wells has been referred to the "land authority", ie, the DPI Catchment & Lands, who will in turn expect you to comply with conditions (1) to (9) on the attached correspondence for the process of installing and undertaking investigation works in association with these wells and bore.

Your attention is also drawn to the comments on page 2 of the attachment with respect to a possible consultation process with other agencies as your project evolves.

Please direct any comments to the undersigned.

Yours Faithfully,



John Stevenson  
**Director of Infrastructure & Development  
For The GENERAL MANAGER**

Encl. Correspondence – DPI (Catchment & Lands).

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Department of  
Primary Industries  
Catchments & Lands DA: 70/2011

16 November 2011

General Manager  
Barranald Shire Council  
PO Box 120  
BARRANALD NSW 2715

GV	✓		
DIG			
Received 22 NOV 2011			
DNS			
DEPD			
LETTER No. 27986			

Our file ref: 11/01416  
Your ref: JS:JShoobert:DA 70/2011

Dear Sir,

**DA 70/2011 PROPOSED GROUND TEST BORE AND MONITORING WELLS**

I refer to the subject proposal and the letter sent from your Office dated 8 November 2011 (received 15 November 2011), requesting the Catchments & Lands Division of the Department of Primary Industries (DPI) to provide comment on the proposed development of a ground test bore and monitoring wells within "Wampo" Station (Lot 4727 DP 767893).

The Division of Resources and Energy (DRE) of DTIRIS forwarded a copy of the Review of Environmental Factors (REF) to this Office for the proposed Atlas Hydrogeological Testwork to be conducted within Exploration Licence 5359. The proposed development outlined in the REF aligns with the works detailed under the pending Development Application number DA 70/2011.

Overall, the DPI has no substantial concerns with the level of information provided in the REF document for the proposed hydro-geological testwork by Bemax Resources within EL 5359. However, additional conditions and comments were provided to DRE on 31 October 2011, and these are listed below:

Conditions

- (1) Bemax Resources Ltd must ensure the works are carried out consistently with the description given in the Review of Environmental Factors (Campaspe and Atlas Deposits- Atlas Hydrological Testwork- Dated October 2011), especially in relation to all mitigation measures stated in the REF;
- (2) Bemax Resources Ltd must stockpile topsoil and subsoil separately from other excavated materials, with the subsoil and topsoil to be replaced to near its original shape and level;
- (3) Bemax Resources Ltd must line all sumps to prevent soil contamination by acid sulphide water or saline water. Once the discharge water from drilling has evaporated, the lining and any contaminants must be removed and appropriately disposed of;
- (4) Bemax Resources Ltd must remove fallen timber, leaf litter and inorganic material and stockpile separately to other material. This material is to be respread upon completion of all works to aid in rehabilitation;
- (5) Bemax Resources Ltd must ensure all gates and fences are always left in the same state (open or closed) as set by the landholder;

NSW Department of Primary Industries  
Catchments & Lands Division – Far West Area  
45 Wingewarra Street, Dubbo NSW 2830  
PO Box 1840, Dubbo, NSW 2830  
Tel: 02 6883 5400 Fax: 02 6884 2067  
www.dpi.nsw.gov.au

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(6) Bemax Resources Ltd must ensure that, in the event of rain or other inclement weather, all vehicle traffic must stop and any damage that occurs to tracks and roads must be repaired at the expense of Bemax Resources Ltd;

(7) Bemax Resources Ltd must implement dust suppression measures as deemed necessary to control dust generated as a direct result of the hydro-geological testwork activities;

(8) Bemax Resources Ltd must rehabilitate the testwork sites and other unneeded areas to a satisfactory level that ensures that no future sedimentation, erosion or degradation of the site occurs as a result of exploration activities in the future. All revegetation works must be undertaken using locally indigenous native plants and seed appropriate to the surrounding vegetation community, immediately following completion of hydro-geological testwork activities;

(9) Bemax Resources Ltd must develop a weed management plan prior to the commencement of hydro-geological testwork. Measures must be implemented before, during and after the hydro-geological testwork activities to prevent the establishment and/or spread of weeds within and beyond the EL. In the event that the distribution of noxious weeds has increased as a direct result of the testwork activities, Bemax Resources Ltd must implement measures to control and eradicate the weeds.

Comments

Bemax Resources Ltd may need to consult with the following agencies to determine their requirements with respect to the proposed testwork activities:

- Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH)- for matters relating to pollution control, environmental monitoring/licensing, environmental protection, cultural heritage and threatened species;
- The Lower Murray-Darling Catchment Management Authority- for matters relating to native vegetation and the protection of waterways;
- NSW Office of Water- for water access and licensing matters;
- NSW Roads and Traffic Authority (RTA);
- NSW Rural Fire Service (RFS);
- Barranald Shire Council- for development requirements under the Barranald Local Environmental Plan 2010.

The DPI has no additional objections or issues with respect to the proposed development.

Thank you for allowing the DPI the opportunity to comment on the proposal.

If you require any further information in relation to this matter please contact Reuben Butler, Natural Resource Management Project Officer at the Department's Dubbo Office by email: [reuben.butler@lands.nsw.gov.au](mailto:reuben.butler@lands.nsw.gov.au) or on (02) 6883 5416.

Yours Faithfully



**Reuben Butler**  
Natural Resource Management Project Officer  
Catchments & Lands Division

## General Managers Office

Item G - 1	AUTHORITY TO AFFIX SEAL	
Reporting Officer	General Manager – Chris Littlemore	File 137

**Purpose of Report:** To obtain authority to affix Council Seal to legal documents.

**Report:**

1. Council authorised the General Manager to negotiate the sale of land at 85 Yuranigh Street Balranald. A contract for the sale has been agreed upon at \$19,000.
2. Council agreed to accept the transfer of the former Masonic Lodge from Balranald Community Arts and Crafts.

**Budget Implications:**

Nil

**Recommendation:** that the Mayor and General Manager be authorised to affix the Council Seal to the transfer documents related to

1. The sale of 85 Yuranigh Street and
2. The acquisition of 51 Mayall Street.

**02.12.3052 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Lawler and Morphett that the that the Mayor and General Manager be authorised to affix the Council Seal to the transfer documents related to the sale of 85 Yuranigh Street, Balranald.

**02.12.3053 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Morphett and Mannix that the that the Mayor and General Manager be authorised to affix the Council Seal to the transfer documents related to the acquisition of 51 Mayall Street, Balranald.

Item G – 2	LGSA SPECIAL LEVY ADVICE	
Reporting Officer	General Manager – Chris Littlemore	File

**Purpose of Report:** To advise Council of advice received concerning a Special Levy from the LGSA.

**Report:**

The LGSA is preparing for the campaign to promote the “yes” vote in the proposed referendum on Constitutional Recognition of Local Government. It is anticipated that ALGA will co-ordinate a national advertising campaign at a cost of about \$10,000,000.

Through the Special Levy, NSW contribution will be about \$2.7M and using the standard formulae, Balranald would be expected to contribute \$8167.70. The LGSA has elected that the levy should be paid in 3 annual instalments commencing 1 July 2012.

**Budget Implications:**

The amount of \$2722.57 would need to be provided in the forthcoming budget.

**Attachments**

Nil.- Letter from LGSA previously circulated to Councillors.

**Recommendation:** that the Council make provision in the 2012/13 budget for the first instalment.

**02.12.3054 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Mannix and Barnes that the report be received and recommendation be adopted

<b>Item G - 3</b>		
<b>CUSTOMER SERVICE SURVEY</b>		
Reporting Officer	General Manager – Chris Littlemore	File

**Purpose of Report:** To advise Council of a survey to gauge customer satisfaction.

**Report:**

Council is interested in ensuring that it has a positive image in the community. One aspect of image is customer service. To develop a Customer Service Charter, it is necessary to establish the level of expectation and degree of satisfaction with current standards.

To this end, a survey has been designed to go out with the next newsletter. The survey is circulated separately from the business paper.

**Budget Implications:** Nil.

**Attachments:** Nil.

**Recommendation:** that the information be noted.

**02.12.3055 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Byron and Morphett that the report be received and recommendation be adopted

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<b>Item G - 4</b>	<b>CMCA RALLY</b>	
Reporting Officer	General Manager – Chris Littlemore	File

**Purpose of Report:** To advise Council of an opportunity to co-host a CMCA Rally.

**Report:**

Council representatives, Cr Byron, General Manager and DECD attended a briefing organised by the Euston Club on 13 February in Euston. The purpose of the meeting was to inform possible stakeholders of the event and gauge the likely level of support.

Swan Hill Rural City Council's GM, Mayor and DECD were also present.

It appears that due to the large area needed to host up to 1200 RV's (about 25 acres) that Robinvale would be in a better position to be the host town.

The likely date for the rally would be April 2014. There was broad support for bringing the rally to the district and the Swan Hill reps indicated they would like to work with Balranald to see the event hosted.

Other towns in the district will benefit as the rally participants stage their arrival by stopping in nearby towns on their way to and from the rally.

**Budget Implications:** Nil.

**Attachments:** Nil.

**Recommendation:** that the information be noted.

**02.12.3056 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Lawler and Byron that the report be received and recommendation be adopted

<b>Item G - 5</b>	<b>CORRESPONDENCE</b>	
Reporting Officer	General Manager - Chris Littlemore	File

**Purpose of Report:** to advise Council of recent correspondence of interest.

**Report:**

1. Letter from The Hon. Don Page
2. Letter from The Office of Hon Greg Smith

**Budget Implications:**

Nil

**Attachments:**

Copy of correspondence as above

**Recommendation:** That the correspondence be noted.

**02.12.3057 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Morphett and Mannix that the report be received and recommendation be adopted

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**The Hon Don Page MP**  
Minister for Local Government  
Minister for the North Coast

Mr Chris Littlemore  
General Manager  
Balranald Shire Council  
PO Box 120  
BALRANALD NSW 2715

File 130

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05 JAN 2012

Dear Mr Littlemore

I am writing in reply to your letter of 28 November 2011 (your reference CL:26) making application on behalf of Balranald Shire Council under section 224A of the *Local Government Act 1993* to reduce the number of councillors from ten to eight.

I am pleased to advise that I have approved Council's application.

The Instrument of approval will be published in the NSW Government Gazette in the near future. I enclose a copy for your information. I have also advised the NSW Electoral Commissioner.

The reduction in councillor numbers takes effect on and from the date appointed for the next ordinary election of Council in September 2012.

Casual vacancies that may occur from the date of approval to the next ordinary election are not to be filled unless the number of Councillors on the Council would become less than eight.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

Don Page MP  
Minister

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**Office of the Hon. Greg Smith SC MP**  
Attorney General  
Minister for Justice

Mr John Williams MP  
Member for Murray-Darling  
228 Cressy Street  
DENILIQUIN NSW 2710

Dear Mr Williams

Thank you for your letter dated 14 October 2011 to the Attorney General, the Hon Greg Smith SC, MP, regarding the relocation of Balranald Court House from the Shire Offices to the old Health Building and your request for a further review. The Attorney General has asked me to respond on his behalf.

As you noted, the Attorney General's previous letter to the Hon Kevin Humphries MP indicated that the Department of Attorney General and Justice is not in a position to fund the changes needed to fit out the Health Building as a court facility. The Department estimates these costs would be around \$300,000. I am advised this is still the situation. However the Attorney General did indicate that this decision would be reviewed in six months.

I have been assured that the information you have provided will be incorporated into the planned review that will occur in March 2012. At that time, the Department will assess the capital works plan for the 2012-2013 year. Consideration will be given to the growth of Balranald, the needs of the Council and the impact on the Court, clients and agencies.

The Attorney General understands the challenges as a result of the growth of the Court and the Council, and appreciates the cooperation and pro-active approach Council has taken. If you have further questions, please feel free to contact the Director Asset Management Branch, Attorney General's Division, Mr Kerry Marshall on 02 8688 7129.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "DCM".

David Clarke MLC  
Parliamentary Secretary of Justice



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<b>Item G - 6</b>	<b>ACTION REPORT –DECEMBER COUNCIL MEETING</b>
Reporting Officer	General Manager - Chris Littlemore File 120

**Purpose of Report:** to bring forward for Councillors information the Action Report with actions taken on previous council resolutions.



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**ACTION SHEET**

**DECEMBER 2011**

<b>MINUTE</b>	<b>DIRECTOR/ FILE NO</b>	<b>SUBJECT</b>	<b>DATE INITIATED</b>	<b>COMMENTS CURRENT STATUS</b>
DID	11.11.2952	Have onsite inspection at Aerodrome at next Infrastructure & Development Committee Meeting	15 January 2012	Working with Dept of Premier & Cabinet Rep to attend march meeting
GM	11.11.2940	Contact Juvenile Justice Centre to comment on Crime Prevention Plan.		Meeting organised
DECD	12.11.2983	Ensure Euston qualifies as a RV Friendly town		Application progressing
DECD	12.11.2983	Amend Policy of Flying Flags on Council Buildings as per Notice of Motion		Amendment noted, Pole supplied by Land Council & erected.
DCS	12.11.2988	Have Investment Policy adopted	20/12/11	Completed
DCS	12.11.2989	Adopt Annual Report	20/12/11	Completed
DECD	12.11.2990	Arrange for donation equivalent for hire fee		
DECD	12.11.2993	Arrange for new opening hours at Visitors Information Centre		New times in place
GM	12.11.3000	Endorse Project Management Team Membership for Interpretive Centre Project		PMT in place with Balranald Inc reps appointed
GM	12.11.3001	Economic Development Strategy & Investment Attraction Plan Approvals		Plans displayed and final drafts for council approval
GM	12.11.3002	Arrange bookings for Western Division Conference for Crs Byron, Mannix, Mengler, Lawler, Purtill and GM		Registrations completed.

**Recommendation:** that the information be noted.

**02.12.3058 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Mannix and Byron that the report be received and recommendation be adopted

<b>Item G - 7</b>			<b>QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE</b>		
Reporting Officer		General Manager - Chris Littlemore		File 030	
<b>From Previous Meeting</b>					
Cr Barnes		Kyalite is in disrepair (Weimby Road)			

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Cr O'Halloran	State of the Multi-Purpose room in Balranald (development)	
	Balranald Low Level Weir to be made presentable.	
	New Balranald Netball Courts	
	Part Time office at Euston	
	Code for payment of accounts	
Cr Barnes	Power costs request matter to be raised at Western Division Conference	Motion sent to secretariat
	Trees planted in Mayall Street	
Cr Lawler	Gum tree at the river bend	
	Floorboards out of the old gallery	
	Riverbend needs some tender loving care	
	Lack of car at the hostel	Taxi service alternative
Cr Byron	Euston Courthouse fence	
	Self-contained retirement units at Euston	
	Letter to the new Mayor of Swan Hill	Don't normally do it.
Cr Mengler	Aged Care Hostel for Euston	
Cr Morphett	Cleaning out of culverts – is this happening	Yes this is happening
Cr Purtill	Length of seal of airport	1250m
February		
Cr Morphett	Woorandara d not b Road	
Cr Morphett	Truck Wash	Quote for upgrade
Cr Barnes	Email: State Forest (regional park) Kyalite Rules for fires NP says no fires. Review guidelines	
Cr Mengler	Review guidelines on wood collection in Regional Parks	
Cr Byron	What is the matter with the pipes in front of caravan park in Euston	
Cr Byron	Euston Power Bill Recreation ground problem	
Cr Byron	Crossing lines at Euston rec Ground	Ok to do if turning
Cr Mengler	DID to go to transport forum meetings with R Mengler	
Cr Mengler	Sign on Lane?	

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Cr Lawler	50 km signs survey	Not conclusive
Cr Lawler	Original submission to change	RMS advised
Cr O'Halloran	Ag Department re fruit fly DPI	
Cr O'Halloran	Sign on the information bay	Balranald Inc to complete
Cr O'Halloran	Can RDA Murray board re-establish Murray crossing group	
	Approach NP to request water back into Yanga Lake	
	Telstra Towers go to the board of Telstra to get the towers active (letter)	

**02.12.3059 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Morphett and Mengler that Council move into Closed Committee to discuss Confidential Matters.

**CLOSED MEETING - CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS**

The General Manager on behalf of the Mayor advised that during Closed Session, Council resolved as follows:

**CONFIDENTIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS FOR ADOPTION**

**Minutes of the Corporate Services Committee Meeting of the Balranald Shire Council held in the Ex Services Club Market Street Balranald on Thursday 2 February 2012 commencing at 9.00am.**

**PRESENT:** Cr A Purtill, (Mayor), Cr RL Mengler, Cr P. Lawler, Cr J Mannix, Cr SP O'Halloran, Cr K Barnes & Mark Anderson LGSA

<b>Item G-1</b>	<b>GENERAL MANAGER'S PERFORMANCE REVIEW</b>	
Reporting Officer	Mayor	File: Per Littlemore

**Purpose of Report**

To carry out the performance review of the General Manager.

**Reason for Confidentiality**

This report is CONFIDENTIAL in accordance with Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act 1993, which permits the meeting to

be closed to the public and press for business relating to the following: -

(a) personnel matters concerning particular individuals

**02.12.3060 RESOLVED** that the Confidential report from Corporate Service Committee Meeting held on 2nd February 2012 be received and the recommendations be adopted.

<b>Item C - C1</b>	<b>INTEREST WRITE-OFF</b>	
Reporting Officer	Director Corporate Services- Robert Rayner	File 135

**Purpose of Report**

To recommend to Council that certain interest on overdue rates be written off.

**Reason for Confidentiality**

*This report is CONFIDENTIAL in accordance with Section 10A (2) (b) of the Local Government Act 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public and press for business relating to the following:-  
the personal hardship of any resident or ratepayer.*

**02.12.3061 RESOLVED** that the recommendation of the closed committee be adopted.

**02.12.3062 RESOLVED** on the motion of O'Halloran and Byron that the meeting resume into Open Council and the recommendations be brought into the business paper.

**CLOSURE:** There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.40pm.

Confirmed, Chairman of the Ordinary Meeting of the Balranald Shire Council held on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2012, at which meeting the signature was subscribed hereto.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman

\_\_\_\_\_  
General Manager