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No.	InfoXpert ID	Where	Proposal Name/ Description	Staff comment	Recommendation
1	146228	Coolah	Bowen Oval storage shed <i>A storage shed at Bowen Oval with a lockable section for each oval user group and Warrumbungle shire for safe storage of training, game day and oval maintenance equipment. The eighth unit to be an Ambient toilet block with 3 toilets.</i>	Application for funding under Resources for Regions was successful.	\$449,111 included in 24/25 Delivery Program
2	146243	Dunedoo, Binnaway, Coolah, Mendooran	Central West Cycle Trail <i>1. Trail signage 2. Bike Racks 3. Making corridors available to link the towns of Dunedoo, Coolah, Binnaway and Mendooran</i>	Trail signage concept supported by Traffic Advisory Committee. They have been requested to provide further information which has not been received to date.	No further action.
3	146247	Coonabarabran	Swimming pool upgrade plans <i>Put forward budgeted funds to finalise plans and then actively seek funding</i>	Application for funding from Resources for Regions for a pool masterplan was successful.	\$199,440 included in draft 23/24 Operational Plan
4	146248	Dunedoo	Urban road pavements <i>Among other streets in the Shire, and in Dunedoo alone, both Talbragar Street and Wallaroo Street in Dunedoo require urban road pavement and associated drainage works to be completed</i>	There are a number of streets in Dunedoo that require improved drainage.	An overall plan for the development of drainage in Dunedoo needs to be prepared. This will need to be budgeted for and external consultants engaged.

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5	146304	Dunedoo	<p>Mowing part Dunedoo Riverside Reserve <i>Volunteers have been mowing the site to provide access to walkers along the river.</i> <i>Landcare has a submission into Council to co-manage this reserve and return its use to Public Recreation. Landcare has sought and been successful in receiving some funding for development of the site. The long-term plan involves installing a more defined walking track, seating, picnic areas, revegetation, signage and fencing.</i></p>	<p>This proposal will result in an expansion of council's asset base and an increased level of service. It will not be able to be funded within current budgets.</p>	<p>Unless there is a corresponding reduction in level of service in another area, this proposal cannot be sustained.</p>
6	146314	Coolah	<p>Coolaburragundy Riverwalk – extend Council mowing; install signage <i>To reduce the labour and out of pocket costs to local volunteers mowing the site, the proposal is for Council to extend the area it mows. Volunteers can then focus on caring for the trees and other plants.</i> <i>Design and installation of interpretive and wayfinding signs is required on the site. Volunteers are prepared to design the signs. We would like to request that Council fund the manufacture and installation of the signage.</i></p>	<p>This proposal will result in an expansion of council's asset base and an increased level of service. It will not be able to be funded within current budgets.</p>	<p>Unless there is a corresponding reduction in level of service in another area, this proposal cannot be sustained.</p>

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7	146315	Dunedoo	<p>Increased maintenance and care of Milling Park <i>That Council increase its hours for maintenance for Milling Park to fully restore the gardens in Milling Park, especially around the barbeque area, public toilets, playground and sculpture area. That adequate hours be provided to ensure the ongoing maintenance of the gardens.</i></p>	<p>This proposal will result in an increased level of service. It will not be able to be funded within current budgets.</p>	<p>Unless there is a corresponding reduction in level of service in another area, this proposal cannot be sustained.</p>
8	146329	Coolah	<p>Cameron Place – major restoration <i>Collapsed road surface due to water penetration, severely impacted by the filling of an easement adjacent to number 4 Cameron Place. This in turn has damaged the guttering and entire road surface.</i></p>	<p>Previously inspected and options being investigated.</p>	<p>It is unlikely that the costs of a permanent solution will meet an acceptable benefit/cost ratio.</p>
9	146397	Mendooran	<p>Mendooran Sportsground amenities block <i>A new uni sex/disabled toilet unit would enable all users a user friendly and hygienic facility. We have users that deter from our current facilities and further the need for disabled access is required for some of our local residents who attend our grounds in wheelchairs, parents with prams etc where a larger facility provides access.</i></p>	<p>Application for funding to Resources for Regions was successful</p>	<p>\$599,879 included in the 23/24 draft operational plan</p>

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10	146526	LGA	Weekly shopping transport to Coonabarabran <i>A shopping bus once a week, doing the rounds of each town at a set time of day plus return would be a big advantage for those without transport for whatever reason. It could also be useful for people attending the hospital in Coonabarabran or seeing their GP.</i>	Community Care bus currently runs regularly from each town to and from Dubbo and Gunnedah. The bus is available to the general public (bookings essential) at a cost of \$33.00. 2022 timetable published 21 February 2022 (Council website and social media)	Operational costs do not allow this additional service.
11	146527	Coonabarabran	New 'welcome' signage to Coonabarabran <i>With the bypass approaching, now would be the time to update, and plan new signage into Coonabarabran.</i>	See also submission 22	New town entrance sign included in 22/23 Capital Works Project
12	147563	Binnaway	Increased mowing at Binnaway Showground <i>That council reconsider the budget allocated to the ground in the 2022/2023 financial year and look to fund at a minimum \$11,394.27 for mowing</i>	We are unable to provide the level of service requested within current budgets.	We can explore other options of a volunteer/contractor model within existing budgets.

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13	146948	Coolah	<p>Year-round operation of swimming pool <i>Now the solar heating is being fitted soon there doesn't appear to be much reason why it cannot stay open all year round for locals and visitors. The cost should be extremely limited, eg suggest to only open to card holders for the outside 'current season months'. This means no lifeguard is required and the pool would need cleaning/maintaining perhaps once per week.</i></p>	<p>The net operating costs of the Coolah pool last season was \$88,056. Given the patronage levels, it is not considered cost effective to run the pool all year round. Council provides pool attendants who are required to carry out water testing on a daily basis as well as other maintenance tasks. There are certain water quality standards that must be met if the pool is open to the public.</p>	Not supported.
14	146949	Neilrex	<p>Restoration of King Togee Grave, Neilrex Road <i>Restore information board at King Togee's Grave and create a seating area. Ask local Indigenous communities to see how best to restore this site.</i></p>	<p>Referred to Council's Heritage Adviser, who met with Gilgandra LALC. Gilgandra LALC suggested a more durable sign material be utilised, and were happy to contribute funding for the sign and hold a re-dedication</p>	To be funded by Gilgandra LALC.
15	146950	Coolah	<p>Improve tree lopping services used at Coolah <i>Recently, the tree outside my property was pruned by a tree lopping company, which did a horrendous job. The tree is misshapen and will probably die. Many of the trees that are lopped in the area look misshapen and unsightly. I suggest using a company that can shape the trees as well.</i></p>	<p>Incident has been investigated and referred to Essential Energy. Customer advised the tree lopping was not carried out by Council.</p>	NA

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16	146951	Coolah	Year-round operation of swimming pool	See submission 13	
17	146952	Coolah	Establish 'Return and Earn' (Container Deposit Scheme) <i>Currently, residents have to travel to Dunedoo or Dubbo to recycle bottles and earn money. Therefore, many bottles are going into normal bins and then into landfill, which could otherwise go towards helping struggling families earn extra cash.</i>	Open for a community group to approach TOMRA Cleanaway to install and run a CDS depot. Council does not have resources to man another facility.	Council not proceeding. Community group welcome to approach TOMRA Cleanaway and open own facility.
18	147108	Coolah	Roadworks Coolah/Cassilis Road <i>Regular road maintenance could save major rebuilds</i>	Council has allocated funding for road widening on Vinegaroy Road and it is also likely that the road will be upgraded if the various wind farms are developed.	\$169,000 included in draft 23/24 operational plan
19	147110	LGA	Create new position in organisation structure – Youth Development Officer <i>A Shire Youth Development Officer to allocate time each week to assist volunteers in each town to conduct youth activities. As a community we wish to engage with youth for positive outcomes but our volunteers need support.</i>	Community Connections Officer position has youth and vulnerable children focus included within position requirements	Community Connections Officer already included in budget
20	147111	LGA	Create new position in Organisation Structure – Grants Officer <i>WSC should have a dedicated grants officer to access ALL available grant funding on offer. ... The position of Council grants</i>	Submission states that position should work out as self-funded; however, there is little ability to recover the cost of a grants officer in compiling grant applications.	Not currently supported

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21	147114	Coolah	Maintenance at Coolah Library/ Gallery <i>Ceiling discolouration leaking roof in Gallery area. New roof Feb 2022 but ceiling needs repaint Exterior safety lights to be replaced by LED – neons out or flashing.</i>	Some maintenance included in capital budget	Some maintenance included in draft capital budget
22	147115	LGA	Increase Economic Development and Tourism Budget (town signage Coolah and surrounds) <i>Due to age and deterioration of Shire signage and need for new signage, there is a requirement to increase EDT Budget. Town entrance signs, King Togee sign, RV Friendly signs, Riverside/ Recreational Pathway sign Coolah, Golden Highway turnoff to Coolah and Coolah Tops.</i>	Town entrance signs included as capital project in 22/23FY	Project underway.
23	147117	Coolah	Bollards to protect heritage verandah posts, Binnia St Coolah <i>This project was started by Council in 2019/20 but was not completed. The main areas unprotected are block hairdresser/butcher/craft shop/cafe main CBD and Quilt shop bottom of Binnia St.</i>	This is similar to the request received in Baradine. Property owners will be requested to share the costs.	Council will respond to specific requests from affected property owners.
24	147120	Coolah	Reflectors on main street blisters, Binnia St Coolah <i>When proceeding along Binnia St, particularly at night, you</i>	The reflectors can be replaced under road maintenance.	Road maintenance expenditure budget.

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			<i>cannot see the blisters extending into the roadway</i>		
25	147122	Coolah	Seating signage and dedication at Bowen Oval <i>Councillor/Dr Mark Powell passed away suddenly in 2017 having engineered many improvements to Bowen Oval. In his memory if 40 years veterinary services to district and services to WSC, we wish to name the No 2 Oval in his memory and provide seating for spectators.</i>	The suggestion to name No 2 Oval after former councillor Dr Mark Powell would be subject to the Geographical Names Board's policy for place-naming.	Formal proposal to be submitted to Council for consideration. This will then go to a Council meeting and if endorsed will need to be notified and submissions invited.
26	147238	Coonabarabran	Clean up old power station in Castlereagh Street <i>Setting aside some funds to clean up the old power station in Castlereagh Street. Such building has a lot of pigeon dung, old council magazines & rubbish inside. Also, the building is fenced off due to asbestos making up parts of the walls etc. It may become a snake hazard also due to the nesting pigeons.</i>	Removal of asbestos is an unknown cost	A quotation would need to be sought before budget can be considered. Not included in budget
27	147325	Dunedoo	Build up and seal Talbragar Street <i>Talbragar street between Tallawang and Wallaroo street is being washed away. It desperately needs to be built up and sealed.</i>	See submission 4	
28	147335	Baradine	Footpath repair around St John's Catholic Primary School	Refer to Urban Services and Facilities to investigate trip hazards	Trip hazards repaired as part of operational expenditure

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			<i>The uneven surface of the footpaths are a trip hazard for pedestrians & the disabled.</i>		
29	147432	Binnaway	Maintenance of Binnaway Tennis Clubhouse <i>Allocate budget to maintenance of the Binnaway Tennis Clubhouse and club grounds. There has been little to no maintenance carried out on the clubhouse in the last three years since the tennis club has been operational. The clubhouse urgently needs new sinks in the bathrooms, taps in the kitchen as well as a new rainwater tank, gutters, roof repair and painting.</i>	Funding has been received under Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program Phase 3. Project has been tendered twice without success and will be tendered again in May 2023.	\$261,000 included in 22/23 operational plan \$25,000 has been allocated to re-roof the Binnaway Tennis Club in 2023/2024 draft budget
30	147433	Binnaway	Increased mowing of Binnaway Showground <i>Allocate funding to the regular mowing and maintenance of the Binnaway Showground. The facility has gone from hosting an annual show to now holding events throughout the year, bringing visitors to the town and stimulating the local economy.</i>	See submission 12	
31	147634	Mendooran	Replace amenities block at Mendooran sports oval <i>To replace the amenities block at the Mendooran sports oval, bringing it up to a suitable and modern standard to meet community needs and expectations.</i>	See submissions 9, 36	

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32	147635	Mendooran	Sealing Cobborah Road, Mendooran <i>There is a 12km section that is unsealed and poses a large traffic hazard and increased risk given recent weather events. It is likely the single most dangerous section of roadway on the shire with the most collisions and has seen fatalities in 2021. The road is also currently closed due to the hazardous state of disrepair. The sealing of the roadway would reduce the risk of significant and repetitive road trauma.</i>	Council has recently carried out extensive repairs following the natural disasters. There are no current plans to seal the road.	No further action.
33	147708	Binnaway, Coolah, Coonabarabran, Dunedoo, Mendooran	Heritage Main Street Studies <i>Provision of a Heritage Main Street Study for each of the five towns in the Warrumbungle Shire who do not have such a study - Mendooran, Dunedoo, Coolah, Binnaway and Coonabarabran.</i>	Will need to be funded.	To apply for funding when funding becomes available.
34	147791	LGA	Increase funding to Community Development Coordinators Program <i>Increase funding from \$150,000 to \$180,000 +GST per annum (Equating to an increase of \$30,000 +GST per annum or \$5,000 +GST per position per annum).</i>	Draft budget includes increase to Community Development Coordinators Program of \$2,000 per position	Proposed budget increase from \$150,000 to \$162,000

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35	147818, 147819	Coolah	Create discus and long jump pits at Bowen Oval <i>Enhance our Centre's (Three Rivers Little Athletics) capacity to improve athlete's skills by establishing two high quality areas which are integral parts of any athletics facilities.</i>	Consultation will be required and the need determined.	If the need was there, external grant funding would need to be sought.
36	147820	Mendooran	New amenities, storage and lighting at Mendooran Oval <i>Mendooran Sports Oval is in desperate need of new Amenities and Storage Facilities at the site. The current amenities are long past their use by date and there are no toilet facilities for people with disabilities. Currently there is a 20 foot shipping container for storage only. This would be a more appropriate and practical solution to have everything under the one roof. We also propose a submission for Lighting at the Mendooran Sports Oval so Winter sporting activities and training can occur.</i>	See submissions 9, 31	
37	147820	Mendooran	New fence at Mendooran Cemetery <i>The fence around the Cemetery is in a very dilapidated state. ... We have willing volunteers who are keen to tidy up and improve the Cemetery.</i>	This has been costed.	\$56,800 included in draft 24/25 delivery program

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38	147821	Mendooran	<p>Replacement of BBQ area at Mendooran Park <i>The Mendooran Volunteer Rescue Association Inc. have received Federal Government Funding for their Driver Reviver Program re: Signage. This money can be utilised elsewhere if signage is not needed, but specifically needs to be for the Driver Reviver Program. Hence the Mendooran Volunteer Rescue Association are proposing that the BBQ Area, that needs replacing, can it incorporate an extension to accommodate a kitchen for the operation of the Driver Reviver Program. The Mendooran Volunteer Rescue Association can then put their Government funding into this project and the BBQ Area would then incorporate the Driver Reviver Site pending Council approval.</i></p>	<p>The current BBQ area is in need of maintenance.</p> <p>Redevelopment of the site in association with a Driver Reviver Program is sensible and would be supported.</p> <p>Grant funding will need to be sought.</p>	Supported subject to grant opportunities being available.
39	147822	Binnaway	<p>Allocate budget to maintenance of Binnaway Tennis Club <i>Consistent annual budget allocation to maintain and repair Binnaway tennis club house. It has had no building maintenance in recent years. Requires new guttering, fascia timber, kitchen and bathroom taps, new rainwater tank and painting.</i></p>	See submission 29	

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40	147823	Baradine	<p>Flood drainage and road improvement works at 'Magann's Crossing' on the Baradine Road This proposal is for the installation of a culvert at <i>Magann's Crossing 1.5kms south of Baradine on the Coonabarabran Road.</i> <i>Since the construction of the Bugaldie Creek Bridge, flooding at Magann's Crossing is the only section of the Baradine to Coonabarabran Road that prevents all weather access to the town.</i></p>	Recent funding application was unsuccessful. Will continue to seek funding opportunities.	\$500,000 included in draft 25/26 delivery program
41	147824	Baradine	Purchase and installation of all-in-one aluminium picnic table, bench seats and shade shelter and enclosed and lockable rubbish bin, with canopy cover, to be installed at the rest area at Oxley's Crossing on the Baradine Road.	This has not been costed.	Unless there is a corresponding reduction in level of service in another area, this proposal cannot be sustained.
42	147825	Baradine	Increase to budget allocation for Baradine Main Street gardens <i>To allow for landscaping and improved maintenance of the garden area at the front of the Baradine Memorial Hall and in the Baradine Lions Park.</i>	This proposal will result in an increased level of service. It will not be able to be funded within current budgets.	Unless there is a corresponding reduction in level of service in another area, this proposal cannot be sustained.

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43	147826	Baradine	Planting an avenue of ornamental pear trees on the Baradine Road approach into the town <i>These are fast growing deciduous tree that has proved its worth in plantings that beautify Wellington Street.</i>	Street trees program already included in capital budget	Street trees program already included in capital budget
44	147827	Coonabarabran	Install community noticeboard/poster display board in the Little Timor Street Plaza <i>A community notice board in the central location of the newly developed Little Timor Street Plaza that is managed by the 2357 Development Group Inc. in collaboration with the community.</i>	This was not supported by the Coonabarabran Town Beautification Advisory Committee	No further action.
45	148146	Baradine	Maganns Crossing upgrade <i>50% Transport for NSW</i>	See submission 40	
46	148146	Baradine	Warrigal Street crossing upgrade <i>50% Transport for NSW</i>		
47	148146	Mendooran	Hole-in-the-wall garbage drop-off. <i>Six metre enclosure at road with extra amount of bins, so full bins can be stored until garbage trucks arrive to pick up. The Mendooran site is different to other sites as the distance from the gate to the site is a considerable distance.</i>	Previously investigated and reported to Council, which resolved not to proceed. Biodiversity issues with tree removal, and location near main road has issues.	Not recommended as Council resolved not to proceed.
48	148146	Mendooran	Water connection fee brought in line with other users charges. <i>I believe the water charges are far too dear for the residents to pay for.</i>	New WTP incurred by users at Mendooran some years ago. Soon due to expire.	Resolved some years ago the fees to be charged to Mendooran users. 2023/2024 is to be the last year of this charge.

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49	148146	Binnaway, Mendooran	Sewage connection <i>Lobby to be put up the line, not put it down the line. There is 75% grants available so lets push for it.</i>	Binnaway and Mendooran STPs not eligible for funding at this stage.	Business case for Binnaway Sewerage is progressing. This may assist attract funding in future years for the project.
50	148146	LGA	Free entry to swimming pools <i>Funded by special rate levy.</i>	The net annual operating cost of all six pools is in the order of \$516,616. This excludes depreciation and capital works. Annual income for the pools is in the order of \$113,896.	Not supported.
51	148453	Dunedoo	Seal unnamed road, which runs between the Showground and the Saleyards, from Wargundy Street to its end. <i>To reduce the dust problem from it for the Show, especially the pavilion, and to the Men's Shed.</i>	There are a number of streets in Dunedoo that require improved drainage.	An overall plan for the development of drainage in Dunedoo needs to be prepared. This will need to be budgeted for and external consultants engaged.